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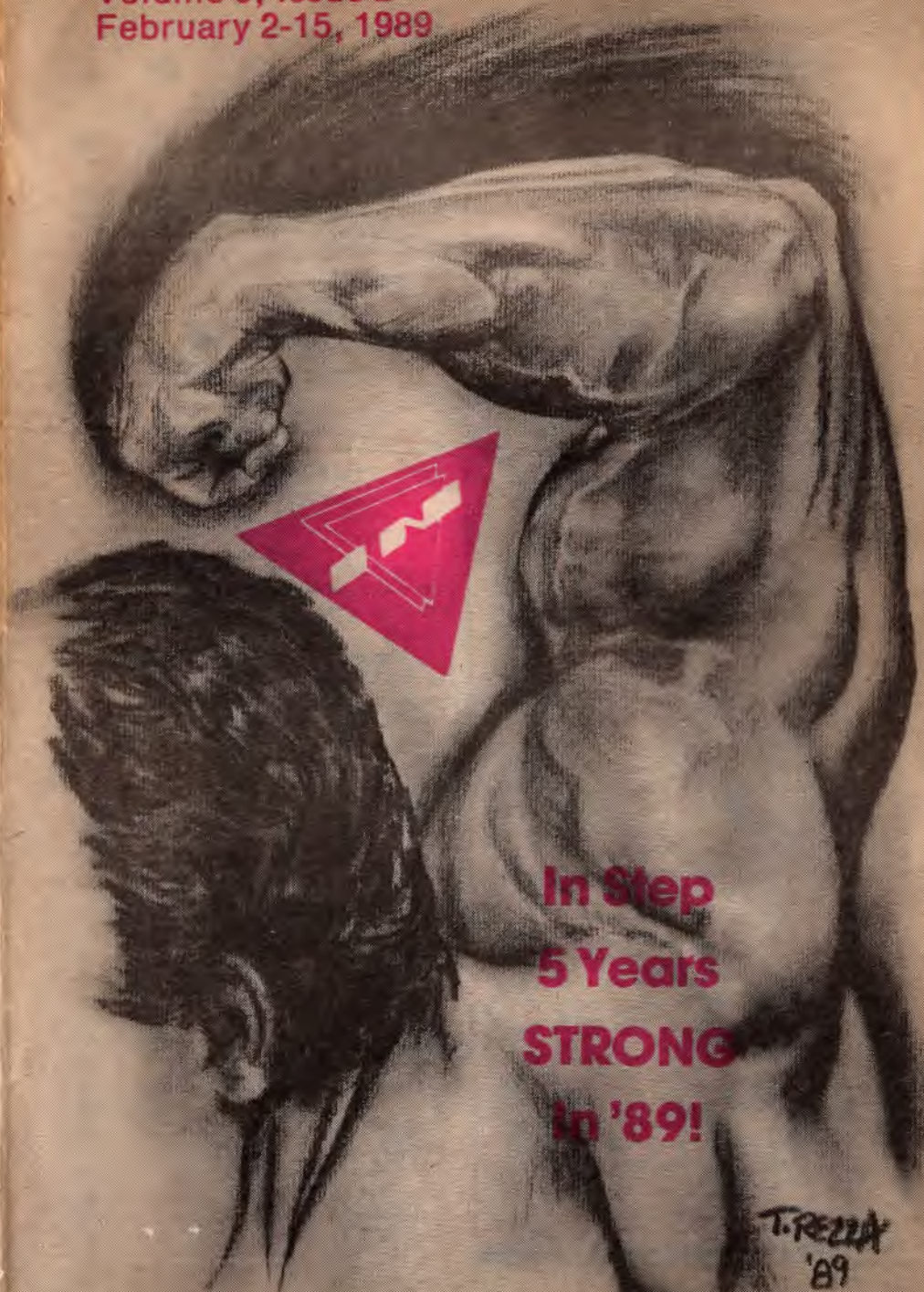


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Gay Side cartoonist and special assignment artist, Tom Rezza, did this piece to celebrate In Step's 5th Anniversary. Our theme for this year is "In Step... 5 Years Strong in '89".

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February is a slow news month, as well as a slow advertising month. Thus, you'll find an abbreviated 48 page issue in your hands.

Because of In Step's size we have to publish either a 48, 64, or 80 page magazine. We didn't have enough to fill a 64 page issue, but we had a bit too much for a 48. We had to delete Cliff's Note's, a new column entitled Ask Doctor D, some Letter's, and some News Briefs.

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Rights Bill Reintroduced into Congress

Washington, D.C. [HRCF]- The Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights Bill was reintroduced into the U.S. Senate Jan. 25 by Senator Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) and into the U.S. House of Representatives Jan. 24 by Congressmen Ted Weiss (D-N.Y.) and Henry Waxman (D-Calif.).

Sixty-three Representatives including Wisconsin's Robert W. Kastenmeir and Jim Moody signed up as original cosponsors of the bill, officially called the Civil Rights Amendments Act of 1989 (H.R. 655). Eight Senators have signed on to the companion bill. Neither of Wisconsin's senators are included. Gay rights lobbyists from the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) are confident more will sign on in the upcoming months of the 101st Congress.

The bill would amend existing federal civil rights statutes to protect people on the basis of "affectional or sexual orientation" from discrimination in the areas of employment, housing and credit, government-assisted opportunities and public accommodations. The bill would outlaw discrimination in stores, restaurants, hotels and other places selling services or goods.

"Affectional or sexual orientation" is defined to mean "male or female homosexuality, heterosexuality, or bisexuality by orientation or practice, by and between consenting adults."

"Discrimination in any form, against any class of persons, should be abhorrent to all those who live in a civilized society," said Weiss in his remarks introducing the bill.

"Gay men and lesbians are in every occupation and institution in our nation, be they doctors or nurses, lawyers or clerks, writers, union members, managers," said Weiss. They are rich and poor, black and white, rural and urban, and number perhaps 20 million of

the hard-working, law-abiding citizens among us. But this minority is different from others in that they do not now have legal recourse when they encounter discrimination.'

The bill has been introduced into Congress since the mid-Seventies and has gained support over time. Hearings were held on the bill in 1980 and 1981. At the end of the last Congress, 73 Representatives and 10 Senators were cosponsors.

All cosponsors who ran for re-election last year won their races, except for Senator Lowell Weicker (R-Conn.). Lesbian and gay civil rights were not an issue in Weicker's race.

"Almost every previous cosponsor is already back on the bill, plus some new ones," said Eric Rosenthal, HRCF political director. "We will work hard to increase the number of cosponsors. We also will seek opportunities to move lesbian and gay civil rights issues wherever we can."

HRCF urges people concerned about gay and lesbian civil rights to contact their legislators and ask them to cosponsor the bill or thank them for their support.

"In the era of AIDS it is necessary to remember our civil rights are vitally important," said Robert Gray, HRCF communications director. "Discrimination against gays and lesbians has helped AIDS spread. We must keep gay and lesbian civil rights on top of the desks of our lawmakers."

Senators can be reached at the U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. Representatives can be reached at the House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515. Call both at (202) 224-3121. Individuals may also send an HRCF mailgram to members of Congress by calling the "Action Hotline" at 1-800-325-6000, operator 9188.

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Central Wisconsin: Look out, coming home. **Steve**

Kill G/L Rights Urges Ohio Mayor

Columbus- [W.C.T.] Mayor Dana Rhinehart has asked the Columbus, Ohio, city council to remove protections for gay men and lesbians from a hate-crimes measure passed in late November. While Mayor Rhinehart signed the bill into law, he quibbled with the section including "sexual orientation" as a protected category, calling the language "vague and unclear."

Chris Cozad, a Columbus activist, indicated that she was "not terribly surprised" by the mayor's opposition the sexual-orientation protections. "The message he is sending out to the people of Columbus is that we need to protect the racial, ethnic, and religious minorities but that gays and lesbians are not entitled to those same protections," Cozad said in the Washington Blade. "He is saying that the problem doesn't exist or doesn't matter."

According to the Columbus Dispatch, the bill (which was approved 6-1) became law on December 30, and members of the Columbus City Council have stated that they were not inclined to grant the mayor's wish. "I am absolutely opposed to the mayor's recommendation," said council president Jerry Hammond.

Britt Elected Pres. of S.F. Board

On January 9, 1989, Harry G. Britt became the first openly gay man serve as President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Britt is one of the most prominent elected gay officials in the country. In January, 1979, he succeeded the late Harvey Milk who was slain along with Mayor George Moscone by former Supervisor Dan White. Harry Britt was a close political associate and personal friend of Supervisor Milk.

President Britt was sworn into office by Honorable Mary C. Morgan, a lesbian municipal court judge for the City and County of San Francisco.

Elected to a full term in December, 1979, Harry Britt was the only challenged

incumbent to retain a seat on the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Britt has been re-elected in November of 1980, 1984, and by an overwhelming margin, in 1988, in city-wide races. In the 1988 election, Britt placed 1st in a field of 25 candidates.

Harry Britt has emerged as one of the strongest progressive voice in San Francisco politics. While effectively advocating the rights of gay people, he has also been a strong proponent of the rights and welfare of working people, seniors, women, minorities and the disabled. Britt has also authorized landmark legislation responding to the AIDS epidemic.

Activists Zap Inauguration

by Rex Wockner

A small but rowdy group of AIDS activists took their issues to the streets of Washington, D.C. Jan. 19-22 to confront Republicans participating in the festivities surrounding George Bush's inauguration as President of the United States.

Members of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP), the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), the Human Rights Campaign Fund, and Oppression Under Target (OUT), a D.C. group, also joined forces at time with the 67 groups comprising the Counter Inaugural Coalition for a People's Agenda (CICPA), to protest such issues as homelessness, peace, jobs, the environment and women's rights.

On January 18, CICPA held a "Counter inaugural banquet soup kitchen" outside the official banquet at Washington, D.C.'s newly refurbished Union train station. "inside," said Sue Hyde of NGLTF and OUT "Georgie Porgie and the other piggies were at a \$1,500 a plate dinner, part of an inauguration that 32.3 million."

"My favorite chant," added NGLTF's Urvashi Vaid, "was '1500 bucks; your health policy sucks.' It was really nice to see to see other groups taking on your issues and vice-versa."

On January 19, OUT sponsored a picket outside the inaugural gala — a party for *contd. on page 6*

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12,000 Republicans at the D.C. Convention Center. Although activists had expected some violence — reminiscent of the Republican convention in New Orleans — in response to such things as ACT UP's 'AIDSGATE' and 'Government Has Blood On its Hands' posters, Vaid says many people entering the party seemed to listen instead.

"We got some heckling, some 'you should all die, you brought it on yourself' stuff," she said, "but by and large the crowd looked and listened. One of the things we tried to do with the bullhorn was just talk to them, say 'We're calling on the Republican party to take action.' People seemed surprised to hear that Reagan did not mention the word 'Aids' until May of 1987."

On January 20, inauguration day, OUT declared 10th and Pennsylvania NW "queer corner," and 60 activists held court at the intersection for five and a half hours.

"It was a good, solid presence," Vaid said, "and Bush got out about half a block

from us. It was one of the three spots where he walked a little. All the dignitaries and movers and shakers saw us." Vaid said there was minimal hostility from the crowd, which seemed to be "families viewing an historic event rather than die-hard Republican loyalists."

The theme for the counter inaugural activities was "a thousand sparks of dissent," a take-off on George Bush's "thousand points of light" campaign theme. Vaid believes the protests indicate that a lot of people and issues are not paramount on Bush's agenda. "He's paying wonderful lip service to a kinder, gentler nation and more socially conscious policies," she said, "but we're skeptical. We haven't seen that kind of attention from Republicans in the last eight years."

USSR Denies Visa

[Equal Times] ILGA, the International Lesbian and Gay Association reports that the Soviet Union has denied a visa to a Finnish gay activist, Reijo Harikonen, editor of the Finnish gay magazine, SETA.

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It is believed that the visa denial stems from fear of publicity about Soviet treatment of gays. Most of the information that has reached the West about such treatment has come via SETA.

Harikonen's contact with gay activists in Estonia and Leningrad has brought severe criticism from the Soviet press in recent years.

A Russian newspaper recently accused him of "provocation and links with hooligans." SETA has reported stories such as the sentencing of an Estonian gay activist to one to five years in a labor camp and the infiltration of organizations in Leningrad by the KGB.

