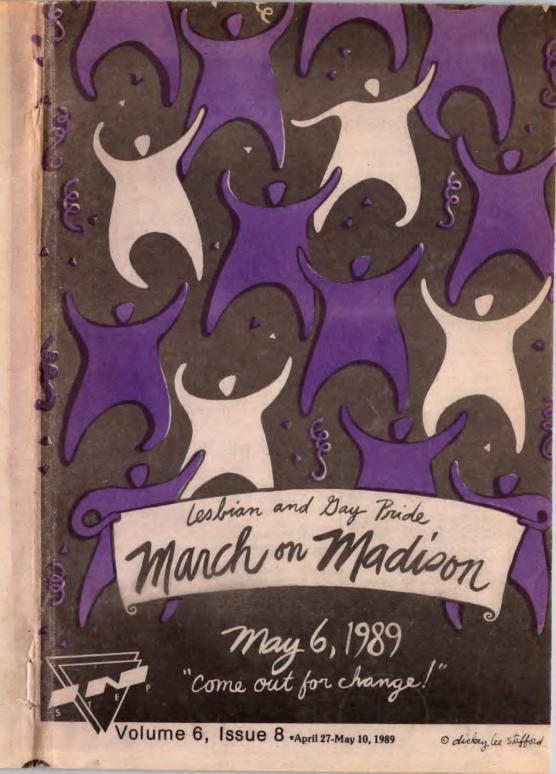
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Mayor Meets With Our Community

By Ron Geiman

Milwaukee - Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist met with 19 Milwaukee Gays and Lesbians April 12th at the Foundation Community Center to discuss several concerns of the community, in the first of what he sees as "an ongoing series of meetings."

A wide variety of Gay and Lesbian organization representatives, businessowners and individuals responded to a letter sent out by the Mayor's office which stated "I would like an opportunity to continue dialogue with members of Milwaukee's Gay community regarding current issues of concern that I should be aware of."

Wisconsin Light's Jerry Johnson acted as co-host of the evening, and the Mayor was accompanied by his assistant Eloisa Gomez. The meeting was covered by the Milwaukee Journal City Hall reporter, Wisconsin Light, and In Step.

Agenda items included: a review of the Lambda Rights Network Goals Project recommendations; a report on the activities of the Fire and Police commission; gay youth issues; city/county prison facilities and their treatment of PWA's; the possible use of a city building as a hospice for PWA's; and the rights of Gay/Lesbian employees. The agenda items were compiled from concerns phoned in by the community to the Mayor's office and to Wisconsin Light.

The 45 minute meeting was fast paced and to-the-point. In a quick review of the Lambda report, the Mayor said he'd be happy to have his office help in setting up a meeting with the school board to review textbooks used in their human sexuality courses. The texts aren't homophobic, but are not very supportive, either. The Mayor suggested that instead of dealing with the school administration, the

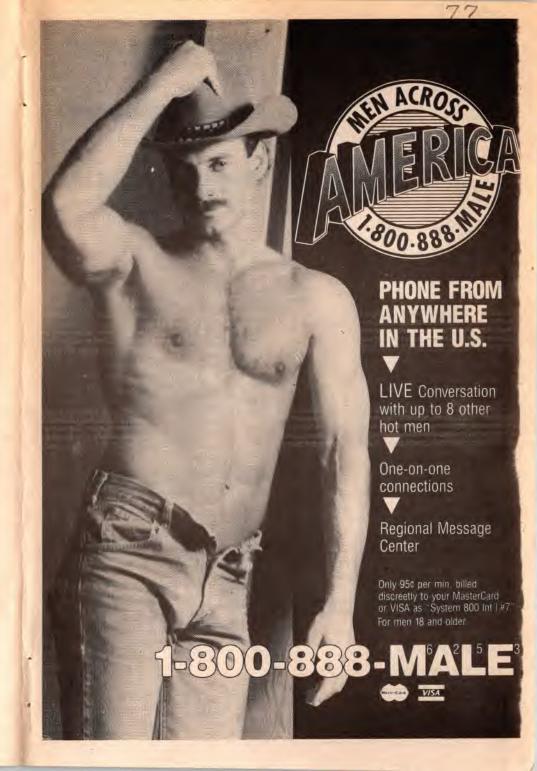
community would be better heard, and get quicker results, by dealing directly with the school board.

