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Jim Vieau provides us with this new year's first issue's cover. We think it's a nice way to start '89, reflecting both the men's and women's communities. Notice their little Triangle Pins?

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For The Next Issue Covering the period of Feb. 2-15, '89 is 7 pm, Wed., Jan. 25

That issue will cover St. Valentine's Day and In Step's 5th Anniversary!

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We had planned on a January 20th deadline, but YOUR LACK OF ACTION HAS FORCED US TO POSTPONE THE DEADLINE & MOVE IT TO FEBRUARY 2nd. As of January 11th, we heard from only about 25% of you!

Please follow the 'style' reflected in our current listing, and indicate which geographic region is appropriate for you.

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BULLETIN

Ben-Shalom Beats Army Once Again

Milwaukee activist and U.S. Army Reserve Sergeant Miriam Ben-Shalom continued her winning ways against the U.S. Army and its discriminatory policies against Gays and Lesbians when Federal Judge Myron L. Gordon declared a U.S. Army Reserve regulation unconstitutional that barred Lesbians and Gays from re-enlisting in the Reserve.

The January 10th ruling by Gordon is another victory for Ben-Shalom, who has fought the military for 12 years, in numerous court battles. Her fight centers around her right to be openly Lesbian, and still serve in the Reserves.

According to The Milwaukee Journal, it is only the second case in which a courhas found an Army regulation on homosexuality unconstitutional. Although the decision is legally binding only in the Federal Court's Eastern District, which includes the eastern half of the state, it still sets an important national precedent. The judges decision stated that a person could not be prevented from serving in the military based on his or her sexual orientation.

Another similar case, involving Perry Watkins, is pending before the 9th US Circuit Court of Appeals in California.

Ben-Shalom was originally discharged from the 5091st Army Reserve in 1976 because she was a self-avowed Lesbian. Last year, she won the battle to be reinstated to her former position for the duration of her original enlistment. When the Army refused to reenlist her August 11, 1988, Judge Gordon found the Army in contempt of court for failing to comply with his order. The Army backed down and re-enlisted her September 12th. Gordon's most recent decision made that order permanent. According to The Journal Gordon found that the government's position was substantially justified under the law,

opening the door for Ben-Shalom's attorneys to apply for court costs and fees.

In the 23-page decision, Gordon said: "The court is asked by the secretary (of the Army) to hold that homosexual orientation is inherently intertwined with a desire and intent to commit criminal acts of sodomy. To do so is to create a class based on prejudicial notions of what homosexuals are supposedly like. This type of discrimination based on unsupported stereotypes is precisely the type of discrimination that requires enhanced judicial scrutiny."

Lawmakers Criticize Nursing Homes

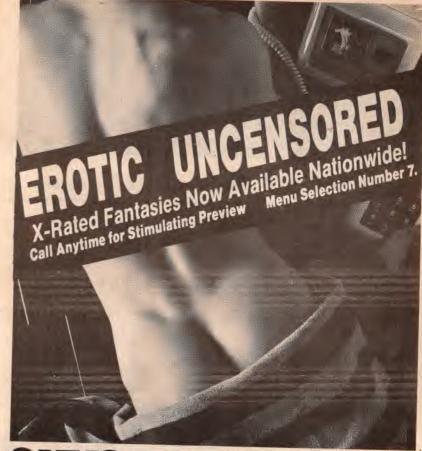
Four prominent Wisconsin lawmakers have expressed sharp criticism and "leep concern" over the policy of Milwaukee-area nursing homes barring persons with AIDs from admission.

In a letter to Wisconsin nursing home associations, State Representatives Tom Barrett (D-Milwaukee), Peter Bock (D-Milwaukee), Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee), and David Clarenbach (D-Madison) cited the policy of two nursing homes in the Milwaukee area of denying admission to persons with AIDS as "disturbing" evidence that "we have not net the challenge of the existing AIDS cases, let alone be prepared for the future."

According to the National Centers for Disease Control, the number of AIDS cases will increase in the coming years.

The nursing homes reported their AIDS policies in response to the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) inquiry regarding such policies. While some homes/facilities said they were in the process of developing policies regarding AIDS admissions, none, to date, have admitted a person with AIDS.

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According to Douglas Nelson, Executive Director of MAP, the nursing homes that provided a reason for refusing admission stated their employees were not "properly trained" to care for persons with AIDS.

All nursing homes contacted, however, accept persons with the hepatitis-B virus, which is transmitted in the same manner as the AIDS virus and requires the same precautions to avoid transmission.

In addition, Nelson points out that both MAP and the staff of the Milwaukee County Medical Complex has offered free in-service training in the care of persons with AIDS to Milwaukee area nursing homes — an offer none of the homes has accepted.

In their letter to the Wisconsin Association of Nursing Homes and the Wisconsin Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, the four state legislators stated their concern that "the public's needs be met."

"...We think the nursing home industry has a moral obligation to meet the existing needs of people who are suffering from AIDS," they said. Furthermore, according to the lawmakers, the persons with AIDS that are currently being cared for in Milwaukee County Hospital's acute care section could be adequately cared for at a lower cost in a nursing home, if such care were available to them.

The assemblymen also urged nursing home representatives to resolve the AIDS admission problem by working with the AIDS Coalition of Milwaukee.

Although state law prohibits discrimination against person with AIDS under most circumstances, the lawmakers suggest that further legislative action may be required to guarantee the non-discrimination safeguards of state law.

Three of the four legislators are members of the Assembly Health Committee. Representative Barrett is the Chair, Representative Bock is Vice-Chair and Representative Carpenter is a ranking member of the panel. Representative Clarenbach is Speaker Pro Tem of the Assembly.

Chicago Finally Gets Rights Bill

Chicago Gays and Lesbians rejoiced December 21st, when Chicago aldermen passed the Human Rights Ordinance after a 15 year battle for such a bill.

According to the Windy City Times, the final tally was 28 for, 17 against. The vote ended the long battle to pass civil-rights protections for Gays and Lesbians who had seen similar legislation go down to defeat in two previous votes, one in '86 and the second in September '88. Seven aldermen who voted "no" in September switched their votes to "yes", and another alderman who had left the council chambers and had not cast a vote at all in September, also put his vote behind the bill. No aldermen switched from a "yes" vote to say "no" this time around. Despite having only 24 firm "yes" votes prior to the council meeting, Ordinance supporters decided to push for a vote anyway, in order to force Mayor Sawyer's hand.

The passage comes on the heels of increased Gay and Lesbian visibility in Chicago. Voter registration drives, intense community lobbying and an increase in political activism surrounding AIDS issues as well as the push for the Human Rights Ordinance made the politicians and especially the mayoral candidates take more notice of the Gay and Lesbian community.

New Reagan AIDS Budget Disappoints

By Rex Wockner

Activists with the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), a gay political action committee in Washington, D.C., are "disappointed" with President Reagan's new Public Health Service AIDS budget. While Congress had authorized federal 1990 AIDS funding of \$1.9 billion, Reagan's budget only calls for \$1.6 billion – a 24% increase from last year's \$956 million.

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Services Otis Bowen. HRCF lobbyists say that when the budget returns to Congress, activists will push for \$2 billion to combat AIDS. HRCF obtained an advance copy of the new AIDS budget on January 9.

The \$1.6 billion authorized by Reagan breaks down as follows:

 National Institutes of Health: \$753 million, for research and some epidemiology;

Centers for Disease Control: \$474
 million, for education and epidemiology:

 Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and mental Health Administration: \$218 million for drug abuse treatment, some research, some education of IV drug users;

Food and Drug Administration: \$57 million;

 Health Resources Services Administration: \$56 million for care, research, AZT, and special AIDS projects;

"Contingency fund": \$25 million;
 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health: \$16 million;

· Indian Health Service: \$1 million.

HRCF's Robert Bray said the Presidential decision to send the bulk of AIDS funding to NIH for research is "probably a good place to put the money, along with the CDC for research and education." But, he said, "the AIDS community obviously wanted more.

"We did not want Bowen's \$1.9 million to be cut and we're disappointed that the Secretary's judgement has been undercut by Reagan to appease budget number-crunchers in the White House," Bray said. "We believe that every dollar spent today — particularly on research — saves millions of dollars later, in lost productivity, health insurance, medical costs and other costs associated with AIDS — not to mention human life."

The 1990 budget also authorized 2,236 "full time equivalents" (staffers) for AIDS research, prevention and other related purposes. The number represents an increase of 479 FTE's over 1989 staffing levels, but falls significantly short of Congress' authorization of 780 new FTE's in 1990.

"FTE's." Bray said, "are a real priority for the AIDS lobbying community

because we keep bashing the FDA and other agencies for not putting money behind their proposals. Again, we're disappointed. It's less than we need. When you're talking about human life, numbers-crunching and budget short-cuts become not only irrelevant but obscene."

"Pro-Gay" Rules Changes Passed

By Rex Wockner

Two rules changes in the U.S. House of Representatives authored and pushed by openly gay Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), could significantly dampen the impact of future anti-gay parliamentary ploys by Congressional homophobes. The changes were accepted by the House on January 4.

The first change allows the Speaker of the House to postpone by 24 hours the debate and vote on motions that the House accept Senate amendments to legislation. In recent years, anti-gay Senators have often been able to pass their amendments through the House by having House homophobes call 'surprise' votes. Now, pro-gay House members have gained a day to rally against accepting Senate amendments.

The second change requires that the time for debate on such Motions be equally divided between the maker of the motion and those opposed to it.

"While this is complicated, it is very significant," said Robert Bray of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a gay political action committee. "Often these Motions happen so fast that members of the House can't analyze and debate them. With these changes, the House leadership will have time to react and the Democratic leadership will have a chance to work with the Appropriations Committee — the all important funding committee — to devise alternatives."

Bray said that, "in essence, what Frank has accomplished is a clever method of preventing surprise attacks. Sometimes we know they're coming and sometimes we don't," he said. "Congressmen will now be spared voting."

