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Finally — more women's art! Thanks to Mary 'Sis' Shafer, who is also the owner of Shafer Designs, the company that designed Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian Pride logo, for our up-coming Sept. celebration. Mary, or as she prefers, Sis, has worked with **In Step** in the past including some cover art.

notes

Because of a lack of news, group notes, health and arts articles, we had to drop to a 64 page issue. As a result, Dance Steps also had to be pulled. Horoscope missed deadline, apparently his crystal ball blew out.

DEADLINE

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Issue 15, the
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is 7pm, Wed., Aug. 24

That issue will cover Labor Day Weekend activities, MAP Fest, and Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian Pride Celebration.

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Reagan's "Years of Neglect" Continue

[NGLTF]- The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, commenting on President Reagan's delayed response to the Presidential Commission of the HIV Epidemic Report, declared that "the Reagan Administration has missed an opportunity to overcome eight years of neglect and finally show some leadership on AIDS," Jeffrey Levi, NGLTF's executive director said. "The President's failure to implement the major recommendations of the Commission confirmed our worst fears: Reagan appointed this Commission to delay taking substantive action on AIDS policy. Reagan leaves as his legacy to the American people the unnecessary death of literally thousands of persons with AIDS."

The Presidential Commission, chaired by Admiral James Watkins, submitted its report to President Reagan on June 24th. Rather than respond directly to the report, Reagan asked White House Drug Advisor Dr. Ian Macdonald to review the report and prepare action recommendations for the President. In a lengthy letter to Dr. Macdonald, dated July 13, 1988, NGLTF urged implementation of several of the Commission's key proposals, including passage of federal antidiscrimination and confidentiality legislation, as well as increase funding for targeted prevention campaigns and a thorough examination of health care financing issues associated with AIDS.

"Little of the Commission's recommendations can be found in President Reagan's ten-point plan," Levi said. "Having already studied the study at the White House level, he is now postponing action further by having federal agencies study the study as well. Ronald Reagan has clearly punted to the next Administration responsibility for implementing a comprehensive AIDS policy."

Among the issues President Reagan failed to address were:

- Reagan failed to endorse the Watkins

Commission's proposal for federal anti-discrimination protections for those with HIV infection. He deferred the proposal to the Justice Department and instead ordered all executive agencies to implement guidelines prepared by the Office of Personnel Management. "While this is good news for federal workers, it is nothing new. The OPM guidelines were announced in June.

In addition, this action does not reach the overwhelming majority of individuals in need of protection in the private sector," said Jeff Levi.

- The President failed to request additional funds for any AIDS activities, even though the Commission recommended increases in research, treatment, care, and prevention that would have brought fiscal 1989 spending to almost \$2 billion (in contrast with the President's request for \$1.3 billion).

- The President failed to address the Commission's criticism that bureaucratic red tape is holding up research programs — particularly obstacles to increased funding and staffing levels posed by the Office of Management and Budget.

- The President failed to respond to the Commission's call for quick action to accelerate research on drug development, implementation of public health measures, and creation of an international response to AIDS. "Rather, the President is asking the relevant agencies to study these issues yet again — despite many years of consideration," Levi added.

"It is clear," Levi said, "that effective changes on the executive side must await a new administration. The challenge of this presidential campaign will be for George Bush and Michael Dukakis to embrace the Presidential Commission's findings and commit to immediate implementation upon taking office." Governor Dukakis has

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already endorsed the findings of the Presidential Commission; to date, Vice President Bush has only addressed his support for the antidiscrimination protections.

NGRA Joins Lesbian Couple in rights case

Madison [Windy City Times]- National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA) is now representing a lesbian couple in Madison, Wisconsin in its continuing legal efforts to obtain equal rights for gay and lesbian couples.

Wisconsin state employee Jerry Lynn Phillips wants to add her family partner, Lorri Tommerup, to her employer-sponsored group health plan, and state officials have denied her request. Their argument is that Phillips and Tommerup are not legally married.

NGRA is joining Phillips' Madison attorney Shelly J. Gaylord in asking the state's Personnel Commission to include Tommerup in the health plan. The state is contending that the commission has no jurisdiction in the case.

NGRA Legal Director Leonard Graff maintains that "the state's refusal to let Jerry Lynn buy health insurance for Lorri is not only unfair, it's illegal. Wisconsin has a statute barring discrimination based on an employee's marital status and sexual orientation." Tommerup is currently without health insurance since she quit her job to attend graduate school.

"Jeri Lynn and Lorri have been family partners for five years," said Jean O'Leary, NGRA Executive Director. "Their relationship is in every way as loving, committed and valid as that of a married couple. NGRA is committed to ensuring that couples like Jerri Lynn and Lorri receive equal treatment."

Suprise \$ Windfall For Gay Groups

By George Mendenhall

When the final Lesbian and Gay March on Washington (Oct. 1987) expenses were

paid last month the back account had a sizable balance from the \$400,000 that had been raised — over \$70,000. Embarrassed over the riches, march executives met in San Francisco last week and mulled over 280 requests for funds.

With an emphasis on dispersing funds where it would best further the lesbian and gay liberation movement, they granted \$66,500 to 34 groups. Those who will benefit are 14 gay and lesbian organizations (\$27,500), eight conferences (\$15,000), five AIDS causes (\$9,000) and six special projects (\$10,000). A minimum of 25% of the grants went to people of color.

No funds will be retained to plan another march. "We do not have to have marches like regular rituals," co-chair Steve Ault explained. "The march was a means to an end. It was an extraordinarily successful event, but it was only a tool to activate new people into the movement and to get action on AIDS. We never planned to continue. It was an 'ad hoc' operation with no responsibilities or power attached. Once we distribute the money, we will disband."

The march co-chairs are Pat Norman of San Francisco, Kay Ostberg of Washington, D.C., Nicole Ramirez Murray of San Diego, and Ault of New York City.

Ault explained that in making the grant selections an attempt was made to assist groups in a broad geographical area that might not otherwise be funded. A minimum of 25% of the total grant money went to people of color. The activist said an attempt was "to find a real diversity. We did not want to concentrate on the West and East coast and we tried to evaluate those getting funds to determine if the money would be properly spent."

Diversity was evident in the selections: Hentrick-Martin Institute (\$3,500) will develop a comic book, "Tales from the Closet," directed at teenagers who are coming out. The National Association of People with AIDS received \$2,000 to begin monitoring people with AIDS in the workplace. Lesbian and Gay Rights of Texas (\$2,500) will organize a gay rights march in Austin. NOW of New Jersey (\$1,000) will continue to get a state gay rights bill passed. Womyn's Braille Press

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(\$2,500) is translating lesbian and gay literature into braille.

March organizers gave \$2,500 "seed" money for a National Lesbian and Gay Rights Congress, an idea they had long supported. Two hundred attended its organizing meeting during the 1987 march. Representatives are to be chosen from across the country to attend the Congress, set tentatively for the Fall of 1989.

A national communications network is being set up. It will utilize the march mailing list of over 11,000 organizations and leaders. The Lesbian/Gay Rights AIDS Action Emergency Response Network has been formed with a \$2,500 march grant. Using mailing lists and computers, it will allow for a quick national response in a lesbian or gay crisis.

There was some disappointment. "There were so many worthwhile endeavors," Ault said. "We just did not have enough money to go around." He adds that after a final march mailing and a resolving of a few business matters any remaining money will be granted to others.

Criticism that the march organizers should set aside several thousand dollars for another march is rejected by Ault. "We wanted a sense of closure," Ault urges, "by giving the balance back to the community."

Ault reflected on the past — in 1985, when some people began talking about a march, he says, "There was a growing need to release anger. We could sense there was a sort of community coming together around a march. In my travels across the country, I knew it would be big.

"During the march week hundreds of thousands began to arrive, and it took me half an hour just to get through the people to my D.C. office. The TV cameras filled the hallways and the print media was always on the phone. There were close to one hundred related events going on that week, and we had to tell everyone where they were. Amidst all this, there were no arrests — except where we wanted them, at the Supreme Court."

Ault concludes, "A lot of us who were

involved for two years with the march are still trying to calm down. There was so much tension and mental exhaustion." He believes the next major national event may be the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall riots in 1994. With mixed emotions, he added, "We should start thinking about that. It will take a lot of planning."

NCBLG Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

Detroit, MI [NCBLG]- The National Coalition of Black and Lesbians and Gays, this country's only national organization designed to address the needs and concerns of Black Lesbians and Gays announces its Tenth Anniversary Homecoming Conference, to be held at the Howard Inn, in Washington, D.C., September 30 thru October 2, 1988, celebrating the close of the organization's first decade and the beginning of its second.

The theme of this year's conference is "Home Work (for homeboys and home-girls)". Its intent is to prepare Black lesbians and gays for local organizing and to empower them to develop strategies for meeting their own needs and enhancing the quality of their lives and of the at-large lesbian and gay movement.

Some of the planned skills workshops include: developing political strategies, lobbying local issues, coming out to family and friends, addressing homophobia in the Church, defining women's/men's issues and formulating strategies, supporting PWAs and PWA care providers, responding to anti-gay and lesbian violence, and more. A highlight of the conference will be a slide/sound presentation created by Michelle Parkerson and Ron Simmons, tracing NCBLG's history through its first decade.