If Wisconsin's 'Gay Rights' Law (AB70) would be repealed, current city law would offer limited protection for Gays and Lesbians. The Lambda report would like to see the city law strengthened, and Mayor Norquist agreed saying he totally supports the state law anti-discrimination. The city law only covers the area of employment protection, and only for employers with city contracts. Lambda would like to see the law broadened to cover housing and public accommodations. The Mayor said he would have the city attorneys office review the city law, compare it to the original AB70 State law and see what is lacking. and then make needed changes.

Agenda item 2 dealt with the Fire and Police Commission and the increase in Anti-Gay/Lesbian violence. The Mayor reported that these issues were brought up with the Fire and Police Commission at the October '88 meeting. The Commission sent a letter to Police Chief Ziarnik urging an expansion of training of police cadets to include gay sensitive issues, and better communication with other departments about increased gay bashings. Ralph Navarro reported Lambda is currently in negotiations now with the police chief, and he thanked the Mayor's office for its assistance in the matter. '

The Mayor suggested a more central reporting of Gay/Lesbian Hate Crimes involving the Department of City Development (which absorbed the activities of the now defunct Community Relations division), the City and District Attorneys Sensitive Crimes Unit, and the Police department. "We need to work on communications between these offices"

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to better assess the situation and find answers to the problem. Navarro commented the Mayor's office has applied a lot of effort and significant help in the expansion of human relations training, including the treatment of Gays and Lesbians, to the cadets in the academy and to existing officers during their periodic retraining sessions.

In response to questions about parking problems in the bar district, Norquist said the City Engineer is already reviewing parking and street configurations for the entire Downtown, Old Third Ward and Walker's Point areas. The Engineer is trying to create more parking by creative means, not necessarily "tearing downbeautiful old buildings and putting up paved lots."

In regards to safety, the Mayor said he'd have the city look at better lighting and other safety features in the ares of the bars.

Some items under Agenda Item 3, Gay Youth, were addressed in the Mayor's response to Lambda's recommendations. However, the Mayor again urged the community to talk to the School Board, "Look for negative things, and work it out with them." Mayor Norquist continued "Talk to the Board members about issues...administrations don't have to listen as well as they (board members) do."

The Mayor, in response to Agenda Item 4, about City/County prison facilities and their treatment of PWA's, said this is a county issue and asked if a similar meeting was planned with County Executive David Schulz. He suggested prison topics be discussed with the county, because they effectively control that area. "All the city has is an overnight lock-up", and this was an issue he could have little impact on.

The next agenda item, using a city building as a PWA hospice, was wrapped up in a statement from AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin representative Marc Haupert. Haupert told of the city dovetailing with ARCW on an existing proposal for a study that would look at the various levels of care for PWA's now and

in the future. Haupert wants to insure the continuity of care and is investigating the various options for facilities. Haupert also reported on efforts to work with various medical societies regarding professional refusal by Doctors and Dentists to give care to PWA's. The Mayor promised to help out where needed.

The final agenda item, in reference to rights of Gay/Lesbian employees was covered in the Lambda recommendations concerning strengthening the city's anti-discrimination law.

Some time remained in the scheduled 45 minute session after covering the agenda items, and several items were brought up for discussion. The Mayor was educated in the use of politically correct terminology, when he referred to the "homosexual community." When told we preferred the use of Gay/Lesbian community, he apologized and said he'd make sure he never make the mistake again.

When asked about a "Gay Festival" to complete the City of Festivals line up, the Mayor reminded the group the festivals are a high cost item, run privately, and not with city funding. He said if problems were encountered in dealing with the city in trying to put together any kind of festival, his office would be glad to do what it could to help.

Another non-agenda item was a complaint about homophobic acts appearing at Summerfest. Bill Meunier complained of comedians who included homophobic "comedy" routines during their time on stage at Summerfest. The Mayor suggested Meunier "talk to the Summerfest Board, it's your right to complain to the board." He told Meunier to talk to his (the Mayor's) representative to the Board about the problem.

In response to a complaint about the Community Relations Division being dissolved as a separate entity and absorbed the the Dept. of City Development, Norquist replied that the old commission didn't get a lot done, because it had no power. "Now you can go directly to the right people, and talk direct to them." He suggested people first go to their Alderperson, and if they

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didn't get satisfaction there about Community Relations issues, come to his (the Mayor's) office.