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on the spot on the floor. The net result will be rewordings of homophobic amendments or time to rally the vote against them."

Frank's ''clever'' rules changes caught Washington gay activists by surprise, Bray said, and ''are a very good way to kick off the 101st Congress. Right from the beginning, we are setting the rules in favor of justice and logic and reason. Barney is an excellent legislator to even have thought this up. And it shows just how savvy the gay movement has become in Congress. We can play hardball just like (anti-gay Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and (anti-gay Rep. William) Dannemeyer (R-CA),'' Bray said.

Frank said his rules changes should "head off these crazy things of Helms" which are worded to scare people. Congressmen are afraid to vote against these things because they're worded to prevent things that were never going to happen, like forcible education in cross-dressing," Frank explained. "Virtually everything else that comes up before us has to wait a day. Now we have a chance to come up with alternatives. And when you look at the bad stuff around AIDS, it's always been the same pattern—a bad amendment in the Senate and a quick Motion to Accept in the House.

Widespread Anger Over Dallas Judge

[NGLTF]- Elected officials and leaders of civil rights, victim rights, law enforcement groups condemned the actions of Dallas Judge Jack Hampton in connection with the sentencing of Richard Lee Bednarski, who was convicted for the brutal murder of two gay men. Judge Hampton sentenced Bednarski to 30 years in prison instead of the full life sentence sought by the prosecution because the murderer's victims were gay. At the sentencing hearing on December 15, Judge Hampton said "I don't much care for queers cruising the streets picking up teen-age boys... I put prostitutes and gay at about the same level, and I'd be hard

put to give somebody life for killing a prostitute."

At the request of the Texas Human Rights Foundation, the Texas State Commission on Judicial Conduct was to hold a hearing on January 13 (after In Step deadline) to investigate Judge Hampton's behavior in the case.

In a letter from NGLTF Executive Director Jeffrey Levi to the judicial commission, Levi called for Hampton's dismissal. "In view of his disgraceful conduct in this case and his callous remarks about other groups, it is our hope that the State Commission on Judicial Conduct will see fit to remove him from Commission to require training for judges across the state on anti-gay violence and other hate crimes.

A number of groups have issued statements condemning the Judge's behavior including the Anti- Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (Dallas Chapter), the National Victim Center, and People for the American Way. Several newspapers have published negative editorials about the judge's handling of the case: Dallas Times Herald, the Dallas Morning News, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Washington Post, and the Boston Globe. Elected officials joining the outcry included Senator Edward Kennedy, who state that Hampton's actions "violate the fundamental principle that everyone stands equal before the law. The suggestion that those who kill homosexuals deserve shorter sentences is bigotry at its worst."

The Dallas Gay Alliance urges all persons outraged by the Judge's conduct to write letters to: Robert C. Flowers, State Commission on Judicial Conduct, P.O. Box 12265, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711.

Man Charged In Sex & Torture Assault

Mauston, WI [Sentinel]- A Milwaukee County Transit System bus driver was charged Dec. 16th with torturing and sexually assaulting a 22-year-old man in a trailer near the Wisconsin Dells.

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Russell Matthiesen, 45, was released from custody on a \$10,000 property bond after being charged with second-degree sexual assault, felony battery and false imprisonment.

According to the criminal complaint, Matthiesen tortured the victim with a cattle prod. He also forced the victim to perform a number of sexual acts, the complaint states.

The assault allegedly occurred Dec. 11th in the trailer Matthiesen owns in the Dells Timberland Campground in the Town of Lyndon Station.

Giese said the victim, who lives in Pewaukee, reported the assault to Milwaukee police Dec. 12th.

Juneau County Sheriff's deputies and Milwaukee police arrested Matthiesen at the Milwaukee home he reportedly shares with his mother.

The victim had known Matthiesen for about seven years, and had met him through a youth basketball organization, Giese said.

Matthiesen coached a team on which the victim played, he said.

Names Project Alters Quilt Panel

[Equal Times]- The Names Project is being criticized for altering a panel, according to the Bay Area Reporter. Jim McClard, who submitted a panel in remembrance of his friend and former roommate Thomas Bullman, learned that the panel had been altered when friends saw it on display in Washington, D.C.

Bullman's parents, who would not acknowledge that their son was gay or died of AIDS, had objected to the panel and were threatening a lawsuit. (McClard had sent them a photo of the panel along with other photographs after Bullman's death.)

McClard was contacted by the Names Project with the request that the panel be altered per the parents' request; McClard refused and assumed the matter was finished. When seen on display in Washington, Bullman's last name and place of birth had been covered with a plethora of shamrocks (the panel motif).

According to Mike Smith, general manager of the project, there is a policy that panels will not be altered without the panel-maker's permission, unless it is felt that there was ill will in creating it. He said he thought that McClard's panel was made vindictively towards the homophobic parents.

Cleve Jones, executive director of the Names Project, said that the motives of the panel-maker may have been misrepresented to the project and that the panel would probably be restored to its original state.

U. of Iowa Foots Bill For Lesbian Journal

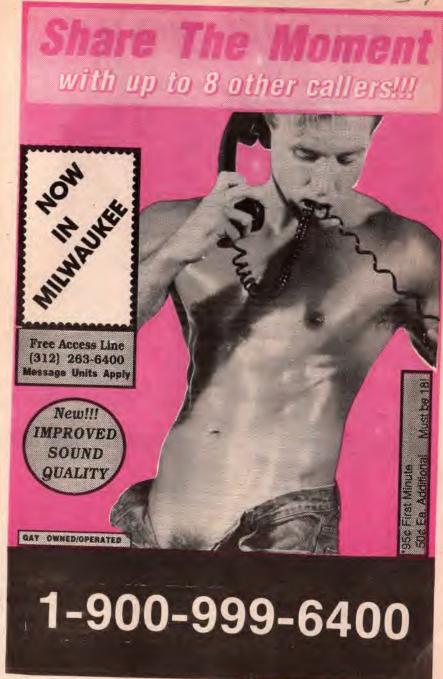
[Equal Times]- The University of Iowa has agreed to pay for the printing of three issues of the journal Common Lives/Lesbian Lives after refusing two years ago to print an issue of the publication that contained erotic photographs, according to the Washington Blade.

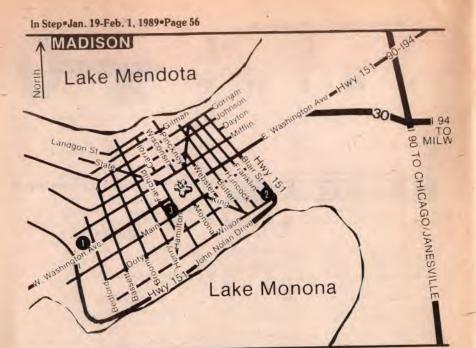
The journal's staff brought a lawsuit against the university when seven administrators decided to forbid printing an issue on the grounds that it contained material that was too sexually explicit. The magazine staff argued that the six-page photo layout in question was no more explicit than films shown on campus by other student organizations.

A human rights committee of the university subsequently ruled that the administrators had violated the students' rights. The university has agreed to spend \$6,000 to print the next three issues of the journal.

Court Orders Ireland To Repeal Sex Laws

Strasbourg, France [Windy City Times]- The European Court of Human Rights has ruled that laws criminalizing homosexual relations in Ireland are in violation of the European Convention on contd. on page 10





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Human Rights, according to the Washington Blade,

An openly-gay Irish Senator, David Norris, brought the case before the international tribunala. Originally, homosexual acts were made illegal in Ireland by the British Parliament in 1861 and 1865, and still could allow for a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

Ireland accepted the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights when it joined the European Community in 1973, according to The Weekly News, a Florida gay/lesbian community newspaper. The paper also reported that Norris began his campaign against the Irish anti-gay laws 14 years ago on the grounds that they violated his personal privacy as guaranteed under the Irish Constitution.

Court Rules No Mandatory Testing

Albany [Windy City Times]- The Lambda Legal Defense Fund, a San Francisco-based gay and lesbian advocacy law firm, announced that a court in New York State's capital dismissed a lawsuit that would have required, non-consentual HIV-antibody testing, according to the San Francisco Sentinel.

Four physicians' groups sought to require the New York State Department of Health to permit testing without consent for all persons suspected of carrying the suspected AIDS virus and to collect the names of seropositive individuals.

Justice F. Warren Travers of the New York State Supreme Court, upheld Dr. David Axelrod, the state Commissioner of Health, who argued that forcible testing and name reporting would do nothing to slow down the spread of AIDS.

Had the lawsuit prevailed, the possibility of anonymous HIV testing would have been eliminated.

Chronology of Club Milwaukee Saga

By Ralph Navarro

October 18, 1988- City of Milwaukee

Health Commissioner Paul Nannis calls together representatives from City Health Departments, Brady East STD Clinic, Milwaukee AIDS Project and Lambda Rights Network to be made aware of complaints about Club Milwaukee. He indicates that there is pressure to close it coming from citizens and politicians.

- Nannis forms a special Task Force on Club Milwaukee to be headed by his Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Thomas Schlenker.
- Dr. Schlenker calls a meeting of the Task Force to set up a strategy for studying Club Milwaukee. Primary concern about spreading of HIV, to what degree safer sex practices are occurring, who are the clientele, where do they come from, can Club Milwaukee be used as an education center for the 700 plus members?
- Process agreed upon for study. For one month a record will be kept by Club Milwaukee of its members ages and zip codes. This would be done to gain perspective on the population to be studied.
- Regular testing for Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV testing to be offered at the Club, as was done several years ago.
- After this was underway for a period of time, and anonymous records kept of test results, a survey of health awareness and sexual practices would take place randomly. This would determine level of awareness and need for education and/or intervention.
- Shortly after we began Step 1, collecting zip codes and ages, a regular member of the Club was diagnosed as having TB. Unfortunately the member was not cooperative with the City Health Department in determining who his regular contacts were. This is a normal required procedure when someone is diagnosed with TB to get all these people tested for TB to stop any potential outbreak.
- Testing for TB and HIV offered to patrons on Club Milwaukee by a City Health Dept. TB Division nurse and members of Brady East STD Clinic.

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- . Dr. Schlenker decides that since so few people cooperated with voluntary TB testing, and it was his belief that there may be a serious problem of TB since there was yet no cooperation from the TB positive member, he ordered that Club Milwaukee be closed on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1988. There was no consulting done by Dr. Schlenker with his own Advisory Task Force. An unofficial straw poll of Task Force members indicated a total disagreement with the decision of Dr. Schlenker.
- · Following a 2 plus hour Task Force meeting it was decided that since members of Club Milwaukee signed a sheet indicating if they would or would not like to receive mail from the Club, that the 200 people who indicated that they would be open to receive mailings would receive a carefully worded letter from the Health Department. The Health Department does not and never had any of the names and address. The Attorney for the Club, Mr. Mark Rogers, would handle the mailing.
- · Story appears in the Milwaukee Sentinel on 1/6/89 with headline: "2 with AIDS virus reportedly had sex with club's patrons." Task Force members, as a group, had no knowledge of this Information, nor that Dr. Schlenker would reveal it in the manner he did. This was the morning following the above mentioned meeting.
- · Information appearing in the Sentinel story is challenged by members of the Task Force. Dr. Schlenker acknowledges his mistake but it never makes the media

TUESDAYS 219 Girls Show



- · Task Force member interviews several Club Milwaukee employees to determine how broadly the original TB carrier could have spread the virus. Was informed by employees that the member in question was generally a loner and even somewhat anti-social. His primary interactions were only with Club Milwaukee employees who have all tested negative to exposure to TB
- · Media stories running wild. Now AIDS scare is added to the pot. Dr. Schlenker, Paul Nannis, and the Task Force are no closer to having facts to make intelligent and informed decisions.
- · Milwaukee Journal runs editorial that states: "Bathhouse closing was necessary."
- · Milwaukee Sentinel runs an editorial that states: "Public Health is the primary issue."
- · Television station TV-6 does good early coverage on Club Milwaukee and then drops out. TV-12 never gets into any significant coverage. The clear winner for insightful coverage on this story by a television station goes to TV-4. They were the only news media to actually go down to Club Milwaukee to take a look and interview an employee.
- · City Health Department in cooperation with the County and State are issuing a notice to go as broadly throughout the State of Wisconsin. Public Service announcements are to go out URGING people to get a TB test and then call the results into the Health Department at 278-3624
- · Moves have been made between Dr. Schlenker and his Task Force to reunite and work cooperatively. Brady East and MAP release statement of primary concern in this issue is serving medical needs of their people. Re-commit to cooperation.
- · Task Force meeting in late January to evaluate current data and discuss further options.
- · Club Milwaukee will be closed at least until the end of the month.
- · Lambda Rights Network (LRN) undertakes project to hear from Club Milwaukee members on the following

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SBF Attractive, conservative side. Would like to meet lesbian or lesbians to show her what making love is all about. No butches or bar people, or drug users. Confidentially, pictures, age, phone. P.O. Box 1868, Milw. Wi. 53201.

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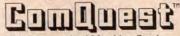


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GWM 47, 6' 170lb, Looking for attractive slim Black Gay Man 22-35 to build friendship/ relationship. Should be 22-35, honest, employed, no drugs, have own place and car, be free most evenings and weekends for time together. Serious inquiries please. Call M-F 6-9pm or weekends 873-6021.



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Angel of Hope MCC Commissioned

Green Bay- As the result of several months of intensive work, Angel of Hope, MCC submitted its formal petition for Commissioned Status to the Great Lakes District Committee of UFMCC, at the District Conference, during October, 1988. It was supported by an extensive list of supporter's signatures.

The Committee, on review, approved and granted Angel of Hope, MCC, Commissioned Status with full voice and vote. This represents a significant achievement for our local church. New Hope, MCC, Milwaukee, received approval for Commission Status at the same time.

Angle of Hope, MCC, has been function in Green Bay for over two years. Initially, the local church was an extension of Good Shepherd Parish of Chicago. In May, 1988, the church was granted New Work status, and all memberships were transferred back to Angel of Hope. The church had a time-frame of two to three years to complete its Commissioned Status petition. The District appointed a Pastoral leader for Angel of Hope. MCC, in May of 1988.

Angel of Hope is now a Commission Church of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, with other affiliated churches throughout the United States and Canada, and in over 13 foreign countries. The church is totally inclusive and open to all Christians.

New Harvest Grant Awards Announced

Madison- The New Harvest Foundation has awarded \$6,920 to nonprofit organizations in the Madison area to provide services benefiting the gay and lesbian community. Foundation co-chairs Barbara Constans and Henry Dudek

announced that four agencies will receive funds for public education and advocacy efforts.

The Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance will receive a grant of \$2,400 in support of a Pride March to be held this spring in Madison. Part of the funds will provide core support for the March, and part is designated to bring a portion of the AIDS Quilt to Madison during the Pride March. The Alliance, a new organization in Madison, was formed specifically to plan the Pride March.

The United will receive a grant of \$2,100 to support its advocacy enhancement project. Among its social services, The United provides gays and lesbians who have suffered discrimination with information and other assistance in redressing their grievances. The grant to support these advocacy services will complement an earlier grant made by the Foundation to The United to enhance its peer counseling services.

PICADA will receive a grant to continue its project for providing inservice education to teachers and other youth worker. PICADA's Gay and Lesbian Youth Project provides professionals with information on the needs of gay and lesbian youth, particularly as they relate to alcohol and other drug abuse problems.

The Madison School Employees Support Group will receive a grant of \$320 to purchase materials for use by teachers. Some materials will be targeted to gay and lesbian teachers in the support group, and others will be provided to other teachers.

This group of grants brings the Foundation's total awards to date to \$57,000. Dudek indicated that reports on past grants have detailed a number of recent successes. PICADA's Gay and Lesbian Youth Project, which was started up with a New Harvest grant, is now receiving statewide attention as a model for training of school professionals. The United's peer counseling service, which anticipated helping 1,400 clients in 1988,

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Health Oriented, fun loving, straight acting and looking GWM, looking to meet a straight acting & looking man, 22-30, who enjoys a healthy lifestyle (no smoking, drinking, or drugs), has a zest for life, and experiences life to the fullest. The man I'm looking for is energetic, enjoys working out, real conversation, theater, long walks, has a positive outlook on life, and is searching for that one special person in his life. Serious replies only, please. Bob, P.O. Box 37541, Milwaukee, WI 53237-0541.

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had already served over 2,700 individuals by the end of October

A radio documentary on "A Teen-age Sexual Identity" produced by R R Bean's Voice Theatre received a Judges Special Mention at the National Federation of Community Broadcasting this year. Interviews with "Parents of Gays and Lesbians," also produced by R R Bean's Voice Theatre, has been broadcast on 84 radio stations as well as on Madison's WORT radio station.

Dudek pointed out that "Foundation projects are undertaken locally for the benefit of our Dane County gay and lesbian community. But we are proud that some of these projects are having a statewide and even national impact. They would not have happened without the Foundation."

Municipal Judge To Speak at BWMT

At Black & White Men Together [BWMT] Milwaukee's monthly meeting on Saturday, January 21st, Municipal Judge Stanley A. Miller will be the guest speaker and will present "An Overview of the Municipal Court System." The meeting begins at 8 p.m.

Judge Miller was appointed to the Milwaukee Municipal Court, Branch 2, by the Milwaukee Common Council and assumed the bench August 1st. He is running unopposed in the Milwaukee Spring elections for another term.

Judge Miller's concern for justice initiated a system for weekend court proceedings. He also held court Christmas Eve in the jail, providing some inmates the chance to spend Christmas with their families.

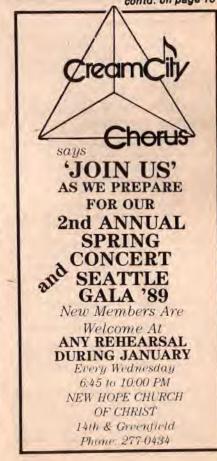
Since the municipal court system is the one court through which most gay/lesbian people will have contact, BWMT-Milwaukee believes that it would be beneficial to understand how the municipal court system works.

If you've ever had concerns with loitering citations, parking tickets, disorderly conduct, rental problems, etc. here's your opportunity to get a better grasp of the court system and utilize it on your behalf. Know your rights as a Lesbian/Gay Milwaukeean. Hope to see you there.

For more info please call 265-8500.

M.A.S.N. Membership Drive

The annual Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) membership drive is now underway. The group is seeking the support of individuals to help insure strong community commitment to local services for persons with AIDS, ARC, and HIV infection. Membership in MASN allows your vote at the annual meeting, a contd. on page 16



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monthly subscription to the newsletter and the knowledge that your contribution is providing assistance for much needed services in Madison.

The cost of a regular membership is \$10, students and senior citizens can become members for \$5. There are also sponsor memberships for \$25 and Patron memberships for \$60, of which a portion is tax deductible.

Sweet Sunday Afternoon, a Valentines Day afternoon of sweets and entertainment will be held at the Wilson Street Grill on Sunday February 12. The afternoon of entertainment and desserts will be a benefit for MASN. Tickets are \$15 and should be ordered through the MASN office.

For more information on MASN memberships or Sweet Sunday Afternoon contact them at; MASN, P.O. Box 731, Madison, WI 53703-0731 or call them at (608) 255-1711.

Cream City Chorus Seeks Members

The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus is looking for a few good men and women to join them as they trek to Seattle for the GALA Convention convening this fourth of July weekend.

The Chorus, currently 42 voices strong, would like to be 50 strong by February 1st. That will be the cutoff date for new members who wish to travel to Seattle, according to artistic director Scott Stewart, who explained that rehearsals begin "in earnest" on that date for the spring concert and GALA performances.

The Chorus' next major appearance will be their Second Annual Spring Concert, scheduled for May 20 at Centennial Hall. According to director Stewart, this performance will offer the Milwaukee community a preview of the GALA performance.

The gathering, known as GALA 89, will feature 67 Gay and Lesbian Choruses performing during a week long celebration. Milwaukee's Cream City Chorus, one of only eight mixed choruses nationally belonging to the GALA

organization, will make their debut GALA performance at this year's convention.

Anyone interested in joining the Cream City Chorus as it prepares for its spring concert and GALA trip are invited to call 277-0434 for more information.

Black G/L Conclave

The National Black Gay and Lesbian Conference, scheduled for February 17-20, 1989 is sponsored by Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum, and is entitled, 'Loving Ourselves, Healing Ourselves, Preparing for the 21st Century.'

This second annual conference is a four day forum designed for Black Gays and Lesbians to share the wealth of information gained from a particular viewpoint and experiences as members of both the Black and Gay/Lesbian communities.

The conference will include an AIDS training session, a Leadership Roundtable, luncheons, banquets, and tours of the host city — Los Angeles. The conference is designed to be informative, empowering and enjoyable. A strong and proud Black Gay and Lesbian community is emerging all across America, and in the midst of homophobia, AIDS discrimination, sexism, and racism, this community can play an important role in combating these forms of oppression and joining the fight.

Special highlights include a luncheon honoring Whoppi Goldberg with Natalie Cole to benefit the National Minority AIDS Council. The banquet will be dedicated to the late disco entertainer, Sylvester, with a musical tribute by L.A. cabaret performer, Jai.

The conference is funded by grants, private donations, fundraising events and conference fees. It has been endorsed by many individuals and organizations, and is sponsored by the Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum.

To participate, or for more information on the conference, contact them at: BGLLF, PO Box 29812, L.A., CA. 90027. Phone (213)667-2549. Fees are \$100 for both the Conference and the AIDS Institute, or \$70 for the Conference only, and \$50 for the AIDS Institute only.



The Y.P. Flaming O's Softball Team benefit Western Round Up party was a smokin' success. One of the features was a Gunsmoke character look-alike contest.

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14. Pin Whackers	36	76
15. Cream City Foundation	31	81
16. Pointless Sisters	30	82

SBL Volleyball Standings As of 11/16/88

	Won L	ost
Orphans	23	1
YP	23	1
Gamma	20	4
M&M's	18	6
This Is It	14	10
Beer Garden Volley Dollies	12	12
Ball Game	12	12
Club Muse	6	18
La Cage	6	18
Triangle	4	20
Station 2	3	21
Cream City Foundation	0	24

Volleyball Schedule January 21 MATCH

LINES

3:00 La Cage vs. Beer Garden	This
M&M's vs. Gamma	This
4:00 This Is It vs. Gamma	Beer
M&M's vs. Station 2	Beer
5:00 Triangle vs. Station 2	Muse
Orphans vs. YP	Muse
6:00 Triangle vs. CCF	YP
Orphans vs. Club Muse	YP
January 28	
3:00 Ball Game vs. Gamma	TBA
This Is It vs. Station 2	TBA
4:00 Divisional Play Begins	∇

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TIME

Finally there are those among our community who prefer to eat in bed. And while eating in bed is considered to be much safer than smoking there, there are a couple of things to keep in mind:

- Hospital emergency rooms report that crumbs are still the leading cause of bedsores.
- Never belch while kissing your boyfriend.

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issues:

- -While at Club Milwaukee did you regularly make use of: a) sauna, b) gym, c) tv/living room areas, d) food/beverages, e) sexual contacts, f) rooms for rest and relaxation, sleep as you would any motel.
- -What were the #1 and #2 reasons for your using Club Milwaukee, and please explain.

LRN is undertaking this project to try to bring "hard facts" into the decision making process. According to LRN, separating "facts" from "myths" is essential in a serious decision. LRN urges all members from the past two years to send all information to: LRN, P.O. Box 93525, Milwaukee, WI 53203 or call (414) 445-5552. You can remain anonymous.

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Galano- Afternoon card tournament at the Clubroom, 1428 N. Farwell Ice Cream social- 3rd Sun. Only-7-30

Dignity- Mass & Friendship, 6pm, St. Plus X Church, 76th & Wright, Tower

New Hope MCC- Worship Service, 6:30 pm, Kenwood Methodist Church (2319 E Kenwood)

BEST- HIV (formerly HTLV-III) Support Group meeting, 7 pm, Confidential location- call for info

Lutherans Concerned- Services 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Village Church, 130 E. Juneau

TRI-CABLE Tonight- Monthly gay/ lesbian cable show; last Sunday only; 6:00 pm, MATA Channel 14

Bisexual Women's Group [Madison]-7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Ada James, 710 University Ave., Rm 202

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays [Madison]- Meets the second Sunday of each month, 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Friends Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Ct., fml Jane at 271-0270 or the United at 255-8582

MONDAYS

BEST- HIV testing and Hepatitis screening, 6-9 pm, by apptint only BEST Clinic, 1240 E Brady St

Gay/Lesbian Cable Network- 4th Mondays only 7pm, 1046 N. 12th St.

Lesbian Drop-In Support Group | Madison]- 7 p.m., 1127 University Ave B103, fmi 255 8582

TUESDAYS

Community Forum- 7:00 pm, 2nd Tuesday only; discussion of current issues, topics of concern, community calendaring: Foundation Community Center, 225 S. 2nd St.

TRI-CABLE Tonight- Monthly gay/ lesbian cable show: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays only: 7:00 pm, MATA Channel 14

Christian Gay OK- Support Group gathering, 7:30 pm. All Saints Guild Hall, 818 E Juneau Ave. (west

PFLAG/Lakeshore (Sheboygan)- Par ents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets 1st Tues, of each month, Info. write: P.O. Box 1396, Sheboygan 53081

BEST- STD testing, 7-9 pm, walk-in. THURSDAYS BEST Clinic, 1240 E Brady St.

MAP- Support Group for family, friends of Persons with AIDS (PWA's); St. Paul's Episcopal Church: 1st and 3rd Tues only

HIV-Positive Supprt Group [Madison] 7-9 p.m., call 255-1711 for time and

Gay Men's Chorale [Madison]- Rehearsal in Memorial Union, see TITU for

Evangelicals Concerned [Madison]-Bible study at 7:30 p.m., fmi Duane at 244-5010.

MASN Support Group [Madison]- For people with AIDS or ARC, fmi 255-1711.

Trollop Club- Meetings every other Tuesday at Station 2. 7 p.m. Call for more info

WEDNESDAYS

BEST- HIV testing, 6-9 pm, by appointment only, BEST Clinic, 1240 E. Brady

Cream City Chorus- weekly rehearsal, men and women singers and accompanists welcome: 7-10 pm, New Hope United Church of Christ, 1424 W

Fest City Singers- weekly rehearsal, 7-10 pm. War Memorial Center, 750 N Lincoln Memorial Dr. men and women singers and instrumentalists welcome.

GLC at UWM- weekly meetings, 5:30 pm. during school year- call for info and

New Hope MCC- Prayer Service, 7:30 pm. Call for location.

Galano- DePaul Lifestyle Support Group- Last Wed. only- 4:30 pm. De Paul Rehab. Hospital, Room 2123.

The Ten Percent Society (Madison). Meets during the semester at 8 p.m. in Memorial Union, check TITU for room.

Nothing to Hide [Madison]- 9:30 p.m. on cable channel 4. Keep Hope Alive- HIV+ Support teaturing Alternative Therapies Meets last Wed of month at 225 S. 2nd St ..

Men's Coming Out Support Group |Madison|- Meets, fmi 255-8582

MASN Support Group [Madison]- For HIV positive individuals and friends. lovers and family of persons with AIDS fm 255 1711

GAMMA- Volleyball, 8-10 pm. Englemann Gym at UWM

Gay Fathers- meeting- 1st Thurs, only, pot luck- 3rd Thurs only; call 871-2362

Grapevine- Lesbian Social Group, 7:30 pm. Women's Coalition, 2211 F. Kens wood- 3rd Thursday of each month; with potluck, starting at 7:00 pm.

Support Group for Family, Friends [Madison]- Of people with AIDS, 7:30-9:30 p.m. call 255-1711 for time and

Men's "Phase II" [Madison]- (Post Coming Out) support group, meets 8 p.m., 1127 University Ave., B103, fml David at 241-2500

FRIDAYS

Trollop Club- 1st Fri - Club Meeting, open to members and non-members, at Station 2. 9:30 p.m. 3rd Friday Birthday night for members birthdays that month-Station 2, 8 p.m.

SATURDAYS

Women's Alternative Health Clinic-GYN exams, STD testing and more. 10am-12 noon, walk-in. BEST Clinic. 1240 E. Brady Street 272-2144

GAMMA- Saturday Volleyball League. 6th Season, games from 3:00-6:00 pm most Saturdays, UWM Englemann

Galano- Movie night: 9 pm, 1428 N.

Christian Gay OK- Oasis Coffee House (board games, social) 4-9 pm, left end of All Saints Guild Hall, 818 E. Juneau Ave (west entrance)

BWMT- Meeting- 3rd Sat. only- 7:30 pm: call for location.

Gay Youth Group-Discussion group-1st & 3rd Sat. only- 1-3 pm, Main Public Library (9th & Wis.), 1st floor meeting

Teen Support [Madison]- Group meets in Memorial Union check TITU for room under "Youth" from 1-3 p.m., fmi Daug 255-8582 or Jane at 271-0270

Metro Milw. Friendship Group- Second Sat at 7pm call Jon at 291 0223 for location

ORGANIZATIONS: Send us the Info and we'll include you in the above schedule. If there are errors in the above — Please send

jock shorts

Jeff Clark

Mil-M-Aids, Red

Englehart Bowls 802 Nuernberg 711

Rick Englehart and David Nuernberg cracked national honor counts in the Monday Night Irregulars league at Landmark Lanes on December 19

Englehart strung games of 266-279- 257 for an 802 series. This is the first 800 series on record in the history of the gay leagues in Milwaukee. Rick rolled 30 out of 36 possible strikes and, with a 214 average, is one of the top gay bowlers in the country

Nuernberg also got hot that night, rolling his first 700 series ever. David put together games of 212-252-247 for a fine 711. Nuernberg, who averages 173, is the treasurer of the league. He has been bowling for 6 years and his previous high series was 640.

Gay Games Update

Preliminary preparations are being made for "Team Milwaukee", our city's athletes that will be participating in Gay Games III held in Vancouver in 1990. Regrettably, the only information I have received so far is for bowling, but I have been assured that more information is forthcoming. There will be 2 events in bowling: Team event and Singles. It will be stepladder competition in either 5, 7, or 9 game blocks, and men and women will compete on an equal basis. Currently, there are 3 average divisions in the Singles competition: 140 and below, 141-169, and 170 and above. Team event must include at least one bowler from each division. The bowling competition schedule, as with the other events, has been set without regards to other sports. This means that an athlete may only compete in one sport in the games. It is important to realize that nothing will be official until the end of March, 1989.

1989 Sporting Event Calendar

Thurs. January 26 - Election of H.I.T. XI Board of Directors 7:00 pm, Jet's Place March 11 or 18-Volleyball play-offs, UWM

Carpet-South Park May 25-29 - Milwaukee Classic Softball Tourn May 25-29 - IGBO Annual Tournament, Cincinnati, Ohio

Aug. 30-Sept. 4 - Gav World Series. Atlanta, GA

Nov. 22-26 - H.I.T. XI

April 15 -

Next Issue: In Step's Sports Person of the Year!

Sports Scores

B.E.S.T. **BOWLING LEAGUE** As of 12/18/88

	WONL	OST
Scratch and Sniff	33.5	
2. Bermuda Triangles	33	23
3. Raisin Triangles	32	24
4. Beer Garden Chumps	32	24
5. Landmark Leather Bears	32	24
6. Boot Camp Belters	32	24
7. Klinkiti Kleins	30	26
8. Generic #7	29	27
9. Square Triangles	29	27
10. Gupples from Hell	29	27
11. Station II	28	28
12. Sober Sisters	25.5	30.5
13. N.P.S.C.	25	31
14. Laverne and Company	23	33
15. M&M Dollies	20	36
16. Bowling De Kleins	15	41
Maria Mora		100

Monday Nite Irregulars

As of 01/09/89		
	WONLOST	
1. YP Vultures	90	22
2. G.L.O.B.	76	36
3. This Is It	76	36
4. YP Flamingos	67	45
5. Wreck Room Wranglers	65	47
6. Short Circuit	64	48
7. Ball Game Dexluxe		
30 & Over	62	50
8. Wreck Room Spurs	58	54
9. M&M Close	56	56
10. Crack of Fannies	51	61
11. M&M Bowlerama Bimbos	51	61
12. Who's Sorry Now?	43	69

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horoscope

by R.D. Thompson

ARIES:

March 21 to April 21

Positive career matters both professionally and financially. This could, and more than likely will put your social life at a standstill, however when it's over you'll have more than enough time and money to go out and play. Something long lost gets found again.

TAURUS:

April 22 to May 21

A series of events evolving around philosophies are causing you to take a good look at yourself. You may end up asking yourself why you even bother and if this pertains to work, let it be. Keep your cool above all else.

GEMINI:

May 22 to June 21

It's always fun spending the money of others but soon you'll be asked to account for it. Travel to a far-away place sounds nice right now and with careful planning you may find a way to take a trip of your own. Plan this for around your birthday.

CANCER:

June 22 to July 23

Friends, lovers, and spouses are sure keeping you busy during this time. Perhaps you should think about what's down the road and then decide on how you would like it to all turn out. It's your decision regardless of what others say.

LEO:

July 24 to August 23

Work could leave you pulling your hair out and this would be a great time to look up old friends for a 'real' chat. On another note, you'll look back on this time and wonder how you ever got through it. Close your eyes and picture it all done.

VIRGO:

August 23 to September 23

Suddenly friends, relatives, and lovers come crawling out of the walls. Why? Is it something you've done? Who cares... go with the flow. A large gamble comes your way and if you'll listen to your little 'voice' it should come out O.K.

LIBRA:

September 24 to October 22

Something happens which causes you to seek an emotional truth about yourself. A hidden talent is then surfaced and you'll plunge into 1989 with a new insight regarding dealings with others. Definitely a time to go with the flow.

SCORPIO:

October 23 to November 22

A little car trouble? And just when you had that big date. Get it fixed and keep on plugging away for during this time you'll be too busy to be without a means of transportation. A new look for '89?

SAGITTARIUS:

November 23 to December 22

If you haven't figured it out yet, the only way you're going to have the funds you need is to work for it. This has been brewing for some time now and you've put it off long enough. There is a job out there that's just for you.

CAPRICORN:

December 23 to January 20

This is a great time to put your best foot forward and plunge into anything your heart is set on. The odds will be with you for a few more weeks and if you play them right you could be filthy, stinking rich before you know it.

AQUARIUS:

January 21 to February 19

Recent moves regarding your home life haven't been the best for you but during this time you can break out of the pattern if you try. Concentrate on how you would like it to be five, ten, twenty years down the road, then move in that direction.

PISCES:

February 20 to March 21

A short journey with a friend turns out to be very productive for you in several ways. Most importantly is the chance to view something in an entirely different light and change your attitude about it for the better.

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MEMORIAM

Steve F. Smith 1951-1989

In loving memory of my brother, Steve F. Smith, who passed away on January 8, 1989. He was 37 years old. The world has lost yet another talented young man. Steve played several instruments and was gifted at composing as well. His music will be in my heart, and those of my family and the many, many friends who were so dear to him.

In an effort to help in finding a cure for this horrible disease, my wonderful parents made the ultimate sacrifice in offering Steve's body to medicine. They also are giving all of his clothes to PWA's. Donations in Steve's name are being sent to the M.A.P. Fund.

As with so many before him, my brother is gone but will never be forgotten.

-Love always, Teri

Writer Beam Dies

The gay community lost one of its leading activists Dec, 27th with the death in Philadelphia of Joseph Fairchild Beam, according to Gay Chicago Magazine. The exact cause of death was not immediately clear. Friends said, however, that he had been in ill health recently and had been extremely depressed for several months.

Beam had worked for several years to create a stronger movement of black Lesbians and Gays. He had served as editor of "Black/Out", a magazine serving the black community, and served for three years on the board of the National Coalition for Black Lesbians and Gays.

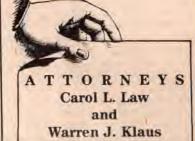
He also served as editor of "In the Life", the first anthology ever to focus on the experiences of black gay men. At the time of his death he was working on a second collection, "Brother to Brother".

Beam was the featured banquet speaker at the 7th Annual National Association of

Black and White Men Together Convention in July, '87, held in Milwaukee at the Park East Hotel. Videotaped copies of his presentation are available by calling 265-8500, or writing BWMT-Milwaukee.

A Joseph Beam Memorial Scholarship Fund for creative writing has been established at Temple University.

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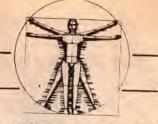
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WI. AIDS Update

As of December 28, 1988 there have been a total of 401 cases of AIDS reported in Wisconsin with 231 deaths since reporting of the disease began. That is an increase from one year ago of 253 cases and 159 deaths. The totals reflect less than the "doubling of cases" projected by many health officials.

75% of the cases were Wisconsin residents at the onset of HIV-related symptoms, and the rest had lived elsewhere, and came to Wisconsin after the onset of symptoms.

78% are homosexual/bisexual males, 6 % heterosexual intravenous drug abusers, and 4% were homosexual males and IV drug users. 3% were transfusion associated.

82% were white, 14% black, and 4% were hispanic. 45% were 30-39 years old at diagnosis, 22% were 40-49 years old, and 20% were 20-29 years of age. Another 12% were 50 years or older, and the balance were under the age of 19.

Workshop: Funding To Prevent AIDS Among Minorities

Madison- Two free workshops designed to help community organizations apply for funding to prevent AIDS in racial or ethnic minority communities will be held in January.

Conducted by the Wisconsin Division of Health and the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the workshops will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Jan. 24 at the Wisconsin Center in Madison and on Jan. 26 at the Park East Hotel in Milwaukee.

Presenters will include James Vergeront, M.D., director of the AIDS/HIV Program, and Barbara E. Standridge, public health educator and epidemiologist, both with the State Division of Health; and Boris Frank, Madison, a specialist in grants development and proposal writing.

Standridge says the purpose of the program is to reach community-based organizations that serve racial or ethnic minorities and help them apply for funds Wisconsin receives and administers for the Centers for Disease Control.

The workshops will focus on the competitive granting process for funding, skills to prepare a grant proposal and how to compete equitably for available AIDS/HIV fundings. An update on the AIDS/HIV epidemic and how the epidemic has affected racial and ethnic minorities will also be provided.

The workshop is free but registration is required. To register for the Milwaukee or Madison AIDS Grants Proposal Workshop, call (608) 262-7942. For more information contact Christine DeSmet, UW-Madison Communication Programs, 610 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53703; (608) 262-3447.

Gay/Lesbian Med Students to Meet

Madison- Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual People in Medicine [LGBPM], a task force of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA), will be participating in the AMSA Regional Winter Conference to be held from January 20-22, 1989 at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. The theme of the conference is 'Medicine and the Media.' Medical students and residents will be attending from WI, IL, MI, OH and IN.

LGBPM will be sponsoring a talk by Mark Behar on his work with Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable TV and health issues. There will also be social events and opportunities to meet other gay and

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inklings

Small Talk

You answer the doorbell. It's your roommates date. Your roommate won't be ready for at least another ten minutes. Ten minutes! What on earth will you talk about?

For some, such situations present no problem. They're the ones from whose poised and confident lips effortlessly flow witty and articulate remarks. But others may react differently. In fact, they may panic.

When faced with having to make small talk with someone at a party, while on a first date, or the person sitting on the next barstool, they feel self-conscious and awkward. In some cases they start perspiring, their knees shake, and their stomachs do somersaults.

All this, over something called small talk?

You may consider small talk unimportant, and the dictionary will agree. Random House defines it as; 'light unimportant conversation, chitchat''. But small talk is really very valuable. In building a relationship the ability to make small talk is a very significant skill. In fact the ability to talk about 'nothing'' is one of the most important social skills I've found I need.

In a one-to-one situation small talk helps you get to know another person. In a group situation, such as a party, small talk serves as a tester. It lets you experience a wide variety of people, and gives you the opportunity to go back to those who you connected with most.

I have heard many people complain that small talk is insignificant, and not worth their time. They want to spend time on "real talk", not something trivial. That sounds good but they are missing an important step. You can't jump straight into a profound heart-felt discussion with a stranger. It's like getting married without ever dating.

Small talk lets you get to know a person. It allows you to loosen up. After this initial stage is when you can move on to more

by Tim Hensiak

serious topics of conversation. It is at this point when meaningful relationships begin to develop, but remember it all started with small talk.

So now, what to talk about? Here are a few suggestions:

I've found the best way to start a conversation is to ask questions. What about? Just about anything actually. At a party, while standing near the buffet, ask someone if they've tried the salmon mousse. If you're introduced to someone with an unusual name, ask about it. Does someone have an unusual job or hobby? Ask! Be a good observer, notice what's going on around you, and you'll never run out of things to talk about.

Other good conversation starters include anything the person is likely to have an opinion on, such as a current movie. If all else fails you can always use the old standby, the weather, although I usually find this a dead-end subject unless a tornado is on the way.

Remember that what you say isn't really that important, the important part is to just talk.

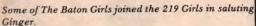
I have a good friend who loves to dance, but is always uncomfortable when asked to dance by a stranger. I asked what made him feel uncomfortable and he replied, 'they're going to think something I say is stupid."

I said of course you're right, if you make a dumb remark I'm sure they'll run all over the bar telling everyone, 'Did you hear that dumb remark that guy just made?'' Of course my friend laughed when he realized something like that would never happen.

My point is this...when you make small talk, not much of what you say is remembered. That's what small about small talk. So keep talking, because if what you're saying isn't that important, you don't need to worry about saying something stupid.

Don't concentrate on yourself too much, relax and realize that everyone isn't evaluating you. Just be yourself and you'll be able to make all the small talk you want.







Chris and Richard [Ginger Spice] during Ginger's Top- Maya Daouglas, Bottom- Kelly Surprise Birthday party at Club 219.

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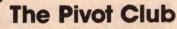


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lesbian medical students and residents.

LGBPM is a national organization, founded in 1976, with local chapters and support groups at many medical schools. It serves as a support network for gay and lesbian medical students and residents, and sponsors projects on many issues of concern to lesbians and gay men. LGBPM sponsors programming at fall and winter AMSA conferences and at the spring AMSA National Conference, to be held this year from march 15-19 in Las Vegas.

For more information about this conference, LGBPM and AMSA, call (808) 257-8577 or write LGBPM/AMSA, 1890 Preston White Dr., Reston, VA 22091.

Groups Respond to FDA Regulations

Washington, D.C. [HRCF]- The Human Rights Campaign Fund [HRCF] and other national groups formally responded to recently published FDA regulations for drug development and licensing, saying they are encouraged by the FDA'S "commitment to exploring alternative approaches" to experimental drugs, but adding the real test would be in commitment of resources. The groups also expressed concern about access to experimental drugs.

The new FDA regulations were announced with great fanfare by FDA Director Frank Young last October, soon after widely publicized demonstrations at FDA headquarters. Since then the proposal has been available for public comment and analysis.

The regulations are designed to shorten the time it takes for a new drug to pass current requirements for FDA licensing, principally through greater FDA involvement in the design of clinical trials. A major goal of the proposal is the licensing of drugs at the end of phase two studies, and eliminating the customary phase three.

HRCF submitted the comments jointly with the AIDS Action Council, the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Information Institute, and the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, All four organizations participate in National Organizations Responding to AIDS (NORA), a coalition that coordinates policy responses and statements by national groups on AIDS issues.

In their comments, the groups "commend...the FDA's commitment to explore alternative approaches to making investigational drugs more widely available to people with life-threatening illnesses" and "look forward to a continuing dialogue with the agency on this critically important subject."

Steve Smith, HRCF legislative counsel and NORA research project co-chair, said the proposed regulations were generally positive, but that the true test would be in the allocation of resources to make them work.

Sourcebook On Health Care

The National Lesbian/Gay Health Foundation [NLGHF] — the oldest national lesbian and gay health organization — has published the second edition of The Sourcebook on Lesbian/Gay Health Care. It contains more than 2,000 listings of doctors, clinics, counseling services and research centers that specialize in lesbian and gay health care, as well as 42 articles by leading experts on lesbian and gay health issues. The Sourcebook directory covers every state in the United States as well as Canada, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

"While The Sourcebook includes the most comprehensive information and listing of doctors and clinics treating people with AIDS," said Ellen Ratner, President of the NLGHF, "this publication goes far beyond AIDS. The directory provides information on every conceivable health issue that a lesbian or gay might confront; such as psychotherapy, support groups, chemical dependency and other addictions, rape counseling, menstrual disorders, holistic treatment, and plain old basic preventive health care,"

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smoldering pot filled with one of Chef Boy-ar-dee's finer culinary creations. Often, food related references are used to help make a point in these arguments, such as:

- "Do you always have to spoil everything?!?"
- "I'm fed up! I've had my fill of you!! I'm fed up to here!!!"
- "That is the most half-baked idea I have ever heard. You are such a dip!"

Another advantage of dining out is that finer restaurants often employ an abundance of attractive waiters and busboys. Occasionally this can create problems. Especially during a romantic dinner date, confusion can arise over the proper amount to tip an attentive waiter. To clear up this confusion, I have devised the following:

W.W.'s Law for Tipping Flirtatious Waiters

"The percentage of a waiter's tip will be reduced proportionately by the number of times he flirts with your date. Conversely, the tip will increase exponentially by the number of plays he makes for you."

Dinner parties are another food related favorite for many gay people. These social gatherings offer an opportunity to invite friends, (especially those involved in ugly sexual entanglements with each other's form lover) together for an evening filled with fine food and conversation. Unfortunately, there will always be some guest that will arrive at these parties and be unfamiliar with the finer points of gay dinner party etiquette and table manners. When attending a gay dinner party there are a couple of things you should not do:

- Do not talk with your mouth full unless you suddenly recall a very juicy bit of gossip of a sordid sexual nature about a fellow guest that you need to share with everyone at the table immediately.
- Do not ask your host about the ingredients used in a particular dish if you don't recognize them except to be sure that the little black things are not bugs and the unidentifiable meat is not sheep's brains or pig intestines.

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Bette Midler once said, "I eat, therefore I am..." and many gay people seen to have taken that credo to heart as dinner parties, intimate dining and eating out continue to play a major role in gay social life. In fact, imaginative uses of food and related activities seen to stretch across the entire gay spectrum, from chubbies and their chasers to those gay men who can never be too thin. So join me now as we enter this incredible edible world or as the Pillsbury Doughboy might say, "Don't stop me now, I'm on a roll!"

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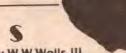
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it might be helpful to define a few terms for common reference:

Binge: The eating behavior of an overweight gay man who, after eating nothing but low-calorie meals for three months, discovers that the hunk he had been trying to attract by shedding those extra pounds has fallen in love with another man.

Cucumber: A size queen's opinion of the ideal size for a sexual partner.

Spot Reducing: An experimental dieting method developed to shrink only certain parts of the body. The procedure was abandoned after an overweight man, trying to take a few inches off his thighs, inadvertently shrunk his weenie down to the size of a string bean.

Trix: The breakfast cereal most commonly served after a one night stand.

Waiter: The actual occupation of the guy you met in a bar who claimed to be in the restaurant business.

Weight Watchers: The so-called friends who seem to take great pleasure in pointing out just how much weight you've put on lately. These people often make extra money running those Guess-Your-Weight booths at carnivals.

When hunger beckons many gay people head right for their favorite restaurant. And with good reason, as dining out can allow for experiences and opportunities not often found by staying home and baby-sitting a plate piled high with old, microwaved tuna casserole.

In fact, some gay couples use restaurants as an excellent backdrop for their melodramatic arguments. They have discovered that shedding tears into a flaming pan of crepes suzette in an expensive French restaurant is much more dramatic than sniveling into a

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UPCOMING MNDC + SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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Sourcebook are written by world renowned health care experts on major health and social issues facing the lesbian and gay community, which makes it one of the richest academic resources on lesbian and gay health issues ever published. Previously unavailable surveys and analyses are presented for the first time on issues such as substance abuse. mental health, AIDS, sexuality and gay and lesbian families.

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"This book is a must," said William A. Scott, a co-editor. "Being gay or lesbian doesn't mean you have to suffer more than any other segment of the population either physically or psychologically. The Sourcebook lets you know where to go to get basic or specialized health care," he added.

The Sourcebook which is sold for \$14.00, was edited by Michael Shernoff. ACSW, and William A. Scott, CSW, ACP. It is available in bookstores across the country or by contacting the NLGHF, PO Box 65472, Washington, D.C. 20035, (202/797-3708).

Hope Offered By 2nd AIDS Conference

Boulder, Colorado- The Second Annual AIDS, Medicine and Miracles Conference will be held April 27-30, 1989 at the Clarion Harvest House Hotel in Boulder. Colorado.

The conference brings together people from various disciplines, as well as People Living With AIDS (PLWA's), to look at new research, treatments that are

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complementary to traditional medicine and personal participation in healing by those who are HIV Positive.

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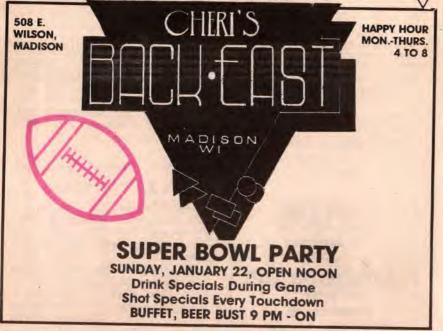
Annette Goodheart, a psychotherapist

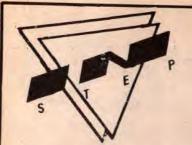
from Santa Barbara, California will speak on "Laugh Your Way to Health," and will conduct a workshop entitled, "Loss, Laughter, and Healing."

Medical Doctors, Adan Rios, Candace Pert, and Charles Steinbergy will present the latest information from each of their perspectives. Dr. Pert will share information about the clinical trials of Peptide T. Dr. Dios will discuss the recent developments in AIDS vaccines; and Dr. Steinberg will share his ideas about integrating medical and complementary treatments with the Whole Person Living With AIDS

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To All Concerned People of Milwaukee:

My name is Mark Scott and I have been the Manager of The Club Bath Milwaukee for the past four years, Those of you who know me, know that I have spent the past four years making it a better and safer place for all to come. Spending thousands of dollars and my own time, energy and talent, working hand in hand with Health Inspectors and Community Leaders.

Now I have had enough of the out and out-right Lies that I have read in the News Papers and heard on television and would like my chance to set the matter straight.

Statements of City Health Department-Suspected carrier of T.B. refused to give any information as to who he has had any contact with. My Response- I told them on my first interview that I had no contact with any Club patrons for over the past three years.

Health Department- Two disturbed patrons of the Club with AIDS had unprotected sex with Club patrons. My Response- The day I was told I had a small inactive touch of the AIDS virus (probably brought on by a blood transfusion) is the day I stopped sleeping with anyone.

I have no idea where Mr. Schienker got his information as to the other two patrons, as I personally have talked to patrons who I even suspected of having AIDS, and asked them not to return.

On the day they closed the Club I was told that my T.B. was probably not contagious and did not have to wear a mask anymore. The spot on my lungs was several years old and was irritated by the pushing and smoking I had ben doing in the past few weeks.

I sincerely hope that this letter will help clear up some of the misconceptions that have been spread in the media in the past few weeks, as I truly believe that one man is trying to make a name for himself at any ones expense.

-Mark Scott

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Out is aborting your suicide attempt, realizing that life as a gay teen isn't bad after all.

Out is writing your legislator, senator or representative.

Out is being arrested during an act of civil disobedience protesting inaction on AIDS.

Out is telling a casual acquaintance that you HIV antibody positive.

Out is voting.

Out is wearing a pink triangle on the bus to work.

Out is being an AIDS buddy.

Out is volunteering to staff a gay hotline.

Out is correcting a co-worker's language when he tells a "dyke" or "faggot" joke.

Out is not thinking that joke is so funny anymore.

Out is taking that one special someone by the hand and walking down the street oblivious to the dropping jaws all about.

Out is knowing in your heart that if they made a pill to "cure" "homosexuality," you would throw it away.

Some of us have been all these things. Some maybe have only started at number one. But all of us are somewhere on this path.

We're not all that out. I'm not. We all have somewhere to go. And, best of all,

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we know where we are and how to get to where we're going - if we look inside ourselves.

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Out!

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"So how long have you been 'out?"

I used to laugh at the question.

"Now, just what exactly do you mean by 'out?" "I would ask. "Out to myself? Out to a sex partner? Out to my family? Out to my best friends? Out to my co-workers? Out of my employers? Out as an activist? Or maybe out to strangers, passers-by, policeman, bus riders and others?

"What do you mean by 'out?"

"Well, you know - out."

I can't say I completely understand even now. I particularly can't comprehend when someone says to me, "Well, I'm not completely 'out.' you know."

No, I don't know. For that matter, I'm not completely "out" myself. Being out — of the proverbial closet, if you will — is not something that happens once and it's over with. You don't just one day wake up, go march in a Gay and Lesbian Pride





Parade and then get issued a shiny laminated lavender membership card that says, "I am a gay man/lesbian woman, and I am out!"

I just doesn't work that way.

I know that.

And so do you.

Out is being able to look yourself in the mirror and say, "I'm gay, and I like that."

Out is being able to pull your children to your side and say, "Bobby, Sandy, there's something you need to know about mommy."

Out is getting the nerve to go up to your boss and tell him that the reason you can't show up for inventory is because you and your lover planned to march in the Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade.

Out is writing a check to a group with five initials you pray your bank won't recognize because you can't afford to be out, but you know you'd like to help the world get to the point where you could afford to "go public."

Out is realizing that gay men don't have to go through serial monogamy at the rate of one "lover" a month.

Out is coming to the conclusion that, as a lesbian, you can be happy and sober.

Out is calling the cops and pressing charges when some ruffian pummels your head into the pavement while calling you an "AIDS infected faggot."



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the arts

by Kevin Michael

"Nunsense"

By Kevin Michael

The Christmas holiday season found me in the Twin Cities. While there I had the opportunity to attend a performance by the touring company of the musical "Nunsense" at the Ordway Music Theatre in St. Paul.

Quite briefly, this musical deals with the history of the Little Sisters of Hoboken who operate Mount Saint Helen's School. Unfortunately, the cook, Sister Julia Child of God, has poisoned 53 nuns with her vichyssoise soup. The "Little Hobos" as they are affectionately called only have enough money to bury 48, so the premise of the musical is we the audience are able to attend a fund raiser to raise money to bury the 4 remaining Sisters who currently are being stored in a walk-in

freezer.

These nuns come forward to entertain us for the evening such that we can assist them in this fund raising endeavor. Perhaps best known in this production was Doty Goodman, known formerly as Martha Shumway, Mary's Mother on "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman" as Sister Mary Amnesia. Her catechism quiz complete with religious prizes and a St. Christopher car medal was priceless. She clarified for us that St. Francis was from the town of Assisi in Italy and was not "St. Francis a Sissy." Also, of great amusement was her sketch when another nun found a bottle of poppers in the girls locker room and Sister Amnesia sniffed them with the ensuing results most amusing (at least for a certain informed portion of the audience). And they called her Amnesia, really!

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Sister Mary Regina was Nancy E. Carroll who was almost denied entrance to the order when it was finally discovered that she had played Doatsey Mae in "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas." However the Vatican did pardon her when she redeemed herself by also doing Maria in "The Sound of Music." Miss Carroll was enjoyable in her delivery of dialogue and her timing.

Mistress of Novices was Sister Mary Hubert who was played delightfully by Alvaleta Guess. Her rendition of "Holier Than Thou" brought down the house. I too enjoyed her performing in the "house" of the theater especially when she made a priest in the audience (not a plant) spit his gun out since Sister was most displeased.

Sister Robert Anne who came from the Brooklyn area of New York was ably performed by Lin Tucci. She was the "street wise" one in the convent who Mother Superior was convinced hereby "knew her way around the city."

Sister Mary Luke and Sister Mary leo also rounded out the performing group of Sisters who gave us their fund raising show. One offered the recipe for Holy Water. In order to make it, boil the hell out of the water!

Musical direction was ably performed by "Brother Duff." Actually it was Michael Duff as musical director who among his other duties served as the musical director for the national tour of the musical "42nd Street." Michael also served in this capacity at the Melody Top here in Milwaukee.

If you have had a Catholic background or spent any time in a Catholic grade school you would most definitely enjoy this production. Not great theater by any stretch of the imagination but such good fun!

Rep Continues AIDS Fundraising

The Milwaukee Repertory Theater announces its third in a five part series as a fund raiser to benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project. The third offering to be held on Sunday, evening, February 5th is entitled "Nobody's Blues But Mine" which features the life and music of the legendary Bessie Smith. It is being performed by Barbara Roberts and Manty Ellis.

It should be noted that the time of the show in the Stackner Cabaret has been changed from 10:30 to 8:30 PM. Please note the time change such that "it's too late on a Sunday night" can no longer be used as an excuse!

Tickets for the February 5th performance are available through the Milwaukee Rep., the AIDS Project, or the Fest City Singers.

Should you have already purchased tickets for this performance which read a 10:30 curtain time, be aware that it has been rescheduled for 8:30.

A spokesperson for the Rep has informed us that approximately \$2,300 has been raised thus far C'mon now, we can do far better than that for this most worthwhile cause.

Rep: "She Stoops To Conquer"

She Stoops To Conquer, Oliver Goldsmith's engaging farce, runs through Feb. 19 on the mainstage of the Milwaukee Repertory Theater.

An ale-swilling rascal, a saucy maiden, a tongue-tied suitor, mistaken identities and practical jokes are masterfully blended by Goldsmith in this hilarious story of young love and old properties. Associate Artistic Director, Kenneth Albers, will direct this madcap production.

Talkbacks will take place following the Wednesday evening performances, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8 and 15. There will be an interpreted performance for the hearing-impaired on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets range from \$4.00 to \$17.00. Discounts are available for students, seniors, unemployed patrons and groups of 25 or more. For reservations, call the MRT Box Office at 414/224-9490.

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multiple unprotected sexual activity is dangerous. It can kill. The Lambda Rights Network says we have a right to play roulette with our lives in public places like the baths. I can only hope that we will learn to respect ourselves and our lives. At some point, we will stop fighting for the right to kill ourselves.

Women Filmmakers Take "RISKS"

Women in the Director's Chair will laugh RISK, its 1989 film and video festival on International Women's Day, March 8 in Chicago. The fest will present the works of women filmmakers who take risks. uncovering the latent manipulations of the Reagan administration, challenging society's misconceptions about aging, struggling to overcome physical handicaps, are but a few of the topics represented in works from 6 countries and 15 states.

Festival highlights will include a tribute to Studio D, a division of the National Film Board of Canada, which is devoted exclusively to films about Canadlan women, and Risky Business I & II, panel discussions which will focus on the challenges women face in the male-dominated film and video business.

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darla's view...

by Darla Kashian

Do we have the right to kill ourselves? The recent debate between certain members of the gay community and Special Deputy Health Commissioner Thomas Schlenker over the closing of Club Milwaukee, the gay bath house, has raised this question.

Schlenker, in cooperation with city health officials closed the bathhouse on December 22, 1988 because fears of a tuberculosis outbreak. This fear stems from the reported tuberculosis diagnosis of several club patrons. The closing of the Baths followed Health Department attempts to test patrons for tuberculosis. According to Schlenker, only 17% of patrons agreed to the late)night testing done by the Health Department.

Adding fuel to the fire is the rumor that two HIV positive men have been having unsafe sex at the Club with many partners. According to Schlenker, the men were reported to have psychological problems. Activists have charged that Schlenker acted upon rumor, rather than factual information, and as a result has violated the rights of those patrons who choose to participate in sexual activity at the Club Baths.

In fact, Schlenker does not have factual information about HIV positive individuals available to him. Unlike other health emergencies, such as syphilis, gonorrhea, and even chicken pox, AIDS can not be reported to the Health Department. Wisely, the State of Wisconsin has insured the confidentiality of HIV positive individuals by prohibiting the release of their names.

I am inclined to side with the city in this debate. Lambda Rights Network Chair Ralph Navarro has argued that the closing of the Club Baths is a violation of our (don't include women) civil rights. He than says, in an article in The Milwaukee Journal, that the next step by the city will be to close the gay bars.

Is this a realistic assessment of the future of gay and lesbian meeting places in Milwaukee? Can we compare Club Milwaukee to gay and lesbian bars? This is connection is unfair, and lacks the analysis of our current Mayoral administration.

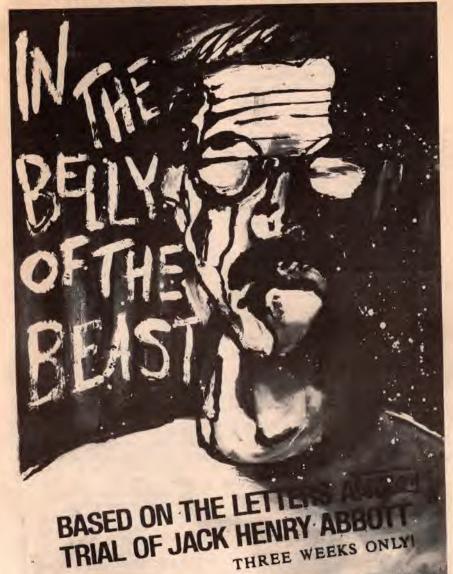
Mayor John Norquist campaigned heavily in the gay and lesbian community. Navarro, along with many other lesbian and gay activists campaigned heavily for Norquist. In fact, Mayor Norquist attended a fund raiser on his behalf at La Cage. As a State Senator, Norquist supported the Wisconsin Lesbian/Gay Rights legislation, and his district included many of the gay/lesbian bars in Milwaukee.

In addition, Schlenker has made the effort to work with AIDS and health organizations in Milwaukee. He has received the respect of Doug Johnson, head of the AIDS Project. Clearly, Schlenker is working with the AIDS Project, not against them. Schlenker is to be commended for exhibiting concern for bathhouse patrons. His medical concern stems from the fact that TB can kill an individual with a suppressed immune system.

We need to examine how we can slow and stop the spread of AIDS in the gay and lesbian community. Businesses such as Club Milwaukee do nothing to curb the spread of AIDS, and may contribute to the spread of AIDS. Club Milwaukee provides patrons with the opportunity to engage in sex with multiple partners, clearly a dangerous situation with the AIDS virus going around.

Milwaukee is probably behind the times when it comes to the debate surrounding the closing of the bathhouses. The San Francisco Health Department closed the bathhouses several years ago, much to the chagrin of gay activists in California. Perhaps the vision of Schlenker is hindsight based on the mistakes made in other cities.

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Clavis: "In the Belly of the Beast"

In the Belly of the Beast, a play based on the best-selling autobiography of convicted killer, Jack Henry Abbott, will be performed by Clavis Theatre Ensemble January 20 through February 5. The play was adapted by Adrian Hall and Robert Falls from Abbott's startling book of prison letters to author, Norman Mailer. At the time of publication in 1981, Mailer hailed Abbott as "a new writer of the largest stature." Shortly afterward. Abbott was paroled. Six weeks later, he stabbed and killed a waiter in a New York restaurant.

Abbott, now forty four, has spent only a few months of his adult life outside of prison. In the Belly of the Beast is a gripping portrayal of the trauma, terror and tragedy inflicted by state penal institutions on "state-raised convicts" like Abbott.

Clavis director, Ted Altschuler, explains that "the play is a drama of

Abbott's violent and intense emotions. Abbott went from the belly of his mother directly into the belly of the beast; from the moment of inception he was put in jail." The play is a unique perspective on a man who never knew life on the outside. "However," adds Altschuler, "the play is not a defense of Jack Henry Abbott. It neither glorifies or condemns what he has done."

Two post-performance audience talk-backs are scheduled for Thursdays. January 26 and February 2 at 10:00 p.m. January 26, the director and company will be available to discuss the play and the criminal justice system. February 2, a panel of guests will discuss their various viewpoints on the provocative issues raised by In the Belly of the Beast.

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The New Bar [Madison]- Remote Control" returns, starts at 9:30.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Ballgame- End of Road Construction Party, 6-?, Special Drink Prices. Jock Strap Contest, 9pm, cash prizes, sign up now.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Wreck Room- South of the Border Buffet & Party 6pm.

Clavis Theatre- Opening Night of "In The Belly of The Beast", 272-3043 for ticket/time info. Thru Feb. 5th. Coupon for \$1 off ticket in Ad this issue.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

BWMT Meeting- 8pm, Foundation Community Center, featuring guest speaker honorable Municipal Judge Stanley A. Miller speaking on "An Over-View of The Municipal Court System - What You Should Know"

Lavender Luau- A women-only midwinter dance sponsored by Grapevine, 8pm-on, Lake Park Pavilion (Lake Drive & Newberry), \$5 at the door. Beverages, woman D.J.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

M&M- Entertainment by song stylist Sally Richards.

Ballgame- Super Bowl Party, prizes with each score, food served.

Club 94 [Kenosha]- Super Bowl Party, lunch, drink specials.

Wreck Room- Super Bowl Party, featuring Texas Chili, 75 Cent tap beer.

Fannies- Super Bowl Party, open at 2, drink specials, munchies.

The New Bar [Madison]- Premiere of Country Western Night, Two Steppin lessons. Shot specials & more. Also, Country Western Drag Queen Wrestling.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

MNDC Plus [Stevens Point]- Masquerade Party at The Flame, Win, Lose, or Draw Prizes.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Triangle- Blue Jeans Contest, 11pm, \$50 awarded in each category: Tightest Jeans; Hottest ripped; most creative.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

Wreck Room- Monthly Party Night, prize drawings every 30 minutes, drawings start at 10pm.

Fannies- Cartoon Character Party, come dressed as your favorite 'toon, prizes awarded, drink specials for those in costume.

Downtown Express [Eau Claire]- First Anniversary Party. Free beer & 25 cent off rail drinks 9pm to midnite. Free hors d'oeuvres & punch.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

M&M- Entertainment by Song Stylist Sally Richards. contd. on page 35



by Ron Geiman



Hi, I stepped out of state for the Christmas & New Year's holidays to visit my family & to just get away from it all. Believe me, after doing this magazine for another year, the break was a must!

Christmas & New Year's are already three weeks past - practically ancient history, so I see no sense in going back that far to bring you up-to-date. I also gave the photographer the holidays off, because we couldn't have covered every holiday party, occurring after Dec. 15th, so why cover just a few? What photo's you'll find this issue are non- Christmas events occurring after Dec. 15th, and before this issue's deadline of January 12th.

Naturally, all the bar's did their best to bring you a festive holiday season, they always do. And thank Old Man Winter for cooperating on New Year's Eve for the first time in years! Usually its a blizzard or extremely icy conditions & this year he was very cooperative.

Hasn't all this mess with the Baths and TB been just too much? The mainstream media certainly had a field day. I was gone when it blew wide open, but Kim, my roommate saved all the papers for me. In case you've been playing ostrich & had your head buried in the ground, you'll have heard it by now, but I'll repeat it here...Please, if you've been to the Club Milwaukee in the past year, please get a TB Test, and while you're at it, get an HIV Test, too. You can read more about this elsewhere in this issue.

The Central Wisconsin AIDS Support Group, [CWASG] benefit on Dec. 19th raised over \$500 and featured surprise quest entertainers from Minneapolis, Milwaukee, and of course Marta & The Vandelskas 'Heat Wave' (Fitz wore 3" Blue Evelashes)

The Monday Nite Dance Club event was held at The Flame in Stevens Point, By the way, the grapevine tells me MNDC will be 'Coming Out of The Closet" by changing their name to Mid Wisconsin Gay Alliance [MGA].

The Your Place Women's Softball Team - The Flaming O's ushered in '89 with the year's first softball fundraiser. Doug tells me it was packed & the crowd had a great time with the free food & beer, & the Gunsmoke character look-a-like

I'd like to congratulate Judy & her staff at Jo'dee's on their 16th Anniversary. They celebrated with food & drink at the popular Racine nightspot.

One bar celebrates it's anniversary-and two others bite the dust... Maggie's in Eau Claire closed in early December & Tattoo's II in La Crosse closed it's doors with a big party on January 12th.

Condom Sense: "If you're not going to 'sack' it, go home and 'wack it'."



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