"It is indeed a victory for a national Gay and lesbian organization to have survived for ten years," says NCBLG's executive director, Renee McCoy. "For that organization to also be focused on Black concerns and lifestyles is cause for even greater celebration."

For more information or to make a contribution, contact: Renee McCoy, NCBLG, 19641 W. Seven Mile, Detroit, MI. 48219, (313) 537-0484.

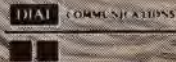
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[NGLTF]- "Creating Change: A National Conference for Gay & Lesbian Organizations" will feature keynote speeches by two leading gay activists, Virginia Apuzzo and John D'Emilio. The conference, which is open to all gay organizations, has three goals: (1) to foster skill, resource and information sharing; (2) to support and develop gay /lesbian leadership at the local, state and national levels; and (3) to strengthen our political movement by supporting the organizations and institutions that serve our community.

Technical skill-building workshops led by activists from across the country will be offered in areas of lobbying, grassroots organizing, media action, development and fundraising, and direct action. Panels will also focus on current political debates within our movement.

Virginia Apuzzo has been actively engaged in the national gay and lesbian movement since the early 70's and remains the gay and lesbian political movement's most original and visionary thinker. Apuzzo is former Executive Director of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force. She is Deputy Executive Director of the New York State Consumer Protection Board; serves as Governor Mario Cuomo's liaison to New York's gay and lesbian community; and is the Vice-Chair of the New York State AIDS Advisory Council.

John D'Emilio is a noted historian, activist and author from North Carolina. He is a professor at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. D'Emilio is author of: *Intimate Matters: A History of Sexuality in America* which is co-authored by Estelle Freedman (Harper & Row, 1988); and *Sexual Politics, Sexual Communities: The Making of a Homosexual Minority* (University of Chicago Press).

For more information on Conference workshops and registration, write: NGLTF Creating Change, 1517 U St., NW, D.C. 20009.

NAMES Project Needs Volunteers In San Francisco

San Francisco [The Weekly News]- Ahhh, San Francisco in August. What a perfect place to spend your summer vacation. And as long as you're there, wouldn't it be nice if you could do a little sewing for a worthy cause? The national NAMES Project is in need of volunteers — lots of volunteers — to help in preparing the national AIDS memorial quilt for its October 8 and 9 showing on Washington, D.C.'s Capitol Mall. Before the quilt travels to the capital, over 4,000 new panels need to be added. At its present rate of growth, the quilt will exceed 10,000 names by the August 15 deadline and will easily stretch from the Washington Monument to the steps of the Capitol. (Let's just see if the photographers at Time can ignore it this time.)

Even if you are all thumbs and can't handle sewing, other work needs to be done, like answering phone inquiries, working with national media, planning events for the October 7-10 weekend in D.C., creating fabric walkways, producing flyers, posters, and leaflets about the events, arranging shipping and transportation, and communicating with NAMES Project chapters across the country. All this, and a chance to meet other concerned gay and lesbian people from all over the nation. If the prospects sound inviting, contact Office Manager Marcel Miranda at the NAMES Project in San Francisco, for more information. The number there is (415) 863-5511.

Clinical AIDS Trials To Get \$1 Million

New York [Windy City Times]-The American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) has announced that it has awarded seed grants to pilot programs in New York and San Francisco that are conducting community-based clinical trials of experimental AIDS drugs that look promising.

AmFAR also reported that it is setting
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aside \$1 million to fund community-based clinical trials. The money will be raised at a major benefit later this year.

One of the seed grants for \$50,427 was awarded to the San Francisco County Consortium's community-based clinical trials program, and \$30,000 was given to the New York People With AIDS Coalition's Community Research Initiative. These grants will be used in programs to test AIDS treatment directly, through private physicians as opposed to government programs or university research centers.

Conductor Leonard Bernstein, former music director of the New York Philharmonic, is organizing a major benefit for AmFAR at New York's Carnegie Hall that, it is hoped, will raise up to \$1 million for community-based clinical trials. The benefit is scheduled for World AIDS Day, Dec. 1, and will feature leading musicians and other celebrities.

Actress Elizabeth Taylor, national chairperson of AmFAR, said that "it is

imperative that people with AIDS and AIDS-related conditions have the opportunity to participate in clinical trials of promising AIDS treatment." She added that drug trials at university research centers are unable to make the opportunity available to everyone.

The idea of community-based clinical trials has been endorsed by the President's AIDS Commission, and organizations representing People With AIDS.



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PWA Memorial Bracelets On Sale At MAPFEST

The PWA Memorial Bracelets discussed in the last two issues of In Step will be sold at MAPFEST. MAPFEST is an annual fundraising event which will be held this Labor Day, Monday, September 5th, from 2-10 pm on South 2nd St. at National Avenue.

The PWA Bracelets are meant to honor the thousands of men, women and children who have fallen to the disease called AIDS. By wearing the national symbol of unity and support in the battle against AIDS, people can declare their commitment to help defeat this disease which threatens every American.

The bracelet bears the name, age and date of passing of people who have suffered from AIDS. This unique one-piece memorial bracelet has been custom designed to be worn by both men and women and is available in silver- or gold-plate.

The PWA Memorial Bracelets will be available for purchase at the MAP Booth which will be located in the parking lot next to Shadows II. Everyone buying a bracelet will be asked to fill out a donor card at the time of purchase. This card will then be forwarded to the national headquarters in Los Angeles for safekeeping until a cure for AIDS is found.

The reason for saving these cards is that upon finding a cure for AIDS, the PWA Bracelet Foundation organizers plan to collect all the plated brass bracelets and melt down the metal to create a national memorial and place in it a city yet to be named. San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Washington, D.C. are presently under consideration.

Included in each bracelet package is information on how to acquire a free authorized biography of the person whose name is imprinted on the bracelet. Sample biographies of some people whose names have been memorialized will be on display

at the MAP Booth.

Proceeds from the bracelets sold through MAP will benefit MAP's Life Care Services Program. Mothers of AIDS Patients, and the PWA Bracelet Endowment Fund, all non-profit organizations. The minimum donation requested is \$10. A portion of the \$10 and any donation above that minimum will automatically stay here in Milwaukee to benefit the Life Care Services Program for MAP clients.

PWA Memorial Bracelets will be sold at MAPFEST on Labor Day, September 5th, from 2-10 p.m. Bracelets, however, may also be purchased at or ordered through the Milwaukee AIDS Project during regular business hours by contacting Jerome or Cheryl (PWA Bracelet Coordinators) at the MAP office, (414) 273-AIDS.

Celebrate '88

Mark your calendar and reserve Tuesday, September 20, 1988. Celebrate '88 will convene at the Marc Plaza at 6:00 p.m. with cocktails, dinner and a super program filled with awards, music, Mayor Norquist, County Executive Schulz and other local and state leaders.

An official part of Lesbian/Gay Pride in Milwaukee and co-sponsored by Lambda Rights Network, Black & White Men Together, Cream City Business Association, this major "Night of Celebration" will cost \$25 for those attending the first class dinner. Those wishing to attend the program will pay \$3 for the 8:15 p.m. beginning. Endorsers of the program currently include GAMMA and the UW-Milwaukee's 10% Society.

For more information and reservation sign-up, call Lambda Rightst at 444-7331.

Commitment '88

Commitment '88, Milwaukee's annual round-up for gay and lesbian members of A.A., Al-Anon, N.A. and other 12-Step programs, posted the highest attendance mark in it's three year history with over

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COMMITMENT '88

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200 people in attendance during the three day event.

The theme for the weekend round-up was "Into Action", taken from the book, Alcoholics Anonymous. Participants were offered a full slate of activities, including: open meetings, workshops, a banquet and dance. The workshops covered a wide range of issue surrounding addiction and recovery. Among issues addressed in the workshops were: non-sexual intimacy, homophobia, sexual abuse and spiritual growth.

Commitment '88 was held August 5, 6 and 7 at the Park East Hotel with a banquet and dance held at the Wisconsin Club. According to Bill, a recovering alcoholic and a member of the steering committee for the event, "I think I can speak for the entire steering committee when I say, we are very pleased with the results of this weekend, I was quite pleased with the attendance and participation. We drew in people from as far away as California and Florida."

When asked why he attended the event, another recovering gay alcoholic, Tom said, "It's important for me to see so many gay and lesbians who are clean, sober, happy and still involved in gay life. And I think people should know that there is life after sobriety."

Planning has already begun for Commitment '89 and according to Bill, "I just hope that it will be as successful as this year."

'The Power Is Ours!'

Once again, the request is being made by Lambda Rights Network for getting resumes from members of the lesbian/gay community. City and County Boards and Commissions determine much of the policy of the community we live in, everything from arts boards to engineering panels. In order for our community to influence the bodies, "we must be part of them," states LRN's chair, Ralph F. Navarro. Send resumes to: LRN, P.O. Box 93252, Milwaukee, WI 53203 or call 444-7331 to get more information.