Clabotts. Don representing Milwaukee's Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC), had nothing but praise for the various city agencies the committee has dealt with in preparing for the second annual pride week celebration. and the citu's first pride parade. The Mayor told Clabotts of the city's Festival Funding Board, where the committee could possibly apply for a grant for the 1990 celebration. "They don't have a big budget, but they are there to assist you." the Mayor said. He also mentioned there are presently 2 positions open on the board, and urged Gavs and Lesbians to apply for commissions and boards, saying we are all part of the fabric of the city, and we must be actively involved in its operation.

The final topic discussed was the possible involvement by the city in creation of a local Gay/Lesbian Archive. There currently is no broad-based historical collection of local Gay/Lesbian activities. Several partial collections are scattered throughout the city including the G.P.U. Library, the UW Milwaukee 10% Society collection, and individual collections. As the Gay/Lesbian community faces the future, it is realizing the importance of documenting our past. The Mayor enthusiastically recommended the name of a contact at the Library to discuss the possibility of setting up a G/L Archive file section at the Library.

The meeting ended promptly as scheduled, and it was agreed the group would meet again in Mid-June, this time in the Mayor's Office. Mayor Norquist said 'The first time I like to come to your place for a meeting, and the second time, you come to my place. And if needed, my door is always open."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Any concerns you'd like brought up before the Mayor? Be sure they are specific, and it's something the Mayor can have an impact upon. Contact Jerry Johnson, at Wisconsin Light, 372-2773, or Eloisa Gomez, of the Mayor's office at 278-2200, with your

suggestions for Agenda items for the next meeting.

The lines are open for meaningful dialogue. Let's use them.

Senate Names AIDS Commission

Washington, D.C. [HRCF]- The Senate announced April 4th four more appointees, including an openly gay man, to the new National Commission on AIDS — created by Congress last year to evaluate and affect federal policy for fighting the epidemic.

The National AIDS Commission—established by the omnibus AIDS bill passed last fall—will promote the development of a national consensus on AIDS policy. Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) lobbyists say the new Commission will evaluate and make recommendations regarding the financing of health care and research needs relating to AIDS, monitor AIDS education programs for effectiveness, and make suggestions for improving other prevention efforts.

The new commission succeeds the Presidential HIV Commission established by former President Ronald Reagan, and is expected to implement recommendations of the president's report. That report featured hundreds of recommendations for dealing with the HIV epidemic, most of which were "shelved" by the Reagan Administration with little or no action taken.

Senate appointees to the commission are:

- Larry Kessler, openly gay executive director of the AIDS Action Committee of Boston. Kessler is regarded as an expert on and champion of community-based AIDS service organizations.
- Dr. June Osborn, Dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan and a renowned authority on the HIV epidemic.
- Harlan Dalton, Yale Law School professor and a leading expert on AIDS legal issues.
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Affairs and Health Promotion at White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles and a former public health official.

Under the law, the Senate, House and Administration are to name five individuals each to sit on the commission. The Senate is expected to name its fifth member in the near future.

Three of the Administration's nominees have been predesignated: Secretary of Health and Human Services (Louis Sullivan); Secretary of Defense (Richard Cheney); and Secretary of Veteran's Affairs (Edward Derwinski). President Bush is expected to name two other appointees in the near future.

House appointees to the panel were announced last February. They included Congressman J. Roy Rowland (D.-Ga.), who served as co-chair of the Majority Whip's task force on AIDS during the 100th Congress. Rowland has been a strong advocate of sound AIDS policy during floor debate and was recently assigned to the Energy and Commerce subcommittee on health, which has

jurisdiction over most AIDS-related policy.

Other House appointees are: Reverend Scott Allen, who serves on the Texas state task force on AIDS; Diane Ahrens, who chairs the Ramsey County Minnesota Board of Commissioners and is head of the National Association of Counties' task force on AIDS; and Don Goldman, former president of the National Hemophilia Foundation and an attorney who has long advocated discrimination protections for people with AIDS and HIV.

"Overall, we are very pleased with the members of the new commission," said Robert Bray, Human Rights Campaign Fund communications director—"In particular, the inclusion of an openly gay member brings an important perspective to the panel."

AIDS Co. Exec Urges AIDS Measure

Milwaukee County Executive David F.
Schulz has asked the County Board to
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Milwaukee Co. employees. The policy would insure employees with AIDS and ARC would receive the same health and life insurance coverage and disability retirement benefits available to all other employees, according to a report in the Milwaukee Journal.

