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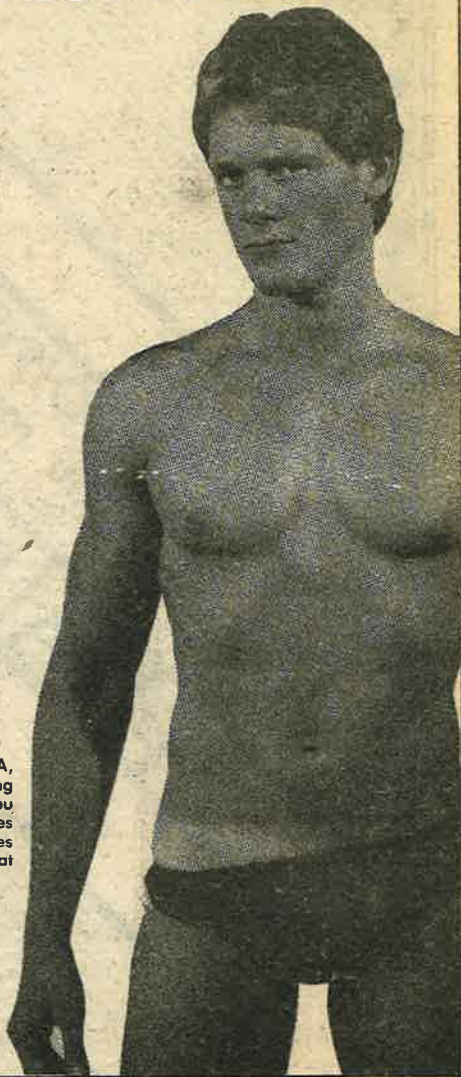
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Briefs

US Tightens Blood Program Rule

Atlanta, GA (Milw. Sentinel) — Federal health officials tightened their anti-AIDS blood donor screening program Sept. 5, saying any man who has had sex with another man since 1977 should not donate.

The Public Health Service said the new restriction applies even to men who may have had only a single contact and who do not consider themselves homosexuals or bisexual.

The government previously considered homosexual or bisexual men with multiple sexual partners to be at increased risk for acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Blood and plasma collection centers have been using a two-phase screening procedure to decrease transmission of the AIDS virus through transfusion of blood and blood products.

Potential donors were asked not to donate blood if they had a risk factor for AIDS. Blood or plasma from donors also is tested for an antibody to the AIDS virus.

Susan Cruzan, a spokeswoman for the Food and Drug Administration, said health service researchers checked stored, frozen blood and blood supplies of high-risk groups and determined that no AIDS antibodies were present before 1977.

"What they (the researchers) have done is that after development of the blood test for AIDS antibodies, they went back to the stores of frozen serum in serum libraries to check for the antibody in high-risk groups. They checked the serum going back through the 1980's and 1970's and did not find any AIDS antibodies in the serum before 1977," she said.

AIDS Toll Climbs

In Wisconsin, 50 cases of AIDS have been diagnosed, with 28 deaths, according to the most recent update by the State Department of Health.

As of September 2nd, the National Center for Disease Control said they had received reports of 12,932 AIDS cases in the U.S. and 6,481 deaths.

National Bill Introduced, Again

WASHINGTON (GNIC) — According to the New York Native, a bill has been introduced in the U.S. Senate that would ban discrimination based on sexual orientation in employment, housing and public accommodation.

The bill is sponsored by Senator John Kerry (D-Mass.) and co-sponsored by senators Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Daniel Inouye (D-Haw.). A similar bill is under consideration in the House.

GAY GAMES II

San Francisco (GNIC) — Plans for Gay Games II, which are to be held in San Francisco next year, have been finalized. The sports, entry procedures and rules and regulations have been announced by San Francisco Arts & Athletics, producers of Gay Games II.

The Games, under the theme, "Triumph in '86," are scheduled for August 9-17, 1986. A cultural week is planned in conjunction with the games. There are no minimum standards necessary to enter the games - those at all levels of ability are encouraged to participate.

Basketball, bowling, boxing, cycling, marathon, physique, pool, powerlifting, racquetball, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track & field, triathlon, volleyball and wrestling are the sports scheduled for Gay Games II.

Competition in both men's and women's groups will be held for all sports except wrestling, which will be for men only. At the first

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Milwaukee Area Gay Fathers	P.O. Box 07018, 53207, 871-2362
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games in 1982, 40 percent of the participants were women. Next year, it is expected that the number of participants will be approximately equally divided among women and men.

Sports have grown tremendously in the Gay community in the last five years, according to Shawn Kelly, executive director of the games. 'We consider participation in sports to be one of the most positive responses we can make to the crisis of AIDS, individually and collectively. Sports not only promotes individual physical fitness, but also provides a healthy way to bring us all together. Gay Games II provides a healthy event both for individuals and our community as a whole,' Kelly said. 'We hope the games will encourage even more people to become involved in sports.'

The games' sports committee, chaired by Sara Lewinstein and Hal Herkenhoff, expect more than 5,000 participants for Gay Games II, compared with 1,300 in 1982. Tens of thousands of spectators from the San Francisco Bay Area and around the world are expected to witness the event. Opening and closing ceremonies are planned for Kezar Stadium, former home of the San Francisco 49er's.