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“Pal Joey”

By Kevin Michael

In the 1930's, the famous novelist and short-story writer, John O'Hara wrote a series of fictional letters for **The New Yorker**. Then in 1939, O'Hara wrote his own letter to composer Richard Rodgers in which he proposed the letters or the character on which they were based be developed into the "book" for a musical play. Rodgers liked the idea and then contacted lyricist Lorenz Hart, and with this collaboration of O'Hara, Rodgers and Hart, "Pal Joey" was born.

The Goodman Theatre decided this season to revive this 1940 jewel. "Pal Joey" is not representative of musicals of its time. It portrays a most realistic view of life, examines both the users and the used in the experience of life, and is peppered with bittersweet in both life and love. Clearly "Joey" was ahead of its time. For these reasons and because the show is not often produced, I was most interested about the prospect of viewing it.

A show which not only portrays the 40's but one written then might well need some update. Thus, Robert Falls, the director, decided to recreate this classic. In so doing, he went back to the original book script submitted by O'Hara which had been somewhat softened and restored some dialogue, added some of the original O'Hara letters from **The New Yorker**, and presented this revival with a new-found though originally consistent vitality.

The Rodgers and Hart score captures fully the nuances of the show's bittersweet flavor. It coupled even more effectively with a punched-up script. Both Rodgers and Hart would have been pleased with the arrangements and musical direction of Kevin Stites. He ably and sensitively re-presented them.

The set design of Thomas Lynch gave

one a clear Chicago 40's feel. His use of the Chicago skyline was exquisitely enhanced by the lighting design of Michael S. Philippi.

Kevin Anderson's, Joey, was right on the money. He got at the core of the male who was a heel and who viewed woman or any situation as an invitation to take his own advantage. He had a full singing voice but he so presented his lines, song and dance to make himself seem credibly second-rate. He had the potential to be far better as a performer but could not. If he did give his all, Joey would not be believable.

Carlin Glynn, winner of the Tony Award as the original Miss Mona in "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," portrayed Joey's older though not wiser love interest, Vera Simpson. Glynn is clearly a professional on stage and her craft was clearly in evidence by her use of the stage, costume, and voice. She proved she was up to the challenge of this role. Her rendition of "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered" was truly the musical magic it can and should be. She delivered this ballad with the proper gut level emotion required to make the magic.

The chorus and other supporting roles were portrayed well. Worthy of note were: Barbara E. Robertson as Melba, Katherine Meloche as Linda, and Shannon Cochran as Gladys.

Choreography was most effectively created for this production by the talented Ann Reinking, of stage and screen. Her nightclub revues were amusing especially "The Flower Garden of My Heart". The dance for "That Terrific Rainbow" was an excellent creation with a Fosse flavor.

The costumes of Martin Pakledinaz were good period recreations and those created for Ms. Glynn were particularly flattering.

All around "Pal Joey" was a most enjoyable return to the Chicago of the 1940's in Chicago today at the Goodman.



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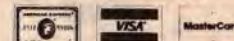
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Adam: Sorry to put a bee in your bonnet, but you will now no longer be admitted into Jet's crib without your fig leaf. Squeeze my orange.
Eve.

Scott: Belated Happy Birthday!
Wake-Up Caller

J: Not only was it raining on 8-4 but Maidenforms at that! Or was that a Cross-your-heart?
P.

Zorba: Grocery shopping has never been the same! Believe me!
Ridee
P.S. Yes, introduce me to "C" some day soon.

Station II Girls Team: Congratulations on winning the playoffs & taking 2nd in the State Championship.
Lori & Sheri

Jan & Annroid: Hey dude bub... Bub, dude! We like curled ten on some narilly tubes, it was like sooo cool I couldn't stand it! Like, the Karma here is radically thrashed without you two. Come home!!!
"A Troll!"

Tit Bongos & Gang: In 1986 we like left Santa Cruz, it like took a lil' while but we like surfed away the Blues. We like don't know what like hit us, the earthquakes or the waves, something told us leave Milwaukee, for Santa Cruz is where you'll stay. Catch the wave dudes!
Gig and LaRue

In Step Readers: The cover art on Volume 5, Issue 8 (Aug. 4-17) was supposed to be displayed at the M&M Club for the duration of the issue. Due to third party objections, it was not. I apologize to *In Step* and to those patrons who made an effort to see the work.
Robert Polubinsky

Lois: While on the subject of the "Love Jones" how was your little trip to Ohio?
Love, Evelyn

Vera: I'm already planning for your shower. However, dear, I'm really not so sure you should wear white.
Your sis, Evelyn

M&M Peanuts: Good luck in Dallas!
Tim

Yvonne: I really wish you'd stop being so hard on your sister, maybe the odds will be in your favor while in Dallas. Oh and please don't forget to bring me something from Neiman's.
Love Evelyn

Lee: Always on my mind — Forever in my heart. Good luck!
Bob

Cops: 'Just Say No To Hugs'

Boston [The Weekly News]- Capitol Police officers on patrol in Boston, ever concerned for the public welfare, have warned members of a gay AI-Anon group that they had better stop hugging each other in public when they leave their weekly meetings. Two officers allegedly harassed members threatening to arrest them on charges of "a public display of affection," which officers maintained are illegal when committed by gay people in Massachusetts.

Kevin Cathcart, executive director of Boston's Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders, said there is no law in the Commonwealth forbidding gay people from openly embracing. When asked for comment about the incident, Capitol Police Chief Daniel Skelly said he would speak to the officers in question. "Their alleged actions do not represent a directive from my office," he said, according to a report in *Bay Windows*. Skelly acknowledged that there is no law prohibiting same-sex couples from embracing but declined to say whether he might consider some sort of disciplinary action against the officers.

AI-Anon members interviewed about the incident said that they would continue to hug, perhaps even more adamantly, just to make a point. Lesbian and gay Bostonians have had run-ins with Capitol Police twice before this year, once during a much-publicized case of police abuse during a January act of civil disobedience at the State House and again when reports of police spying on local activist groups arose.

Boulevard Ensemble Season Auditions

The Boulevard Ensemble, an actor oriented theatre company, will be holding season auditions on Friday, September 2 and Saturday, September 3 at the Boulevard Theatre, located at 2250 South Kinnickinnic.

Audition times are from 7 to 10 p.m. both nights and are by appointment only. Interested men and women should prepare two contrasting monologues, three to four minutes in length. Individuals interested in technical/backstage work may also use these time to arrange interviews. For further information and/or audition appointment, please call 672-6019.

Letters

In Step Readers:

For goodness sake, wake up! Did you know that a new Wisconsin law gives a religiously affiliated hospital the right to refuse a staff position to a doctor of another "creed?"

Or that under this law, the janitor at an apartment complex owned by a religious foundation may be required to attend church before fixing a leaky faucet.

If you haven't been the victim of discrimination, harassment or violence, chances are that you will be or that you know of others who have suffered.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin has been working hard in the Legislature and in the courts to expand and defend privacy rights. Wisconsin is now unique among the states in the protections it gives to lesbians and gays. But these rights are fragile. They need ACLU's support. Support you can assure by joining the ACLU.
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How fragile are privacy rights? In the past year, a campaign of misinformation succeeded in weakening the Wisconsin Fair Employment Act. The Legislature passed a version of the so-called Rawhide Bill, allowing any employer claiming to operate under a "creed" to discriminate by giving preference to workers holding the employer's views on such matters as marriage, abortion or sexual orientation. Thousands of jobs are now subject to discrimination based on sexual orientation or religious beliefs.

Discrimination against persons with AIDS or in high-risk groups for AIDS occurs in Wisconsin daily. Complaints have come to the ACLU/WI from Racine, Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay and from Wisconsin's Northland. The complaints allege discrimination in employment, health care, corrections and housing against persons who are HIV seropositive or who show symptoms of AIDS. And the public still holds bizarre misconceptions about AIDS. One person in five believes they can contract AIDS from fellow workers.

You can help defend everyone's rights by helping the ACLU. ACLU is a general membership organization with nearly 250,000 members nationwide. The ACLU lobbies Congress and legislatures. It goes to court when necessary. And it educates the public.

The lobbying arm of ACLU of Wisconsin supported AB70, the gay rights bill and AB250, the consenting adults bill. The ACLU of Wisconsin Foundation, the organization's public education and litigation branch, handles complaints about gay and lesbian rights violations without charge. The ACLU/WI's Legal Director and volunteer attorneys seek to redress discrimination based upon sexual orientation through strongly worded letters — or litigation.

As a non-gay organization ACLU is unique in the resources it devotes to defending privacy rights. It has special staffed projects on Lesbian and Gay Rights, and on AIDS and Civil Liberties. Its affiliates around the country take on many cases involving the rights of lesbians and

gays.

In California an ACLU volunteer attorney is handling **Army v. Watkins**, a federal case, that could give gays and lesbians constitutional protection from all government discrimination across the country.

The ACLU recently won a federal court case in Arkansas that extends the principle that a public university may not deny funding to a recognized gay student group.

Here in Wisconsin, ACLU has filed a friend-of-the-court brief in **Racine Education Association v. Racine Unified School District**. This complaint challenges the district policy barring students and teachers with AIDS from school. An administrative law judge has already ruled against the school district once. The case is on appeal. Our docket also includes three cases of inappropriate treatment of HIV seropositive jail inmates.