Schulz's request has been forwarded to the County Personnel and Health Committees by the County Board Chairman. The committee's may hold hearings on the proposal in May.

Schulz's proposal was a recommendation put forward by a Milwaukee County AIDS Task Force in '87. The task force was designed to help county departments deal with employment issues related to AIDS. The proposal also recommended that the task force become a permanent advisory body to monitor implementation of the policy and annually report to the Board and Co. Executive.

County employees who are PWA's "should be allowed to work as long as they are able to maintain acceptable performance standards and do not conduct themselves in a manner that could pose a health threat to themselves, or others," the proposal says, according to the Journal.

Homophobic Poll

[Equal Times]- A recent poll on quality of life in San Francisco has infuriated some city residents with its wording, according to the Bay Area Reporter. The poll conducted by the San Francisco Chronicle listed "too many gays" as a possible description of the city.

Dan Rosenheim, city editor of the Chronicle, said the questions was "not meant to be derogatory. Others were mentioned in the question about ethnic and racial tensions."

A quarter of those polled said the phrase "too many gays" applies "a lot" to San Francisco, 24 percent said it applies "somewhat." But 39 percent said it "doesn't apply" and 12 percent "didn't know."

One woman said she thought gays added "color and excitement to the city."

Iowa Rights/Hate Bills Make Progress

Des Moines, Iowa [TWN]- A bill expanding the Iowa Civil Rights Code to include protection on the basis of sexual orientation passed an important hurdle last month, as the State House Judiciary Committee approved it by a vote of 12-6, according to Access Line. The bill now goes to the full house for consideration. The bill will not be openly debated in the lowa House. There is no companion bill in the Senate, so the House version must pass by a majority vote and go to the Senate. Once there, it must go to a Senate committee before the full body may debate the issue. This is the first attempt to pass this bill in Iowa and activists and supporters of the bill are optimistic. If passed by both chambers of the lowa Legislature and is signed into law by Governor Terry Branstad (R), Iowa would join neighboring Wisconsin as the only states with laws protecting lesbians and gay men from discrimination. In a related development, an amendment to strengthen Iowa's 1988 "Hate Crimes Bill" by adding "sexual orientation" as an included category, passed the State House by a vote of 78-18. The amendment also increases criminal penalties for committing or threatening to commit acts of violence against minorities.

Gay Lutherans Hit Church Homophobia

Toronto [Windy City Times]- Calling their church's anti-gay policy "sinful," Lutherans/Concerned issued "A call for Repentance" to their fellow church members at a conference held recently in Toronto.

Their assembly here voted unanimously to approve a document that brands the Lutheran Church's position on gays "sinful" and calls for the church to repent publicly for its intolerance.

Lutherans Concerned was founded in 1974 in an effort to call attention to the needs of gay and lesbian Lutherans. The organization charges that their church has failed to respond to their demands for recognition and tolerance.



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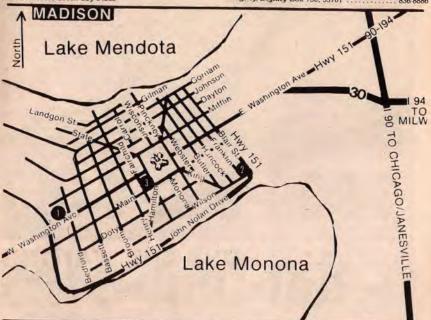
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Frank Attacked By Colleague

Boston, Mass. [TWN]- Freshman Rep. Chuck Douglas (R.-N.H.) attacked the House Judiciary Committee by citing in a speech the "homosexuality" of Rep. Barney Frank (D-Newton, Mass.). Frank responded by accusing Douglas of bigotry. Douglas, a member of the Judiciary Committee, told a group of insurance executives earlier this month in Washington: "I don't know if you know who Barney Frank is, but he's one of the two members of Congress who are only interested in their own sex." Douglas continued: "That should give you a feel for the committee, so to speak." A report of the speech appeared in the March 10 edition of Federal & State Insurance Week. "A lot of people tell you that you should generally ignore bigotry, but that is unhealthy," Frank told the Boston Globe. "Bigotry of this kind should be brought forward. The suggestion that my sexuality is relevant to and poisoned the whole committee is ridiculous." Douglas had been discussing with the insurance group its concerns that committee Democrats may change the industry's exemption from most antitrust legislation. Douglas, a former New Hampshire Supreme Court judge, said his remarks were intended to "give a flavor for some of the make-up of the committee." "Barney told me he was dating a guy in my district," Douglas told the Globe.