Gay Mollusk Debate Erupts in California

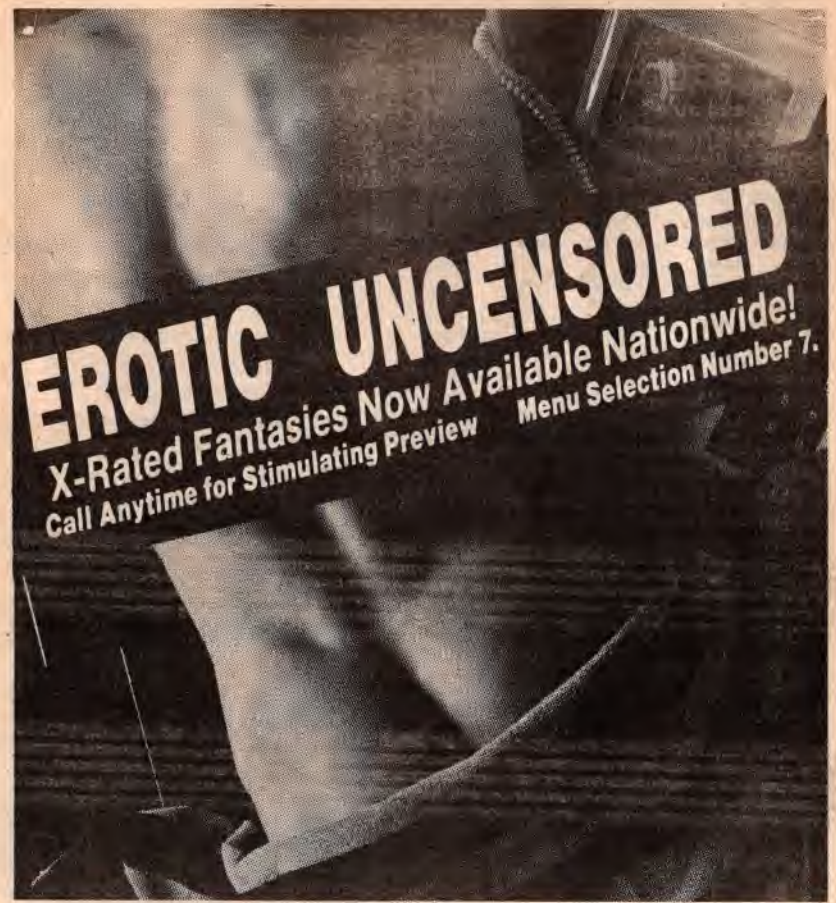
Sacramento, CA [T.W.N.]- Recently the California state assembly decided another in a string of hard legislative issues, voting 37 to 32 in favor of not honoring the abalone as the state's official marine mollusk, and leaving the banana slug to

settle for official land mollusk. The vote will allow the banana slug to have the title of state Mollusk all to itself, reports Bay Area Reporter. The mollusk exchange turned ugly, however, when the San Francisco Chronicle quoted state assembly member Trice Harvey (R-Bakersfield) slandering the good name of the banana slug (Ariolimax Columbianus) by commenting on the creature's sexual habits: "The banana slug is a bisexual pervert and tastes yucky; the abalone is straight and it tastes good," he declared.

To the slug's rescue has come in the National Gay Mollusk Rights Association (NGMRA) to take the matter in hand as the slug has none. An unarmed NGMRA leader protested the assemblyman's comments: "It would seem the state will allow the minority phylum to have same-sex sex, but not receive the same rights as a married mollusk is entitled to. "Both slug and abalone camps have debated the taste issue at length, BAR notes. Slug leaders state the gay slug proponents point to the mollusk's tasteful mother-of-pearl casing in rebuttal. "A vote for the slug will be a tremendous victory for the bay and bi uni-valve community," the NGMRA director declared. "Today the mollusks - tomorrow the mammals!"

Army Gals Love Lesbian Singer

West Germany- [T.W.N.] The Lesbian News reports that a recent issue of the European edition of Stars and Stripes, the newspaper for the United States Armed Services, revealed something more about the women in fatigues than the Pentagon would like to know. An innocent little poll of readers favorite female musical artists showed Whitney Houston coming in first as no surprise. Coming in second place, predictably, was Madonna. Yet beating out Janet Jackson and Anita Baker for the third place finish was none other women's music pioneer Meg Christian. Now there's a novel idea for a US show! Think she could redo "Gym" as "Ode To A Drill Sergeant"??



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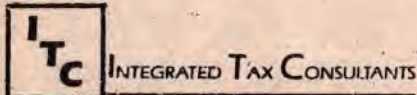
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A \$15.00 donation will allow guests to partake of a smorgasbord of sweets, chocolates, and other just desserts. Jazz artists, Jane Reynolds, and Rodger Brotherhood, will provide the entertainment.

The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) works to assist those affected by AIDS and to provide public education at all levels. The mission of MASN centers on two objectives: to provide education at all levels; and to provide direct service to people affected by the disease, including families, friends and partners, and to provide preventive education and consultation to expand public knowledge of the disease and its mode of transmission.

The proceeds of Sweet Sunday Afternoon will be allow MASN to continue their mission of direct service and preventive education to the Madison community.

A Hot Winter's Night

Stonal productions will be presenting "A Hot Winter's Night" on Saturday February 18 beginning at 10 p.m. at Memories 314 S. 4th St. in LaCrosse. The evening will be a benefit for LaCrosse Health Services and the Gay/Lesbian Picnic in the Park Fund.

The variety show will consist of comedy, live music and dance numbers. Performers include: Ebony D'angelo,

Monsieur De La Cunte' (Miss LaCrosse 1988); Stone, Alan Lance, Miss Renee Kira, Steven Campton, and Kevin McCarthy (Mr. Gay LaCrosse 1989). Tickets will be sold at the door for \$2.

'Significant Others'

The Madison Gay Theatre Project [M.G.T.P.] & Acting Under The Influence [A.U.I.] have announced they are not producing the Mr and Miss Gay Madison Pageant this year, due to lack of a "competitive spirit" on the part of participants in past contests. Instead, they have announced "Significant Others", a gayla event on March 5th, at the Barrymore Theatre.

Significant Others will include performances by Mabel Kane, Rosa Rivera, & Ravin from Madison; JJ Rivers from Chicago; and Mandy McCall from Milwaukee, as well as a host of others. If you'd like to be included as a performer, or to help as an usher, set designer, painter, hairdresser...whatever, call Mabel at (608) 271-1352.

MGTP & AUI decided on this show because of the success six years ago of Mabel Kane's "One woMan Show" which was held at the Civic Center. It was the best-selling event ever staged by MGTP, and it is hoped this new show will have the same impact.

Tickets will be available for "Significant Others" starting February 13 at the Barrymore Theatre, Whole Earth Foods, or by calling the AUI Hotline at 608-255-1218. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 the night of the show.

Gay Youth Milw. To Hold Dance

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horoscope

by R.D. Thompson

ARIES: March 21 to April 21

Now would be a great time to reap some of those rewards you've been working so hard to get. Be careful not to come across too strongly for it's real easy for you to make someone feel as though they're backed into a corner. The choice is yours.

TAURUS: April 22 to May 21

Nice little boost of personal energy you've been getting lately. What a great time for getting your life in order! Just be careful not to over-do. Too much wine, uh hum..., and song all at once can do you in fast.

GEMINI: May 22 to June 21

I know, and just when you thought that you've made all the changes that you were ever going to have to make in your life... here comes another. Relax, think of it like puberty never ending. It's just something you go through. Isn't life great?

CANCER: June 22 to July 23

Up, down, up, down, don't you feel like the stock market these days? Yep, if you're going to raise a spouse right, you're going to have to let 'em know right off the bat whose boss. By the time they've figured out that you lied, they're tame.

LEO: July 24 to August 23

Work, Work, Work! How much more do you think you can take on? The thing is, what's not getting done? Just concentrate on one thing at a time for awhile and you may be amazed at how quickly those extras get done. Much to your benefit, of course.

VIRGO: August 23 to September 23

Hey! This is a great time to live it up a little. Have some fun and be a little daring, luck is with you. Think of your work as a source of enjoyment during the next month and see if you don't get twice as much out of it. The opportunity is there.

LIBRA: September 24 to October 22

Okay, by now you should have a good start on the 'renovation.' What's the next step? What do you mean you don't have the plans? How are you supposed to get anything done without plans? Does this mean that you're back to where you started?

SCORPIO: October 23 to November 22

News from nearby can be both promising and depressing. You should be able to make several decisions that show your sound judgment and have few repercussions. The best part is that you should come across someone who really understands you.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 to December 22

Conditions at work may leave your pockets full of "green stuff" that we've all come to need a lot of. This is not the time to sell yourself short, if you should get a raise, stand up and tell 'em. The "force" is with you now.

CAPRICORN: December 23 to January 20

It seems as though your personal magnetism is at an all time high and people are sticking to you like flies on flypaper. If your business is selling something, follow your hunches and watch the bucks roll in. Your creative endeavors should flourish.

AQUARIUS: January 21 to February 19

Don't go getting paranoid, but there's a few people plotting behind your back. Looks like the outcome will be in your favor but not without a little grief first. You've changed something. Different hairstyle? Lose weight? New clothes?

PISCES: February 20 to March 21

You should be hearing from friends that you hadn't heard from in a long time. It'll do you good to get together and go over old times. If nothing else you'll be glad that you've matured so well. Not everyone grows old gracefully.



Saturday, February 4 The Fabulous Live Sounds Of KRYSTAL MOON



Showtime 10 PM — 2 AM



Saturday, February 18 'THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR'

An AIDS Benefit Show Hosted by Raven Cole
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Miss La Cage Mary Richards
Former Miss S.E./219 Tiffany Thomas

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From 3 to 7

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lip-sync/talent show is included in the fun-filled evening, along with refreshments. Ask anyone who caused it last April at GYM's first dance. It's an experience not to miss! We hope you'll be there to cause it (again)!

For more information please call Michael, GYM Director, at 265-8500. (GYM is a rap/support group for lesbian/gay young adults 18 years of age and under. We meet the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at the downtown Public Library from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M.)

G/L Alliance Enters Dance Marathon

Northwestern University's Gay and Lesbian Alliance has entered a gay couple in NU's Dance Marathon — a 30 hour dance and fund-raising extravaganza, February 3 & 4, that will raise more than \$75,000 for the Leukemia Society of America. NUGALA has been a strong presence on Northwestern's campus since 1972, and our participation in Dance Marathon will help us to remain highly

visible on campus. Please send all tax-deductible donations to NUGALA, 1999 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL 60201, and make checks payable to GALA/Dance Marathon, 1989. Thank you.

Gay Illini Alumni Organize

The University of Illinois Gay and Lesbian Alumni Association (GALA) is seeking to increase national membership. Alumni(ae) from both the Champaign-Urbana and Chicago campuses are welcome. The GALA will offer social and professional networking, as well as information and support to current lesbian and gay students and staff on campus.

There is no membership fee, but contributions are encouraged. Alumni(ae) wishing to join the mailing list should write: University of Illinois GALA, POB 53336, Washington D.C. 20009, or contact organizer Larry Cohen at (202) 328-6227.

If you never attended the U of I, but know someone gay who did, please pass the word along!

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•Buffet
•25¢ Taps & \$1.50 Doubles

FRIDAY NITE
Support Your Community Special Drink Prices Until 1 AM

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Athletic Alliance (NAGAAA), which is the umbrella organization that covers all of the organized softball leagues in the United States & Canada. He has served as past commissioner of SSBL and, while at that capacity, organized the first Wreck Room Classic. The Classic, which still exists, is now known as the Milwaukee Classic and is held every year over Memorial Day Weekend. It was because of the success of the Wreck Room Classic that enabled Milwaukee to capture the bids for the Gay World Series 3 in 1979 and most recently, Series 9 in 1985.

Tom is currently assistant commissioner of the SSBL, and still plays and/or is involved with the WR softball team. He also manages to go to at least one out-of-town tournament to promote Milwaukee and all the things the city has to offer.

Dedication, Commitment, Involvement. Those are the qualifications needed to become In Step's sports person of the year. In my dictionary, those words define Tom Salzsieder. Congratulations, Tom, and keep up the good work!

Sports Scores

B.E.S.T. League As of 1/15/89

	WON	LOST
1. Bermuda Triangles	40	23
2. Raisin Triangles	37	26
3. Generic #7	36	27
4. Beer Garden Chumps	36	27
5. Boot Camp Belters	37	27
6. Scratch and Sniff	35.5	27.5
7. Square Triangles	34	29
8. Landmark Leather Bears	34	29
9. Station II	33	30
10. Klinkiti Kleins	33	30
11. Guppies from Hell	31	32
12. Sober Sisters	30.5	32.5
13. N.P.S.C.	28	35
14. Laverne and Company	23	40
15. M&M Dollies	22	41
16. Bowling De Kleins	15	48

Monday Nite Irregulars

As of 1/23/89

	WON	LOST
1. YP Vultures	19	2
2. Short Circuit	17	4

3. Who's Sorry Now?	16	5
4. Crack of Fannies	15	6
5. Ball Game Deluxe 30 & Over	14	7
6. This Is It	14	7
7. YP Flamingos	14	7
8. G.L.O.B.	13	8
9. Wreck Room Spurs	11	10
10. M&M Bolerama Bimbos	11	10
11. M&M Close	7	14
12. Cream City Foundation	5	16
13. Wreck Room Wranglers	4	17
14. Pointless Sisters	4	17
15. Pin Whackers	4	17
16. Born Again Virgins	0	21

SVBL Volleyball Standings As of 1/21/89

	Won	Lost
A.		
Orphans	31	2
YP	30	3
Gamma	25	5
M&M's	25	8
B.		
This Is It	17	13
Beer Garden	17	13
Ball Game	15	15
Triangle	8	25
Club Muse	7	26
Station 2	5	25
Cream City Found.	3	30

SVBL Schedule

February 4	TIME	MATCH	LINES
3:00	Orphans vs. Gamma		YP
	Ball Game vs. CCF		YP
4:00	Gamma vs. M&M's		Ball Game
	Orphans vs. YP		Ball Game
5:00	Ball Game vs. Triangle		M&M's
	Club Muse vs. Station 2		M&M's
6:00	Club Muse vs. Triangle		VOL
	This Is It vs. Station 2		VOL
February 11			
3:00	This Is It vs. Triangle		YP
	Beer Garden vs. Station 2		YP
4:00	YP vs. M&M's		Orphans
	Beer Garden vs. Triangle		Orphans
5:00	Orphans vs. Gamma		M&M's
	Station 2 vs. CCF		M&M's
6:00	Orphans vs. M&M's		Gamma
	Club Muse vs. CCF		Gamma



CLUB 219's 8th Anniversary Week 2-12-89 to 2-19-89

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

219 GIRLS SHOW with
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

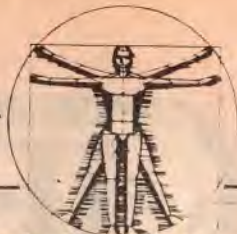
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HEALTH



TB Notice Sent State-wide

According to a Milwaukee Sentinel article, Milwaukee health officials mailed notices to 170 public health facilities statewide concerning fears about the spread of tuberculosis and the AIDS virus at Club Milwaukee baths. Only 40 Club patrons have taken TB skin tests offered by the department. Others may have had the skin test by a private physician, and not reported it to the health department.

The department would not reveal the percentage of patrons who tested positive

to TB, and will not do so until the investigation is completed. Authorities were hoping for a minimum sampling of 100 of the over 700 members to determine if a tuberculosis outbreak had occurred. The city realizes the level of paranoia among the club patrons, but stresses confidentiality.

The city did the mailing to Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinics, AIDS testing centers, and family planning centers after learning nearly 50% of the patrons do not live in Milwaukee.

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Milwaukee AIDS Project Fighting AIDS through effective service:

Education and Prevention

- AIDSline—the latest information on AIDS
- Library/Resource Center — Wisconsin's comprehensive source for articles, pamphlets, books and videos on AIDS
- AIDS prevention education for people engaging in risk behavior

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jock shorts

by Jeff Clark

Salzsieder Named Sports Person of Year

As is the case with all new organizations, somebody has to have an idea on how to start the ball rolling, and then remain involved to see that the ball stays on course. It is because of this dedication & stick-to-it-iveness that Tom Salzsieder has been named In Step's sports person of the year.

Tom has been and is currently active in both bowling & softball in Milwaukee. He was involved in the first gay bowling

leagues, serving in the capacity of treasurer. He has also served as treasurer of the Holiday Invitational Tournament (H.I.T.) and, when times were tough and the tournament was in the red, Tom donated his own money to keep the event afloat. His big contribution to gay sports in Milwaukee has been in softball.

Tom is one of the founding fathers of the Sat. Softball Beer League (SSBL), and also the North American Gay Amateur
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BALLGAME

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- SATURDAY & SUNDAY — BLOODY SCREWS SPECIAL TILL 6

PARTY ROOM AVAILABLE



The Ballgame staff donned their hard hats for the "End of Road Construction Party."



The Hard Hats enjoyed the buffet. 3 contestants competed in the Jock Strap contest, with Jim [right] named winner.

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According to the report in the Sentinel, about 18% of the rest of the patrons are from the suburbs, 18% from the rest of the state and the balance from the Midwest and the U.S. The percentages were determined by a survey of 150 of the patrons shortly before the Club was closed, when patrons were asked for their zip code.

HIV + Persons Wanted for New Therapies

Keep Hope Alive, an educational, research, and support group for HIV+ and friends is calling for HIV+ persons to volunteer for a series of short experiments aimed at purging the AIDS virus and antibody from infected individuals. The goal of the research is to find a way to clear the blood stream and lymphatic system of the HIV virus using inexpensive

non-toxic natural materials.

Two HIV+ persons volunteered for experiments early in December and in January using three anti-viral products. Already significant progress has been made. A herbal extract, a short chain fatty acid and a bio-oxidative product were used. After about 10 days, tests indicated that active HIV virus in the bloodstream of both persons had stopped. Tests for the HIV antibody will be taken in February. While this is significant and exciting progress, we need more volunteers to expand on these experiments.

This research effort is purely a local venture. There is no association with the government, drug companies, or the medical establishment. The names of individuals will be kept totally confidential by using codes only. To volunteer, write: Conrad LeBeau (Keep Hope Alive), P.O. Box 32001, Franklin, WI 53132 or call 529-9560 between 6 - 7 P.M. Monday through Thursday for more information.



the arts

by Kevin Michael

"Working Girl"

By Kevin Michael

On a recent excursion to the films, I had the opportunity to view a delightful romantic comedy "Working Girl." Besides being an entertaining piece with excellent direction by veteran Mike Nichols, it included some superb ensemble acting. It is great to view a film such as this. An ensemble piece with individual performances of strength make for me a most enjoyable trip to the cinema.

Melanie Griffith's first time out as Tess McGill should glean for her an Academy Award nomination. If not, I for one will be most upset. She has a wonderful presence and communicates ever so well vulnerability.

There is something clearly American about the plot. We have a great tendency

to root for the underdog and this film provides us a great opportunity to do just that. We really want Tess to "pull off" her role-playing and be a success. No matter what the genre we all want to "go out there a chorus girl but come back a star!" This film goes to the very heart of that dream for each one of us.

As an epitome of those who would stand-in-the-way and purposely cause us to miss our one big chance at the brass ring, Sigourney Weaver is at her evil best. I believe at one point or another, we've all run up against the character-type such as this. She plays the villainess excellently and enjoys every moment of her bitchiness. We definitely want her to be done in and well!

Lastly, rounding out this top flight cast is Harrison Ford as Jack Trainer. His comedic talents I believe have been highly

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underrated. He gives his character so much credibility and is so funny because he tries not to be. It may seem obvious but comedy is so much funnier when the comedian is purposely trying not to be funny. Ford does this expertly but does it so well that we don't even notice. That's the mark of the consummate professional.

Lastly, it's delightful to view a show such as this which does not insult your intelligence. Some film scripts which have been written as of late to quote Aunti Mame demand "the intelligence of a dead flashlight battery!" Luckily, this movie is well written and acted superbly.

In fact, it reminded me of classic 30's and 40's comedies which were real works of art both in writing and acting and made film the unique art form which it is. "Working Girl" is such a film.

"Nonsense" Coming to Pabst

"Nonsense", the musical comedy hit reviewed by Kevin Michael in the last issue of "In Step", makes an appearance at The Pabst Theatre from Feb. 13- 15.

The hilarious nonsense of "Nonsense" is for three performances only, at 8pm. This rollicking winner of four 1986 Outer Critics' Circle Awards, including Best Off-Broadway musical, Best Book, and Best Music, stars stage, television and film actress/comedienne, Dody Goodman, as Sister Mary Amnesia, one of the wonderfully wacky Little Sisters of Hoboken.

The cast that will be appearing at the Pabst is the same one previewed and enjoyed by Rozman in Minneapolis during the holiday season. In his review, Rozman summarized "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 theatre by any stretch of the imagination but such good fun!"

Tickets for the Feb. 13-15 presentation are available at the Pabst Theatre Box Office, all Ticketron outlets and through Teletron 1-800-843- 1558.