Entry fees have been set at \$20.00 per person, whether for an individual event or a team sport. Additional events may be entered for a fee of \$10.00 each. Most sports have various age groups and some sports, such as track and field and swimming, have many different events. Complete information on how to enter specific sports may be obtained by contacting the *Gay Games II* office at 526 Castro Street, San Francisco, California 94114 Telephone 415-861-8282.

'We are opening entries for the games now so people will have a chance to start to train, organize teams for teams sports, and raise money to come to the games,' Lewinstein and Herkenhoff explained. 'Although the games are open to everyone regardless of ability, there will be a numerical limit for some sports due to the size of the facilities. We encourage everyone interested in participating to enter as soon as possible. Those who enter will be added to our mailing list and kept up-to-date about plans for the Games.'

Judge Resists Plea Deal For Pipe Bomber

Eau Claire, (Milw. Journal) Fifteen years in prison and 10 years on probation would not be enough to protect the public from Earl Steven Karr, a judge said Sept. 5 after Karr pleaded guilty to planting pipe bombs in Eau Claire, La Crosse and Milwaukee.

Karr, 25, pleaded guilty to five charges involving explosives in the three Wisconsin cities. He has pleaded guilty or is waiting to enter pleas to bomb charges in other Midwest states.

At the sentencing hearing, Eau Claire County Circuit Judge Thomas Barland said he could not agree to the sentence provided for a plea bargain, based on a report from a psychiatrist who interviewed Karr.

'This is not an arrangement that will adequately protect the public, which I think is a paramount concern in this case,' Barland said.

Karr pleaded guilty to five counts, including possession of explosives, issued from Milwaukee and Eau Claire Counties; possession of explosives with intent to commit a crime; intent to cause bodily harm, issued in the injury of a Milwaukee woman on May 31, 1984; and endangering safety by conduct regardless of life, issued from La Crosse in connection with a pipe-bomb explosion at a church May 25, 1984.

Six bombs were found in La Crosse, one in Stillwater, Minn., six in St. Cloud, Minn., three in Milwaukee, two in Eau Claire and five in Chicago.

Under the plea arrangement, Karr pleaded guilty to charges in Stillwater and is scheduled to enter pleas in Chicago and St. Cloud later.

Barland postponed sentencing until he received more information and a psychiatric evaluation that defense lawyer Larry Ridgeway said would support the plea agreement. The judge said he wanted to make sure that the public was protected.

Barland ordered Karr back to the Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter pending sentencing.

TEXAS SODOMY LAW DECISION TO BE APPEALED

DALLAS (GNIC) — The man who filed suit to abolish Texas' sodomy law said he will ask the Supreme Court to overturn a decision by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upholding the statute that bans homosexual conduct.

Donald Baker, who claimed in 1979 that a state law banning homosexual conduct was unconstitutional, Tuesday said an appeal will be filed 'as expeditiously as possible.'

The Dallas computer services worker said he was both appalled and encouraged that the New Orleans appellate court ruling Monday was based on moral judgments, rather than legal precedents.

'What we find encouraging is that they laid aside legal reason and decided to base their decision on 700 years of moral tradition,' Baker said. 'I think this is going to ignite a response not only in the gay community, but other minority communities, that a decision of this magnitude would be based on moral

tradition rather than on the law. I think that is positive.

'What you have to understand is that this is America's case now. It has broken through the invisible barrier affecting one segment of society.'

The 5th Circuit voted 9-7 Monday to reverse the ruling of a Dallas federal judge, who had said the law banning oral and anal sex was unconstitutional because it violated privacy.

'In view of the strong objection to homosexual conduct, which has prevailed in Western culture for the past seven centuries, we cannot say that (the Texas law) is totally unrelated to the pursuit of implementing morality, a permissible state goal,' the judges said.

Danny Hill, district attorney in Potter County in West Texas, had asked the 5th

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11 M&M Club (Mw, F)	124 N. Water St., 347-1962
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QFI (Property Management & Development)	1010 N. Broadway, 226-4072