Intolerance in Soviet Union

[Equal Times]- Soviet laws prohibiting sex between men are to be repealed soon under glasnost, but the country is still far from tolerant of lesbians and gay men, according to a story in the Washington Post.

Men can currently receive sentences of up to five years in a labor camp for gay sexual acts. Lesbian sex is not illegal.

Lesbians and gays are called "light blues" in the Soviet Union. Recent statistics compiled by the Soviet press estimate that two to five percent of Russian males and one to three percent of females are exclusively gay or lesbian. Another 48 percent of men and 37 percent of women report having at least one gay sexual experience.

Gay-bashers, called "remonti," also exist in the Soviet Union. One gay man compared the situation to that of gays and lesbians in the United States in the 1950s.

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[Equal Times]- National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA) filed a brief in the U.S. Supreme Court on March 25 in a case which challenges a 1988 act of Congress banning "Dial-A-Porn" over interstate lines: The brief was filed on behalf of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and defends the use of the phone lines as a means of promoting safe sex.

Under current Supreme Court doctrine, the government may ban sexually explicit information as obscene if it appeals to a sexual interest, is "patently offensive" and is "lacking in serious value."

"In the age of AIDS, sexually explicit communications cannot simply be dismissed as obscene," said Benjamin Schatz, Director of NGRA's AIDS Civil Rights Project. "Quite simply, 'Dial-A-Porn' can save lives by providing an alternative to unsafe sex. Whether people like it or not, it has important social value, and is entitled to constitutional protection."

The Supreme Court was to hear oral arguments on the case, Sable Communications v. F.C.C., on April 19 and is expected to reach a decision this spring.

"The Court's ruling could have a broad impact on First Amendment rights and the public's ability to obtain sexually explicit materials," said NGRA Executive Director Jean O'Leary. "It is time to stop allowing conservative moralizing to take precedence over people's lives.

Pride Parade to Feature Shocked

New York [TWN]- Staffers at Heritage of Pride, New York City's Gay and Lesbian Pride Committee, have

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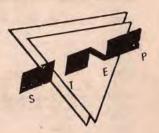
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announced that popular rock/folk singer Michelle Shocked will perform at this year's Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade in Manhattan. The innovative artist initially became a cult figure with her Campfire Tapes and is currently climbing the charts with her latest album, Short Sharp Shocked. The political folkie with the whimsical twist recently appeared on Late Night With David Letterman where the acerbic talk show host admitted he is a big fan of her music. (Considering he once dished Lavender Jane Loves Women on his show, we're surprised.) The put-off Shocked was short but civil with the buck-toothed one. If anyone has any doubts about her orientation, they need only look at the back of her current album to see her double female symbols proudly displayed. Score one for lesbian visibility.

Gay TV Show Wins Large Audience

London [Windy City Times]- British gays and lesbians are heralding the premiere of their first television show in British history because it received a large audience share, according to the Philadelphia Gay News.

Opposition to the show has come from the same sources that promoted the repressive anti-gay/lesbian legislation, Section 28, which bars government funding of any sort to any group that promotes or approves of homosexuality as a positive life style.

The program's producers contacted a prestigious advertising firm, Saatchi and Saatchi, located in London, to devise an advertising campaign portraying gayness and lesbianism in a positive light. Some of the advertising for both television and print media were shown on the show's premiere.

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Two Americans were interviewed on the show. Harvey Fierstein, on being asked about gays playing straight roles, said the only "straight" role he wants to play is Eleanor of Aquitane. Also interviewed was Donna Dietch, who recently directed an ABC mini-series of Gloria Navlor's award winning novel The Women of Brewster Street about black lesbians in the 1950s.

Military 'Leper Colony'?

[Washington Blade]- A U.S. Army private recently called for an inquiry into an alleged quarantine of himself and other soldiers testing positive for the AIDS antibody at Fort Hood in Killeen, Texas.

The San Antonio Express-News reported that John Brisbois, who has been absent without leave since October, said in a letter to Secretary of the Army John Marsh that the guarantined soldiers were subjected to "gross discrimination and maltreatment."