MRT AIDS Project Update

To date the Milwaukee Repertory Theater has raised over \$2,300 for the Milwaukee AIDS Project. In order to better accommodate patrons wishing to attend the benefit performances in the Stackner Cabaret, the curtain time has been changed to 8:30 P.M. Again, members of the company will perform on stage as well as wait, tables with all tips going to MAP. Tickets are \$10.00. The next scheduled benefit will be "Ain't Nobody's Blues But Mine" with Barbara Roberts and jazz pianist Manty Ellis, Sunday February 5. For more information call 244-9490.

"The Government Inspector"

The Boulevard Ensemble will present the midwest premiere of Nikolai Gogol's "The Government Inspector," the second production of its 1988-89 season.

"The Government Inspector" will be presented at the Boulevard Theatre, 2250 South Kinnickinnic Avenue, in Bayview on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings from February 24 through March 12.

Tickets are \$8.00 for Friday and Saturday performances and \$7.00 for Sunday performances. All performances begin promptly at 8:00 P.M.

Gogol, author of "The Government Inspector," also wrote the novel "Dead Souls" and has been hailed as the father of both the Russian novel and Russian realism.

The Ensemble, now in its third season, also has staged microtheater productions of the works of Eric Bogosian, Edward Albee, David Mamet, Edna O'Brien and Athol Fugard.

For more information, call 672-6019.

"The Immigrant"

The Milwaukee Chamber Theatre brings a warm glow to the winter with its production of "The Immigrant", a Hamilton County Album, which opens Friday, February 10 at the Stiemke Theatre in the Milwaukee Center.

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invitations, grand and not-so-grand, will stop coming altogether. Social engagements are not meant to be command performances, but showing up is showing you value their friendship. I realize that all of us are busy people, but my time is valuable too.

Keeping dates does have its advantages. Someday, when a friend is tempted to back out on you, they'll remember the time you took a day off to spend with them. A little effort in keeping a commitment goes a long way. Keep that in mind the next time you get invited to dinner.



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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Pivot [Appleton]: Mr. & Miss Pivot Contest & 3rd-Anniversary celebration. Open at 1pm, showtime 9:30pm. Open bar 7-8; \$1.00 rail & canned beer from 8-9; grand prize drawing after pageant.

Club 219: 8th Anniversary Gay-La, featuring The 219 Girls with special guest Shante. Open bar (Rail/Wine/Beer/Soda) from 9 to 10



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inklings

by Tim Hensiak

Backing Out

I had invited a friend to dinner "Don't go to any trouble" he insisted. Well, having a friend to dinner is really never a bother. I did however pick up fresh spinach pasta and fresh flowers from the florist. After all what are friends for, if not to splurge on once in a while?

At 6 p.m. the phone rang, "I'm sorry" he said, "I can't make it. Can we make it another day?"

I wanted to strangle him with my fettuccine primavera.

Instead, I lied, "It's okay. Don't worry. We'll do it another time. I really hadn't planned much," I said.

Canceling plans is not unusual among friends — there are times when it's impossible to keep a prior commitment — but canceling at the last minute has become a trend lately among many who think nothing of abandoning one commitment in favor of another. There are numerous excuses: working late, a date with a fabulous man, a Tom Cruise movie on T.V. No matter what the excuse ...the end result is the same, whimping out of a prior commitment.

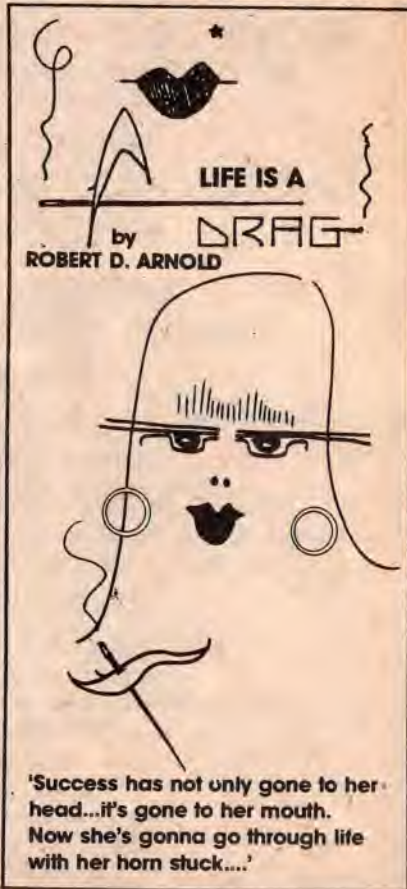
We have become very tolerant of what is, in essence, the height of bad manners. I'm sure Miss Manners would fall face first in her finger bowl if she witnessed some of the behavior people exhibit today. Yes, we're busy! Yes, we carry on more conversations with each others answering machines than with each other, but that's still no excuse for not showing up!

When plans are made, we're not only looking forward to spending time with someone, we're also counting on having company for the evening. Last minute cancellations leave us high and dry, home alone watching reruns of Gilligan's Island. However, as a fellow fast-tracker we're expected to understand when outside forces intervene causing someone to cancel, making even a simple dinner invitation that's canceled, seem very disappointing. Though I may have been to blame as well. I should have expressed

my feelings that I was upset he had canceled.

There are times when breaking plans can be accepted... brown bag lunch in the park is hardly a state dinner, and it's easy to be understanding when they cancel to have lunch with their boss. It's another story when they back out of your friday night plans because someone they've been on-the-make-for has finally asked them out.

Take warning: If you are a chronic canceler, your friends will begin to rely on you less and less, until one day the



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The comedy-drama was written by Mark Hareluk, and is based on the life of his grandfather, a Jewish immigrant from the Ukraine who settled in Texas.

Haskell and Leah Hareluk immigrated through Galveston to Hamilton County in 1909. While peddling bananas Haskell is befriended by Milton Ima Perry who take him under their wing. However as both his business and family grow, Haskell experiences the conflict between being an American and being an immigrant.

"It's a very appealing play, and I could feel strongly how much the audience liked it," Davis said. "It's a marvelous story to warm the heart in February!"

"The Immigrant" opens at 7:30 P.M. Friday February 10 and runs through Sunday February 26. Other performances are at 8 P.M. Wednesday through Saturday, and 7 P.M. on Sundays, February 19 and 26. All performances are at the Stiemke Theatre, 108 E. Wells Street.

Ticket prices are \$10.50 and \$12.00. Student and senior rates are available. For ticket information call 244-9490. For information about group tickets call 276-8842.

13th S.F. G/L Film

Frameline is now accepting entries for the 13th San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, June 16-25, 1989. Held each year during San Francisco's Lesbian/Gay Freedom Celebration, the Festival brings together the best in feature, documentary and short films and video works by and about

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lesbians and gay men. This, the world's largest and most respected annual screening of its kind, is sponsored by Frameline, a nonprofit media arts organization, to develop and promote the production, exhibition and appreciation of lesbian and gay films and video tapes.