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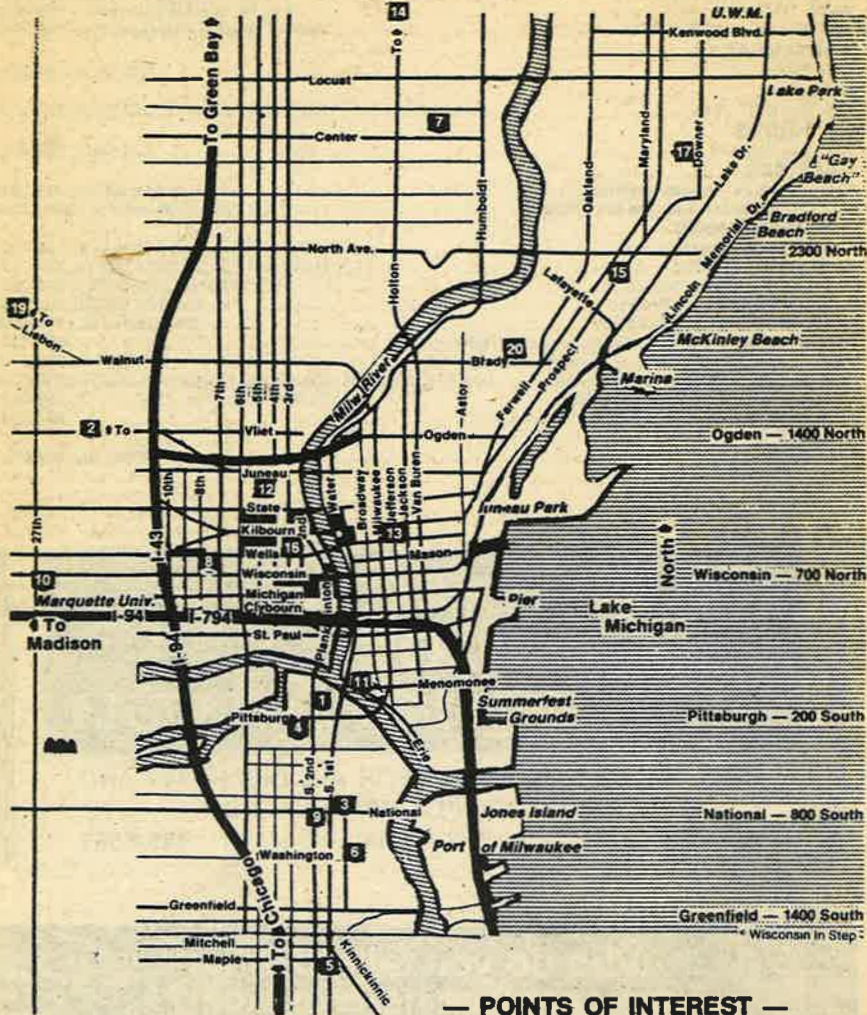
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Milwaukee AIDS Project	273-AIDS
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(W. Wells and N. 7th Sts.)
- Mitchell Park Conservatory (the Domes)**
(600 block south on S. 27th St.)
- Riverside Theatre**
Wisconsin At The River

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Circuit to uphold the Texas law, and said he was pleased with the decision.

'I'm not a person who would impose my morality on anybody else, but there comes a point in time where we have to take a stand, bar no holds, jump in first and do what we think was right,' he said.

Hill said part of his stand was based on a desire to stop the rapid spread of AIDS. •

Police Use Rubber Gloves

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (GNIC) — Police officers' use of rubber gloves as a precaution against AIDS while checking for underage drinkers at a gay bar has brought protests from gays.

'I was outraged. I thought it was totally ridiculous . . . It's totally unnecessary,' one young man said of the ID checks at The Downtowner Bar. He asked that he be identified only as Michael.

Police Chief Richard L. Dotson said offic-

ers were justified in wearing the gloves as a precaution against acquired immune deficiency syndrome. 'This is a common practice around the country.'

'When they make an arrest they have to search pockets and the groin area,' said Lt. Howard Tingle, head of the unit that conducted the ID check.

Charles Fallis of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said 'there is absolutely no need' for police, firefighters or emergency medical technicians to wear gloves around people suspected of having AIDS. 'AIDS cannot be spread through casual contact.' •

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Letters

Dear Ron,

In the recent Wis. InStep, vol. 2, issue 17, August 22-September 4, 1985, an advertisement regarding HTLV III testing was printed with the BEST Clinic's telephone number. The advertisement strongly discourages testing and advocates not having the HTLV III test. Since our telephone number was published with the advertisement it is assumed that this is our (BEST Clinic) policy too.

The BEST Clinic recognizes and acknowledges the controversy with HTLV III testing. We include this information with any counseling for persons inquiring about the test or requesting to have the test. It is not our stated policy to strongly encourage or discourage people from taking the test. Rather we provide a safe, sensitive, supportive, and confidential atmosphere for those who desire the test. It is our policy to leave the decision, whether or not to have the test, up to the individual.

We request that you do not include our number in future advertisements of this nature and possible clarify this with your readers. Lastly, Sue wanted me to pass along to you that she will be getting to you information on a more regular basis regarding AIDS and MAP. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Doug Johnson
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The Arts Chicago Premieres

Chicago premieres of *Before Stonewall*, *Buddies* highlight 1985 Chicago lesbian and Gay Film Festival Sept. 20-26.

The Chicago premiere of *Before Stonewall*, first place winner in the documentary category at the 1985 Filmex film festival in Los Angeles, will open the 1985 Chicago Lesbian and Gay Film Festival Friday, September 20, at the Music Box Theatre 3733 North Southport Avenue.

A truly international event offering features from the United States, Great Britain, Spain, West Germany, the Netherlands, Japan, France, and Australia, the Chicago Lesbian and Gay Film Festival plays a week's engagement through Thursday, September 26, at the Music Box. Now in its fifth year, the festival is sponsored by Chicago Filmmakers, an independent, not-for-profit organization, and is recognized as one of the three major international, non-competitive showcases of films by and about gays and lesbians.

Joining *Before Stonewall* as highlights of the festival are the eagerly anticipated new motion pictures *Buddies*, the first dramatic feature about the AIDS crisis in America; *Black Lizard*, a rarely seen Japanese thriller based on a play by Yukio Mishima.

Before Stonewall, praised by audiences and critics in New York, Los Angeles, Toronto, and elsewhere, is a comprehensive, often humorous contemporary history of gay and lesbian life in the United States, from the 'demimonde' of the 1920's through the period of urban migration after World War II up to the 1969 Stonewall riots, when defiant protests against police harassment spawned the modern gay rights movement. A champagne reception with *Before Stonewall* director Greta Schiller and Chicago participants in the film will start at 7 p.m., preceding the film's Chicago premiere showing at 8 p.m. Friday, September 20.

The festival will also present the Midwest premiere of *Buddies*, by Arthur J. Bressan, Jr. A no-holds-barred look at the emotional, sexual, medical, and political dimensions of the AIDS crisis, *Buddies* tells its story in

deeply human terms, focusing on the relationship between an AIDS patient struggling for life in a New York hospital and the young man who volunteers to be his 'buddy,' caring for his personal needs. The 7 p.m. screening on Sunday, September 22, is a benefit for the Howard Brown Memorial Clinic's AIDS Action Project in Chicago, presented in cooperation with Arts Against AIDS.

The film *Buddies* will begin a two week engagement at Chicago Filmmakers beginning Sept. 27. Call 312-329-0854, for more info.

Also receiving its Chicago premiere is *Black Lizard*. The 1968 *Black Lizard* stars Japan's most famous female impersonator, Akihiro Maruyama, as a ruthless jewel thief in a performance that's part camp, part melodramas, and part Kabuki theater. The visually striking film will be shown Saturday, September 21, at 8 p.m.

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On Wednesday, September 25, a 6 p.m. showing of von Grote's moody 1982 film, *Depart to Arrive*.

Other Chicago premieres include *Horror Vacui* — *The Fear of Emptiness*, the latest work by German director Rosa von Praunheim (*City of Lost Souls*, *Army of Lovers*), a story about a young man caught up in a mysterious cult, filmed on the original sets of the 1919 classic *Cabinet of Dr. Caligari*; *Breaking the Silence*, a new 65-minute British film about lesbian mothers, shown on a double bill with the heartwarming American documentary on the same theme, *Choosing Children* (1984); *Behind Glass*, a 1981 domestic drama from the Netherlands about two men, a reporter and a window washer, learning to be happy together; *Domestic Bliss* (1984), a British comedy-drama about a pair of women lovers trying to find time alone away from the demands of friends and family; and *Cass*, an Australian drama about a woman whose life is changed through her encounter with matriarchal tribal rituals.

Also highlighting the weeklong festival is a special double bill that undercuts the myth that there are no aged gay people. *Cadmus*; *Enfant Terrible at 80* is an intimate portrait of the controversial American painter Paul Cadmus, who candidly discusses his art, career, as he turns 80. *Silent Pioneers* profiles eight men and women who fought oppression and invisibility to live meaningful lives in the years before the modern gay rights movement; among the interviewees is Chicagoan Merle Markland, who will be present at the movie's first big-screen showing in Chicago.

Rounding out the festival are: *Abuse* (1983), by *Buddies* director Arthur J. Bressan, Jr., an explosive drama about a battered teenage boy who seeks refuge from his parents' beatings in an affair with a 32-year-old filmmaker (Bressan will be present to take questions from the audience at both the *Buddies* and *Abuse* screenings).

Scrubbers (1983), Mai Zetterling's tough and funny slice of life in a girls' reformatory; *A Woman Like Eve*, starring Maria Schneider in the 1979 story of a French housewife who runs away to live with a French commune-dweller; *The Wounded Man* (1983), Patrice Chereau's exploration of homoeroti-

cism and criminality, a shocking drama of obsession and violence by the innovative French opera director Chereau; and *La Muerte de Mikel* (The Death of Mikel), the story of a young man's affair with a transvestite, set within the struggle for Basque independence—the 1984 film features Spain's most popular television star, Imanol Arias; and two British films about famous homosexual artists, Ken Hughes' *The Trials of Oscar Wilde* (1961), starring Peter Finch, and Ken Russell's *The Music Lovers* (1971), starring Richard Chamberlain as Tchaikovsky.

Two 'adults-only' programs are: *Pink Narcissus*, a 1971 under-ground classic — long unseen in America, though greatly admired in Europe — that mixes poetic surrealism with explicit sexuality; and *Erotic in Nature*, an evening of new erotic video created by lesbians, for lesbians. A panel discussion, 'Lesbians and Erotica,' will be held in conjunction with *Erotic in Nature*. The panel will include pioneering lesbian filmmaker Barbara Hammer, video producer Debi Sundahl, and others. Throughout the festival, selected short films and videos will be screened, including some special surprises.

The Chicago Lesbian and Gay Film Festival returns this year to the 750-seat Music Box Theatre, located on Southport Avenue between Addison Street and Irving Park Road. Programs begin Friday, September 20, and run through Thursday, September 26, with screenings Monday through Friday evenings and additional Saturday and Sunday matinees. Admission prices are \$4.50 for evening shows, \$3.50 for matinees; single admission tickets are available at the Music Box box office the day of the show only. Admission to the opening night reception and the screening of *Before Stonewall* is \$6; admission to the benefit screening of *Buddies* is also \$6.

Chicago Filmmakers is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Illinois Arts Council, and the Chicago Office of Fine Arts. Special support for the 1985 Chicago Lesbian and Gay Film Festival comes from the Chicago Resource Center and the Playboy Foundation.

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Interview

by Kevin Michael

Stephen Lehew — *The Sheik of 'The Desert Song'*

Stephen Lehew, the handsome, young, leading man who played the dual role of Pierre Birabeau and the 'Red Shadow' in the operetta *The Desert Song* spoke with Arts columnist, Kevin Michael, on his recent return to Milwaukee to appear at the Melody Top. Last season, he starred in a production of *Showboat*. In a most interesting dialogue he shared his views about Milwaukee, musical theatre and operetta, his career, and his approach to a variety of other issues. He's a bright, charming, insightful man.

You've returned to Milwaukee for the second time. What's your reaction?

I always have a good time here. I think it's a nice quiet city. My living accommodations are very comfortable and the area I'm in is very pleasant. When I first came to Milwaukee last year, I enjoyed it. The audiences are very receptive. It was a wonderful time!

Last year's Showboat, I felt was one of the best Bob Baker-George Bunt collaborations that had been presented at the Top. Any thoughts about this delightful production?

I like to work with directors who I feel trust me — who believe in me. I like to work with Bob. Because I don't place any limits upon myself, I'm not afraid to try things. I'm then able to extend myself — my emotions and feelings.

You've done both operetta and musicals. Which do you prefer?

I like them both. For the most part, I have the chance to play more leads in operetta than in musical theatre. That's changing though because I found that I've gotten to an age where I'm no longer just the male ingenue. I'm crossing the bridge towards playing young leading men. But in operetta, I've always played the young leading man.

How about favorite musical and operetta?

Something that affected me as a brilliant piece of work is, *Sweeney Todd*. I just did it last fall for Michigan Opera. The subject matter is weird. Though, I think my favorite musical is *Brigadoon* — it's a magical musical! If it's done right and done sincerely — it still can move people! As for favorite operetta, I love *The Desert Song* and *The Student Prince*. That's probably from an egotistical point of view, I love both roles.

Operetta as a whole has really taken off on revival across the country. Why do you think that's so?

Many people who still come to the theatre are an older generation. Certainly outside of New York, there are not many young theatre goers at least from my experience. They want to hear shows with music again. They want to hear pretty melodies and pretty voices. Audiences respond to that!

For your dual role, you must change costumes frequently. How many changes are there and what's it like?

Eight times! But that's two basic costumes. It's not the number of times that I change, it's the amount of time that I have to get the change done. Working those aisles and getting the changes down was a major ordeal! Golly! It takes a lot out of you! One of your quickest costume changes and then you've got to come back on and sing your biggest song in the show, the song that everybody knows and you do your best not to huff and puff and get through it. It's a physically demanding role.

One of Milwaukee's critics didn't pick up your concept of the 'Red Shadow.' Does that bother you from critics?

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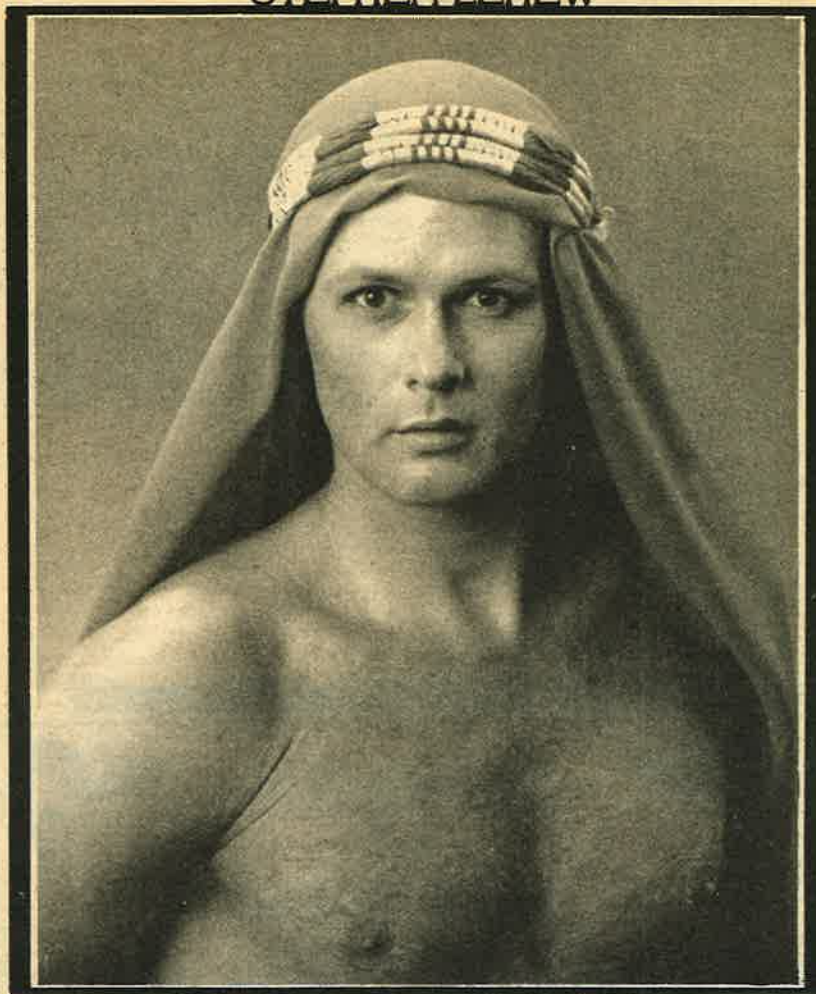
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You were personally chosen by composer Richard Rodgers, to sing for the review, 'Rodgers and Hart.' What does it feel like to have someone select you to sing his music?

It was great! It was my first Broadway

show, I was in awe. There were many questions that I wanted to ask but I was afraid to approach him. He was a very loving, pleasant man to this particular company. Then I was very shy. I'm not so shy anymore.

Also, you did a national tour of 'A Little Night Music' with Jean Simmons and the late Margaret Hamilton. Tell us about it.

I was fortunate. It was the first thing that I got after I moved to New York and that was major! Margaret Hamilton-what a wonderful
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lady she was! An incredible human being. She could bring out the best in anybody — she really could!

I understand the show was directed by Hal Prince, another Broadway bastion. What was he like?

His Assistant, Ruth Mitchell staged it and he came in the last two weeks to direct it. He has an incredible reputation, a major string of hits — artistic and critical successes. I see him as a brilliant conceptual director. I think that he has moments of genius in his direction. He's cerebrally brilliant. I took his direction and I was able to translate it so that I was basically happy about it. I was intimidated — he's a very intimidating man. I was brought up in a school that directors are always right and you have to do what they say. I feel differently now.

If I asked you to address issues that face gay people or to speak to us, what would you share?

Fear is at root of every ill in the world. People have to get over their fears in a

constructive way. AIDS is not a gay disease but a human disease. Some people are fearful of it because it gives them the opportunity to bring all their fears to the surface and let those fears manifest themselves. The Jerry Falwells of the world are nothing but people who have a great deal of fear and who have distorted the truth of Christ's message. Prejudice, hatred, any of that . . . at the back of it . . . its all fear. I think first the understanding of that and the willingness to accept it for what it is and then go about dealing with it. The only way to change the world is to change yourself. And you may not change the world but you change the way you look at it. And that in turn, makes your life infinitely better.

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SAGITTARIUS - NOV. 22 thru DEC. 21 - (JUPITER) Physical limitations or awkwardness may surface. If you like to show off physically, now is not the time! This will be a week to be low-keyed in every way.

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AQUARIUS - JAN. 20 thru FEB. 18 - (URANUS) Your brain and your vocal cords may be more active than usual. Your personality will sparkle and talking will come easy. Now is the time for those discussions.

PISCES - FEB.19 thru MARCH 20 - (NEPTUNE) Friendships will be more demanding or unstable at this time. Unexpected plans or messages may arrive in this area. Look for important decisions to be made about your home.

ARIES - MARCH 21 thru APRIL 19 - (MARS) Opportunities should crop up around your job. If not in the open, they are being discussed by those in power behind the scenes. You may want to consider some additional education.

TAURUS - APRIL 20 thru MAY 20 - (VENUS) New ideas, new beginnings and a source of money appear to be involved around the career. Love life may be rather unpredictable and your home may be a bit on the confused side.

GEMINI - MAY 21 thru JUNE 20 - (MERCURY) Creativity is strong this week, your ideas will be on the mark! Career appears to contain a bit of stress. Be careful of new people or unusual circumstances around your job.

CANCER - JUNE 21 thru JULY 22 - (MOON) Relationships with family members may hold problems at this time. If you have brothers and sisters, there will be some tension between them. Your physical strength and health are at a low, so get plenty of rest.

LEO - JULY 23 thru AUG. 22 - (SUN) Your partner may be more demanding than usual. Your attitude is enthusiastic with others at this time, so you may have a tendency to flirt or close that deal. Money matters appear a bit insecure.

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The Village People brought their act to Club 219 during Series 9 to a very appreciative audience.

Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

First off - Congratulations to Milwaukee's **Wreck Room Wings** on grabbing 2nd place team in the men's **World's Series 9** held here in Milwaukee the week before Labor Day. **Houston** won the World Series tourney, with **Boston's, Women's** team taking 2nd place in the separate womens World Series tourney play. **San Diego's** women won the title in this first gay women's world series of softball. Milwaukee once again proved to be an extremely hospitable host & we won plaudits from all the visiting teams. Congrats to everyone associated with the Series 9 Committee & special thanks! to Series 9 Co-Directors **Ron Burbey** & our own 'Jock Shorts' columnist **Tom Salszieder**.

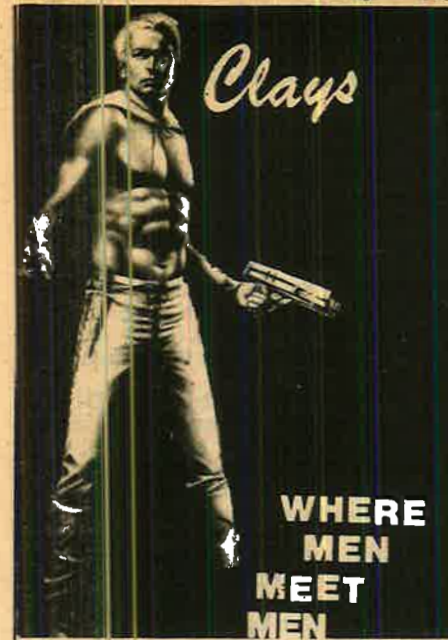
The **Village People** did a rousing show at **Club 219**, mixing a blend of newer songs & their hits from the past. The appreciative crowd clapped & sang along to many of the People's older hits. Only 3 of the six are original Village People. The 'Leather Man,'

'The Indian,' and the 'G.I.' are the only originals left, but the newer members all do a credible job . . . And there seems to be more 'gayness' mixed in their show. I think some gays had ignored the Village People after their 'we're not gay' P.R. a few years ago. But that attitude is gone and the People are definitely cognizent of their gay icentity.

The 'downer' of the evening was when someone reported the club was 'over capacity' to the police & they & the city inspector showed up. But they didn't put a damper on the crowd's, or the 'People's' enthusiasm.

Bryan Murphy brought his 'alive from New York' comedy impression show to Wisconsin for a weekend at **1101 West**, in Appleton. His impressions of **Pearl Bailey** and **Tina Turner** reportedly had the crowd begging for more.

Clay's now has Piano music on Sundays
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Back East owner Cheri with Rod's Rod.



Cheri, Back East owner with friends during her anniversary.

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As soon as you get this letter, go around your house and collect all your waste materials, including trash, garbage, used toilet paper, and yes-even your own you-know-what. Pack it all into neat, reinforced bundles. Then, mail them C.O.D. to the last person on the list below. Make ten copies of this letter, adding an appropriate name to the bottom of the list, and send them to ten of your friends.

Don't break the chain, and act now. The planet you save may be your own.

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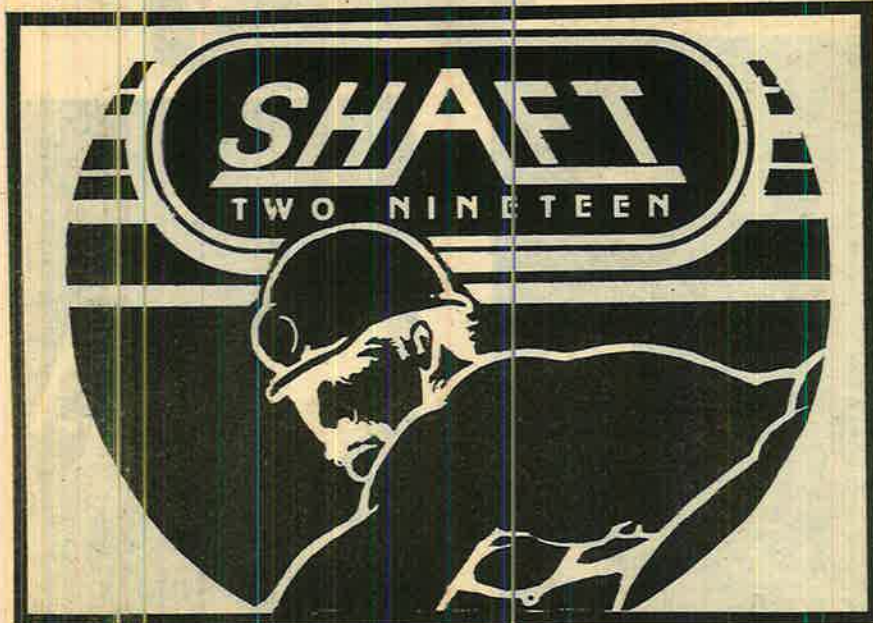
Dear W.W. In the last three weeks I have alerted every Federal, State and Local Official about the imminent invasion of California by

the beet people from outer space, but no one will listen. While Capitol Hill sits idly by, the vegetable fiends have already begun massing on our western coastline. I'm sure I don't have to recount the 'unexplained' occurrences that have filled the newspapers with blaring headlines...the 'mysterious' meteor showers over San Francisco...the death of the last living Koala in Zion, IL the 'strange' disappearance of my cocker spaniel. The list mounts day by day.

The people here won't listen to my story, either. They just keep giving me more modeling clay. You are this nation's last hope. Take this letter directly to the President of the United States and tell him to put all kinds of troops and tanks and things at my personal disposal immediately! Also lots of kerosene (I have matches).
N. Bonaparte, The Looney Bin.

Dear W.W.-There are things about me you don't know; things you don't understand; things you couldn't understand, things you shouldn't understand.

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Saturday it was specials & drawings for prizes with a grand drawing for a color T.V. that was won by Rick & Dave (the little piggies). Sunday brought lots of rain for their cookout & a live band. (Why is it that there is always rain when the Y.P. has something scheduled outside?) But the show went on regardless.

The **Boot Camp** also celebrated it's 1st anniversary with an invitation only party. This Levi/Leather bar with a 'boot' decor is constantly making converts into new, steady customers. They've added another room since the bar opened a year ago. Congrats on 'the first' to Si & his staff.

We had rain & clouds for 3 days before La Cage's Tan Line Contest, but the tan lines were still evident on the men entering (see photos, next issue).

Christopher's & The Georgian Guest House in Lake Geneva has closed for the season, nearly a month earlier than usual. Chris tells me he was 'very disappointed' with the lack of business this summer, especially after he had invested \$45,000 in additions & remodeling this spring. Most likely he won't open next year.

Next issue-pictures of Gayfest, and more!

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Saturday, September 21

Back East (Madison)—AIDS benefit picnic at Warner Park at noon to 8 pm. Softball, games, food, beer, DJ, all proceeds go to MASN (Madison AIDS support network).

Douglas Dunes (Michigan)—Western Michigan Gay Games.

BWMT (Milw.)—Membership/Rep meeting, at 7:30 pm. Located at 1240 E Brady St.

M & M's Anniversary Cookout—from 3 - 6. There will be live entertainment from 10pm - 2am. Door prizes at 10 pm.

Sunday, September 22

1101 W. (Appleton)—Ginger Spice, Holly Brown & Diana McKay.

M & M—Anniversary. Live Entertainment from 4pm - 1am. Also free tap beer for anyone wearing a M & M-T-shirt from 4-6pm.

Tuesday, September 24

Back East (Madison)—A show with professional female impersonators, BJ Daniels, Holly Brown & Ginger Spice.

La Cage—Mr. La Cage contest MC, Candi Stratton and special guest Schante'. 1st place is \$500 cash & full sponsorship in the pageant.

Wednesday, September 25

Clay's—Steve Polifka's contemporary piano music, at 9pm every Wednesday.

Friday, September 27

Madison—'Take Back The Night' march. At the corner of Webster & King, 7 pm.

Saturday, September 28

Myrna's (Fond du lac)—Grand opening, at 8pm - 2am. Midnight Madness, Champagne, Buffet, Show and dancing.

Sunday, September 29

219—Recording Artist Pamela Stanley, live in concert singing her hits. Starts at 11:30 pm. \$5 in advance, \$7 door.

Ballgame—Miss Ball Game contest at 10:30 pm. No cover, \$250 in cash & prizes.

Tuesday, October 1

Wreck Room—Mr. Wreck Room contest at 10:30, judging.

Friday, October 4

Douglas Dunes (Michigan)—Oct 4,5,6 will be women's weekend.

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Milwaukee's Hot Legs team



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San Francisco 10 Pittsburgh 4
San Diego 6 Dallas 2
Atlanta 9 Norfolk 3
Seattle 6 Birmingham 3
Boston 7 San Francisco 1
Houston 13 Toronto 4
Southern New England 5 New York 1
Twin Cities 6 Milwaukee 3
Chicago 10 Los Angeles 4

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Boston's 1270 team, 2nd place Women's

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Legs team was a broken arm suffered by Kim early in the 3rd game. Let's hope the arm heals real soon.

The awards banquet was held on Sunday evening at the Crystal Ballroom of the Marc Plaza Hotel. Following dinner, Milwaukee City of Festival gay Chorus provided the entertainment with a musical tribute to all participating cities. Dressed in tuxedos, the chorus was spectacular. Repeating a number done the last time Milwaukee hosted the World Series in 1979, Mamma Rae did 'Somewhere' from *West Side Story*, as the audience all joined hands to show their unity. Participation plaques were presented to all teams with a team picture etched on the plaques. The first 3 teams for women and men were then brought to the stage to receive their trophies and individual medals. This concluded a fantastic Series.

Where does one start to thank everyone who helped make this tournament a success? It's practically impossible without forgetting someone, but start with Commissioner Ron Burbey. Much of the planning and details were done by him. Thanks to

Miller Brewing Company for their \$5000 contribution. It let us do many of the incidental things that helped make this tournament special. Thanks to the sponsors of the league who held parties for the teams they were hosting, the food and beer committee, the hospitality room people, drivers, runners, those who housed the out-of-town guests, those who made cash donations, and of course the gay chorus who provided great entertainment at the opening ceremonies and the banquet. You all made significant contributions to the success of the tournament.

Milwaukee—you've done it again.

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Jock Shorts

by Tom Salszieder

Series 9 is now history, but Milwaukee's gay community and the **Saturday Softball Beer League** once again showed the rest of the country a great time. Over 600 gay men and women softball players and fans from throughout the U.S. and Canada came to the annual **Gay Softball World Series** and 1st annual **Gay Womens Gay Softball World Series**. Some outstanding softball playing from both the men and women marked the tournaments. For the record, the **Briar Patch of Houston** defeated host **Milwaukee Wreck Room Wings** 5-4 for the men's championship. Last years Series champion **Gay 90's of the Twin Cities** took 3rd place, followed by **Chicago Redoubt**. In the woman's tournament, it took the **San Diego Jammers** 10 innings to finally defeat **1270 of Boston** 6-4. **Kansas City Birds of a Feather** finished 3rd, while **Houston** defeated **Dallas** for 4th place. Milwaukee's **Wreck Room Wings** followed a spectacular opening ceremonies on Wednesday (sky divers, gay chorus accompanied by a grand piano, and fireworks) with some

late inning fireworks of their own to defeat **Dallas** 20-9. Rain washed out most of the games scheduled for Thursday, but when play resumed on Friday, the **Wings** were defeated by the **Gay 90's of Twin Cities** 6-3. Fighting their way back through the losers bracket, the **Wings** defeated **Seattle** on Friday, and **Los Angeles, Southern New England, and Chicago** on Saturday. On Sunday, it was a rematch with the **Twin Cities**, and on this day it was the **Wings** who avenged their earlier loss in the tournament by defeating the **Gay 90's** 9-2. Time now for undefeated **Houston**, but after the **Briar Patch** jumped off to an early 2-0 lead, the **Wings** battled back to go ahead 4-3. **Houston** rallied for 2 runs to regain the lead and held on for a 5-4 win. **Houston** was the champion.

In the woman's tournament, **Hot Legs** staged several rallies to defeat **Birmingham** in 8 innings, but lost the next 2 games and were eliminated. A tough blow to the **Hot**

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Milwaukee's Wreck Room Wings, 2nd place Men's Team



San Diego's Spoilers, 1st place Women's Team



Houston's Briar Patch, 1st place Mens Team