These battles are important. They're costly. They require your support. I hope you'll join the ACLU. A membership form is available by calling our office 272-4032. Individual memberships range from \$5 (limited income) to \$125 (Sustaining Membership). Joint memberships (2 memberships in one household) range from \$30 to \$125.

—Eunice Edgar
Executive Director, ACLU-WI

To the Editor:

After reading your interview with actor Steve Gefroh (over 2 pages! Issue 13) I became quite incensed. First of all, when I pick up a gay publication I want to read about gay people! If I have to read about strait people, I want to read about someone who is active, in a positive way, in the gay community. Not just someone who has patronizing things to say. In his statement "I know too many actors, directors, singers, dancers, too many people in the arts who've carried the stigma of being gay and despite it have risen to the very top of their profession." I think that there are too many "toomany" (s). He does not acknowledge that any of these "too many" (gay) people are even friends of his. They would than appear to be just people he has worked with.

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Adam: Sorry to put a damper in your diaper, but there were no Fieros in our garden, so snip this! (or I'll bite your banana.) **Eve**

Jose: Congratulations on your promotion — you deserve it. Will you still be able to "correct me if I'm wrong"? **Laurie**

Steffa: Welcome to Jet's, the best/newest addition since Jumpin' Jack Jet herself! You super bartender! **Liz the Laz**

Toni: That was one great Cruise. Hope to sail with you again real soon. **Carsoni**

Stan: Belated Happy Birthday, Tacoman. **Former Neighbor**

Leona: "You need coolin, baby I'm not foolin. I got to send you back for schoolin!!
"Whole Lotta Love"

Leona: Since you are obviously still such a puppy, may I recommend a good obedience school? **"Under My Thumb"**

Jose: Enjoyed your party. Our flight attendant hostess did it again! You really must ride with her sometime... It's quite an experience. **Still Buckled-Up**

Jane: Stop your whining — this one's for you. It's the first but not the last, so frame this & get over it! **Laurie & Jose**

Margy: "A-Schooling we will go!" Don't take it personal if I never go on a trip "with you"; my next one may be "to you".

Love, Liz

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Second of all, I do have many friends and acquaintances who are gay actors, directors, etc. I assure you that there are no shortages of "Accomplished, Articulate & Aware" gay actors who would be more than willing to be interviewed by your publication.

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To the Editor:

As many in the communities across our state know — the pageant season is quickly coming upon us. Many people will watch some of the most talented impersonators in the state do their thing in order to win a bar tab & a tiara and all of this leads us to the Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageant at the Marc Plaza in the fall.

This Pageant has been a showcase for talent from throughout the state & one of the most entertaining evenings of the year — year in and year out — and for 15 years we have had a victor from Milwaukee.

While many of our champions have been more than deserving (who could deny B.J. — Rona — Gloria...) There have been years when a contestant from another city certainly seemed ready to challenge — and every year you hear the rumblings from the audience that a representative from Milwaukee is a "lock" — event a past contestant publicly lamented "if I ever want that crown I guess I will have to move to Milwaukee."

I have talked to many people involved with the Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageants — both contestants and officials alike and the major complaint I have heard from out of contestants and spectators alike is the judges are from Milwaukee.

While it is true the majority of the judges do come from Milwaukee — we all (well almost all) know not all are from Milwaukee — but what so many people seem to be upset about is the judges already know some of the contestants and how can they be objective.

1988 will mark my 10th pageant and I'm sure it will be just as exciting and flashy as any of the past 9, but what I hope to see is judges from areas within and outside of Milwaukee and the state — (What about

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GWM- 34, 6', 185lbs. Professional, Good Physical Shape. Seeks guy's who enjoy camping, fishing and ham radios. Looking for guys 21 to ? Will write all. Write to: R.A.L., P.O. Box 473, Menominee, Michigan 49858.

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GWM, mid-30's, stable, straight-acting. Seeks same to share good time, friendship, possible relationship. I'm 5'10", brown eyes and hair, 155 lb. I like the outdoors, nights on the town, quiet evenings, and an occasional workout. Safe sex only. Photos requested/exchanged/returned. Sorry, no fats, balds, smokers or cokers. Mike, P.O. Box 37114, Milwaukee, WI 53237-0114.

GWF, 24, 5'1", Brown Hr.-Brown eyes. 135#. Seeking Friendship/relationship with that special lady ages 24-35. Race no barrier. Must be open & honest, financially secure, someone who loves to have a good time. Some of my interests are: Music, art, nature, animals, quiet moments together, movies, etc. Let's get into each other. Reply to Miss M, 2344 W. Becher, Milw. WI 53215, Include phone & photo if possible. All reply's answered.

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by Ron Geiman



Hi everyone — hope you've been keeping busy, & cool, although it can be difficult doing both at the same time. If you haven't been going out & taking advantage of all the events our community has offered — Shame on you — here's just the highlights of what's been going on these past weeks...

The Triangle held their 'Hot Tan Line' Contest on July 28th, and drew 12 contestants to parade their bronzed bodies before the packed house. Winner Jay walked off with \$100, and 1st runner-up Cary & 2nd R.U. Troy also received cash prizes.

Levi's & Leathermen converged on Milwaukee the weekend of July 29-31 for the Beer Town Badgers' 'Bier Stein Four' run weekend. Over 70 men from throughout the midwest representing 15 L/L clubs joined the Brew Town boys for their annual fraternity weekend. Held the same weekend as Germanfest, German was the theme, with a trip to the festival grounds included as part of the event. There were also after bar party's hosted by participating clubs, as well as a big tent party with cocktails, a banquet and a show. And what a show it was — entitled 'Badgers At War' — it presented Club members in a way that was 'not necessarily leather'. The star of the night had to be Si, who I thought I'd never see in a skirt (not bad legs — Sir!). Thanks for inviting me. Men — it was a very enjoyable evening.

It was a busy weekend — besides the leather weekend, it was also the SSBL Play-offs, which offered a few surprises & upsets (see Jock Shorts for details).

The weekend also offered Western Weekend at Jo'dee's, the TNT Men at Our Place, and Bobby, Damon & Jamie's 4th Annual Birthday Bash at Jet's Place, as well as the M&M Peanut's Softball fundraising Las Vegas Nite.

Congratulations to Ginger Spice, who captured the title of Miss Gay Continental

Chicago at some tough competition at The Baton Show Lounge on August 1st. Yeah Girl! You showed those Chicago queens that Wisconsin girls got what it takes. She wowed the judges & audience with 'You've Come a Long Way from St. Louis'.

The following nite, Ginger, who owns the rights to the Miss Gay Wisconsin Continental Pageant, hosted her own pageant at Club 219. The crowd enjoyed all the guest entertainers including Miss Gay Cont. U.S.A. Dana Douglas, 87-88, Miss Cont. WI. BJ Daniels, & the 86-87 Miss Cont. WI. Shante'. But the crowd came to see competition & that's what they got from the five contestants. After all was said & done, Ty Young Simone was crowned Miss Cont. Wisc. 88-89 & she will represent our state in the U.S.A. pageant in Chicago on Labor Day Weekend. Congratulations to Ty, 1st runner up Dynasty & 2nd R.U. Gloria Holloway.

Cafe Melange has been offering a strong line up of entertainment ranging from torch songs to Broadway tunes to jazz. Stop in and give 'em a listen, and while you're there — have lunch or dinner.

The Ballgame & gang took off for 'A Day At The Races' when a busload traveled to Illinois' Hawthorne Race Track. All those half naked men who got off the bus that night upon their return must have 'lost their shirt'. (Just kidding!)

Another of King Production's continuing preliminary contests (building up for the Sept. 4th Mr. & Miss Gay Southeastern Wisconsin Pageant at The Pivot Club) was the Mr. & Miss Gay Racine Pageant, held at Our Place August 6th. There were 2 male contestants, with Tim named winner. Eight 'girls' gave the winner Paula a run for her money. The final preliminary — Mr. & Miss Gay Kenosha comes up at Club 94 on Aug. 20th. Statewide contestants are welcome.

On August 7th I had the honor of judging
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cute new hunks who just arrived in town. Some people become suspicious of these hot new-comers, who lure their lovers away with promises of trips, furs and large physical dimensions. The truth is finally uncovered as it is discovered these men are part of an invading alien force trying to steal all the good-looking men to be used on their home planets as waiters and retail clerks.

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the Twin Cities?). An extra expense for pageant officials? — Yes — but it would certainly put to rest the complaint that this is rigged to keep the Miss Crown in Milwaukee and renew interest throughout our state — making this truly Miss Gay Wisconsin. — A Milwaukee Fan of the Best Pageant in the State

Cream City Chorus ▽

"Cent Us to Seattle," is the slogan for the kick-off of the Cream City Chorus' fundraising campaign. Money raised will help send the chorus to Seattle on July 4, 1989 for the Gay and Lesbian Association GALA of Chorus' Festival of Music. CCC will be one of sixty chorus' attending.

September 1 the CCC will start their "Penny Dump". Look for CCC jugs throughout the community and dump all those extra pennies you don't know what to do with. There will also be a raffle determine the total amount of "cents" collected.

In addition look for the CCC booth at M.A.P. Fest on Labor Day, a car wash to be held Sept. 10 at M&M, and the CCC Annual Ice Cream Social to be held at Fannie's on Sept. 25.

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PRELIMINARY CALENDAR

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Candlelight March from Capitol Mall to Lincoln Memorial Organized by Names Project immediately following display of the Quilt. Info: 415/863-5511.

Sun., 10/9/88 Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. Dawn: Unfolding and display begins and continues till dusk. Capitol Mall. Info: 415/863-5511.

Kennedy Center Gala Benefit for Names Project. Info: 415/863-5511.

Interfaith Memorial Service. National Cathedral. 6:30 PM. Sponsored by: Episcopal Caring Response to AIDS.

Mon., 10/01/88- National Parents Conference on AIDS 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM. Crystal City Sheraton. Info: Sandy O'Rourke, Names Project, 415/863-5511.

Demonstration at the Department of Health & Human Services to protest AIDS policies. Sponsored by ACT NOW, Info, Sue Hyde, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, 202/332-6483, or Scott Sanders 202/234-8801.

Tues., 10/11/88- Demonstration and Civil Disobedience Action at the Food & Drug Administration (FDA). Sponsored by ACT NOW. Info: Sue Hyde, NGLTF, 202/332-6483.

Lesbian & Gay Community Press Conference/Breakfast on the G/L Movement 8:00 AM. National Press Club. Sponsored by: National Gay & Lesbian Task Force. Info: Urvashi Vaid, 202/332-6483.

National Coming Out Day. A nationwide mobilization to challenge the closet and discrimination, and to raise lesbian/gay visibility. Supported by all national Gay/lesbian organizations. Organized by: National Gays Rights Advocates. Info: 213/650-6200.

Thurs., 10/13/88- Benefit Birthday Party Gala for Cleve Jones, founder of the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. To benefit National Gay & Lesbian Task Force. Info: 202/332-6483.

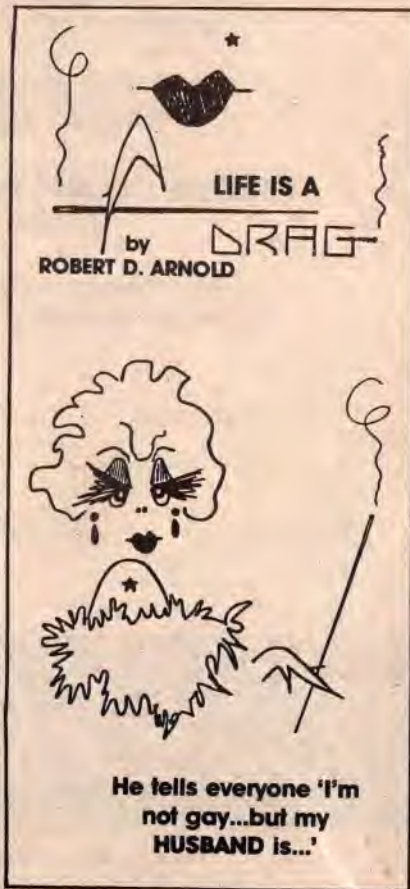
Travellers: If you use United Airlines, and cite Account #8664N, the Names Project will receive a donation from the airline.

A toll free number for hotel info & reservations has been set up. That number

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**GAY/LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 7-9**

In conjunction with Frameline, the San Francisco based gay and lesbian film organization, the NGLTF will host an International Gay & Lesbian Film Festival in Washington DC on October 7-9, 1988. The 1988 International Gay & Lesbian Film Festival will be held at the Biograph Theater, 2819 M Street NW during the evening of October 7, and all day and evening during October 8 and 9th. ▽



He tells everyone 'I'm not gay...but my HUSBAND is...'

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Gay Chicago Magazine's Mr. Windy City contest. Nineteen men representing many of the city's bars, along with Chicago House and Gay Chicago competed at Park West. Besides the contest, the magazine also gave out their annual awards, and presented entertainment by camp pianist/vocalist Rudy de La Mor. It was a very entertaining evening, with emcee Jim Flint keeping things running at a brisk pace. It had to be the toughest contest I've ever judged — the contestants were all winners in my book (Drool, drool, pant, pant), but someone had to win — and that lucky \$1,000 winner was Mr. He'vin Walter Kohler.

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That brings us up to deadline time of the afternoon of Aug. 11th., but there are a few more items to bring up... Get Well Wishes to M&M Cook Bob 'Groney' Grunewald, who suffered severe head injuries in a motorcycle accident August 5th. He was still in critical condition at deadline time & he can use all of our best wishes.

Any of you who tired to order one of the **Safe Mate** Condom Carriers advertised in the last issue may have had some problems with the phone number. Outside of Milwaukee the number was 1-800-462-6283, but if you tried calling that from Milwaukee — You wouldn't have gotten through. From Milw. drop the '800' & just dial 462-6283. By the way — they are great little products. I got a key ring style & it protects the condom from being damaged. (Now all I need is a reason to use one!)

The Summer is winding down with a barrage of activities. Be sure to check the Calendar carefully & get the next issue as soon as it comes out — it will contain details on MAP Fest & Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian Pride activities.

Until next time — play safe! ▽



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One of the finest rhythm and blues singers this country has yet produced, Thelma Houston's newest album for Planet Records is currently in production. Richard Perry, who catapulted the Pointer Sisters to super stardom, is producing her new album. The highly anticipated album will include influences of urban pop, R&B, and contemporary ballads.

Thelma, through her high energy shows, exquisite range and vocal ability, has dazzled audiences and critics alike.

Ms. Houston, long a favorite of the gay dance floor, taught herself to sing listening to the radio. After moving with her mother to Long Beach, she joined a gospel choir that was recorded on tour. "That's when I started thinking seriously about music as a career," recalls Thelma. She began singing

in nightclubs, until she was 'discovered.' Her first recorded releases were Laura Nyro's "Save the County" and "Sunshower" on ABC Dunhill.

After leaving Dunhill in '72, Thelma moved to Motown Records where she recorded such albums as "Thelma Houston", "Any Way You Like It", and "Ride to the Rainbow" enjoying a string of pop, R&B and dance hits including her monster cross-over hit "Don't Leave Me This Way". Other dance floor hits you may remember include: "Saturday Night/Sunday Morning" and "You Used To Hold Me So Tight".

Even if you saw her on her recent Milwaukee stop, don't miss her in this intimate club setting — entertainers thrive on that close rapport with an audience they can't get in large venues.



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BOWLING LEAGUES READY FOR FALL
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Landmark Lanes with free bowling afterwards. Their season will begin on Wednesday, September 7th.

The Monday Night Irregulars will begin their season on September 12th, so if you are interested in bowling in their league, please contact Jeff Clark at the Y.P.

There is room in both the BEST League and the Wednesday Goodtime Bowling League, so if you are interested in either of these two leagues, please contact the following people: BEST LEAGUE- Bob Gliniecki at 278-8686; WED. GBL- Timm Short at 562-3444.

For those of you who are interested, I do have a few applications for the T.C.P.B.I. (Twin Cities Paul Bunyan Invitational) tournament which is being held in Minneapolis/St. Paul over the Labor Day Weekend. Time is running short for entry of this tournament, so if you are interested, please contact me and I'll get the application out to you immediately. I also have applications for S.F.N.T.I.T. (San Francisco No Tap Invitational Tournament), which is being held on November 11th and 12th (Fri. & Sat.). The deadline for this tournament is October 15th, so you do have plenty of time between now and then to make up your mind as to whether you will want to go.

Last, but not least, is of course our own H.I.T. during Thanksgiving weekend. So be sure to mark your calendars and send in your applications early. You can obtain your application from any board member of H.I.T..

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Washington March Anniversary Events

Washington, D.C. - A number of cultural, political and community events are planned in Washington DC during the anniversary week of the March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights (Oct. 5-13/88). To facilitate information sharing and planning, the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) is releasing this calendar of activities and contact names. This calendar will be updated and re-issued in September. Groups with additional listings should contact NGLTF.

Wed., 10/5/88- Names Project Press Conference. Announcing Names Project events, goals, etc. Info: Names Project, 415/863-5511.

Thurs., 10/6/88- National Lobby Days for Gay/Lesbian Rights. Organized by National Gay & Lesbian Task Force. Briefing at 10:00 AM-12:00, Rayburn House Office Building, lobbying to follow. Constituents planning to be in DC should call Peri Jude Radevic, NGLTF 202/332-6483.

Rock Concert Benefit for Names Project- Produced by Bill Graham. Talent to be announced. Capitol Centre. Info: 415/863-5511.

Fri., 10/7/88- National Lobby Days for Lesbian/Gay Rights. 10:00-Noon, Briefing at Rayburn House Office Building followed by lobbying. Info: Peri Jude Radevic, National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, 202/332-6483.

Lesbain/Gay Community Concert to Benefit Names Project- Lisner Auditorium. With Holly Near, Cathy Fink, Patti Larkin, Julia & Co, and others. Info: 415/863-5511.

