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This issue's cover is by another first-timer, Jim Vieaux, 24. He's originally from Newberg, WI. but now resides in Milwaukee. He's had no formal art training, but enjoys painting and drawing as a hobby.

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For the Next Issue
Issue 13, the August 4-17 Issue
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Apologies for the error on last issue's cover. We neglected to instruct our printers to 'knock out' (printing language for eliminate) the grey area behind the green logo. Due to our neglect, parts were exposed that should not have been.

Please welcome our new columnist Darla Kashian (Another Point of View) to the In Step regularly appearing writers. Darla's very well known & we're proud to have her with us.

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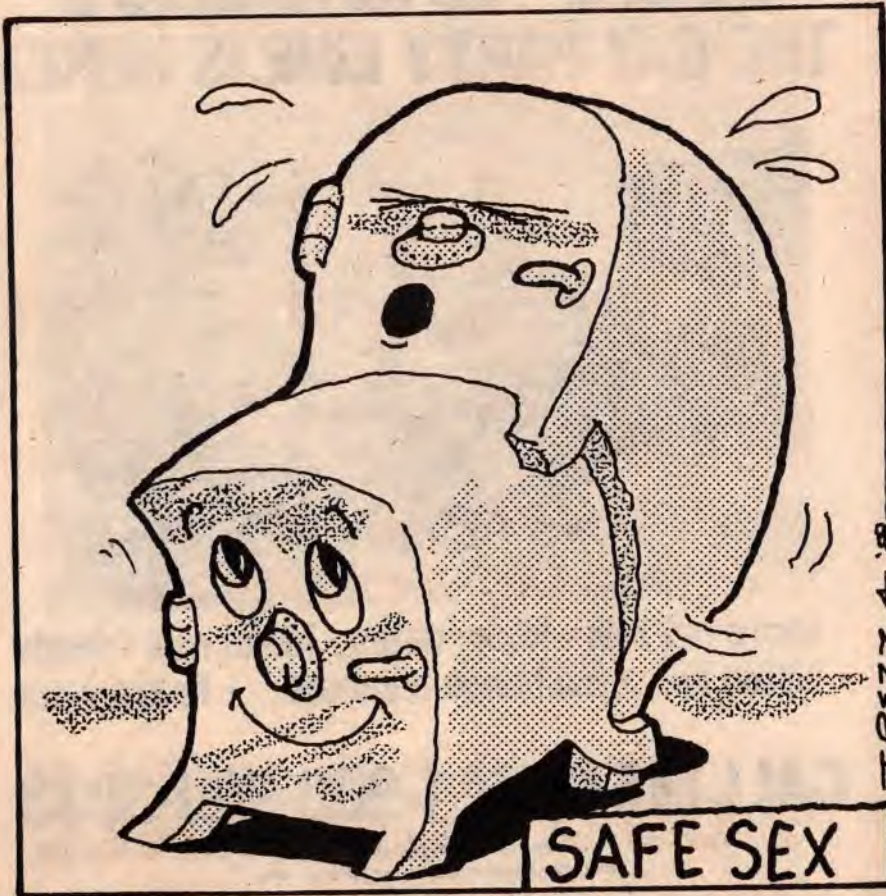
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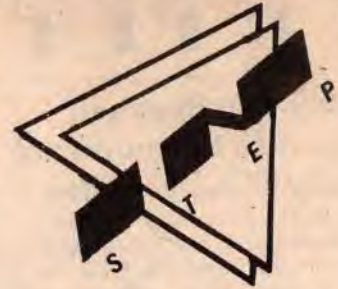
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Convention Boasted Largest-Ever Number of Openly G/L Delegates

[G/L Voice]- In numbers that testify to the continued activism of lesbians and gay men within the Democratic Party, nearly 100 gay and lesbian delegates were expected to participate in the 1988 Democratic Convention in Atlanta held July 18-21, according to Gay & Lesbian Democrats of America (GLDA), a national organization of clubs and activists who work within the Democratic Party. The 1988 Convention marked the first time the number of openly gay delegates has been this high. In 1984, approximately 70 openly gay delegates participated in the Convention and in 1980 76 participated.

Openly gay delegates attending the convention were to convene a Gay and Lesbian Caucus, which was to meet daily and hold briefings, press conferences and sponsor visibility actions aimed at ensuring the incorporation of gay and lesbian rights issues and AIDS issues into the Party's platform and campaign.

"The level of participation at the Democratic Convention by openly gay and lesbian delegates was significant for two reasons," observed Christine Riddiough, Executive Director of GLDA. "First, it reflected the growing electoral activism and involvement of gay men and lesbians across the country — delegates came pledged to virtually every campaign and from at least 20 states. Second, this high degree of participation is important because it shows the Democratic Party that by embracing gay and lesbian rights, it is bringing a large, highly motivated community into the fold."

Immigration Bill Passes Committee

[The Weekly News]- The bill allowing lesbians and gay men to immigrate to our

shores has moved another step closer to becoming law, despite a failed attempt by Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.) to retain the ban on gay immigrants.

Sponsored by openly gay Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), the bill was voted out of the House Judiciary Committee on June 29th by a 21-14 vote that followed party lines.

"I am very pleased to win by such a big vote," said Frank. "Every single Democrat voted with me and two Republicans."

The bill now goes to the House floor where Frank is predicting victory, although he said it is too soon to say when that may occur. No action is yet slated in the Senate.

Among the immigrant restrictions that the bill lifts are bans on "psychopathic personality" or "sexual deviation." The courts have interpreted those terms to include gay men and lesbians. Presidential directors have curbed enforcement of the gay ban, but gay leaders say it still must be killed.

The Dannemeyer amendment, which would have restored sexual deviation, failed by a 23-10 vote that followed party lines. Joining Dannemeyer were a number of Republican Representatives.

The bill is considered the second of three steps leading to the passage of the gay rights bill. The first was Hate Crimes — the first bill to pass the House to include sexual orientation as a protected class. The third will be action on the gay rights bill itself.

Senate: OK to Discriminate

Washington, D.C. [Milw. Journal]- The Senate approved on a voice vote last week legislation that authorizes Catholic universities in the city to deny equal treatment to gay/lesbian student organizations. The measure was sponsored by Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.) and passed as an amendment to the District of Columbia's \$3.2 billion budget bill.

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Armstrong argued that church institutions, as a matter of religious liberty, had the right to exclude gay groups from student organizations accorded campus resources. Armstrong denied that his proposal was anti-homosexual and said it was designed to correct a problem that arose for Georgetown University when a D.C. appellate court ruled that the school had violated the city's Human Rights Code by denying equal treatment to gay organizations.

In the wake of that ruling, Georgetown agreed in March to provide meeting space, a mailbox and the right to apply for student government funding to two gay student groups. But the school was not required, under the settlement, to officially recognize the student groups.

Houston provokes controversy

[Equal Times]-A self-proclaimed racist gay bar in Houston has drawn the ire of activists for its "wetback costume" contest which advertised "free swimming and English lessons" and "green cards" as door prizes.

Gay Community News reports that several Houston activists point to the contest as just the latest incident of widespread racism and sexism in the gay and lesbian community. Last year, the same bar, Mary's, held a "Juneteenth" Party, inviting patrons to dress up for an "Aunt Jemima look-alike contest." The traditional Juneteenth day celebrates the emancipation of slaves.

A coalition of groups, including gays and lesbians, protested the advertisement of the contest, and called for a public apology from the bar. But Mary's Assistant Manager Mark Casselberry said that "the whole thing was a big joke. Doesn't anyone have a sense of humor anymore? The only people who complained were eight or nine women and they are always complaining about something."

Casselberry also said that Mary's is supported by "many members of the Hispanic community," and that a Hispanic manager of the bar had written the ad.

Nevertheless, activists have organized a boycott of Mary's, even though some leaders have criticized the boycott as "dividing the community." The bar has been instrumental in fighting AIDS and supporting people with AIDS.

NEA: Get Gay Teens Counseling

New Orleans [USA Today]- Every USA high school should provide counseling for its gay and lesbian students, the nation's largest teachers' union urged recently.

More than 8,200 delegates to the National Education Association convention here adopted — by a 2-1 vote — a policy that calls for "counseling for students who are struggling with sexual/gender orientation."

"There is no excuse for blind discrimination," said Roxanne Bradshaw, NEA secretary-treasurer.

She told of sitting in a hospital room 14 years ago with a student who tried suicide because of "social oppression" resulting from homosexuality.

"I vowed I would never again be silent on this issue," Bradshaw told the convention.

Said Harry Hillegas, seventh-grade teacher at Brown Middle School, Ravenna, Ohio: "We must work with these students so they will have happy endings to their problems."

Opponents argued the policy could be used in many states to thwart other NEA goals.

Episcopalian Action on Gays is Confusing

Detroit, Mich. [Milw. Journal]- A legislative body of the Episcopal Church passed a proposal July 10 on the ordination of homosexuals that left both proponents and opponents saying they had prevailed.

The House of Deputies — one of the church's two governing bodies — passed an amendment during the church's 69th General Convention that states "no one shall be denied access to the selection process for ordination except provided by canons of this church."

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In order to become part of the church's canon law, the deputies' amendment would have to be adopted by the House of Bishops, the church's other governing body, before the convention ends.

Currently, official church canon law contains no provisions barring homosexuals from being ordained, but a 1979 resolution opposes ordination.

Opponents to the ordination of practicing homosexual priests say the deputies' amendment reaffirms a 1979 church resolution that said "we believe it is not appropriate for this church to ordain a practicing homosexual."

But proponents of homosexuals becoming eligible for ordination say the amendment contradicts the 1979 resolution because it refers to canon law, not a mere resolution.

Minister Dissolves Parliament

Bangkok, Thailand- The Prime Minister of Thailand was recently accused of being gay and, in response, dissolved the nation's Parliament and called for new elections, report **Paz Y Liberacion** reprinted in **The Weekly News**. Opposition party leader Chalerm Yubamrung made speculations about Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanond's sexuality when he accused the nation's leader of "peculiar behavior" last May and called for a vote of no-confidence against the leader. Yubamrung added that he could produce young army officers to back up his claim. The Prime Minister's penchant for young, attractive officers has long been the source of broad rumor in the Southeast Asian country where he is known as "Aunti Prem" by gay nationals. This marks the first time Tinsulanond's opposition has ever brought up the leader's suspected gayness. In retaliation, Tinsulanond has dissolved the nation's Parliament and called for new elections.


Stanford Dumps Student Homophobe

Palo Alto, Calif. [Windy City Times]- Anti-gay epithets got a Stanford University freshman evicted from his dorm for

"conduct in violation of the Residence Agreement."

Freshman Kenneth Ehrman was accused of making anti-gay slurs against openly gay Residence Assistant Jeff Sloan, non-gay Resident Fellow Dennis Mattheis, and other students. Ehrman's verbal abuse of these people involved "a number of incidents," according to the **Bay Area Reporter**.

University officials criticized a group of students who held a candlelight vigil for Ehrman. Seven masked students paraded on May 24 in what was described as a Ku Klux Klan-style rally. The demonstration created anger in both the black and gay student communities.



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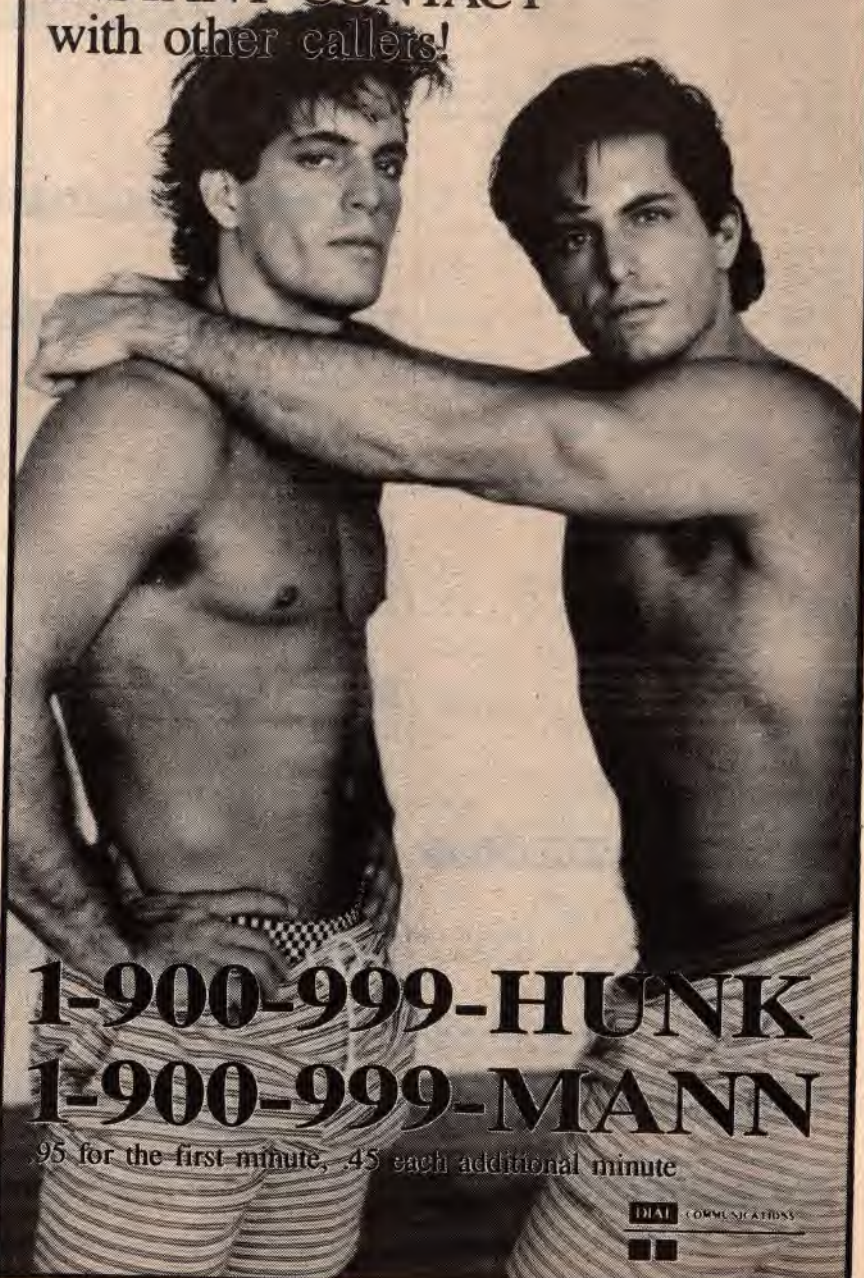
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Lambda Rights Network [LRN] is coordinating this project. Send in only one resume/vitae. LRN will copy and get them into the proper hands. Send it to: LRN, P.O. Box 93252, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Make sure to include a listing of volunteer organizations that you have worked with, listed approximate dates and any Board of Officer positions held.

May to Meet with Leaders

As a result of a meeting held between Mayor John Norquist and LRN, the Mayor has agreed to meet quarterly with lesbian/gay leaders. LRN will coordinate this regular 30 minute meeting to ensure active and effective communication with all parts of city government.

The 8-10 member panel will be made up of a core group that will provide consistency, leaders from varied groups serving our community will rotate participation, and the two members at large from the community. Organizational leaders will be contacted by LRN.

Milw. Rights Law to Change

Current laws protecting people from discrimination due to sexual orientation are exceptionally weak in the City of Milwaukee and do not exist in Milwaukee County, according to L.R.N. chair, Ralph F. Navarro.

Navarro pointed out that the current city

ordinance has no teeth, in other words, no enforcement strength, as does the law in the State of Wisconsin. Milwaukee was the second unit of government to pass any type of protective legislation in the State of Wisconsin after Dane County and before the 5½ year old State Statute, engineered by former Milwaukeean Leon Rouse and friendly members of the State House and Senate.

"The reason we are going after this law change," says Navarro, "is to insure that if anything happens to our State Law on non-discrimination, which is quite possible if either or both houses of the legislature becomes Republican, we will be protected within the City of Milwaukee."

"Even after all these years," Navarro said, "Common Council members are not fully comfortable dealing with the topic. That says several things to me, 1) members of the gay and lesbian community have not publically identified themselves to their elected officials; 2) Our community has not become involved enough in politics and giving money to make a real difference; 3) Council members are more concerned about the back lash of the minority fundamentalist religious folks than lesbians and gays."

Since Mayor Norquist stated that he would fully support legislation for Milwaukee that is the same as that which currently exists in the State of Wisconsin, passage should occur by 1989. For information on how individuals can help in this matter, contact LRN at 445-5552.

Sensitivity Training for City Leaders?

At a meeting with LRN, Mayor John Norquist has directed that all new city Department Heads meet with leaders of the lesbian/gay community for sensitivity training. The Mayor also directed that LRN expand its program of training of all police cadets to potentially include all levels of city supervisors and managers. People interested in working on this project should contact LRN at 445-5552.

By Ralph F. Navarro

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- C.S.P. Inc. (Typesetting, Stats) 277-9015
- Dial Your Match 492 (Electric Bulletin Bd) 281-6032

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or
- ✓ have taken illegal drugs by needle
or
- ✓ have AIDS or a symptom of HIV infection
or
- ✓ have a positive antibody test for HIV
or
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1-800-334-AIDS

Milwaukee AIDS Project
273-AIDS

Madison AIDS Support Network
255-1711

Green Bay Center Project, Inc.
437-7400

LaCrosse County Health Dept.
785-9723

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH

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**New Harvest Foundation
 Announces New Grants**

[Madison]- The **New Harvest Foundation** has awarded \$7,576 to local nonprofit organizations to provide services benefiting the gay and lesbian community. Co-chairs Barbara Constans and Henry Dudek announced July 11 that the Foundation is giving five grants to agencies for public information, health services, and social activities.

The **Madison Community United** will receive a grant of \$4,800 for the first stage of a project to produce a history of the last twenty years of gay/lesbian activism in Madison. Writer and editor of the manuscript for **Glad City** is Ron McCrea, a nationally-known journalist who served as Wisconsin Governor Anthony Earl's communications director and who has extensive first-hand knowledge of the early development of area gay/lesbian organizations. Plans are to make **Glad City** available next summer to mark the twentieth anniversary of the Stonewall riots, which sparked increased gay/lesbian activism and group formation in Madison and elsewhere in the country.

Other New Harvest grants for public information include \$1,020 to the **Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center** for development of "coming out" information resources and of \$210 to the television show "**Nothing to Hide**" for archival videotapes of gay/lesbian-oriented programs.

In the area of health and social services, the Foundation is awarding \$1,000 to the **Madison AIDS Support Network** to help expand its programs for training support volunteers for persons with AIDS. To encourage a variety of social activities within the gay/lesbian community, New Harvest also is awarding \$546 to the **Madison Community Art and Athletics Organization**.

With these grants, New Harvest Foundation has now distributed over \$50,000 to Madison-area groups for gay/lesbian community services since its first awards made in July, 1985. The Foundation has so far received \$36,000 in pledges towards its \$50,000 goal for its second three-year fundraising campaign to support the continued funding of such grants.

**RESERVE SPACE NOW FOR AUGUST
 14th RUMMAGE**

Milwaukee's **Beer Town Badgers** urge you to clean out your closets, dust off your old toys, and to reserve space now for their **Autumn Rummage Sale**, set for Sunday, August 14th in the parking lot next to The **Boot Camp Salon**.

Now's your chance to get rid of old junk, and make some money off of it! **Space** and tables will be available, and local groups and organizations are urged to sponsor a space to help raise funds.

Food, music and refreshments will be available at the site. For more information and to reserve your space, call 643-8330 or 672-2185.



PWA Memorial Bracelet

The **PWA Memorial Bracelet** honors the thousands of men, women, and children who have fallen to the disease called AIDS. The bracelet, which may be obtained in gold or silver plate, bears the name, age, and date of passing of people who suffered from AIDS. Proceeds from this program benefit the **Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)**, the **PWA Bracelet Endowment Fund**, and the **Mothers of AIDS Patients**, a non-profit support organization.

For more information, contact Jerome, **PWA Bracelet Chair**, %Milwaukee AIDS Project, P.O. Box 92505, Milwaukee, WI 53202, or call Jerome at MAP, (414) 273-AIDS.

**Milwaukee Gay-Lesbian
 Pride Week**

The **Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee** has announced a partial-calendar for **Pride Celebration Activities** to be held during September. They are as follows:

Saturday, Sept. 10- Opening Events with a Rally and Picnic to be held at Mitchell

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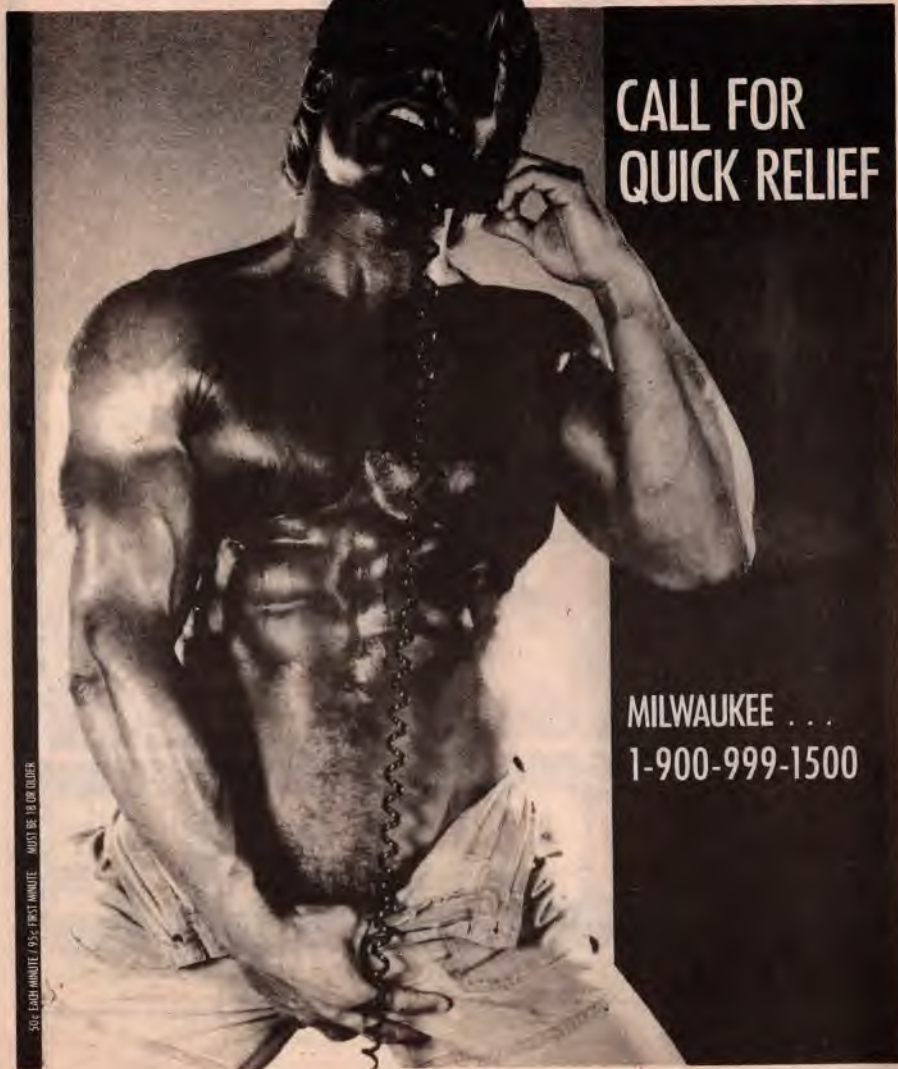
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Park, Picnic Area #3 and the Pavillion. There will be SSBL All-Star Games as well. Table space is available for rent for organizations wishing to have information booths. Noon-8pm.

Sunday, Sept. 11- GAMMA Annual Corn Roast at Lake Park Noon-?

Wednesday, Sept. 14- Speaker presented by Grapevine, the feminist network, evening at Your Place.

Thursday, Sept. 15- Watch the City Hall Marquee for announcement.

Friday, Sept. 16- Romanovsky & Phillips Concert, time and place to be announced. Sponsored by Schaefer Design, Meridian Music and New Production Group.

Sunday, Sept. 18- Interdenominational Church Service at 2:30 p.m. at the Village Church. Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian Vocal Groups will be performing.

Friday, Sept. 23- Scotch Doubles bowling sponsored by H.I.T. at 9:00 p.m. at the Landmark Lanes.

Saturday, Sept. 24- First Annual Pride Ball sponsored by In Step, Wisconsin Light and 10% Society at U.W.M. 7:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. Entertainment to be provided by Brittain's Untouchables and Dick Sargent.

Any organizations and businesses wishing to sponsor an event during the Pride Celebration may still do so by contacting them at 264-2740, 962-5181, or 933-6931. But please do so soon, several good dates are still available.

Pride T-shirts and buttons with the new design are now available by calling 933-6931 or 962-5181.

Pub Crawl

"The Wild Boys Social Club" is sponsoring a Chicago Pub Crawl on August 20.

The bus will leave at 7:45 from in front of the In Step office at 225 S. 2nd St. and return some time in the early hours of the morning. The cost is \$25 per person which includes food and drinks on the bus and two drinks at each bar stop. Seats are limited and the reservation deadline is August 13. For reservations or more information call T.G. at 463-7749.

Want A Booth At MAP Fest?

The Milwaukee AIDS Project [MAP] is looking for businesses and organizations to participate in this year's M.A.P. Fest, to be held Labor Day. Last year over 1,200 people attended the event, and this year promises to be even bigger and better.

Interested groups can sponsor a food, game, informational display, or merchandise booth. Even if you don't have an idea M.A.P. can help you with some suggestions. They can assist as well with things like electrical hookups, acquiring tents and tables, and renting equipment.

Interested groups should contact the M.A.P. Office as soon as possible at P.O. Box 92505, Milwaukee, WI 53202 or call (414) 273-2437.



This Is It owner Joe drew a winning raffle number at the bar's Foundation Community Center 'Salute' Party.

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- Fallen Woman (Music Promoters)
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- Gay & Lesbian Information Recording
(Ask for Tape #3333) 263-3100

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- HIV Positive Support
University Hospital Drs. Grackel Meland 263-6100
- Madison AIDS Support Network (Support & Counseling)
P.O. Box 731, 53701 255-1711
- Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)
1552 University Avenue 262-7330

ORGANIZATIONS

- Ada Janes (Campus Women's Center)
710 University #202 262-8093
- Gay Alcoholics Anonymous 1021 University 257-7575
- Gay & Lesbian Resource Center
P.O. Box 1722, 53701 257-7575
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P.O. Box 2564, 53701-2564
- Madison Gay Men's Choral
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- Madison Gay Theatre Project
P.O. Box 726, 53701 251-6489
- Men's Center (Referral Center)
Neighborhood House, 24 S. Mills 256-8204
- National Lesbian Feminist Organization
(Rights Group) 257-7378
- Nothing to Hide (Gay Cable) 241-2500
- Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
P.O. Box 1722, 53701 271-0270
- 10% Society (Student Organization)
Box 614, Memorial Union, 500 Langdon, 53706 262-7365
- United (Education Social Services)
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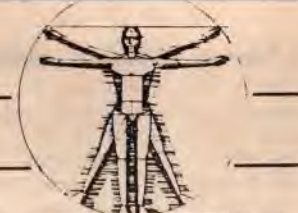
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- 9 Angelo's Mint Bar II 819 S. 2nd 645-8330
- 6 Alternative (Mw,D) 1100 S. 1st 647-9950
- 1 Ballgame (Mw, V,D,F) 196 S. 2nd 273-7474
- 2 Beer Garden (Wm, F) 3743 W. Vliet 344-5760
- 3 Boot Camp (M, L/L) 209 E. National 643-6900
- 4 C'est La Vie (Mw, D) 231 S. 2nd 291-9600
- 4 Club 219 (Mw, DJ, L/L) 219 S. 2nd 271-3732

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HEALTH



What is "AL-721?"

(Note: This article is presented to you through **In Step** by the **Brady East Antibody Positive Support Group**. This group was started about two and a half years ago for HIV exposed people. Please contact **BEST** or **MAP** for meeting times and locations if you are HIV Positive and would like to attend. Although this group was started through the efforts of **BEST** volunteers, it is not part of **BEST** Clinic, and the article below does not necessarily reflect the opinions of **BEST** Clinic Staff.)

In the last edition of **In Step**, a list of common-sense "do" and "don't" items were printed: these were guidelines for HIV-positive individuals to follow to maintain their health. One of the recommendations is to take **AL-721**.

In the early 1980's, the Weitzmann Institute located in Israel, began testing a

lecithin compound called **AL-721**. (Lecithin is a common egg or soy based food supplement found at any pharmacy or health food store.) The Weitzmann Institute medical staff provided symptomatic PWA's (Persons With AIDS) approximately 10 grams of **AL-721** twice per day for a month, and then once per day thereafter indefinitely. As of this writing, the Weitzmann Institute is still testing **AL-721**.

Preliminary results of the test indicate that **AL-721** is effective in postponing the onset of AIDS-related symptoms in some individuals. Symptomatic PWA's have experienced improvement of their condition in some cases. No side effects were indicated in the study, which would seem reasonable since **AL-721** is basically food and not a drug.

Keeping in mind that the study results in

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- Loft (W, D) 2328 University Green Bay 468-9968
- Napalese Lounge (MW, DJ) 515 S. Broadway
Green Bay 432-9646
- The Pivot Club (MW, DJ) 4815 W. Prospect
Appleton 730-0440
- Sherlock's Home (G/S, Mw, F) 733 Pennsylvania,
Sheboygan
- Who's (MW, DJ, V) 720 Bodart (rear), Green Bay435-5476

ORGANIZATIONS

- Angel of Hope (MCC Church)
P.O. Box 672, Green Bay 54305 437-3816
- Argonauts of Wisconsin (L/L Social Club)
P.O. Box 1285, Green Bay 54305
- Concerned (Referral) P.O. Box 1087, Green Bay 54305
- Dignity (Gay Catholic Group) P.O. Box 2283,
Green Bay 54306 739-8030
- Gay/Lesbian Awareness 118 S. Lawe St.
Appleton 54911 730-8837
- Gay Alcoholics Anonymous (Meeting Weekly) 494-9904
- Gay Support Group of Sheboygan P.O. Box 192, 53081
- Lambda Connection (Ask for TLC Rep)
Oshkosh 424-1491
- Parents & Friends of G/L (P.F.L.A.G.)
Box 1396, Sheboygan 53081
- Women's Service Center 433-6667
- The Meeting Post (Electronic Bulletin Bd.) 465-9130
- Sisters United (Womyn's Gifts/Books)
520 Stuart, Green Bay 54301

MEDICAL

- Center Project (AIDS Diagnostic/Counseling)
P.O. Box 1062, Green Bay 54305 437-7400

SERVICES

- Where The River Runs Dry (Bed & Breakfast)
761 Egg Harbor Dr., Egg Harbor 54209 (414) 868-2098

MADISON (608)

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- 2 Back East (MW, DJ)
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- 1 Rod's (Mw, L/L, D) 636 W. Washington (rear) 255-0609
- 1 The New Bar (MW, DJ, V)
- 636 W. Washington (upstairs) 256-8765
- 3 Shamrock Bar (GS, MW, F, D) 117 W. Main 255-5029

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preliminary, members of our support group began taking AL-721 about a year ago. Typically, those participating members take 10 grams on an empty stomach first thing in the morning, then don't eat anything containing fat for another half-hour. It has been suggested that once a person begins taking AL-721 that he/she do not stop because Weitzmann's studies would suggest that some who have started, then stopped taking AL-721 developed AIDS-related symptoms after stopping their daily dose of AL-721.

There is a home-recipe for AL-721 (available through our support group (but the home-recipe formula is not as pure (and presumably effective) as the formula that can be obtained commercially. One AL-721 distributor is Jarrow Formulas of Gardena, California. Our support group has developed a "Buyer's Club" and receives a slight discount from Jarrow, but otherwise it costs \$130.00 for 100 doses, or \$1.30 per dose.

It is important to remember that taking AL-721 is only one of many things our support group is doing to maintain our health. As stated in the last issue, our emphasis is on eating well, exercising, resting well, and avoiding stress (among other things but you'll either have to find the last issue or join to group to find out the details). Taking AL-721 is a small part of the program. We don't claim to have found the magic potion in AL-721, but something that may help to keep us healthy until the time a cure is found.

If you are interested in obtaining AL-721 through our (non-profit) Buyer's Club, call Bill at 961-6111.

Dextran Sulfate to be Tested by Feds... Finally

A promising experimental AIDS drug, long used by 'guerrilla' clinics throughout the country, was finally accepted for testing in a federally sponsored trial, officials announced July 8th, according to the Milwaukee Journal.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) officials approved a six month trial of oral Dextran Sulfate, a drug that in laboratory tests has been found to prevent

WISCONSIN AIDS SURVEILLANCE SUMMARY As of July 1, 1988

Total Cases	Cases	Deaths
As of this report	329	185
One Month Ago	309	180
One Year Ago	187	116
Residence at Onset	Cases	[%]
Milwaukee County	134	(41)
Remainder of State	112	(34)
Out of State	83	(25)
Transmission Categories	Cases	[%]
Homosexual/Bisexual Male	259	(79)
Intravenous Drug Abuser	19	(6)
Homosexual Male & IV Drug User	13	(4)
Hemophilia/Coagulation Disorder	9	(3)
Transfusion Associated	11	(3)
Heterosexual Cases	3	(1)
Undetermined	13	(4)
Gender		
Male	316	(96)
Female	13	(4)
Race/Ethnicity		
White	268	(81)
Black	49	(15)
Hispanic	10	(3)
Other	2	(1)

the AIDS virus from infecting and killing immune system cells.

Trials, which will involve 60 patients, are to begin later this month at medical centers in San Francisco and Boston, according to FDA officials. The clinical trials will determine the dose ranges within which to test the drug in subsequent expanded trials of its effectiveness.

Dextran Sulfate, which is available without prescription in Japan as an anti-coagulant to treat blood clots, has attracted many American persons with AIDS (PWA's), largely because earlier test tube studies have found it effective against the virus.

AIDS activists have been pushing for approval of the drug, claiming it could be very effective, especially if used in conjunction with the already approved AZT. According to In Step sources, many west coast PWA's have been using Dextran Sulfate for well over a year, obtaining it from Japan through various channels. One of those channels has been airline person-

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Mark: Love that hair, let's cut it shorter next time, ok?
Bruce

Darlin Don: For ever & ever Amen.
Little Shit

Loretta: Thinking of you — Please come for a visit soon!
Temptation in Chicago

Mike: I'm so happy for you! The best of luck to both of you for always!
Love, Vonnice

Brit & Nade: Thanx so much for Tuesday night! I've never laughed so much in my life! You guys are a trip and a half! I love you both!
Love, Vonnice

Jose': I want to get to know you better.
Another face in the crowd.

To all who knows: Talking Nonsense is here!
Nade-Sam

Samuel Adams III: I don't know why I like it — I just do! I wouldn't trade what we have for the world — but you knew that!
Always and Forever, Bianca Andrews

Milwaukee Volleyball Teams: Kicker in the clicker in Madison this weekend.
Love Debbie Green & Flo Hyman

Faith: Keep your eyes on the court not in the showers. **Love, Carol, Blanche, Doris, Lydia & Tiffany [Your Loving volleyball sisters].**

Lydia: Vic Tanny, think about it. The phrase "Leaving Now" is getting tired.
XXXOO Jeff

Shirley: Glad you're back! Be ready to party hardy in Madison.
Love, Lavern

John [Vern] Madison Volleyball: Try not to let your bad YP habits take over. You may be sent back to the big city. **Your Milw Fans**

Nade: We have to break the Oscar in half. You can keep the head.
Samantha

Missy: Now that we all know you're the Human Vacuum, Lets get to the nitty-gritty.
Love, The Warmth

Nade: Congrats on making finals.
Love Your Fans, The K-Town Losers

Mike: Thanx for Tuesday, even though the ride was awfully high!!
Love Ya — Stacy.

Daz: Oh! How I miss the massive sex in the bathroom!!
Love ya, The Tramp

Bianca: Alec says "Let's Move"
Samuel Adams III

Nade: She dances like a straight girl, but she is, was he?? **The Blobs second cousin from the Bob-Sequel No. 3**
P.S. Yes I have the stuff and you really L.Love this guy?

Rodney, Pam, Craig & Entire Staff: Thank you again — you're the best hosts around! And a heart-felt congratulation on your 9th Anniversary... Here's to 90 more!
Love, Ron [In Step]

R.J. & Greta [Chicago]: The pinata was a hot touch, and the water sports activities were very cool. You two made the party even more enjoyable. **The Milwaukee Greta**

Cindy & M.J.: You make a cute couple — I'll definitely see you in Madison soon.
Patrick

Watertown Boy: Thanks for a great time! You were lookin hotter than ever — better see you soon.
Love, your Huckleberry Friend

Lady Gale: Do you still really own the dump?!

The two M's

Uncle Al: Yippie, It's really Your P!ace!
Y.P. Staff

Bob ["Hop-A-Long"]: Hey c'mon, we funa fight! And don't forget your cane, right!

Mark [Emergency Exit]: John Cougar Sez: "...forget all about that Macho Shit and learn how to Play Guitar!..."
All my love, The Original Diva.

Lois: Better to be climbing the ladder than standing on the ground watching.
Love, Yvonne

Steve: Honey, you've got a bad case of the "love-jones" but don't feel bad cause I got um too!
Tim

Lois: Girl we need sunglasses to be out with you during daylight, the eyedoctor warned us that the glare from those jewels could cause permanent damage.
Evelyn and Yvonne

Lois: It may not have been from Cartier, but I prefer the simple and elegant, not the gaudy and pretentious.
Love, Evelyn



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Anyone who wants to contribute (merchandise or talent), **PLEASE CALL 273-5639** anytime, and leave a message.

Look for dates for the **Grande Rummage Sales & Benefit Show...Coming Soon!**

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Attractive, mature stable GWM would like to meet younger men. Discreet but open minded to anything reasonable. Write to: P.O. Box 83173, Milwaukee, WI 53223. Please enclose phone number.

GWM, 38-years-old would like to meet guys under 30 years old for friendship/relationship with straight acting male. Call 9am to 3pm, Monday thru Friday or anytime weekends 414-255-1432.

GWF 19 year old college student, in good physical shape looking for a white woman between the ages of 18-22 for a loving and trusting relationship. Must be athletic, good-looking, sensitive, understanding, funny, goal-oriented, intellectual and willing to develop a mature and honest partnership. Must have own transportation. Write letter and send photo to: Joanne B., 12016 W. Holt Ave. West Allis, WI 53227.

Hot Pecs, Dark Blond seeks well defined chest with sensitive Pecs for hot safe action. Forward letter with good photo to: P.O. Box 93771, Milwaukee, WI 53203.

Loretta: Thinking of you — Please come for a visit soon. **Temptation in Chicago**

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Nadine: First mustard, now coffee, what hasn't been thrown at you? **An Observer**

Nadine & Brittany: The incident happened. What else can be said? Hope you two reconcile! **Observer #2**

Sara: Still waiting on that poker game; C U at OCB. Who do you think you are, anyway — Superchick? You're still the greatest sucker. **Art Lavender & Peach Melba**

Adam: Sorry to burst your bubble, but hair-dressers didn't exist in the Garden of Eden. So bit this apple, superstud! **Follicly Yours, Eve**

John, A.K.A. Elroy: How about Blueberry Schnapps and Cranberry Juice? **All The Best, Root Beer Barrel**

S.W.: I'll always love you in my heart. **R.K.**

Jeff C: I'm so glad you're my friend, you really mean a lot to me. **Love, Bob**

Colleen: Thank's for being there for me, you're great. **Love, Bob**

Tim L: It's great to have a sister like you around. **Lots 'O Love, Bob**

Bob: You can tell me that you're serious, but I've got to know for sure. You say how much you want me, but I heard it all before. Sorry, not big enough. **Roz**

To the one who hates drag queens: I guess you're just not my type. Oh well, by the way, how is your lover? **Roz**

Nikki: Just add me to the list. No. 8 right? Sure! How slut school graduate. **Roz**

Y.P. (Milwaukee)- Need a light?? **OP (Racine)**

Uncle Al: Congrats as the new owner of YP! **Love Ya, Paul (OP)**

M: You didn't trust me. You didn't love me. You left me. Why? **Precious**

Precious: Out of these 3 things, only one I did. Guess? **M.**

Caren: 'As The World Turns,' so do 'The Days of Our Lives'. Happy Birthday and best wishes for a sudsless new year. **Love, 'The Bold and The Beautiful.'**

Rosanna: My dear baby butch, O- Todo O Nada. But then, we are such extreme wymyn. Happy Birthday. **Love Always, Your Lady, Brigid.**

Sharon: You're not getting older, you're getting blonder, and don't we just love it! **Happy Birthday from your fan club.**

Ed Morrison: Thanks for the note & if Rodney even does half as good a job as you do for the region — frankly, I'll be surprised! **Ron, In Step.**

Sara: What can I say? You are so beautiful to me, can't you see? (Oh sorry, forget about your blindness!) I'll see you soon. **Love your V.N.A.**

Liz the Lez: You're just like Super-Chick! I like my women strong & shaggy! Let's do that "do" soon! **Love Adam**

Ron: Go to California, you surf-punk, you! **Bruce**

Chris: I hate you! **Bruce**

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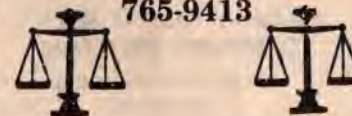
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A diagnosis of AIDS touches the lives of many people, including friends, lovers, and family members. Unfortunately, little is known about the feelings, needs and concerns of those who are close to someone with AIDS, other than what counselors and others gain from their own experience in working with such individuals. Much more information is needed if health care, social service, community organizations, and society in general can ever begin to understand and offer support for such people. That information needs to come from the family, friends, lovers and others who have actually had experiences of being closely involved with Persons with AIDS (PWAs).

We are nurses and teachers at UW-Milwaukee, and are conducting a small study to better understand the experiences and concerns of people who have someone important to them who has AIDS. We are seeking individuals willing to share their experiences and feelings with us in a 1½ to 2 hour interview. We want to stress (emphatically) that any information shared with us and any contact with us will be completely confidential. What we learn from these interviews will be shared with health care professionals and others involved in providing AIDS-related services in an effort to increase understanding and to better meet the needs of such persons. It will not be possible to identify any particular person through our reports.

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the arts

'Cotton Patch Gospel'

By Kvein Michael

Recently the Acacia Theatre Company presented a production of the musical "Cotton Patch Gospel" at the Eastbrook Center Theatre on Oakland Avenue. It was a delightful experience to return to what once was the Fred Miller Theater and the early home of the Milwaukee Repertory Theater.

"Cotton Patch Gospel" is a musical based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. It was written with words and music by Harry Chapin originally as a concert piece. Later, it was developed and put into a musical play format and is based upon the Gospels of Matthew and John.

Unlike "Jesus Christ Superstar" which was a literal telling of the historical life of Christ, "Cotton Patch Gospel" is more closely related to the earlier musical, "Godspell" which is based solely on the Gospel of Matthew. However rather than the particularly urban focus of "Godspell", "Cotton Patch Gospel" has a distinct "country" flavor and is much more "folksy" in orientation.

The star of this particular production was Dick Gustin who portrayed Matthew. It was clearly evident to me early on that he was the professional in the cast who I learned later had received permission from Actor's Equity (the actor's union) to appear in this show. His ability to present a multiplicity of characters in a credible fashion clearly showed the breadth and scope of his dramatic capabilities. His sinigng voice though not particularly stunning was adequate to the task at hand but his dramatic persona more than made up for any shortcoming on this score.

The supporting cast which numbered four — three women and one man made a fine contribution to the show. Their musical harmonies were quite good throughout.

The entire cast seemed to project fairly well in the rather large performing space even without the use of an amplified sound system.

It was Gustin whose training was evident in his ability to make himself heard throughout the performance from all points in the theatre space. However, the supporting cast did not have his experience or preparation and at times had difficulty in so doing.

The blocking was pivoted and thereby the action of the show was spread through the theatre. However not all the playing space was sufficiently lit in a proper fashion in order to totally view the show from all seats.

Chapin's music was pleasant though not particularly memorable. The simple accompaniment worked but a more full instrumentation would have better filled the space.

The play runs through July 23rd. ▽

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by Ron Geiman



Is everyone surviving the drought? I couldn't have picked a worse year to plant a garden of perennials — all my plants that should be 4 to 5 feet tall are stunted at 2 to 3 feet, even with daily watering. I feel like an old lady complaining about my flowers.

The Water/Erie St. and 2nd Street areas of the city, where most of our bars are, survived the annual influx of heterosexuals to Summerfest & the annual fireworks extravaganza. The straights come into 'our' area once a year & think they own it. I was in the **Ballgame** one Summerfest afternoon when these two men in — one went to the bar & ordered two tap beers & the other went to the men's room. A minute passed & the one in the men's room came out, went to his buddy, grabbed him by the arm & practically yanked him out the dront door. I guess he saw the 'artwork' in the bathroom & decided it wasn't their kind of bar!

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Club 219's Church Lady contest was a very preachy affair. Four contestants competed in 'look alike' (the outfits were all too much), & then they each chose an envelope containing an employee's name. Then, they had to 'preach' to the person they chose. The winner, Marquee picked Bobby Reed's name & it couldn't have been more appropriate. She 'Read' Miss Reed to hell & back, and won \$100 doing it. The 'Nuns' in the audience added to the effect — I think they were some of the same people who made up the 'Hallelujah Chorus' that showed up for 219's Tammy Faye Fakker contest a few months ago.

Bonnie Bitch & her entourage took the state by storm during the first week of July. Bonnie Bitch — puppeteer/impersonator/magician, brought along female impersonator Ashley & male entertainer Jim for a well-rounded show. They appeared at **Who's**, **Rod's**, **La Cage** & then at **R-Bar** pretty well covering the whole state.

Speaking of La Cge: when (and if) George ever gets done remodeling (La

Cage, The Refuge, Downstairs Bar, Grand Ave. Pub.) unemployment will rise significantly in the Metro Milw. construction trades.

Rod's 9th Anniversary brought nine days of specials and parties to the Mad City. Besides the Bonnie Bitch Show, there were tons of drink specials, cook-outs, a trip to the fireworks, and of course the Annual gay-la patio party. The cocktails flowed, & the patio was decked out in a Spanish theme, complete with pinatas. RJ Chapin & Gary 'Greta' Chichester from Chicago brought along a 'special' pinata. When a blind-folded Rodney beat it open with a stick, tons of candy fell out. (The candy lipsticks disappeared in a flash!) As usual, Ben & his staff at **Cafe Palms** out did themselves on the hors d'oeuvres.

Congrats to Rodney, Pam, Craig & Staff on 9 fantastic years!

The July 4th Weekend provided enough cookouts & BBQ's to keep the most jaded queen happy & her stomach full. **Downtown Express** in Eau Claire had their 3 day 'Unity Picnic' in Riverview Island park; **Who's** had a corn roast for the opening of their patio; **Jet's Place** had weiners; **Fannie's** had a cookout & rolled out the ole' dunk tank; **Our Place** had a cookout; and both **The Ballgame** & **Club 94** had buffets.

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Elsewhere in this issue you'll see photos from Milwaukee's three newest bars.

Short Circuit, a friendly neighborhood bar with great prices, fish tanks, pool table, and darts — to go along with faces of people you often haven't seen before. Tom & his staff did a lot of cleaning & remodeling before opening & it shows.

Triangle — the former DK's, is looking good these days. Owner Al, manager Kevin & their hunky staff have updated the decor to a dark, sleek look with artwork, mirrors & track lighting and an all new sound

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system. They've been pulling in some real good crowds nearly every night since they've did their changes.

The newest, though, is the **Alternative**, on the corner of 1st & Washington. Don't be fooled by the outside — the inside is very modern/deco with glass blocks, neon & unusual wallpaper. Michael (Miss M) has his Miss Gay Wisconsin Crown displayed behind the bar & some reall attractive young men pour the drinks. Their opening nite (July 7th) show was a bit of a disappointemnt — due to a faulty sound system. Such bugs can be expected, and the problems will be corrected before their next show.

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The tropical weather was the perfect thing to make **Jo'dee's** Mumu & Hawaiian Shirt party more authentic. The tropical drink specials got everyone 'leid.'

Vocalist Diana Jones has gone over so well in her Sunday evening shows in **Your Place's** garden, that she's been scheduled to appear every Sunday (instead of every other Sunday) through the end of August.

This woman can belt it out & Rock N' Roll into your heart. By the way — congratulations & Yippie to Uncle Al — the Y.P. is his now — papers were signed on July 14th!

This Is It hosted a benefit for Milwaukee's **Foundation Community Center**. Many of the Center's Board of Managers were on hand for the afternoon soiree & helped owner Joe to draw the winning raffle tickets. Events such as this are needed to draw attention to the fact that Milwaukee has joined the handfull of cities that can boast of their own Gay/Lesbian Community Center.

The Pivot Club had a packed house for their July 13th Talent Shop finals. Seven talented people vied for the title, which was won by Debbie Wagner. Kevin managed to grab the runner up spot. Lots of talent in the 'Little Apple.'

The **Shamrock** in Madison was in the middle of their four-day 3rd Anniversary celebration at our deadline time. J.J., Chris, & the staff had scheduled their second "Mr. Rock" contest with entertainment by Rosa Rivera & Co., drink specials, and a big Anniversary party with free

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horoscope

by R.D. Thompson

ARIES: March 21 to April 21

Not the time to be gambling of any nature. Be aware of the things going on in the world right now as you're going to have to play by their rules. A major event is about to change you significantly.

TAURUS: April 22 to May 21

Get those finishing touches done around the house, and stay within your means. Both can easily be done at the same time if you keep in mind, "If you want something done right... You have to do it yourself."

GEMINI: May 22 to June 21

Good food, good wine, good song, and you get about as loose lipped as they come. There's a good chance that during this two week period, you'll have ample opportunities to tell the wrong person something that's going to backfire.

Cancer: June 22 to July 23

So you've got a job that you really want to do well at. In your mind, picture all the good things about yourself that makes you the best person to do the job. Now, quit inventing all those lazy excusses and go do it.

LEO: July 24 to August 23

Happy Birthday fellow Leo's. Would I have you do something I wouldn't? I'm not going to Vegas, and I'm not buying the overpriced 'investment' trinket. I am however, having my ?th annual 29th birthday party and counting all my blessings.

VIRGO: August 23 to September 23

Things are looking really good at work but the home front suffers. It's just a matter of timing, and in a few more days, you'll have a good idea on how to set up a schedule that allows for all.

LIBRA: September 24 to October 22

Hmmmmmmmm, you seem to be Mr/Ms Popularity these days but having troubles getting your messages across to a special someone. Get back in the saddle and hang on tighter, for this appears to be one of those 'once in a lifetime' rides.

SCORPIO: Octobe 23 to November 22

Money problems are looking better but don't be counting chickens yet. During the next two weeks, leave nothing to chance and prepare for the worse. Only by being ready, you'll weather the storms brewing ahead.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 to December 22

Now is not the time to worry about all the changes that you've been making, it's time to do something with them. You know that you made the right choices and that it wasn't going to be fun until the end. So now what's your excuse?

CAPRICORN: December 23 to January 20

And you thought you were too old to learn anything new about yourself. Congratulations on a job done so far, and good luck with the new one your about to find yourself in next... soon... sooner than you think. And just when you thought that you knew it all...

AQUARIUS: January 21 to February 19

Luck will be with you the next two weeks at least, and get in touch with friends and family. Be the bringer of good news to everyone you talk to and watch all the strange gifts you begin to receive.

PISCES: February 20 to March 21

Try and get the viewpoints of partners and romantic interests, for new ways of making or saving money. Be aware of how one thing leads to another and go from there. You'll soon have the money you need.



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Sunday—Deck Party, Open at 2, \$3 Beer/Wine/
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champagne, buffet, and prize giveaways totaling \$500. The Shamrock didn't get us the information in time for our last issue, and it was too late for this one — but congratulations, none-the-less.

Till next time — Play Safe!



BEER STEIN FOUR

Milwaukee's **Beer Town Badgers** are hosting their 4th Annual Run 'Bier Stein Four' from July 29th through the 31st. The club's home bar, **The Boot Camp** will be host to the three day event, scheduled the same weekend as Milwaukee's Germanfest. Nearly 100 leathermen from throughout the Midwest will represent various clubs from Milwaukee, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Chicago, Minneapolis, Missouri, Tennessee & Canada.

July 29- Registration at The Boot Camp with food & beer & a private after-hours party.

July 30- Stein Stymie quiz after a trip to Germanfest; Parade of club colors in the tent next to the Boot Camp & a sit-down

German dinner; Badger's show afterwards.

July 31- Appreciation & participation awards & wrap up.

M.A.G.I.C. Weekend

A quick update to fill you in with more information since last issue... **In Step** has weekend packages available that include everything you'll need for the weekend (except hotel rooms — see last issue for more info). The \$10 packages include your entry into the MAGIC Picnic on July 23rd; drink tickets for The New Bar, Rod's, and Cheri's Back East; no-cover passes for The New Bar, Rod's and Cheri's Back East, plus other goodies. Considering entry to the MAGIC Picnic alone is \$5, the extra \$5 offers a big discount over what it would normally cost you. Definately a deal.

This year's picnic should draw well over 1,500 people, including three busloads sponsored by the Men's Room and Gay Chicago Magazine in Chicago.

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holiday weekend off on the right track at St. Louis' newest addition to the nightlife scene.

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The banquet on Sunday evening shall provide a splendid array of sumptuous cuisine and minimum entertainment.

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If the festivities haven't wetted your appetite, then let's talk prize fund. The total prize fund is \$7,098.00 guaranteed on a 1:6 payout ratio, based on 175 entrants. Top prize payouts for the 80% handicap division are as follows: four man team \$1,200.00, doubles \$500.00, singles and all events \$250.00. We shall also have a high and a low scratch division competition.

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For the first time, this year's tournament will include a women's division with 5 teams, including Madison's **Net-Work**.

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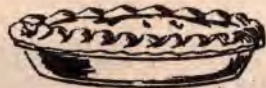


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JULY 9 RESULTS

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Ball Game 22	Station II 2
YP 19	M&M 10
CCF 12	Fannies 8
Wreck Room 7	Fannies 0 (forfeit)
M&M 15	Beer Garden 6
Club 219 10	Beer Garden 3
Raiders	Club 219
Raiders	CCF

JULY 23 SCHEDULE

11:00 Radiers v Station II
12:15 Station II vs La Cage
1:30 M&M vs Wreck Room
2:45 Y.P. vs Fannies
4:00 Ball Game vs Y.P.
11:00 CCF vs Flaming o's
12:15 Flaming o's vs. Wreck Room
1:30 La Cage vs Club 219

JULY 30

Womens and Recreation Division playoffs
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

"Something Big" The Show Me Classic V

St. Louis- As Milwaukee bowlers know St. Louis is the place to be over Labor Day Weekend. This year will be the Fifth Annual Show Me St. Louis Classic. We're half the age of Milwaukee's own HIT, but we're full of spunk and have pulled out all the plugs to ensure yours will be a welcomed visit to St. Louis.

The registration and welcoming party is scheduled for Friday evening September 2, at The Warehouse, 3511 Chouteau. The Warehouse staff is geared to start your

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and Park Street) on the beautiful shores of Lake Monona. This year a stage show has been added to go along with all the other festivities. "Mainstream Matinee Madness" will be presented from 2-4 with performances by magic acts, poets, dancers, and several gay and lesbian choral groups.

The day starts off at 8am with a MAGIC Run - a jog around Lake Monona, but things officially kick off at Noon. Other events scheduled included a scavenger hunt, the stage show, continuous food service from 2-until the food runs out, high heel drag races, egg and balloon tosses, tug of war, and dancing and bingo in the pavillion. Of course, Lake Monona is right there offering you a chance to swim, inner tube and if you bring a boat - skiing. Other activities include ping pong, croquet, and jail and bail.

All monies left over after paying expenses are divided amongst Madison gay and lesbian organizations.

See You there!

Pageants, Pageants, and More Pageants...

5th Annual Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin August 2nd

Ginger Spice has announced the 5th Annual Wisconsin contest will be held Tuesday, August 2nd at Club 219. This pageant is an official stop on the path to the crown of Miss Gay Continental U.S.A. Pageant held in Chicago over Labor Day Weekend. The winner of this contest will represent Wisconsin at the national contest sponsored by Jim (Felicia) Flint of Chicago's Baton.

Contestants are urged to contact Ginger at Club 219 for entry information as soon as possible. Contestants will compete in Evening Gown, Swimsuit, and Talent, as well as a non-judged 'Parade of White'. Contestant entry is \$50, and the winner will receive \$300 in cash and sponsorship in the Miss Continental USA pageant. 1st runner up will receive \$100 cash, and 2nd R.U. \$50.

Several guests will help round out the evenings entertainment. Miss G.C.W.

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Vocalist Diana Jones performs Sunday evenings in the Your Place Garden. This girl can belt 'em out!

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SSBL Playoff Time

By Tom Salszieder

The regular season of the SSBL comes to an end on Saturday July 23 with 8 games scheduled. The competitive champion will have been decided a week earlier with a game between the Raiders and YP.

During the July 23 games, Cream City Foundation team will sponsor a league fund raiser with a park cookout at Mitchell Park.

Play-offs for the womens and recreational divisions will be held on Saturday July 30 starting at 9:00 a.m. The winners of these playoffs will join the competitive league champions for the Gay Softball World Series in Dallas later in August.

Congratulations to the Beer Garden team who came in first place in a woman's tournament in Chicago sponsored by the Metropolitan Sports Association over

Memorial Day weekend.

The Wreck Room Spurs finished 2-2 in Toronto, losing to the top 2 recreational teams of the tournament. Twenty recreational teams and 13 competitive teams participated in the Canada Cup, making it the largest gay tournament ever held. Deman Blues of Vancouver won the competitive division while Colby's Generals of Toronto captured the recreational title. Mark of La Cage, who joined the Wreck Room Spurs for the tournament, was named to the All Star Team.

SSBL Standings JULY 9

Women	W L
Beer Garden	5-7
Flaming O's	2-8
Fannies	2-9
Station II	2-9

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THE SATURDAY SOFTBALL BEER LEAGUE 1988 PLAYOFFS

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Martin C. (Marty) Baum died peacefully Sunday July 10th after a strong 2½ year battle with AIDS-related illnesses.

Marty was born in the Milwaukee area spending most of his early years here. He attended grade school, high school, and college in Milwaukee.

After completing his education he spent a short time living in Atlanta. Upon

returning home to Milwaukee he became an active member in GAMMA and the bowling league, as well as playing on the softball teams. Then after awhile he decided to enlist in the naval services to see the world.

Upon completion of his navel career he lived in Virginia, with his partner through life. They enjoyed traveling, and were very active in the Washington, D.C. gay community. Marty gave a lot of his time and resources for AIDS-related benefit shows in the D.C. area.

Marty's strength, courage and perseverance through his illness made his physicians think of him in a special way.

Fun-loving, free-spirited, are only a couple of words to describe Marty. He had a gift, a special gift to all he came in contact with. His smile could light the world. Loved ones, friends and acquaintances will miss Marty greatly. But we will always have "his gift" in our hearts.

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FRIDAY, JULY 22

New Bar [Madison]- Men's Volleyball Tournament registration.. open 6 pm.

Back East [Madison]- Women's Volleyball registration, dancing/DJ.

Ballgame- Softball Team Benefit, 8pm. prizes, surprises. Free Hors d'oeuvres. Win cash, TV, VCR, other prizes.

SATURDAY, JULY 23

15th Annual MAGIC PICNIC [Madison]- Noon -on, Brittingham Park (W. Washington & Park Sts.) on Lake Monona. \$5 admission. (See article prior to the Calendar).

Maggie's [Eau Claire]- Grand re-opening of Maggie's, new ownership, all new stage, dance floor & lighting.

Wreck Room- Party Night, 10pm-2am, prize drawings every half hour. Donations of \$2 requested at door to benefit MAP.

Old Fort Lounge [Ft. Atkinson]- Christmas in July, free beer 9 to 10:30, 75 cent shots schnaaps all night, food.

Jo'dee's [Racine]- Christmas in July party, drink specials, gift exchange.

Rod's [Madison]- Rod's & Patio Bar opens 4, 4-7 with fabulous goodies.

New Bar [Madison]- Open 6pm with DJ/Dancing.

Jet's Place- Christine Klein's 32nd Birthday Party & AIDS Benefit Show, showtime 10:30 p.m., \$2 cover donated to direct PWA support via MAP.

8th Annual MAGIC Volleyball Tourney [Madison]- 20 teams from midwest & Wash. D.C. compete from 8 to 5 at UW Madison Natatorium, 2000 Observatory Drive.

Station II- Brewer Tailgate Party, \$16 includes ticket, food & Beer at park. Drink specials at bar before & after.

Back East [Madison]- MAGIC Weekend specials, dancing/DJ.

SUNDAY, JULY 24

Feminist Philosophy Discussion- 3pm, at 1115 E. Knaap, bring own chair/refreshments. Discuss Sonia Johnson. Open to anyone who wants to discuss in a constructive way. Potluck afterwards.

Back East [Madison]- MAGIC Weekend Specials, dancing/DJ.

Ballgame- Annual 'Christmas in July' Party, Buffet, door prizes, 3 to 8.

Jo'dee's [Racine]- Christmas in July Party, drink specials, open at 5pm, gift exchange.

Rod's [Madison]- Bar opens 6am with Continental Breakfast & Bloody Marys. Guest bartenders all day from throughout the Midwest. Beer bash from 2 to 8 with cookout. Patio opens 1pm. H.I.T.'s Meringue Over Madison Benefit Pie Toss from 5 to 8, hostess Doris De Lago.

8th Annual MAGIC Volleyball Tourney [Madison]- Twenty teams from throughout the Midwest & Wash. D.C. compete from 8am-5pm at University Natatorium, 2200 Observatory Drive.

Maggies [Eau Claire]- 'A Grand Affair' Show, Showtime 9:30, no cover.

New Bar [Madison]- Open 6 pm 'Christmas in July Party.'

Station II- SSBL Fundraiser \$1 cover, win/lose/draw finals, free beer 3 to 7, food, raffles, music.

MONDAY, JULY 25

Triangle- Film Fest, 7pm showing of "The Boys in The Band," 50 cent tap beer.

New Bar [Madison]- Christmas in July Party.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Pivot Club [Appleton]- Rufus & his singing machine, 10:30 showtime.

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WEDNESDAYS 'CLAIM TO FAME'

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From 3 to 7

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87-88 B.J. Daniels will perform along with Miss G.C.W. 86-87 Shante. But the highlight of the evening should be an appearance by the reigning Miss Continental USA — Dana Douglas.

Tickets for the evening are \$7 in advance, \$9 at the door and \$45 for a table of four that includes admission and a bottle of champagne.

This contest brings the 'cream of the crop' in female impersonators to the stage... don't miss it.

Mr and Miss Racine August 6th

Another in a continuing series of Southeastern Wisconsin Pageants will occur Saturday, August 6th at Our Place in Racine when King Productions hosts its Mr and Miss Gay Racine Pageant.

Contestants will compete in Interview, Talent, and Swim Suit (Mr.) and Evening Gown (Miss).

Entry fee is \$10 for each contestant and applications are available from Our Place and The Triangle in Milwaukee. Winners receive \$100, trophy, tiara and entry paid to the Mr and Miss Southeastern Gay Wisconsin Pageant.



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Back East [Madison]- Wet T-shirt contest, cash prizes, beer bust.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

German Fest- Summerfest grounds. Authentic costumes, song and dance, spankerfel and popular German specialties. Admission is \$5 advance, \$6 at the gate. Thru July 31st.

Jet's Place- Bobby, Damon & Jamie's 4th Annual Birthday Bash, 8 to close, free beer, food, fun.

Jo'dee's [Racine]- Western Weekend- Western wear gets you reduced drink prices.

Our Place [Racine]- Back by popular demand- The TNT Men, 10:30 showtime, \$2 cover.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

Bier Stein Four- Beer Town Badgers 4th Annual Run Weekend.

SSBL 1988 Playoffs- SSBL Softball Playoffs to determine recreational and women's division representatives to the 1988 Gay World Series of Softball in Texas. Mitchell Park (behind 'The Domes') 9:30 am starting, continued all day.

Jo'dee's [Racine]- Western Weekend, Western wear gets you reduced drink prices.

M&M Peanuts- Present Las Vegas Night, with Show, guest celebrities, prizes, 9pm-?

SUNDAY, JULY 31

Bier Stein Four- Beer Town Badgers 4th Annual Run Weekend.

Ballgame- Deposit due today for Aug. 6th trip to the Races.

**Sundays
THE 219 GIRLS SHOW
\$2 Cover, Showtime 11:30**



MONDAY, AUGUST 1

Triangle- Gay Film, "The Ritz", screened at 7pm, 50 cent tap beer.

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someone they hardly know for three hours over dinner, so what should you do? There are many activities that you and a date can do that will lend themselves to conversation. Some things you may want to consider are art exhibits, fairs or festivals, parades, museums, a zoo. These type of activities have several advantages, first they usually have a low admission price and they offer many topics of conversation, which can be helpful on a first date. Also you and your date may find a common interest you didn't know you had.

One activity to avoid on a first date is a movie. Why go to a dark theater and sit in silence for two hours? The purpose of a first date is to get to know someone better through conversation, and you can't do that in a movie. Yes you can get to "know" someone in a movie, but remember you are trying to make a "good" first impression.

Don't be timid, pick-up the phone and call and follow some of these do's and don'ts and your first date may lead to a great relationship.

- Do have a definite plan, and plan for a time that you will be in a good mood. Be enthusiastic, but not hyper.

- Do hone your conversation skills, read a newspaper or a magazine, have some opinions and something to discuss.

- Choose daylight hours for a first date.

- Know what's going on in town, read the social columns and leisure sections of the paper.

- Assume responsibility for the plan if you're the one doing the asking. Asking someone out and then saying, "What would you like to do?" is a mistake.

- Wear clothes you feel comfortable in, this is not the time to try out a new outfit.

- Lunch dates are good if you both work in the same business.

- Be romantic, but not overly sensual. You are trying to get to know someone, not trying to seduce them. Not yet anyway.

Some things to avoid:

- Don't drink to much, drunks are not attractive.

- Going to bars or discos, are not for a first date. There are too many distractions and it is hard to carry on a conversation.



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- Don't talk about your problems, or how past lovers have treated you.

- Don't act desperate, lonely or cling.

- Don't act provocative or make sexual overtones, you are not auditioning for Joan Collin's role on Dynasty.

- Do not leave your date hanging while you gossip or chat with friends. Introduce them, and include them in the conversation. Remember, you are out with your date, not your friends.

- Don't strain to be witty or humorous, it will come off as artificial.

There you have it, some practical advice for a first date. Remember to plan, to relax, and to enjoy each others company. What are you waiting for? Pick up the phone!

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by Tim Hensiak

The First Date

Going on a first date has the power to reduce even the most confident people to a mass of nerves. Most of us behave like a schoolgirl getting ready for the prom. We are overcome with fears of anxiety; what if it doesn't work out? What if we don't get along? What should I say? These problems along with others can be avoided by one simple idea, planning.

The biggest problem on a first date usually comes from the unplanned or spontaneous date. Not knowing what to expect or where you are going will get people into a state of discomfort. So, the first thing to remember when asking someone out is to be specific. Have a plan in mind when you are going to ask someone out. For example, asking someone if they are free on Friday doesn't take into account when on Friday. You may be asking for a lunch date, but they think dinner, and they

already have plans. So when calling for a date be specific, say "would you like to have lunch on Friday?" This lets them know exactly what you have in mind.

In addition to being specific about when the date will be, be specific about what you will do on the date. When asking someone out for a meal let them know what type of restaurant it will be, what kind of food, is it casual or dressy. There is nothing worse than to be over or under dressed for a date, it can make the date very awkward and uncomfortable. Another point to remember about restaurant dates, the one who asks picks up the check. If there are special circumstances involved make sure you inform your date as well. If you are going to an outdoor activity is there a need for a jacket? Is special clothing required? For instance, are you going boating? Let your date know.

I know that not everyone is blessed with the ability to hold a conversation with
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

5th Annual Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin Pageant- Contestants compete at Club 219 for the title, entertainment by hostess Ginger Spice, reigning Miss Continental USA Dana Douglas, current Miss G.C. Wisc. BJ Daniels & 86-87 Miss G.C.W. Shante. Tickets \$7 advance, \$9 door, \$45 package- Table & Pd. admission & bottle of champagne.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

GALCHEC Meeting- Gay and Lesbian Community Health Education Council invites everyone who thinks education is important to join them for 7pm meeting at Planned Parenthood, (1046 N. Highland), 2nd floor offices. Help educate our community about AIDS & other health-related issues.

Wisconsin State Fair [Milw.]- State Fair Park Grounds, West Allis, Thru August 14th. \$4 admission, extra for grand stand acts.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

Afro Fest [Milw.]- Summerfest grounds, thru Aug. 7th. African-American cultural display. Displayed through rituals, ceremonies, dress, food and crafts.

Trollop Club- Dining out at 'Dinner Bell' Call Station II for details.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

Ballgame- A day at Hawthorne Race Track, depart bar 11am, \$28 includes Rd. trip bus/Food/drink on bus.

Our Place [Racine]- King Productions Mr. & Miss Gay Racine Pageant. Winners receive \$100 cash, trophy, tiara & paid entry into the Mr. & Miss Southeastern Gay WI. pageant, 10pm showtime, \$3 cover with guests, Mary Richards & Miss S.E. Wisc. Tania Michaels.

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A Joining Ceremony

Dearly beloved, we are gathered here together to affirm and to celebrate the joining together in special friendship of the two people standing before us.

They wish to declare, and to affirm, before their Maker and before this assembly, their caring for each other, and their solemn intent, each to be especial strength, solace, support, and succor, for the other.

They wish to articulate in human flesh and intimacy with which the Creator Spirit knows all creation. They wish to proclaim a particular commitment that will enable each to promote especially the health, well-being, and growth of the other. They wish to unite, as caring partners and help mates, that they may especially honor the God-head, the joy of their being, in each other, in love.

And what is that love? It is only that which we are all, as human beings, called upon to render each other, but which they pledge to articulate deeply and lastingly, primarily. It is that love without which, the apostle Paul tells us, though we may have all faith and knowledge, we have nothing.

It is that love which suffers long and is kind, envious not, does not vaunt itself, does not behave itself unseemly, but rejoices in the truth, bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things, and never ends. This is the love which these two people wish to affirm today.

It is not without Scriptural precedent, this love which is not primarily biologically procreative.

In the Book of Ruth, in the Old Testament, we find the beautiful friendship of Ruth and Naomi, wherein Ruth pleads of her friend,

"Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go, and where thou lodgest, I will lodge. Thy people shall

be my people, and thy god my god. Where thou diest I will die, and there will I be buried; the Lord do so to me and more also, if ought but death part thee and me."

In the Old Testament Book of First Samuel, we have the story of David and Jonathan, of whom it is written:

"... the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul. And Jonathan caused him to his own soul. And when Jonathan died in battle David mourned him, saying thy love battle David mourned him, saying thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women."

We also have verses from the Old Testament Book of Proverbs, addressing a married man, concerning his wife of middle-age (probably past child-bearing):

"Let your fountain, the wife of your youth, be blessed. Rejoice in her, a lovely doe, a graceful hind. Let her be your companion, and you will at all times be bathed in her love, and her love will continually wrap you around."

(This poetry is from Proverbs, chapter 5, verses 18 and 19).

These loving examples, coupled with the portrait painted by the apostle Paul (First Letter to the Corinthians, Chapter 13), suggest strongly that God does not frown on non-biologically procreative loving relationships.

However, in recent times, such relationships have been misunderstood and ridiculed. Human affection and sexuality have become culturally reduced to but one particular aspect, the producing of children only. We here today wish to affirm a broader, no less holy, purpose. But before we bless, let us pause to remember those who have been wounded by this reduced, narrowed view. We pray: O Loving Source of everything that we are, we bow before You and declare to You in sorrow that we

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have permitted to be abused Your Gift of human love, by negating all but one of its aspects. We acknowledge that we have indeed seen through a glass darkly. Awaken in us, we beseech You, a broader, truer vision of all that You made us for, of all that we for You can be. Clear our worldly confusion, calm our fear, absorb lovingly our anger, so that we can rejoice with our Joining Friends, and can celebrate this Union in its warmth, love, and potential for procreation of all good things. This we ask so that we may better You, Creator Spirit, through our brother Jesus. AMEN.

(Then may the Joining Friends turn to each other, and each may say:)

"Dearest one, I commit myself to you, as my caring partner and help mate. By this I declare a most sacred and holy bond, which I will hold with no other. I will be your strength, your solace, your support and succor, through all the seasons of our life together, as long as we both shall live.

(The joining partners may exchange rings or other tokens, upon presentation of which, to the other, each may say:)

With this token I signify this bond.

(Then might the Celebrant or the Master of Ceremonies say:)

"Forasmuch as these two together have declared their Joining unto God and this Assembly, and have marked the same with a token we do here affirm and celebrate this Union. In the name of the Creator/Teacher/Renewer/Source. AMEN.

This column is written as a tribute to my partner, in gratitude for six years of friendship and five years of loving partnership, and in joyful anticipation of many more to come.



Women's Boat Cruise

Hurricane Music Production Company is going to 'Rock the Water' July 29th when they sponsor a romantic boat cruise especially for women in Milwaukee. The two-hour cruise costs \$10 per person, with departure at 8:30 p.m. Get your tickets now at one of the following locations: The Beer Garden, Outpost, Station II, People's Books, and The Lavender Unicorn.

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by Daria Kashian

The Quilt: A Woman's Perspective

Over the weekend, I went to Chicago to experience the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, on display at Navy Pier in Chicago. Over 1,000 volunteers, working in cooperation with the AIDS Foundation of Chicago, **The Chicago Sun-Times** and WPWR-TV, presented the most compelling display of love from the gay and lesbian community. With almost 4,000 panels, the display is an incredible reminder that names are people, and all these names are people who have died.

As a woman, my visit to Chicago was looked on by some friends as unnecessary because "the Project is just for men, and specifically gay men." This view reflects a common attitude in the lesbian community that we are "safe" from AIDS. Many women, even those who are promiscuous, do not think they are at risk.

The NAMES Project reminds us that we are all at risk. The Quilt is a slice of life, so to speak. It includes people from all segments of society, including gay and straight men, lesbian and straight women, innocent children, former drug abusers, hemophiliacs, movie stars, and political animals. Everybody is at risk.

For me, the political statement surrounding the quilt was the most compelling reason to actually view the Quilt. The most memorable quilt conveyed the frustration with the political process. A child, in memory of her father, wrote "My dad died because the government didn't care."

The NAMES Project, inspired by the American folk art tradition of quilting, operates with three main objectives:

1. To provide a positive and creative means of expression for those whose lives have been touched by the epidemic.
2. To illustrate the impact of the AIDS epidemic by showing the humanity behind the statistics.
3. To raise vital funds and encourage support for people with AIDS and their loved ones.

The Quilt met these goals successfully,

both in Chicago and throughout the country.

The positive and creative aspects of the Quilt are incredible. Most panels are different, but some share a common theme. Many groups and organizations have large panels dedicated to their members who have died. Black and White Men Together, the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus, the Western Star Dancers, and others share their grief and frustration on group panels. The BWMT panels, with their black and white material, recognized group members from throughout the country. It was a reminder that the midwest is not immune to the disease.

The first few panels in Chicago included some of our most famous people with AIDS, including Rock Hudson, Gay Olympic organizer Dr. Tom Waddell, Liberace and others. The use of famous people early on is effective, in that it reminds us that everybody is a familiar name to someone. After those panels, each name is important, because they are as real as those few "stars."

There is power in remembering and recognizing the impact of the numbers. When we walked into Navy Pier, we were given two program books to guide us through the project. In the books, the director of names provided a key for those who came to find friends, family and lovers. Then, we knew they weren't just names but they were people.

Like the Vietnam War Memorial, the NAMES Project is the result of a war. NAMES Project Executive Director Cleve Jones calls AIDS the "tragedy of our generation, profoundly affecting every aspect of our lives. As a nation, we have struggled not only against a disease, but also against the equally destructive enemies of ignorance, hysteria and bigotry." As a war memorial, the NAMES Project is very effective because it gets people beyond the numbers and into the actual people who have died.

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- A. Divine
- B. Irene Ryan (Granny on The Beverly Hillbillies)
- C. Marilyn Monroe
- D. Lassie

5. Authentic realism is the latest trend in bathroom decoration and design. Even your most discriminating house guest will appreciate the added touches of the realistic look of public restrooms in your home. If you could choose only one of the following as an authentic addition to your bathroom, what would it be?

- A. Coin operated condom dispenser
- B. Glory hole
- C. Reproduction of actual graffiti and phone numbers.
- D. Paper towel dispenser

6. Wall coverings and treatments should compliment, but not over power a living space. Which of the following choices would you use to add pattern and texture to a favorite room?


- A. Light gray texture paint with pleasure dots and ribs.
- B. Wall paper printed with scenes from your favorite X-rated movies.
- C. Specialized wall hangings made of the fabric of gowns worn by famous female impersonators. Quite a conversation piece.
- D. Wall to wall to ceiling mirrors. Great for the bedroom!

Answers: 1:D 2:B 3:A 4:B 5:A 6:C

To determine your final score, take the number of correct answers, multiply by the number of times you've re-arranged your livingroom furniture over the past two weeks. Add that number to your age and then divide the total in half. And remember, if you simply take your age and divide it in half, you're dreaming!

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Homos in Home: Interior Design Quiz

It takes more than a keen sense of color co-ordination along with a subscription to Better Homes and Gardens to put your home on the hit parade of sophisticated and "artsy-fartsy" gay households. And while frequent rearranging of furniture may build up your upper body, it won't necessarily build up your reputation as the Grand Dame of Decorating. So, I have devised the following short test to determine whether you are decorating with contemporary class and style or if your disastrous interior designs should be featured on the cover of a magazine entitled: "Decorating with Dynamite."

Directions: Select a sleek, stylish writing instrument with a fashionably colored ink, look over each question carefully and then, with tasteful flair, indicate your response by creating a hand designed answer for each in the space provided in the left-hand margin.

1. Refrigerator magnets have become an exotic and distinctive way to highlight color schemes and add a personal dimension to your kitchen. Of the following, choose one refrigerator magnet that would best accent your kitchen:

a. A dinner plate sized magent with a picture of a 369 lb. circus fat lady emblazoned with a tatto across her stomach which reads: "I don't know about you, but nothing quenches my thirst like a tall frosty glass of turkey gravy!"

B. A miniature traffic sign with the warning: Danger! Bon-Bon Crossing.

C. A plastic-coated carrot and a couple of radishes, artificially frozen in a suggestive anatomical configuration.

D. A magnetized reference list of foods most frequently used as sexual condiments.

2. The proper window treatment can supply that added flash of attitude which completes the look of any room. Of the following, which window covering would you choose?

A. Sexually-stained fitted sheets hung with roofing nails.

B. Pull-down shades with Tiger Beat pin-ups of Menudo taped to the inside.

C. Life-sized blow-ups of the photos taken during your dazzling lip-synch performance which won you the title of Miss Congeniality in the Miss Gay Kiwi Fruit Contest.

D. No drapes at all, so the hard, stark reality of your sexual life can be witnessed by all who pass-by your windows.

3. Designer styling and colors have embraced televisions, microwaves and other common household appliances. This allows these normally hum-drum items to figure more prominently in the customized look of your home. Which of the following color co-ordinated sexual aids would you incorporate into your bedroom?

A. A combination night-stand lamp/vibrator with a space-aged design provides reflected light both upwards and downwards for tricky sexual maneuvers and late night reading. Made of adonized steel; black enamel finish.

B. A shocking pink ceiling-mounted sex-sling made of the finest hand-crafted leather.

C. Actual working replicas of manacles used in the torture chambers of the Spanish Inquisition. Authentically installed on bedroom walls they are as aesthetically pleasing as they are sexually useful.

D. Industrial Art Deco automatic nipple piercer.

4. Of the following dead female television and movie stars, which one would you hang a framed black and white photograph of on your wall?

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Raising money is something we in the lesbian/gay community are becoming very good at, mostly a result of the AIDS epidemic. Unfortunately, we can not solve the problems by soley digging deeper into our own pockets. What we can do is help to make life easier for people with AIDS, and keep political statements like the NAMES Project going with our financial support.

The viewing of the actual Quilt was "free" but volunteers asked for contributions as we entered the exhibit, and as we left Navy Pier. Volunteers also sold T-shirts, posters, a hard-cover book about the NAMES Project, and buttons. In addition, the NAMES Project/Chicago Chapter did an incredible job of raising money and obtaining sponsors for for the Chicago display.

Sponsors of the Quilt included the City of Chicago, the University of Illinois, many local gay and lesbian organizations, and local political and civic leaders. Corporate support was also obtained in the form of advertising and direct contributions.

The Quilt has been on tour, visiting cities

throughout the United States since April 7, and will conclude in Portland on July 30, 1988. On October 8 and 9, 1988, The NAMES Project Quilt will return to the National Mall in Washington, D.C. where it was first displayed for a National Day of mourning, remembrance and hope for our friends and family who have died under the oppression of ignorance. For more information, write to the NAMES Project, P.O. Box 14573, San Francisco, California 94114.

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