Awards will be presented to outstanding works in several categories. Formats accepted include 35mm, 16mm, and super-8 films; NTSC 3/4" and 1/2" VHS video cassettes. The deadline for entries is March 31, 1989. For more information and entry forms contact Frameline, P.O. Box 144792, San Francisco, CA 94114 or call (415) 861-5245.

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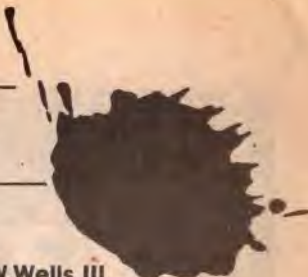
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by W.W.Wells III



As Valentine's Day promenades in, arm in arm with romantic images of Cupid and his enchanted arrows, it's high-time somebody set the record straight on just how darn dangerous those passion-tipped darts can really be! The truth is, Cupid's sometimes mis-guided missiles can be dangerous to your romantic health and probably should be required to carry a Surgeon General's warning. Cupid's skill with the bow is terrible and only 12% of his amorous arrows strike the heart and induce the desired infatuating effect. The rest of his arrows miss the mark completely or hit other parts of the body and produce much different results. And much like Chinese acupuncture treatments, each point at which the body is pierced produces a widely different, unexpected and startling reaction. Gay people seem to be especially sensitive to the effects of his mis-placed poison. So, as a public service, I have compiled the following list of side-effects catalogued by the location an errant arrow might strike.

Arm — An amorous arrow in the arm has only one major side-effect for gay men, a strange compulsion to use hand signals when changing positions during sex along with a desire to have directional lights installed on the hind-end to signal when backing up in bed.

Eyelash — If a love-dart nicks an eyelash during heated foreplay, many gay men will succumb to an irresistible urge to vigorously lick their date's eyelids and lashes. This is usually not too traumatic, unless he accidentally licks his partner's eyeballs or suddenly discovers he's actually been dating an off-duty drag queen after experiencing the tell-tale taste of Maybelline from a mouth full of fake lashes.

Lips — An arrow to the lips will create an unstoppable urge to cover your boyfriend with kisses. For men with

well-endowed partners, this process can take upwards of 60 minutes and is sometimes referred to as the "Happy Hour."

Foot — A shot in the foot can cause an over-powering foot fetish which can translate into many wasted hours cruising the Dr. Scholl's display at the local drug store or may simply result in an insistence that your boyfriend wear rubbers and be sure he wipes his feet before getting into bed with you.

Nose — The most common side-effect experienced by gay men after having one of Cupid's stray arrows fly up their nose is an undeniable compulsion to sniff other men's underpants, usually while someone is still in them.

Crotch — After being pricked here by one of Cupid's arrows, uncircumcised men begin suffering from an unusual case of static cling which affected only that part of their anatomy.

Liver — If an arrow makes a B-line for your liver, be prepared for a night of heavy drinking followed by a hangover. People who have experienced this phenomenon claim that the best way to quickly determine how bad the hangover will be is, upon waking up, immediately roll over and see just how unattractive the person sleeping next to you is.

Butt — If one of Cupid's arrows hits here it will be to indicate the actual part of your anatomy a date is really thinking about when he says just how much he loves the color of your eyes or your smile.

Funny Bone — And finally, a love-arrow smacking the funny bone causes most gay men to break-out into hysterical laughter when they see their new boyfriend naked for the very first time along with an irresistible urge to read this column while making love on Valentine's Day.

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by Ron Geiman



Hasn't this weather been too much? Usually, we look forward to a January thaw - This year we need a January Freeze!

Congrats to Goldi Adams, Wisconsin's entry into the Miss Chubby World Contest at Chicago's **Baton**. 219 hosted the contest which Goldi won - She went on to capture 2nd runner-up for the national title. Plenty of 219 & La Cage people traveled to the Windy City to cheer her on.

More "Showgirl" news... B.J. Daniels retired as a performer. The former 219 girl has now grown a mustache & beard and is going by his given name Bjorn. We'll all miss this talented entertainer.

It seems the Baton's Jim Flint was so impressed with the talents of Mimi Marks at Ginger's birthday party show at Club 219 that Mimi is now filling in at The

Baton. The future looks bright for Mimi, but don't forget your friends here, girl!

La Cage's Holly Brown is starring in a feature film short by Milwaukee artist Cathy Cook. "Bust Up" features Holly in male and female personas, all of whom are obsessed with the beverage tea and the formalities of etiquette, pedigree and hospitality. The black and white film premieres at La Cage on Feb. 12th.

The **Ballgame's** End of Road Construction Party was tres butch...they handed out hard hats to everyone to celebrate the re-construction of Pittsburgh Street which borders the bar. Later that evening 3 contestants entered their last minute Jock Strap contest - congrats to Jimmy H.

The WR swayed to a South of the Border theme party & buffet. What...no
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The Triangle's Jean's contest drew 33 contestants. [L to R] Most Creative Jean's winner Brian, entertainer Kelly Green, Al, Best Ripped Jeans winner Dean, and Tightest - Dino.

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Mexican hat dance? What...no pinata filled with condoms?

Chicago song bird Sally Richard's packs 'em in at M&M when she appears. Keep your eye on their entertainment menu for the next appearance of this superb song stylist!

Super Bowl Sunday saw some super party's at The Ballgame, Club 94, Back East, WR & Fannie's. The half time show was an over- hyped bomb in my opinion, but it was an exciting game. (I just love Tight Ends!).

The New Bar's C&W Drag Queen Wrestling wasn't a great success, but they promise bigger & better things when Ron Ehemann & The Bistro Boys join in the fun!

That brings us up to my deadline of the afternoon on the 26th. Be sure to check the Calendar this issue for upcoming events & specials. February can be a drab month - so perk it up with In Step - your guide to glittering night life.

Speaking of nightlife - it's about to get a lift in Green Bay...Club 125 opens Feb. 8th, offering video and dancing. It's

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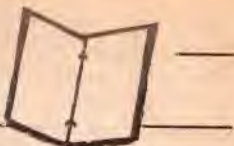


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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

MNDC Plus [Stevens Point]: Hayride at The Platwood Club, starts at 2pm.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: The fabulous live music of Krystalmoon, showtime 10pm.

M&M: Rona's 10th Annual Surprise 29th Birthday Party Show, a Cream City Chorus Fundraiser.

New Bar [Madison]: Troy's Train Trestle Tavern Party. Grand opening of lobby bar, shot specials all nite.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Milw. Rep. AIDS Fundraiser: Presentation of it's third in a five part series of MAP fundraisers, "Nobody's Business But Mine", Stackner Cabaret, 8:30pm. \$10 tickets at Rep, MAP & Fest City Singers.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Club 125 [Green Bay]: Opening night of Green Bay's brand new Video/Dance Bar. Opening 8pm (125 S. Washington).

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Club 219: Tony's Panda Birthday Party. Open bar 9 to 10, \$2 cover. 219 Girls Show with guest hostess Leslie Rejeanne. \$100 prize for best Black & White costume.

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Maliborski. Thanks also to my printers - Newsweb Corporation. I was a neophyte at this in the beginning & they helped me greatly. Also, to my "sister" publication - "Gay Chicago Magazine". Publishers Ralph & Dan & Sales Manager Sherman filled me in on the "ins & outs" of the business, and answered many questions & in many instances answered queries before I even thought them up.

Five years - it's hard to believe. Thanks, again!

And now, our **Condom Sense** for this issue: "If you think he's slinky...cover your dinky!"

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Wreck Room: BEST Clinic offers Anonymous on-site HIV testing from 5 to 8pm.

New Bar [Madison]: Lincoln Park Lagooners Welcome Party.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Valentine's Dance: Sponsored by Hurricane Productions, 8pm-midnight, Lake Park Pavilion, (Lake Drive & Newberry), \$5 at the door, DJ, Bar area, non-smoking area, special drawing, games.

Fannie's: Valentine's Party, Champagne & drink specials, raffles.

New Bar [Madison]: Devil's Head Skiing Trip with the L.P.L.'s, Bus leaves 8am, advance reservations!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

La Cage: A Special Show with a special treat - The World Premiere of the short feature film-"Bust Up", starring Holly Brown, 9:30pm.

Sweet Sunday Afternoon [Madison]: A MASN fundraiser at the Wilson St. Grill (217 S. Hamilton), 1:30-4:30. Sweets & entertainment. \$15 donation.

Ballgame: St. Valentine's Party, 3 to ? Food & Door Prizes.

New Bar: Lincoln's Birthday Bash. Guess number of pennies in jar & win a night in Chicago.

Club 219 -8th Anniversary Week, 219 Girls show with special guest Bertha Butts.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Pivot Club [Appleton]: 3rd Anniversary Week, \$1 shots. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

New Leaf [Janesville]: \$3 Beer Bash, 9 to close, special entertainment.

The Alternative: 1st Valentine's Day Party, Free Beer & hors d'oeuvres 7pm to ?? Special entertainment, prizes galore.

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media. If we don't promote ourselves, nobody will.

Jane, if your reading this article, remember that your friends, neighbors and co-workers may be gay or lesbian. Your remarks are not only ignorant, but could hurt a less hardy individual. Would your views change if your mother or brother were gay? Perhaps so.

Line Seeks Volunteers

The Women's Crisis Line (WCL), a sixteen year old non-profit organization, will be holding its annual Spring Training beginning March 8, 1989 and running through April 15, 1989. This intensive, 60

hour classroom training, plus 16 hours of supervised telephone counseling training must be completed by all trainees before certification can occur.

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darla's view...

by Darla Kashian

Last week, I learned from a co-worker that lesbians and gays have roles that they play. One partner is feminine (girl like) and one partner is masculine (male like). Since this was news to me, I asked my partner when she would begin doing laundry and dressing up in stockings. I was met with an screech. I guess were both male like because we both hate doing laundry and wearing stockings.

My co-worker, who had recently climbed out from under a rock, reminded me of the negative images of gays and lesbians portrayed by the media, educational institutions and organized religion. As a result, we must combat the stereotypes that reside in the very small minds of middle America. Of course, my own homophobia, and unemployment phobia, prevented me from sharing the very important part of my life.

The mainstream media is the major culprit in the dissemination of misinformation about gay and lesbian relationships. The AIDS crisis is a perfect example of how negative information about our lives can become the views of most people. The initial information about people with AIDS reported that PWA's had hundreds of sexual partners each year, and this was the cause of the rapid spread of AIDS.

The lack of legal sanctions of gay and lesbian relationships makes measurement difficult. For heterosexuals, the mere legalization of their relationships through marriage and divorce guarantees that the government will always maintain fairly accurate records regarding the duration and number of marriages. We, unfortunately, do not have such legal sanctions.

While some members of our community do engage in many multiple partners, this does not reflect the norm. In addition, this information was distributed exclusive of comparisons of the average gay man. The media did not interview members of the community to determine if such activity

was the rule, rather than the exception.

The recent news regarding the closing of the Club Milwaukee, Milwaukee's gay bathhouse. Club Milwaukee dominated the news about the gay community during the early part of January. Seven hundred gay men have a greater impact on Milwaukee's media, than do the thousands of other gays and lesbians in Milwaukee.

How can we insure a more positive image of gays and lesbians in the media? To a certain extent, we must be responsible ourselves, but as my initial example shows, this can be very difficult, if not impossible. After years of being an 'out' active lesbian, I now have my first professional job that forced me back in the closet.

We must also help to promote ourselves. With the help of the media, we can write letters, make phone calls and become actively involved in displaying a positive gay and lesbian community. We don't even need to be 'out' to do this. Newspapers are happy to publish letters anonymously if you let them know. Political representatives need to hear from us, and television stations need to be reminded when they portray negative images.

Our political and media leaders need to hear from us when they respond positively on issues of concern to gay and lesbian people. For example, CBS (Channel 12, Milwaukee) recently added the program, **Heartbeat** to it's Thursday night line-up. The program is based on a real-life women's health clinic in California, and features a lesbian doctor who is actually in a relationship.

By writing to CBS in care of Channel 12, you can let them know that you support the program. Of course, ratings will determine the fate of the show, but a positive outcry from the gay and lesbian community will enforce the portrayal of representative characters in mainstream

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Fannie's: Valentine's Day \$1.00 rail drinks, plus more!

Triangle: Valentine's Day Cupid Contest, 11pm. \$100 winner, \$50 1st runner-up, \$25 2nd R.U. (see bartenders for details!).

New Bar [Madison]: Valentine's Day Specials.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: 3rd Anniv. Week, \$1.00 Rail Drinks & Canned beer. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.

Club 219: 8th Anniversary Week, special Valentine's show.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Pivot [Appleton]: 3rd Anniversary Week, Talent Shop Finals, \$500 1st prize. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Pivot Club [Appleton]: 3rd Anniversary Week, 2 for 1 all nite. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.

Back East [Madison]: Valentine's show/extravaganza, 10pm showtime.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Pivot Club [Appleton]: 3rd Anniversary Week. Drink specials 7pm till close. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Memories [La Crosse]: "A Hot Winter's Night" variety show full of dynamic entertainment featuring former Ms. Texas "Ebony" & local entertainers, 10pm. Proceeds to local non-profit groups. \$2 donation at door.

MNDC Plus [Stevens Point]: MNDC+ Anniversary Party.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: "That's What Friends are For" benefit show. Hosted by Raven Cole, with a cast of title holders. Showtime 9:30, \$3 cover.

Jet's Place: 2nd Annual "Heart's for AIDS Show", Miss M, hostess, with a cast of well-knowns. Showtime 10pm. \$2 donation.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: 3rd Anniversary Week, Drink specials 7pm-close. Tickets for 2/19 drawing.

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