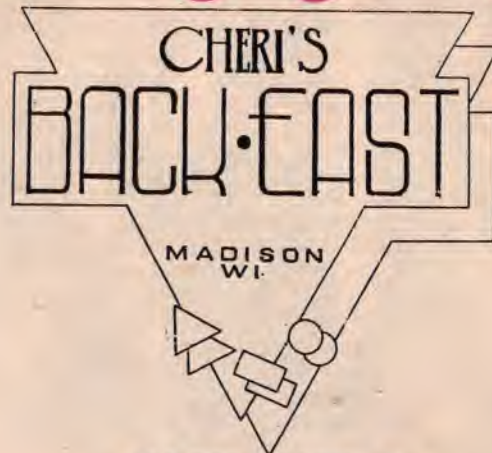
Sat., 10/8/88- Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. Dawn: Unfolding begins; reading of names all day, refolded at dusk. Capitol Mall.

National AIDS Activism Conference begins with Teach-In. Info: ACT NOW (AIDS Coalition to Network, Organize, and Win). Info: Scott Sanders 202/234-8801 or John Fall 213/668-2357.

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BACK EAST'S 4th ANNIVERSARY WEEK August 29 — September 5

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- Wed., Aug. 31 — FINAL JOCK STRAP CONTEST**
Midnite — Cash and Prizes
All Past Contestants Sign Up with Bartender
- Thurs., Sept. 1 — BACK EAST 4th ANNIVERSARY PARTY**
Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres 5 to ???
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The five contestants vying for the title of Miss Continental Gay Wisconsin at Club 219.

jock shorts

On To Dallas...

By Tom Salszieder

It's on to Dallas, Texas for the YP, M&M and Station II, as the three softball teams will represent Milwaukee. The YP will open on Wednesday, August 24 against Southern New England in the 12th Annual Open Gay Softball World Series. Station II will make their first appearance in the World Series as they represent the women's division in the 4th Women's Series. M&M will open against the winner of the Toronto Recreational Division in the first world series for rec teams. Overall, there will be 23 competitive (or open) teams, 16 womens teams, and 16 recreational teams. It will be the largest group ever assembled together for a gay softball tournament.

Station II romped through the women's tournament by defeating the Beer Garden, Flaming O's, and then the Beer Garden again for the championship.

M&M had a little more difficult time. The Wreck Room Spurs upset the regular season champions, La Cage, by a 16-15 score by scoring 10 runs in the 6th inning, and holding off a 7th inning rally by the Blueboys. The Spurs then met M&M and held a 4-1 lead going into the 6th inning. M&M scored 7 unearned runs in the 6th and 2 more in the 7th, and held on for a 10-7 win. La Cage took out their revenge on the Spurs to earn a shot at M&M, but the 4th game of the day for the Blueboys took its toll, as M&M broke a 6-6 tie in the 6th,

and scored 2 runs to go to a 9-6 victory and earn the right to go to Dallas.

SSBL Play-Off Results

RECREATION DIVISION

Wreck Room 23	Club 219 8
M&M 27	CCF 6
Wreck Room 16	La Cage 15
Club 219 20	CCF3
La Cage 18	Club 219 9
M&M 10	Wreck Room 7
La Cage 21	Wreck Room 9
M&M 9	La Cage 6

WOMENS FINALS

Station II 7	Beer Garden 5
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Bowling Leagues Ready for Fall

By Timm Short

Well, bowlers, it's that time of year again to get yourselves signed up for bowling in the fall leagues.

The BEST League will be holding their organizational meeting on Sunday, August 28th at 6:30 p.m. at Landmark Lanes with free bowling afterwards. They will start their season on Sunday, September 11th.

The Wednesday Goodtime Bowling League will hold their organizational meeting on Wednesday, August 31st at 7:00 p.m. at

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It was not necessarily leather during the 'Badgers At War' show.

Leathermen from 15 L/L clubs joined in applause at the Beer Town Badgers show during their Bier Stein IV run. The Boot Camp Saloon was the host bar.

calendar



THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

Club 219- Special Fundraising Show for the Foundation Community Center featuring the 219 Girls. Showtime 11pm. Suggested donation of \$2.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

Healing AIDS Naturally- Conrad Le Beau, author of the book "Hydrogen Peroxide Therapy - New Hope for Incurable Disease", will discuss bio-oxide therapies, & natural healing methods, 7pm. Foundation Community Center, 225 S. 2nd St. Hosted by Dignity.

Augtoberfest- Old World 3rd St. between Juneau & Kilbourn Avenue in Milw. Music, entertainment, food, refreshments. Free. Thru Aug. 21st.

Irish Fest- Milw. Summerfest grounds, music, theatrical presentations, cultural displays, ethnic food. \$6 at the gate. Thru Aug. 21st.

Cafe Melange- Berry Velleman Jazz Trio, 8pm-Midnight. No cover.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

BWMT- Monthly meeting with guest speaker Ben Johnson "Coping in The Age of AIDS", 7pm at Foundation Community Center (225 S. 2nd St.) Open to the public.

Back East [Madison]- Stoney (female Elvis Impersonator) & The Panamystics (50's & 60's Rock & Roll Show).

Club 94 [Kenosha]- Mr. & Miss Gay Kenosha Pageant, final preliminary for the Mr. & Miss Gay Southeastern Wisconsin Pageant sponsored by King Productions.

Cafe Melange- Mel Rhyne Jazz Piano & Bass Duo, 8pm-midnight.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

Your Place- YP 23rd Anniversary Party! Fun, Food, Drawings for bar tabs & CD Player. Gift to first 150 customers.

BWMT Summer Picnic- Lake Park Area 4, noon to dusk. Beer & soda provided, Volley ball, other activities. BWMT Members bring a dish to share or \$2. Non-members \$2 & dish to share. Non-members w/out

food to share \$5. Event open to public. For more information call Mike 265-8500.

Trollop Club- Bus Trip to Bristol Renaissance Fair, Call bar for details/reservations.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

Triangle- Curt's birthday party. Curt has been a bad boy & he will be disciplined. Free buffet.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

Ballgame- Comedy Club Night, 11pm featuring comedian Ronny Marx, plus comedy skits featuring Ballgame Softball Team Members. \$2 cover for showroom, call bar for table reservations.

Triangle- Wet Jockey Shorts Contest, 11pm, \$100 winner, \$50 1st runner up, \$25 2nd runner up.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Fiesta Mexicana- Milw. Summerfest grounds. Ethnic food, jalapeno-eating contest, Mexican bands, folk dancers, marketplace. Thru Aug. 28th.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Wreck Room- Art Exhibit, featuring the works of Mark Geisheker from 4 to 9, 100 signed prints given away. WR Party Night, 10 to close - Drawings for prizes every 30 minutes.

Open Road Riders of Chicagoland - Late Night Lunacy Ride to Glass Menagerie Restaurant, leave Touche at 7pm, sharp, return to Carol's Speakeasy. Call Tony at (312) 929-7171 to participate.

Fannies- 5th Anniv. Celebration Weekend. Free champagne 8 to ?, Patio DJ.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

Fannies- 5th Anniv. Celebration, door prizes every hour. Patio DJ with music from 60's, 70's, 80's, open 6pm.

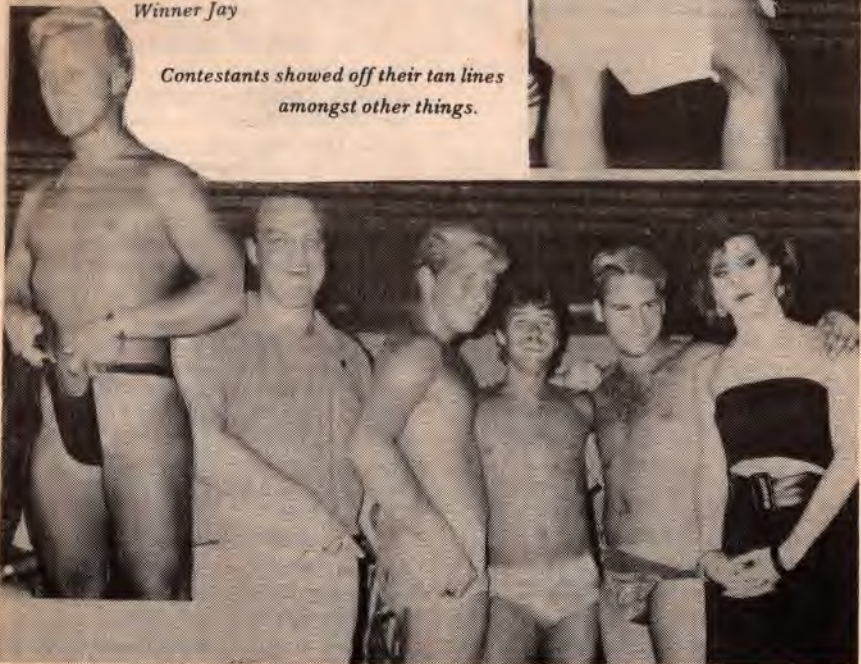
Station II- Seagram's Wine Cooler Party, 3 to 10pm.

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Winner Jay

Contestants showed off their tan lines amongst other things.



[L to R] Triangle owner Al, 1st r.u. Cary, winner Jay and 2nd r.u. Troy with hostess Mary Richards at the bar's Tan Line Contest.

depicting how vibrators may have come to this planet. These loose ladies from another planet will win your hearts with their jiggly trembling performance.

Friday the 13th, Part XXVII: Jason Wears A Dress This installment of the slasher series shows us the warmer side of Jason as the mad murderer dons a dress and does a wonderful lip-sync performance to the Debbie Boone hit, "You Light Up My Life." Later, Jason takes his boyfriend to a charming little cafe for a croissant and expresso and all hellbreaks loose when the waiter makes a pass at his friend. Soup is spilled everywhere, bread sticks are broken hilly-nilly and Jason calls the waiter a dirty name. Not recommended

for those with weak stomachs.

Beach Blanket Bimbos This light-hearted romp lacks Annette Funicello but boasts her lesbian half-sister, Babette. She stars as the sexy surf siren who sings her way into your heart. Troubles spout on Bimbo Beach when a band of Neo-Nazi, muscle bound feminists try to take over the entire beach. Nifty surfing footage make his a better movie than you may think. Musical highlights, "Surfin' In My Mother's Army Boots" and "Let's Go To The Women's Festival."

Invasion Of The Boyfriend Snatchers Gay lovers are terrified in this above average science fiction thriller. Unknowing gay couples are being broken-up by a group of
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Gay B-Movie Film Festival

There are those who will claim that the outdoor drive-in double feature is on the slow road to extinction. That horny hot-blooded teenagers will no longer be able to ignore a tandom of terrible B-Movies in favor of sexually steamed car windows and mutually inflicted hickies. And while few gays would consider a night at the local drive-in theater the high-point of their summer social calendar, fewer still can claim to be familiar with the vast variety of B-Movies with gay themes. That's probably because Hollywood has been woefully negligent in producing a parade of gay B-Movies. Well, if Tinseltown can't conjure up a silly sci-fi thriller with a real nellie mad scientist or a song-filled western with butch cowboy, I certainly can!

So, warm up your imagination, trade that cramped car backseat for a nice comfortable couch and remember that the snack bar is no further than your kitchen, as I present: The First Annual GayB-Movie Film Festival.

The Texas Chainsaw Manicure More than just the nail polish runs red as a maniacal manicurist, played to the flaming hilt by Charles Nelson Reilly, trades in his emery board for a chainsaw in this murderous musical. Big production numbers highlight this gruesome melodrama, with songs including: "Cut Off My Cuticles!" and "I'd Rather Hang Myself Than Have A Hang Nail!"

Ma and Pa Kettle Go To The Feminist Bookstore Comedy, high camp and meditation crystals are the main ingredients for frolicking feminist fun in this romp. Ma and Pa Kettle head for the "Lavender Lesbian Bookstore" and Pa is kidnapped along the way by a band of evil militant feminist drag queens, who force Pa to wear

sun dresses with tacky floral patterns and lip sync to old Doris Day records. Meanwhile, Ma enlists the help of a local coffee house singer who uses womyn's music and meditation crystals to help free Pa Kettle. Liz Taylor, Shelly Winters and Martha Rae.

Attack of the 50-Foot Leisure Suit A classic sci-fi chiller set in Cleveland during the early 1970's, where a terrible hairspray accident causes a gay man's disco outfit, a tacky line green leisure polyester leisure suit, to grow to gigantic proportions and come to life, pulverizing Cleveland's most posh disco palaces. Thrill as the humungous leisure suit attacks model airplanes! Scream as the polyester creature steps on Matchbox cars!! Squeal as your eyes pop out of their sockets when the miracle fabric monster boogies down to old Donna Summer disco hits!!! Cheap special effects, great dance sequences.

Moby Dyke Tells the grand tale of two female killer whales, their capture for an exhibit at Sea World Park and the love that spouted. The movie boasts the longest on-screen french kiss, a smacker lasting 43 minutes! According to the film's director, "I had stars with 9-foot tongues and the ability to breathe through the tops of their heads. I couldn't pass up talent like that!"

Journey To The Center Of The Mall Unsuspecting retail clerks and shoppers are thrown into another dimension after a gay shopper's abuse of credit cards causes him to go way over his limit and consequently disrupts the whole space/time continuum. This other dimension is a living hell where sales people try to sell you the best designer fashions and you have to pay in cash. No credit or lay-away plans!!

The Vibrator Ladies From Venus Friendly aliens spread the joy of battery powered sexual aids in this speculative account

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MONDAY, AUGUST 29

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week, 2 for 1 cocktails, 4 to close.

New Bar [Madison]- Wet T-shirt/Tan Line Contest, 10pm.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week. \$1 nite for rail, wine, can beer, 4 to close.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

Club 219- Presents from The Baton An Entertainment Extravaganza, former Miss Gay Continental USA's, Chili Pepper, Tiffany Ariegas, Chena Black, Cherine Alexander, Maya Douglas, & Dana Douglas. 11pm showtime, \$5 cover.

Pivot Club [Appleton]- The Talent Shop II begins tonite & Cassie's back!

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week, Jock Strap Contest Finals— cash & prizes, midnite, all past contestants sign up with bartender.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Miller Maritime Days- Milw.'s McKinley Marina Park (north of Art Center). Featuring national bands, A "Taste of Wisconsin", Arts & crafts marketplace, carnival midway & rides, watersports demonstrations. Free admission. Thru Sept. 5th.

Club 219- Presents The Legendary Vocalist Thelma Houston, singing her hits live, 11:30 p.m. showtime. \$10 advance, \$12 at door.

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniversary Party Night, cocktails & Hors deuvres, 5 to 7?

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week. Happy Hour 4 to 10, Including hors deuvres.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week. Leather Night — Women In Leather serve specials all evening.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Rod's [Madison]- "Patio Squares" at 8pm, Bike trip.

Pivot Club [Appleton]- King Production's 6th Annual Mr. & Miss Southeastern Gay WI Pageant, showtime 9:30 p.m. For applications contact the bar.

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week. Cheri's 30th Birthday Bash, \$3 beer bust 9 to 2, all you can drink, Plus - Male & Female Strippers at 9pm.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 LABOR DAY!

MAP FEST 88- 3rd Annual street festival for the benefit of MAP, 2pm to 10pm, 2nd St. blocked off from National to Walker Sts. \$2 donation at gate. Info booths, food, games, continuous stage entertainment, drink, dancing. Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction at 6pm, dog show at 3:30 pm. Panels for Names Project Quilt on display & a local memorial signature panel.

Back East [Madison]- 4th Anniv. Week. Labor Day Beer Bust, 7 to close, \$3 all you can drink. Bar opens at 4, Happy Hour 4 to 7.



Mr He'vin-Walter Kohler, won the title of Mr. Windy City during the competition in Chicago with 18 other entrants.

a woman's

V I E W by Amanda Shields

Coming Out Again

She had been staring for years into the mirror at a face that she did not recognize as hers.

It was the face which daily addressed her world and wore her name, but somehow it had never quite seemed to fit. Like a piece of tight clothing, there was always a strain somewhere, something pulling where it shouldn't: a constant irritant jangling just beneath the edge of awareness. She struggled with her daily non-self, looking for clues, pieces of who she really was. Slowly they came, piece by piece, until the final stunning knowledge emerged that left her gasping with shock as well as relief.

She loved women!

What a relief! The final piece of the puzzle of her life was now in place. The last of the elusive mist which had obscured her sight was gone. When she gazed into the mirror of her soul now, the face that she saw was truly hers.

What a joy. Parts of her being which had been long starved for recognition and affection slowly uncramped themselves from their neglected position and rejoiced. Eagerly she drank up the new sensations in her being: looking at women, talking to women, sharing with women, the tenderness, the energy, of being with WOMEN.

What a surprise. Why had she had no inkling? How could she have been so blind for so long? She had never even imagined the idea, let alone that it could feel so right.

She felt her soul lifting and expanding, warmed, as it were, by the sunlight of her realization. The jangling parts of her coalesced smoothly into a single beautifully tuned, superbly humming engine. She felt herself humming with purpose; she was filled to the brim with previously unseen possibilities. Gone forever was any self doubt, she knew: nothing would ever feel out of place again.

She was wrong.

As the euphoria of her new emergence

wore down, she found within her a brand new sense of bewilderment. Where, in this freeing new existence, did she fit? What was to be her style? How should she express her joyous discovery? What was to be her style?

She knew that she loved women, but she didn't know how to incorporate that knowledge with the rest of her life. Reaching out, she found the women's community, in support groups, coffeehouses, and the bars. She made friends, put down roots. But still, she felt an allegiance also to the larger community of Gay men and Gay women: it was her tribe. She loved the idea of Gay people working with one another, women and men together, to create a corporate statement which affirmed their separate, as well as their collective, identity: a statement of strength with gentleness, of excellence without abrasiveness, of recognition of and appreciation for the infinite array of colors of the human experience. She saw this vision as an emerging Gay emotional and political sensibility, filled with mysticism and potential for change.

So she saw. And her vision was partially true. But she found human beings, too, disagreeing with each other, working at opposite ends of the spectrum, pulling apart, as human beings often do, whether they are Gay or not. She loved her sisters, and she wanted to work with them. And she loved and wanted to work with her brothers.

Moreover, she found, arising in her, to her surprise, a curiosity and compassion for her society that displaced her old suspicion and alienation. Freed at last to be herself, she was also free to love, even that world which she had once found so unloveable.

There were so many new questions, it seemed, so many choices, decisions to make. She had come out emotionally. Now, she had to come out socially.

She was walled in, however, she found. As a woman she had been taught certain
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performing artists. The artistic quality is great, and this year, several Milwaukee artists will have a booth to share and sell their work. The craft area provides an opportunity to buy lesbian oriented books, music and art in a free environment. Women also provide hair cuts and massages in the craft area.

The Michigan Womyn's Music Festival is an incredible experience, and each woman should take the opportunity to attend the Festival. Plan ahead, and pack

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as instructed in the brochure. And guys, the best I can do is recommend the album from the 10th Anniversary of the Festival. It's called Michigan Live '85, and it's available at record stores in Milwaukee. So, as the bumper sticker says, "See you in August."

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another point of view...

by Daria Kashian

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival

As I write this column, the **Michigan Womyn's Music Festival [MWMF]** gets underway. Literally thousands of women from around the world will converge on "the land" for a week of music, fun and new and renewed friendships. For many lesbians, Michigan is the week to live and save for all year.

Well, obviously, I'm not there this year. I would be, but I'm working. Instead, I'll give you a glimpse of what you might find at the festival. Sorry guys, but no boys allowed. You can read, but you can't go.

1988 is the 14th Annual MWMF. Believe it or not, there are actually women who have attended all fourteen festivals. For some, it's like a family reunion. Michigan is like 'same time next year.'

Each year, some 7,000 to 8,000 women converge on the land for a week of "woman only space." Boy children to age 10 are allowed, but they must camp outside the festival in a separate area. The only men allowed on the land are health inspectors and the porta-potty cleaners.

The land, a huge camping area, is converted into the festival site each year by hundreds of volunteers. Stages are built, tents are pitched, walkways constructed, sound equipment set up, etc. A village is born. The organizers make a special point of providing facilities for differently able women who need a less rural environment. After the festival, volunteers dismantle everything down to the bare ground again.

Since meals (marginal at best) are provided with the ticket price, an entire kitchen must be set up to prepare all vegetarian meals for at least 7,000 women. Beans, beans, beans. Imagine vats of vegetarian chili, and you'll get the picture. Fruit, bread and peanut butter are also available all day.

Fear not, the less hearty soul. In the true spirit of capitalism, the organizers of the festival make available, at a premium

price, soda, coffee, ice cream (Hagen Daz), Dove Bars, ice and everything else you might want. Keep in mind that a round of Dove Bars for 4 will cost about \$10.00.

Alcohol is not sold, so the local liquor store (and many other merchants), makes a killing during the festival. A few years ago, the owner told me that he made 1/2 his annual gross during the week of the festival. The economic impact is tremendous, so the women are welcomed by many in the nearby town.

The festival camping areas are divided nicely into sections where people who choose to use alcohol or smoke must camp. In addition, concert seating is divided into chemical free and chemical use. There is a quiet area and one for party animals who want to carry on during the entire festival.

Now, to the music. It's incredible. For four days, you will experience more music than is humanly safe. During the day, new performers to the women's music circuit can be seen on the **Day Stage**. For many performers, it's their chance at growth in the circuit. This year, Milwaukeean Kitty Barber will be performing on the Day Stage.

The **Night Stage** features women's music stars. In past years, well known performers such as Holly Near, Cris Williamson, Heather Bishop and Casselberry/Dupree have been featured on the Night Stage. Every year, a number of new performers have the opportunity to share their music with the huge audiences at the festival.

Workshops also contribute to the overall atmosphere of the festival. Women from around the country present workshops on issues ranging from child abuse to political action. Social, political and religious meetings go on all day. In addition, the festival provides a special tent area for women interested in recovery groups like the 12 step programs for alcohol, drug and eating recovery.

The craft area features women artists from around the country, as well as records, tapes and compact discs of

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things, she had absorbed certain things. She had never learned her own strength; had never had to know. What boxed her in now was herself, not her newly discovered person but the layers of socialized being that she had acquired, the passivity, the fear, the doubt of possibly successful outcomes of tests of her strength: the fear of acting on her own behalf. She had to learn to do, to accomplish, to not disbelieve in herself and so to paralyze herself. Slowly she learned to trust herself. Slowly she learned to exert her muscles without fear or hesitation. Slowly she learned what she could do. And so she came out, not just as an emotional and a sexual being, but as a functional being as well.

She stretched out her consciousness like a pair of wings — and felt the wingtips brush against yet another set of walls. These were the walls of her class upbringing, of the truths that she had absorbed and never questioned. Looking at them now, she wondered why she had never seen them before. How they clashed with the realities that she could see so clearly now! How much that she had taken for granted, seemed not to exist! Where was the land of the free in the face of racism, looksism, ageism? Where was equal opportunity in the face of devastating economic inequity? Where were equal rights in the face of abuse and rape? And where was there true justice for the poor, the victimized, and people of color?

Had all this been going on all along? How could she not have seen?

And what would she do with this seeing, this knowledge, now? Was it her responsibility? Was she expected to take her new

pride and freedom and articulate them into other societal strata? Into other issues? She didn't have to, did she? She was free to live her own life, to ignore what she didn't want to see. And if she did, if she slipped comfortably back into the middle class, would she still be able to see her face in the mirror?

She is looking at all the things that she has found, and she is finding her place in the scheme of things, in what she wants to do. She had sought within herself her response to life. Now, she is busy choosing and framing, and being delighted and bewildered by, her many responses. To which voices will she listen?

As she ponders this, she has found out what we all do, eventually: that "coming out" is not a one-time event, but a continual process. We will all come out many times in our lives before we are done. We do it every time we begin to shed the limiting and outgrown layers of our socialized outer skins: whenever we remove the scar tissue that has accumulated over our awareness, and our sensitivity.

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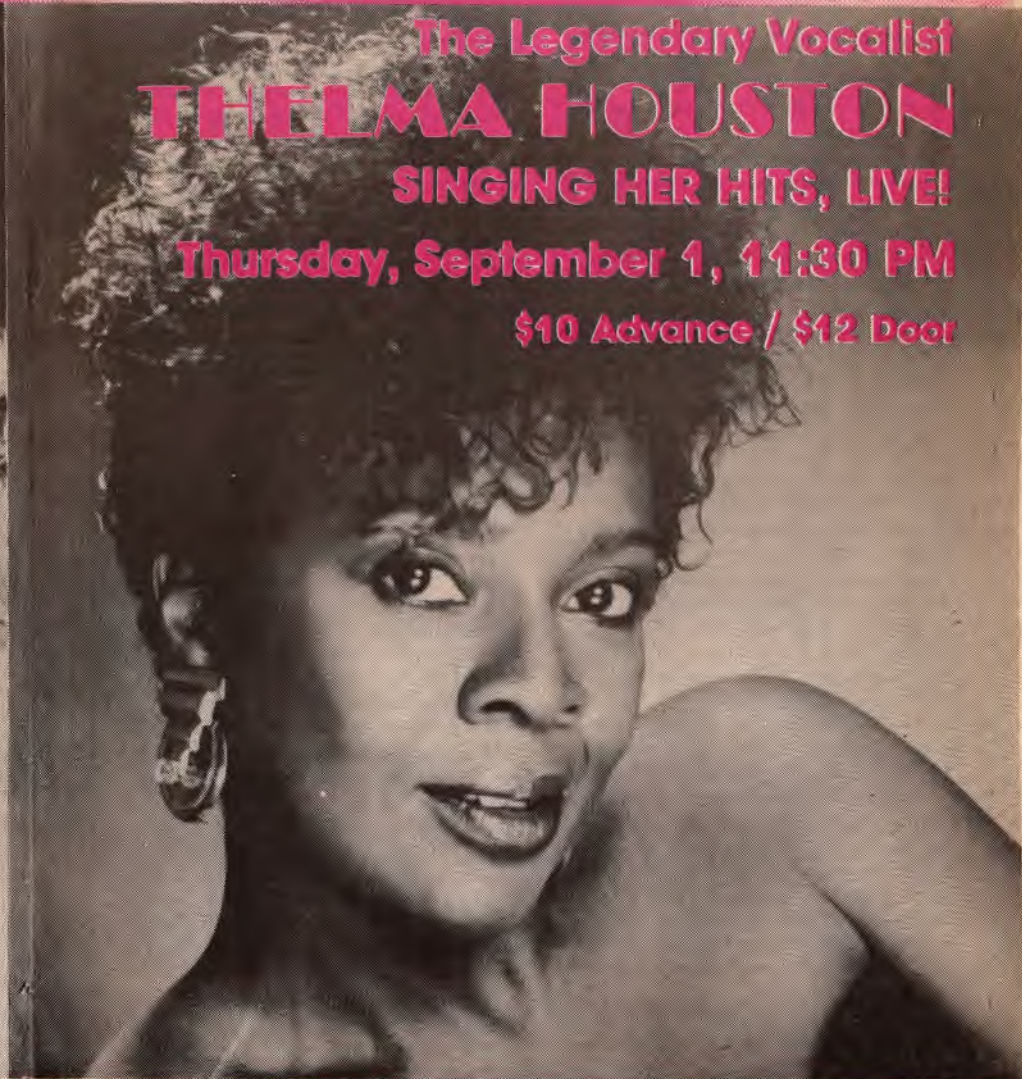
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