Brisbois, who read his letter at a news conference, said he found out he tested positive for IDS antibodies after donating plasma. His platoon sergeant asked if the letter from the plasma center meant he was positive. Brisbois said it did. Three days later he was transferred to a unit where he said other AIDS antibody positive soldiers had already been transferred.

Brisbois referred to the unit as a "leper colony" where those soldiers testing positive were "mistreated, harassed, and abused." He said the confidentiality of his medical records was ignored and that he received no advice about his condition or counseling for his depression. Brisbois said the conditions prompted him to leave the post without authorization.



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Milw. Parade Route Approved

The Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC) announced approval of a route for Milwaukee's first Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade in years. The parade and rally, scheduled for Saturday, June 17 will wrap up a week of pride related events.

The parade will start lining up between 11am and Noon, starting at the intersection of E. Washington Street and South 2nd Street, on Washington, facing West. Traffic will continue on South 1st St., so parade units lining up east of 1st St. on Washington (near The Alternative bar) will have their crossing of 1st St controlled by parade officials. Additional space for line up may be used on South

Barclay, (corner of Fannie's) facing South (if required).

Step off time is 12:30 p.m., and will proceed north on South 2nd St past the Mint bar, Shadows II, La Cage, then north past Phoenix, Cest La Vie, Club 219, and turn right on Pittsburg (at the Ballgame corner). The parade will then proceed east 1 block to 1st Street, turn left, north on 1st, across the river bridge to Water St., past M&M Club, and continuing north on Water all the way past City Hall, turn right on Kilbourn, proceeding east on Kilbourn where it will culminate in a rally at Cathedral Square.

Cost for the Parade permit and insurance for the rally site alone total over \$1,200. Donations would be enthusiastically received by MLGPC. Donations may be sent to: MLGPC, in care of 225 S. 2nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53204.

As a fundralser, pink triangle stickers will be sold throughout the community in coming weeks. Buy a few sheets of them to show your support.

At the Cathedral Square Rally site, there is a need for food booths/tents to satisfy the hunger the participants will work up during the March. Anyone interested in setting up such a facility is urged to contact the Committee by writing to the address above, or by calling 32-PRIDE.

Don't forget the Pride Line hotline 32-PRIDE will keep you abreast of fundraising activities and Pride Week news!

"Out & About" Series

Madison, Wi- The Ten Percent Society, UW-Madison's Gay and Lesbian Student Organization, is presenting the fifth annual "Out & About" Awareness Series. "The Out & About events are an annual celebration of lesbian and gay culture and concerns," according to James Steakley of the Out & About

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GALVAnize committee members Richard Kilmer, and Dickey Stafford talk with MLGPC head Don Clabots.

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committee. "We want to reach everyone on campus with information about and opportunities to interact with the gay minority," noted Steakly, a UW-Madison professor.

Out & About events began Friday, April 14, and continue through May 5th. Upcoming events include:

- Saturday April 29: "A Family of Friends: Portrait of a Lesbian Friendship Group, 1921-1973." Presenter Frances Doughty is a pioneer in the emerging field of Lesbian History. The lecture will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the State Historical Society auditorium.
- Monday May 1, Michael Lynch reading poetry from his new book These Waves of Dying Friends, Michael Lynch is a teacher, writer and community organizer from Toronto. This event begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Union; check "TITU" for room location. Co-sponsors are Out & About and WSA.
- Wednesday, May 3, a showing of the 1951 black and white film Olivia, a tale of lesbian love and struggle in a contd. on page 16



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turn-of-the-century French boarding school. The film will be shown at 7:15 and 9:15 p.m. in the Memorial Union; check "TITU" for room location. Co-sponsors are Out & About and WUD IDeas and Issues Women's Film Series.

Thursday and Friday, May 4 and 5,
 Torch Song Trilogy, Harvey Fierstein's dramatic gay movie starring Harvey,
 Matthew Broderick (!) and Anne Bancroft.
 The Campus Film Society is sponsoring this showing at a campus location to be announced.

Saturday May 6, following the March on Madison for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Pride and Civil Rights, a benefit party will be held at Nottingham Coop, 146 Langdon (off Iota Court). The theme of the party is "Lifely Up Yourself." Music will be provided by Lifeline, an an east coast women's band and a local band as yet undetermined. This dance party starts at 9:00 p.m. and is alcohol free. A \$5.00 donation is asked to help defray the costs of Out & About and the March. Natural beverages and snacks will be served.

New Hope MCC Salutes Founder

MCC- On Sunday, April 30, 1989, New Hope Metropolitan Community Church will hold a Memorial Celebration of the life of the founder of the church in Milwaukee, and the church's first pastor, Rev. David

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Luther Callentine. Rev. Callentine was born to eternal life one year ago, after his struggle with AIDS. During this past year, those of us who knew and lived him have grieved the loss of a spouse, good friend, mentor and spiritual leader.

The time has now come to celebrate his life - his life among us in the past and his spiritual life today. In keeping with David's wishes our celebration will be simple. It will take place at the usual Sunday evening service at 6:30 p.m. at Kenwood Methodist Chapel, 2319 E. Kenwood Boulevard. Prior to the service, beginning at 6:00 p.m., there will be a short concert of music composed by Rev. Callentine, as well as some of his favorite hymns. Rev. Celena Duncan, of Good Shepard Parish in Chicago, who was instrumental in assisting Rev. Callentine in establishing New Hope, will preach. Mr. Ric Baumann/Furry, a close friend of David's will offer a timely reflection. An invitation is extended to everyone to celebrate with us on Sunday, April 30, 1989, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

ASID To Sponsor Madison Quilt Show

The Wisconsin Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) is sponsoring a bus tour on May 5th and 6th to view the Names Quilt project and the Madison Art Center's quilt show. The Names Quilt, a memorial to AIDS victims, has gained national and international recognition. The quilt, which now covers approximately ten acres and weighs sixteen tons, recalls the names of people who have died of AIDS.

The bus tour will depart from Milwaukee at 11:00 a.m. and travel to the Madison Art Center to view their exhibit on guilts, including a docent tour and and address, "An Overview of the Art Quilt," by Kathryn H. Ryan, curator. The tour will continue to the University of Wisconsin Fieldhouse to view the AIDS quilt. The bus will return to Milwaukee by 5:00 p.m. The ticket cost is \$25.00 per person, and includes a box lunch. The proceeds of the tour go toward the Madison Art Center and DIFFA, Design Industry Foundation for AIDS. Contact Judy Richter Interiors, 377-8594, for reservations.

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"House Meeting" Project

Washington, D.C., [HRCF] The Human rights Campaign (HRCF) has launched its House meeting pilot project, a grassroots organizing program designed to reach, inform and motivate activists and non-activists in gay and lesbian homes nationwide.

House meetings have been used effectively in the past by many causes and groups to organize constituents. The Stop AIDS Project and the Neighbor to Neighbor peace groups recently used the concept with considerable success.

A typical house meeting begins with the host inviting friends to his or her home. At the meeting, attendees review local, state or federal issues that affect them. Participants discuss how they can affect government action on AIDS and the battle for lesbian and gay civil rights. An HRCF video is shown at the meetings, which are not designed to be fundraisers. The event is informal, friendly and held in neighborly surroundings.

"House meetings have the potential to reach countless individuals who have never considered themselves activists but who want to influence AIDS policy and fairness for lesbians and gay men," said Steve Endean, HRCF Field Division director.

The house meeting pilot project will initially focus on North Carolina, Illinois, Minnesota, Colorado, Ohio, and Georgia. If the project is as successful as anticipated, HRCF will expand it to other parts of the country.

For more information about the House meeting Program call HRCF's Field Division at (202) 628-4160, or write HRCF, 1012 14th ST. NW, Suite 607, Washington, D.C. 20005.



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'Physique '89'

The Arcadia Bodybuilding Society is proud to announce that Physique '89, the National Gay and Lesbian Bodybuilding Championships, will be held at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco on June 24, the day before the Gay Freedom Day Parade.

An extra added attraction will be the party after the show where the audience can mingle with the competitors. The after-show party is "Instant Replay" — a video dance that will feature instant replay of the evening's competition.

Competition categories include men and women, bantamweight through heavyweight, master and elite classes for

bodybuilders 40 to 50; 50 to 60 and up. Also, there will be an encore of our most popular event — same sex pairs. There will be gold medals for Best Abdominals ("abs") and Best Poser.

With the first deposit of scholarship funds in the ban, the board of directors of ABS has approved a scholarship fund plan for Gay Games III. The scholarship fund is to pay the way to Vancouver for the bodybuilders. