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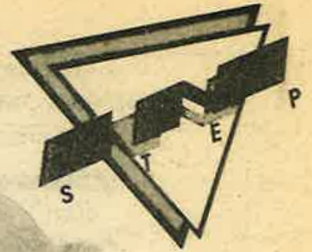
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Bob Liberty, who did the man on the first issue of '86 returns this issue fulfilling the promise he made of doing a woman. Bob, 33, is self-taught, and we think he has a great future as an artist.

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Mother: I'll get some heat in here somehow, some time—when you least expect it. **Your Driver**

Chuck (27th Dance): It could be hazzardous to your health when you play doctor with yourself. **J.**

Michelle (with the blue eyes): Breaking silence? **P.**

"Mama" Toni: Too much, my friend. **P.**

Trasha: Bangin' on the pipes at 4:00? When do you go away? **KA**

Buff: More cheese balls? **KA**

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Henry: Now you get to play with your own money. **Apple Daddy**

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Tisha La Trasha: Don't you think it's about time to let the helium out of your heels—at least it will keep the blood from rushing to your head? **BoBo La BonBon**

Anonymous (in Memory of Annette): If you're so damn gutsy, why didn't you sign your name? **Cindy (Fannies)**

Karen: L.A. Here we Come! **Schu**

Nelvin: Hang in there, girl! **The West End Gang of 8**

Moo-ma: The Claw give-ith . . . Then, the Claw take-ith away. **Your Evil Relatives**

Patrick: That's not a pipe-organ, and NO—you can't control the temperature of your refrigerator by hooking it up to a dimmer switch. **1st Floor Bitch**

Dana: Thanks for the Anniversary flowers—they were lovely. **Ron, InStep,**

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Miss M: Honest—I didn't mean it literally. **Geo (La Cage)**

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Briefs

CDC: 'Hands Off Safe Sex'

San Francisco (Gay Community News) — The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta have refused to review the new safe sex film, *All Hands on Dick, a Jack-Off Party*, according to the *New York Native*.

Ted McIlvenna, president of the Institute for Advanced Study of Human Sexuality, sent the film to the director of the CDC, along with a press release calling the CDC's decision to temporarily freeze AIDS educational grants nationwide "totally irresponsible." The temporary freeze has been followed by new CDC guidelines aimed at weeding out "explicit" sexual content from safe sex educational materials.

Officials of the CDC returned the package unopened and later said that they didn't know what was in it. Dr. Willard Cates, director of the Division of Sexually Transmitted Diseases, said, "In my medical training, (I) have seen many male masturbation films, and personally have no hang-ups about those. However, whether or not a project panel would approve that for federal funding, I doubt it, given the guidance as written by the CDC."

Filed last October on a \$1,000 budget, *All Hands on Dick, a Jack-Off Party* offers advice on throwing successful j-o parties ("Don't let people stand in the kitchen and talk about work"), and shows several men engaged in kissing, nipple-tweaking, spanking, and mutual masturbation. It is aimed at "the mainstream gay culture," according to Taylor, and will be distributed through mail-order, adult bookstores, and video outlets.

Center Project Controversy Bypassed

Green Bay (Press Gazette) — The long simmering controversy over assignment of public health nurses to Center Project, an AIDS diagnostic clinic was put back on the personnel committee burner by the Green Bay City Council, February 4th.

The committee has previously recommended that the council order reopening of

assignment policy discussions with union reps. But most council members felt the issue had been resolved and voted to return the dispute for resolution.

In November the council had voted to permit Health Commissioner Peter LeMere to staff the clinic as he would any other work station. Public Health nurses are assigned duties to clinics, including the private Center Project, on a rotating basis. Early in November some of the public health nurses assigned to the Center Project objected to having to discuss safe-sex practices, and to counsel homosexuals, as part of their duty. They also withdraw blood for the HTLV-III Antibody test. Since that time, however, enough nurses have volunteered to staff the Center Project Clinic, that other nurses have not been forced to staff the testing site.

Alderman Guy Zima said it was an imposition to force nurses to counsel gays when they disapproved of that lifestyle. "There is a great deal of difference between treating someone who is sick and counseling on safe, gay sexual activities", he said. "Management should not force people with Christian beliefs to engage in this type of activity." •

Dannemeyer Withdraws From Senate Race

Santa Ana, CA (GNIC) — Citing money problems, Rep. William Dannemeyer, whose controversial statement's on AIDS attracted national attention, dropped out of the race Monday for the Republican U.S. Senate nomination.

The Fullerton Republican said he couldn't raise the \$2 million he estimated would be necessary to conduct a successful campaign.

The crowded GOP Senate field also hurt his ability to raise money, he said.

"There are so many candidates in the race that persons that would be my contributors were waiting to see what candidate pulled ahead, and no one has," Dannemeyer told a news conference at the Orange County Hall of Administration.

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Dannemeyer's announcement left nine GOP candidates to challenge Democratic Sen. Alan Cranston, including Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich, who became the first Republican to file.

Dannemeyer, 56, who declared his candidacy Dec. 9, said his campaign was a learning experience and he had no regrets.

His statements about AIDS and gay men did not hurt his bid, he said, but gave him additional name recognition.

"I don't think AIDS (victims) have civil rights," he had said. "God created man and woman to come together as the foundation of our society."

Dannemeyer, who filed for re-election in his 39th congressional district Monday, intends to continue working on the AIDS issue, Crumb said.

New York Gay Man Seeks Spousal Rights

(Philadelphia Gay News) — A New York man has filed a landmark suit claiming that he is entitled to the same lease renewal rights as a heterosexual surviving spouse under a state policy regulating rent-controlled apartments.

Michael Brown, 31, had lived with Robert Hayes in an apartment in the Chelsea section of the city since 1977 and paid \$161 a month. But only Hayes' name was on the lease, and when he died of AIDS nearly a year ago, the landlord refused to renew the lease for Brown after it expired last spring. The landlord claims the fair market value of the apartment is \$1,000 a month. A previous court stay allowed Brown to remain in the apartment for only another year at the lower rent. His new suit claims that he has a legal right to his own lease as Hayes' life partner.

Catholic Church Against Gay Rights Bill In New York

New York (GNIC) — Warning that the proposed sexual orientation bill is "gravely destructive," the city's Catholic leaders have formally voiced their opposition to the legislation.

The opposition of Cardinal John J. O'Connor and Brooklyn Bishop Francis J. Mugavero was "extremely distressing" because it means the bill will be debated "in an atmosphere where they have inflamed things," said Andy Humm of the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

"It is difficult to understand how Christian compassion and love is expressed by attempts to legalize discrimination, to deny innocent people the right to jobs, homes and the personal right to be openly truthful," said the Institute for the Protection of Lesbian and Gay Youth.

In a joint statement, O'Connor and Mugavero said they disapproved of "every form of harassment and all arbitrary and invidious discrimination against homosexuals," for whom the church has "deep compassion."

Nonetheless, they said they opposed the bill because they believe homosexuality is "morally wrong," and there is a "common perception of the public that whatever is declared legal ... becomes morally right."

Editor's Note: Quite a difference here, the Milwaukee archdiocese was a member of the religious group that pushed for Wisconsin's Gay Rights Bill to pass.

AIDS Rules Offered For County Jails

The state AIDS Task Force said recently that county jail inmates found to carry the HTLV-III Antibody to AIDS should remain in regular jail activities, but should sleep in private cells.

The recommendations are similar to earlier recommendations made for state prisoners.

Some members of the task force warned that jail inmates might cause greater risks because many of them were arrested from the "streets" while prison inmates usually serve some time in jail before being transferred to state institutions.

Another problem, according to several sheriffs who attended the meeting, is that county jails tend to suffer from severe overpopulation.

The task force refused to recommend that inmates be screened for the AIDS anti-

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body against their will, but recommend that high-risk inmates—basically homosexuals and drug users—he strongly encouraged to be tested.

No More Nice Girls

New York (Gay Community News) — "No More Nice Girls" (NMNG) performed a guerrilla theater action at the New York hearings of the Meese Commission on Pornography on January 21. "The Girls," a group of feminists who perform occasional zap actions about issues of women's sexual freedom, were dressed as "Sex Cops," and draped "Censored" signs over women as they entered the U.S. Court of International Trade, where the hearings were held.

According to the NMNG leaflet, the action was meant to symbolize the Meese Commission's attempt "to impose their personal morality over what people read, see, produce, buy, see and do . . . Do you want the sex cops in your bedroom? Don't allow sex to be censored."

The 11-member panel has been holding hearings throughout the country to study the impact of sexually explicit material and

to update the 1970 Presidential Commission study which found no direct correlation between pornography and violent acts. Activists warn that the Commission will serve as a repressive tool of the Reagan Administration, with members of the lesbian and gay community particularly targeted for harassment.

Members of the Feminist Anti-Censorship Taskforce (FACT) leafletted both days of the hearings on January 21 and 22. Nan Hunter, of FACT, told GCN, "The attempt to justify censorship of sexually explicit materials to protect women is a real sham coming from an administration that has done nothing to advance women's rights. We don't trust the attorney general, who is trying to reverse *Roe v. Wade*, to come up with recommendations about sexually explicit materials that are going to do anything positive for women."

"Marry Some Nice Girl..."

Concord, NH (GNIC) — An emotional floor fight over barring lesbians and gay men from adopting children and being foster par-

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things which make it easier or more difficult for black Lesbians to find and keep friendships and lover relationships." Mays' study hopes to find ways to decrease stresses black lesbians may face in their intimate relationships. For results of the survey to be useful, it is necessary for as many black Lesbians as possible to provide input to the project by completing a confidential questionnaire. For more information, contact Dr. Vickie M. Mays, Black Women's Relationship Project, UCLA, 405 Hilgard Av., Los Angeles, CA 90024, or call (213) 396-4906♦

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Juneau and became the Factory II before finally closing in '84. The 130 E. Juneau location is now a church.

Histoic Third Ward incorporates the area south of 794 and east of the river, and is fast becoming Milwaukee's artistic "Soho" district. The area has long housed gay establishments, including the M&M Club, the Wreck Room, and Thinking of You. Many of the long-vacant warehouse buildings in the area have undergone redevelopment into mix-use buildings including loft-style apartments, condos, shops, art studios, and an eclectic mixture of professionals.

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1101 West in Appleton brings in Florida's *Crippendale Dancers*. Six hot men who are touring, sponsored by Bloomingdales of N.Y.C. These dancers are heading this way now to warm up the heartlands during our winter season. Certainly one way to chase away the winter blahs. Tickets are on sale in advance for their performance.

Club 219 celebrates its 5th Anniversary by bringing the incomparable screen and music star — Divine to their stage. On Thursday, March 6th you can see her perform for \$8 in advance, or \$10 at the door. Reserved seating at tables is available — 6 to a table, \$12 per seat. You can win a ticket to her performance during cocktail hour starting Feb. 28 thru March 5th. Divine — if you don't know who she is — starred in *Pink Flamingoes* and *Female Troubles*, and most recently *Polyester* and *Lust in the Dust*, both of those with Tab Hunter. You might know her better for her hi-energy dance hits: *I'm So Beautiful*, *You Think You're A Man*, *Nat'v Love*, *Jungle Jezebel*, *Walk Like A Man* & *Shoot Your Love*. Divine is a transvestite who has definitely made it big. Don't miss her!

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(Gay Community News) U.S. capitalism has sunk to new depths of exploitation with numerous companies marketing AIDS-related products and services that are worthless and dangerously misleading.

Among the most offensive new products is "Virus Guard"—a heavily advertised aerosol spray that is designed to wipe out cold, flu, and "other surface and airborne viruses." Marketed in California, buyers receive a free pamphlet on viral infections, including herpes and AIDS. The ad screams, "Handy Purse/Pocket Size Anti-Virus Spray. For work, school, restaurants, bars, public toilets, telephones and spas ... DON'T GO OUT WITHOUT IT."

Preying further on AIDS panic, the Donor Referral Service (DRS) is a donor pool offering "low-risk" blood availability. For an annual fee of \$50 for adults and \$25 for each child up to the age of 16, participants are entitled to "blood that is safer than that available through the general pool." An advertisement run without comment in *Plexus*, a

Bay Area women's newspaper, describes the horror stories of people infected with AIDS through blood transfusions and claims to "improve the odds in your favor ... DRS Donors are females who come from all walks of life. They are young ... senior citizens ... religious (nuns) ... single ... married ... celibate for at least five years (the time span some researchers have said may be the incubation period for AIDS) ... or lesbians. Most of all, they are caring and concerned women."

Another scam was barely averted when Los Angeles city inspectors closed on January 21 a clinic that planned to test people for the HTLV-III virus and then issue "tamper-proof 'protection I.D.' cards" to certify non-exposure.

Study Needs Input Of Black Lesbians

Dr. Vickie Mays of the University of California-Los Angeles is conducting a survey which explores the many aspects of the black lesbian relationship. Researchers are very interested in documenting "those

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The Phoenix hosted a Wolfram Video Premiere of Stephanie Mills' newest video, along with posters, records, and other prizes.

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ents failed to sway a majority of the House that a law was better than state agencies in handling the issue.

The House recently killed a bill to prohibit gay foster and adoptive parents on a voice vote, minutes after an attempt to pass it failed 145-205.

The measure now goes to the Senate for consideration.

Rep. Mildred Ingram, R-Acworth, said the gay foster care bill was needed "to protect the children of this state."

"If homosexuals love children as much as they claim, they should abandon their unnatural way of life, marry some nice girl and have children of their own," she said. "God created men and God created women, and I can't think of a better arrangement ... They were created to be the parents of humanity."

Ingram, the bill's prime sponsor, argued that lesbians and gay men—even under the best circumstances—couldn't give foster or adoptive children a normal upbringing.

He's Gay Again

Chicago (GNIC) — Guy Charles, the founder of Liberation Ministries, a fundamentalist group which sought to convert gays to heterosexuality through Christian worship, has left the movement and declared it "farical."

Charles, 62, was a gay rights activists in New York in the early 1970s, moved to Washington, DC in 1972 and joined the DC Gay Activists Alliance, and became increasingly disillusioned with what he considered the sex-oriented gay lifestyles. He became involved with a charismatic fundamentalist group in Arlington, Virginia, and soon announced that he had become straight. He then founded Liberation Ministries, and spent the next five years preaching fundamentalist gospel and the belief that gay men and lesbians should and could change their sexual orientation, *OUT* reports.

In 1978, an 18-year-old man was sent to him for counseling, and accused Charles of making sexual advances. Soon, Charles said, "all kinds of people" were making such accusations, all of which he still denies.

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Owners (l to r) Loren, Karen & Harry.



Milwaukee finally has a bar on the NW side at 44th & Fond du Lac by the name of Loose Ends.

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SUNDAY MIXED HANDICAP LEAGUE

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(Madison)

As of 02/09/86

1. Nameless So Far 32/10
2. Pink Cadilacs 31/11
3. Elia's Pig Women 26/16
4. Gertrud's Gutter Gals 24/18
5. Gay Theatre Project 23/19
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Bette Davis Bowling League To Host MIL-MAIDS Tourney

Madison — The Bette Davis Bowling League (Madison's only Gay league) is now in it's second year of existence, and boasts 10, 5 member teams. The league originated with 8 teams last year, and grew to 10 this; plans to expand the league to even more teams next year, are already underway. They recently finished the first half of their split season, with Elfia's Pig Women taking first, The Helen Keller Bowlers second, and The Nameless So Far team coming in third.

Final plans have been announced for Madison's first Gay bowling tournament. The tournament, which will be a 9 Pin-No Tap Tournament, will be held Saturday, April 19th, 2:00 PM, at Boulevard Lanes, 2909 E. Washington, Madison. The name MIL-MAIDS, incorporates the joint participation of Milwaukee and Madison bowlers, to raise money for the fight against AIDS. The entry fee for the tournament will be \$15 per person, with part of that fee going into a prize fund, and the remainder being donated to an AIDS project, yet to be determined. Applications are now in the process of being prepared, and will be distributed to the members of leagues both in Madison and Milwaukee in the next week or two. Space is limited, so get your applications in early. For additional information or applications contact either Al Eggleston in Madison (608-249-3056) or Ken Kurtz in Milwaukee (414-321-5593).

Y.P. Captures Volleyball Title

The Saturday Volleyball League ended this years season on February 8th. The season culminated with an exciting 2-week play off tournament between the eight teams in the league. The Your Place team defeated the La Cage team in the final round to capture the city championship for the second year in a row. La Cage's team, for a first year team, surprised many with it's strong finish; it defeated the Wreck Room team in two closely contested matches to win it's berth in the final games.

The final standings for the season were as follows: 1st, Your Place; 2nd, La Cage; 3rd,

Wreck Room; 4th, GAMMA J; 5th, GAMMA B; 6th M&M's; 7th & 8th, Summit and Hot Legs.

I understand that some of the people involved with volleyball are trying to get an indoor soccer league started. Any of you that might be interested can contact either myself, or InStep, and we will forward your names to the people involved.

Gay Bowler, Rolls 300 Game

San Francisco — On January 22nd, Doug Litwin, a member of the Countour Gals team on the Wednesday Community League bowled his first 300 game. The league bowls at Japantown Lanes in San Francisco, and is affiliated with I.G.B.O. (the International Gay Bowling Organization), as are our four leagues here in Milwaukee. Doug carries a 177 average; and the Wednesday night of his first perfect game bowled a 745 scratch series. His entering average this year was 161.

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2. Better Latent Than Never	41/29
3. Generic # 7	40/30
4. Metro Five	40/30
5. Clay's - Big Girls	34/36
6. Easy Pick Ups	31/39
7. Tuna Surprise	28/42
8. M & M - Tits & Asses	25/45

MONDAY NIGHT IRREGULARS

As of 02/10/86

1. M & M - Close	103/58
2. M & M - Sticky Fingers	93/68
3. Ball Game - Deluxe 30 and Over	92/69
4. This Is It - Ball Bangers	92/69
5. Wreck Room Kinks	91/70
6. Your Place - Partners	88/73
7. Le Salon - Strikers	86/75
8. The Devils	85/76
9. Wreck Room Ding-A-Lings	81/80
10. The Bee Team	81/80
11. Boot Camp Saloon	81/80
12. 27th Street Boys & A Lady	73/88
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He did agree, however, to take time off from his ministry and attend a bible college in upstate New York. After about nine months at the school, Charles decided that "God really loves me as I am, as a gay man."

So much for his ministry. Charles now lives in Chicago with his lover, and says that many of the people he "converted" were simply suppressing their sexual feelings and pretending an attraction to someone of the opposite sex. He says that many of those people are again living as gays.

Charles says that he is still "a very religious" person, a practicing Roman Catholic, and that he believes a person can be a Christian "in every sense of the word" and gay.

Wave Of Minneapolis Murders May Total Nine

Minneapolis (G.L.C. Voice) At an "emergency" meeting called by Minneapolis Council Member Brian Coyle, who is gay identified, owners of local gay bars pledged to match the reward money available for information leading to the conviction of parties responsible for a rash of murders of gay

men that now total at least six and perhaps as many as nine in the Minneapolis area in two years.

Police investigators are convinced that at least two of the murders were committed by the same person. They speculate that most of the murders were probably committed by the same kind of murderer: an unruly transient youth in his late teens or early twenties who will hustle or pose as a hustler with the intention of robbing or exploiting his victim in some way.

Arrests have been made in three of the nine cases. The accused all fit that description.

Brief secenarios of the crime or the reconstruction of the crime as imagined by the investigators usually involve middle aged to older gay men drinking and perhaps looking for a pick-up. Both the assailant and the pick-up are supposed to have been drinking. Use of marijuana or drugs is suspected in some of the cases. The older gay man is believed to have been rendered more vulnerable through his drunkenness and the youth more iracible.

Minneapolis Council Member Brian
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Group Notes

CCBA Awards

The Cream City Business Association, at its monthly dinner meeting at the Boulevard Inn, presented its annual "Plaudits" Awards to the following deserving people: Bob Gliniecki, Jim Manders, Leonard Sobczak, Don Schwab, and Lowell Warshawsky.

The first Milwaukee Gay & Lesbian Hall Of Fame Awards presentations were postponed until the March meeting, due to the length of this month's program. The guest speaker was Michael Bolger, Pres. of the Milwaukee Rep Theatre, and a guiding force behind the new Theatre District, spoke to the crowd that numbered over 50 people. •

Lawrence U. Gays Plan Activities

Gamma Alpha Iota (GAI) a gay/lesbian support and awareness group at Lawrence University, in Appleton, in conjunction with the **Gay and Lesbian Alumni of Lawrence U. (GLALU)**, have planned several events Feb. 28 and March 1st.

Friday, Feb. 28, at 7pm in the Evergreen Room of the Paper Valley Hotel, GAI presents their first Annual Gay/Lesbian Awareness and Support Banquet. Amy Ashworth, Executive Director of the N.Y.C. Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays will be the guest speaker. Amy will be speaking on the problems that parents and their gay children must face with each other and society. Tickets are \$10. per person for more info and to purchase tickets, contact: GAMMA ALPHA IOTA, Michale Aki, 115 S. Drew St., Appleton, WI 54911, or phone (414) 739-3681, Extension 6873.

Saturday, March 1, in the Riverview Lounge, Student Union, at the university, there's an Open Forum on Gay and Lesbian Issues from 10:30 am till 4 pm, with the following participants: Amy Ashworth, Michael Aki (GAI Pres.), Earl Bricker (Govs G/L Liason), James Gandre (Manhattan School of Music), and David McColgin (Bd. member Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund).

Saturday evening at 6 pm two workshops

for G/L's and their parents are scheduled in the Music-Drama Center at Lawrence. Room 138, For Parents and Relatives, the topic will be "Can We Understand Our Children", and in #259, for G/L Children: "Coming Out To Your Parents". •

CCAF Seeks Funding For Lesbian Programs


The *Cream City Association Foundation (CCAF)*, 'Milwaukee's Gay United Way', has been approached recently for funding assistance for programs directly addressing the lesbian community.

Funding requests have come from: The Counseling Center of Milwaukee's Women's Support Group Program has been running an annual deficit, and the costs of a lesbian-sensitivity training program that's planned are \$1,000. UW-Madison Women's History Program has scheduled Lesbian History Week for March 2-8, and has unmet costs of \$1,789.

CCAF has funded counseling services, community forums, and other vital services to the gay/lesbian community for three years. Their funds can only go so far, and funding sources in the lesbian community haven't kept up with the need.

Any gift to CCAF will make possible their support of the two programs above, and of similar programs in the future. If you wish, donations may be designated to one of the programs above, or contact CCAF for a list of other designated programs by calling 276-2204; or writing CCAF, P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0204.

CCAF is also interested in hearing from any women who would like to do fundraising, or to serve on their board, to help target fundraising and funding of lesbians programs. •



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Coyle called a meeting of various public officials and organizers within the gay community.

Perhaps the most concrete constructive step accomplished at the meeting came about by the attendance of the owners of several of the Hennepin Avenue gay bars. Jim "Andy" Anderson and three Sa soon staff members, Mike Bloom from the Gay 90's and Jimmy Tiggas were on hand to contribute to the discussion and to agree to match the reward money of up to \$5,000 available through the Crime Stoppers with an equal amount. That brings to a possible \$10,000 the amount an informant with the right information might receive for help in prosecuting the assailants in these murders of gay men.

Most of the meeting was dedicated to brainstorming. Deputy Police Chief Farrell promised to communicate with the top 36 cities in the country to see if the police departments in other cities are seeing a similar wave of murders of gay men in recent years. Farrell said it could take a month or two to hear from the other police departments.

If you have any information that could help solve these murders, call Crime Stoppers day or night by dialing (612) 45-CRIME. They don't want your name, just your information which could be worth up to a \$10,000 cash reward. •

Lesbian/Gay Health Conference

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Correspondence can be addressed to NLGHF, P.O. Box 65472, Washington, D.C. 20035, 202/797-3708. •

SIDETRACK

THE VIDEO BAR

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Juicy Bits

by W.W. Wells III

Once again, the major television networks are in the midst of another ratings war. Unfortunately, the major networks still ignore the power of the gay viewer. There is one bright spot, however, the **Gay Television Network**. GTN programming is aimed specifically at the gay audience and provides an entertainment alternative to the programming aired by the other networks. GTN has provided me with a list of upcoming shows which can be viewed locally on cable channel 69B . . .

Troll Patrol (Drama) — Biff and Tony go undercover at a cha-cha palace to nab an old fat man who diddles with himself while watching young boys dance to Madonna songs.

The Color Mauve (Movie) — A transvestite sells his lover's unwashed undergarments at a rummage sale so he'll have money to buy nail polish. Directed by Steven Spielberg. Pee Wee Herman, Mr. T, Cap'n Crunch.

Crisco Disco (Music) — Liberace hosts this dance program where the kids wear lots of polyester and dance to old Donna Sommer's songs.

The Colby's (Drama) — A sizzling prime time soap chronicling the lives of Wisconsin's first family of cheese. Tonight's episode: Brett loses a leg when a terrorist bomb goes off in a locker at high school and is depressed. Doris sells cocaine to a cop but doesn't get arrested because she lets him wear her clothing because he's a transvestite. The Bartlett twins decide to get sewn back together as siamese twins because they're lonely. Debbie calls chuck a "cheese eater".

The Incredible Hunk (Drama) — The fantastically attractive Incredible Hunk and his magical talking penis rescue a man from an evil dentist who deliberately drills through the man's jaw and sews his cheek to his gum.

Mr. Rodger's Bedroom (Children) — Mr. Rodger's gets boys to play with inflatable scratch and sniff sex dolls.

The Aunt from U.N.C.L.E. (Drama) — Aunt Lu Lu forgets something but can't remember what. Boy George, Florence Henderson.

Nightmare On Water Street (Movie) — Charles Nelson Reilly stars as a crazed bus driver who intentionally crashes his bus into the bookstore. The patrons are trapped in the video booths and watch dirty movies until they run out of tokens and the passengers eat each other to survive.

The Care Bears Die And Go To Hell (Cartoon) — The Smurfs set off an atomic bomb and the Care Bears get exactly what they deserve.

Sex Toys Of The Rich And Famous (Documentary) — A look at Joan Collins' diamond studded diesel dildo and why Dr. Ruth has to use a step stool for oral sex.

Animal Kingdom — Milton Perkin's deworms his dog and grandchildren.

Do It Till It Hurts (Game) — A celebrity panel whacks contestants with dry flower arrangements.

Challenge Of The Gay-Bots (Cartoon) — The Gay-Bots teach a leader of the free-world how to play "dress-up."

Spencer: For Rent (Drama) — A young man will give you a sensual massage and talk dirty in your ear for a price.

Wrestling — Slippery Dick vs. Long Wang.

Family Tied (Comedy) — Skippy handcuffs Alex and ties him to the bed. Also mom and dad clean behind the stove.

Dateline — Ned Koppel interviews Yasar Arafat. Topics include; why terrorists smell and make so much noise when they eat. •



Rona's birthday party at M&M (that's Ron(a) on top), and below the men who entertained the packed house.



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To the Gay and Lesbian Community:

Do you know that "fags" and "dykes" are fair game on Milwaukee's airwaves? I listen to one of three radio stations in the morning, depending which one comes in the clearest for that day. Recently, I have noticed an increase of jokes, one-liners and off-the-cuff lines that are derogatory to anyone that is gay or lesbian. Perhaps you, too, have heard the D.J.'s lisp with a stereotypic style or heard how plays are "written by some fag in New York. chuckle, chuckle."

I never hear remarks about Hispanics, never hear a disc jockey talk in stereotypic "black jive." I don't even hear Polish jokes on the air. Why? Because there would be an uproar if such things were heard on the radio. There would be such a flood of phone calls and letters with people screaming how stereotypes encourage discrimination.

So, what about us? Are we going to sit back and tolerate the word of biased people who feel they have a right to get a few laughs at the expense of gays and lesbians? Would we not be just as guilty of perpetuating discrimination by sitting back and ignoring how many times the word "fag", "fairy", "butch", etc. are used of the radio instead of showing these radio stations that we are offended and will not tolerate such blatant homophobic comments? Do you find humor in AIDS jokes? D.J.'s do.

I have decided to do something about it. I am going to start writing to the station managers of these stations each time one of their D.J.'s cracks some smart-ass remark I find offensive. Letters do have an affect—as do ratings. Perhaps I can encourage a few of you to take pen in hand and voice out against derogatory statements. Remember, stereotyping encourages discrimination. We are not going to end discrimination against gays and lesbians by sitting back and ignoring the "queer" jokes. I, for one, have heard enough. Have you?

These are the three stations I have noticed have an increase in anti-gay comments on the air: WKTI, 720 E. Capitol Dr., Milwaukee, 53201; WLZZ, 520 E. Capitol Dr., Milwaukee, 53212; WMGF, 735 W. Wisconsin Ave., Suite 700, Milwaukee, 53233.

Susan Cook, Milwaukee

Dear Editor,

With the growing AIDS crisis, it is scary when certain public officials call for the quarantine of AIDS victims. Scary, because sadly enough, it could become reality. An entire group of people was "quarantined" little over 40 years ago in this country.

After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, 110,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry were rounded up and placed in isolated concentration camps. Homes and businesses were vacated. College students were forced to leave classes. Not even World War I veterans were spared. They were told it protected their own safety as well as that of the American public.

Throughout the course of the war, not a single case of sabotage was committed by a Japanese American. Instead, they proved their patriotism, they proved they were truly American. Late in the war, the men were allowed to form their own combat units. During the Italian campaign, units comprised entirely of Japanese Americans became the most decorated of the war.

Camp survivors have never been fully compensated for their losses. Their civil liberties were violated due to uncontrollable mass hysteria. History often has a way of repeating itself. AIDS victims are primarily male homosexuals—a group generally feared and misunderstood. A group that could be an easy target for discrimination. Hopefully a lesson can be learned from history before another black mark is left to plague the conscience of this nation.

Lawrence O'Connor



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The bar itself has plenty of seating, so belly up to the bar folks. When you get there a happy face of one of the owners might greet you. First we have Karen and Harry pouring beer or making a cocktail and then there is Loren, who with his smile makes me wonder "Can I have a date along with that cocktail" (and I'm not talking the kind of date you might garnish a tropical drink with either!)

Loose Ends also has, with it's friendly aire, a few games you might enjoy playing. At the far end of the bar there is a dart game and believe me those studs throwing the darts new just where the target was. If I would have thrown a bull's eye I would enjoy myself also!

The bar itself is done very nicely, with hanging plants and lanterns. It was also done up in the spirit of St. Valentine's Day, with hearts and cupids hanging from the ceiling and from the mirrors that are behind the bar.

All in all "Loose Ends" is a nice place to have a few cocktails and to talk to a lot of nice people.

We're havin' fun!

New Column Next Month

A new feature for INSTEP starting in March will be a column for questions and answers about relationships titled "Building Relationships." Where do you go when you have problems and can't find or afford a therapist? Who do you talk to when the Gay hotlines aren't available? Send in your questions, concerns to INSTEP and have them answered in the paper so others can benefit too, or send along a self-addressed stamped envelope for a personal reply.

The column will be done by Dee Dailey who has been counseling Gays, whether single or married, Bisexual people, transvestites and trans-sexuals for over six years through her organization, The Network.

Any questions that deal with your relationships, coming out, being a married Gay person, dealing with social/work pressures, family concerns, coming out-how to do it safely will be answered.

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Friday, February 21

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Main Club (Superior) — 2nd Anniversary Celebration, Western Night.

Saturday, February 20

Back East (Madison) — Pool Tourney, Noon-8pm. \$5 entry fee, Prizes.

Main Club (Superior) — 2nd Anniversary Celebration, Levi/Leather night.

Jo'Dees — Benefit Beer bust sponsored by "Citizens Against Police Re-Victimization", 7-10pm.

PBS-TV — "AIDS—Profile of an Epidemic—An Update", 9pm.

Sunday, February 23

Madison Gay Theatre Project — Mr and Miss and Ms Gay Madison Contest, 9pm, \$3, Cheris Back East.

1101 West (Appleton) — "The Worst Little Drag Show In Appleton" a benefit show for GRAND FLAGS, with a special guest Sass Dubois.

Monday, February 24

Cousins Center — "Scriptural Perspective, the second in a four part series of workshops on "Homosexuality in the Family" Sponsored by the Milwaukee Archdiocese at the Cousins Center. Call 769-3455 for info/registration.

Friday, February 28

Club 219 — Starting tonight, win a ticket to the Divine performance during cocktail hour, through March 5.

Saturday, March 1

Grand Ave Pub — "Where's Paul Contest", \$1 Donation, No famous raffle, no grand buffet.

Sunday, March 2

Your Place — "Flamingoes in the South Seas", 5-8pm, wear Hawaiian, free special drink, Leis, mini-raffles, Limbo Contest.

Monday, March 3

Cousins Center — "Historical Perspective and Christian Tradition" the third in the series highlighted on 2/24.

Wednesday, March 5

1101 West — The *Chippendale Dancers*, 6 hot men from Florida that "strip away your cares."

Thursday, March 6

Club 219 Anniversary Celebration — featuring the star of screen and song — Divine! Tickets at the door, \$8 Advance. Reserved Tables available for \$12 per seat.

Sunday, March 9

Back East — Sponsors Bar Crawl to Milwaukee, Get ready Milwaukee, here they come!

Monday, March 10

1101 West (Appleton) — Drawing tonight for the V.C.R.

Carl Camp's Out

by Carl-Erik Ohly

Isn't it grand when a new bar opens in the city. The excitement of a new place to go, maybe new people to meet. Well, it has happened again in Milwaukee. We have a new bar to go to called "Loose Ends".

The bar is located at 44th and Fond du Lac, and when we walked through the door the music was playing loudly from the jukebox. The people at the bar were all laughing and singing along to a wide variety of music that was being played. I also like a lot of different music and found that the playing jukebox had a selection of tunes to choose, from Dolly & Kenny to Mr. Mister to Tina. The bar has no dance floor but that didn't stop a few folks from doing a two step when Alabama played "If your going to play in Texas, you gotta have a fiddle in the band."

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Interview

by Kevin Michael

A Visit With Director Joe Kretzu

by Kevin Michael

Kevin Michael, *IN STEP* arts critic, had the good fortune to interview Jon Kretzu on his visit to Milwaukee. He had come here to our theatre community via the Seattle Repertory Theater to direct Theatre Tesseract's "Terra Nova" by Ted Tally. The play highlights the 1911 race between the English and Norwegians to the South Pole. Kretzu shares some insights about himself and the show: the play runs through February 22nd at the Lincoln Center for the Arts.

WIS: You've described yourself as a director who "likes things that are very theatrical, slightly stylized, and a little outrageous." What does that mean?

JK: I love watching realistic plays if they're well done. But, for my own work, I always choose things that definitely are of the theatre. I'm strongly of a mind that theatre is a

ritual and all that sort of thing. I just think that it's more exciting that way. Also, I'm a big opera fan so there's a thread of the operatic in me so I always structure a script like a score.

WIS: You're also big on the theatre being an "experience" and not a kitchen sink drama. What's the distinction as you see it?

JK: I think theatre tends to hit one more on a visceral level. The big emotions and the powerful imagery that you can get only in the theatre clearly speak to us. It makes the mind work in a different way. It's amazing how some things just don't transform to film that well. It puts you into a different place.

WIS: Did Ted Tally (the author) have this vision or is it yours?

JK: He took this subject which could be slightly dry and scientific but it could get bogged down in the factual and turned this into a theatrical piece. "Terra Nova" is

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highly theatrical—very stylized, filled with imagery, it's quite a striking piece. He gave me the beginning score and I took it just a bit further using music and imagery that's a bit different. This piece works beautifully on stage.

WIS: *You're the first imported director from without for Theatre Tesseract. What's this experience been like?*

JK: It's been real interesting. The theatre itself is at an interesting point right now. It's trying to bridge the gap up being the next level as a theatre. They've done some excellent work, this cast is a knockout cast, and I find that very impressive. I was very honored to be asked.

WIS: *You've also had some strong ties with two of the actors from summer stock days. Has that relationship hurt or helped?*

JK: Oh, it helped! I've directed them before too. I always like to use people that I've worked with. I hate auditions. You can never tell anything from an audition. I'd much rather work with someone I've seen and been very impressed with from a production or have worked with before. It's the best because then you speak the same language.

WIS: *What's the point of "Terra Nova"? The thread that runs through it?*

JK: For me the thread of it is its structure. The playwright constructs a very definite structure in a time frame—the last two hours of Scott's life. In those two hours, we see the old "my life flashing before my eyes." Basically, the final confession. It's very clever and it works.

WIS: *A Contemporary Morality Play?*

JK: Perhaps. Sure. My Director's notes speak of the fact that we don't have any heroes nowadays. They're looked down upon or scoffed at. At the last turn of the century, there was such a birth of culture, there was excitement and challenge. So many things happened and were discovered back at that time. There was so much to look forward to. And with the century coming up, the next turn is not greeted with the same sort of thing. It's also the fact that both men in this play stuck to their convictions and did what they set out to do. That's extraordinary!

WIS: *Why should people see "Terra Nova?"*

JK: It's powerful! It'll give them a knock to the stomach. The cast has found that! It's very emotional and creates both a sense of wonderment and sorrow that's very powerful. It's very strong stuff!

For tickets call 272-ARTS.

"Factory" To Become Arts Center

(Milwaukee) — The building at 158 N. Broadway, which used to house Milwaukee's biggest gay dance bar, The Factory, has been purchased and will be redeveloped into a contemporary Arts center, and residential space.

An investment consortium put together by Milwaukee's Theatre X and the Historic Third Ward Association purchased the building for \$330,000 and plan to spend \$1.5 million in improvements over a five-year period.

The investment group said they will immediately begin roof repairs, as well as other major common area repairs (elevators, stairwells, windows, etc. Plans are to convert the upper four floors into living spaces, and donated the first two floors, plus the basement, to the Milwaukee Contemporary Arts Center. The basement will become prop and set-building workshops, the 1st floor will house a 99-seat theatre and an 80-seat cabaret bar along with a reception area. The second floor will become office space for arts groups, dance studio space, and an arts gallery.

Floor plans indicate that the half used to house the Factory's main bar and dance floor will become the 99-seat theatre. The half that used to be the Factory's rest rooms, Beer Bar/Game room, and private office will become the cabaret bar and reception area. The separate 1 story building that previously housed the Factory's "Loading Dock" bar/dancefloor/stage will most likely be raised for parking.

The Factory occupied the space from 1972 until '82. It was a pioneering bar that was one of the first in the midwest to have a DJ, and light show (we're talking pre-disco here, folks). The bar then moved to 130 E.

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It will be a benefit for Cindy Lampams legal fund. The **Governors Council on Lesbian and Gay Issues** meets earlier that day at UW Parkside; and it's hoped some of the council members will attend.

The **Milwaukee AIDS Project** just got funded by the State to set up a state-wide, toll-free AIDS Hotline. The \$13,685 grant was just awarded at press time, and the line isn't even set up yet. However, Milwaukeeans can still call MAP at 273-AIDS, or any AIDS-related questions. More on the state wide hotline, once more info is available. MAP probably will need more volunteers to help staff the state-wide service, so if interested, give them a call.

Looks like the State of Wisconsin is going to pass new tavern-closing regulations that will bring all of Wisconsin's taverns under the same schedule. Previously, Milwaukee County was exempt, and was the only place that stayed open until 2 am every night, all year round, with 3:30 am closing on Saturday nights. Now, everyone will close at 2 am, 7 nights a week, so Milwaukee will lose out on that extra 90 minutes on Saturday nights... So Folks, that means you're going to just have to do your hair earlier on Saturdays, so you can go out earlier!

I just now heard rumors, which I confirmed by a few quick phone calls that the Health Department (City or State is unsure at presstime) has ordered all the erotic bookstores in town to "clean up their act" and board up all the 'holes' between the booths in the video arcades. This info came in at deadline, so there is no time to research the rest of the state, to find out if this is a local or a state-wide practice. I imagine the move is partly due to the recent heavy push for anti-porn statutes. But, mostly it's an AIDS-related health measure.

The last few years I've sobered up to the reality of the AIDS risks, and have curtailed unsafe activities. I can't help but wonder why haven't others? We all know what 'really' goes on in those peep shows, and I'm kind of glad that what's happened has happened. I know the standard arguments that "it will just drive sex back into the parks", and "it will force us back into our closets". But that's not so true anymore. There are plenty of places for gay people to meet. There are hosts of gay bars, restaurants & organizations where we can gather together... after all it is a matter of life and death.

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Flamingoes in the South Seas*

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

Back again, with some good news—upcoming issues of *InStep* will be bringing you more—a new Womens column, a column about AIDS & Health by M.A.P. volunteer Dan Brown, a new monthly write-in column entitled “Building Relationships” by the Networks’ Dee Daily and a monthly “Money” article by financial planner Ralph Navarro. As *InStep* enters our third year we intend to continue growing & reshaping the magazine. We’re dropping the “Dance Steps” music column & I’ll be trimming the size of this column to help make room for these new additions. If you can think of anything else you’d like to see—let us know.

The Mint is not closed—they’re still there & parking is available. ■ **Kevin Bryne** has been named “Musical Bartender of the Year.” ■ **La Cage’s** Strip Search is in full swing on Wednesdays and you can relax & slow dance at **219** on Tuesdays. ■ **The Balgame** is giving a color T.V. away on a monthly basis with their new cocktail hour.

Get ready—Madison *crawls* to Milwaukee on March 9th, contact **Back East** for tickets! ■ Milwaukee’s newest bar—**Loose Ends** (4322 W. Fond du Lac) is ready for you to stop in. ■ Back in Madison, **The Madison Gay Theatre Project** has its annual “Mr. Ms & Miss Gay Madison Contest”, the 23rd at Back East. ■ At **1101 West** there are a list of specials from Monday thru Thursday & Andy & Ed invite you to join them. Back in Milwaukee the **Phoenix** keeps you busy with specials from Sunday until Wednesday.

Valentine’s day brought out the lovers (& those looking for them) to a multitude of “hearty”, events: **M&M’s** Sweetheart Specials, **Club Milwaukee’s** “Heart-on” Party, **Phoenix’s** Pre-Valentines party, **Rod’s & the New Bar’s** Sweetheart cocktail hour, **1101 West’s** Valentines show & drink specials, **219’s** Panda Black & White Party & **The Balgame’s** Valentines Show.

I hope you all had a great time & that Cupid found his mark.

Get ready for the *InStep* sponsored “Crawl for AIDS”—a benefit for the **Milw. AIDS Project**. We’ll be crawling (in a bus) from Milwaukee to Chicago (with stops in Racine & Kenosha) on April 1st. Look for details next issue—but it definitely will be fun! It may be on April Fools Day, but you’ll

be the fool if you miss out on it!

Just now received word that Chicago’s **GayLife** newspaper was forced to suspend publication 2 weeks ago, citing an untenable financial situation, despite the efforts of Publisher Chuck Renslow, Erin Criss and their dedicated employees. *GayLife* was 11 years old, and was originally founded by Rev. Grant Ford and Ave Olivo. (Nearly 5 months ago, many of *GayLife’s* staffers split and formed *Windy City Times*, which is also a weekly g/l newspaper).

Video Adventures, the East Side’s newest video store on Farwell Ave., has a coupon in it’s ad this issue good for 25% off and video club membership.

Checker Cab Company started advertising with us this issue, they are a brand new cab company in Milwaukee, and *really* want our business. They offer courteous drivers, quick dispatch service, and clean cabs (haven’t you been afraid to crawl into some of the scrungy cabs you’ve seen around town lately?) *Give them a try!*

The **Your Place** “Flamingoes in the South Seas” is Sunday March 2, and is a benefit for the YP Softball team. Wear a Hawaiian shirt, get a free special drink, and there’s food, and a limbo contest too! (I guess I’m dating myself, but that was popular when I was an adolescent!)

M&M Club starts Flippin’ on Tuesdays from 7-11pm, “you call it, they buy!” and naturally, vice-versa. — Just found out about a new bar opening in Appleton. They got their license at the last minute, and didn’t get to me until late last week. They opened last Friday, and it’s called **The Pivot Club**. It’s about 2/3’s of a mile west of Hwy 41 on Hwy BB in Appleton (actual address is 4815 W. Prospect). They’ll be open from 6-closing, 7 days a week, with DJ nightly. I hear the place is sooo big, they had to close part of it. It used to be a real popular straight bar that’s been closed for over a year and a half. Crickett (Paul Jacobs) is the manager, and some of his staffers are Melinda (Jimmy), and DJ’s Dave and Steve.

Jo’dées is hosting a benefit Beer Bust sponsored by “Citizens Against Police Re-Victimization” Sat., Feb. 22, from 7-10pm.

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Fannies Aquarian party was a warm way to spend a winter evening.

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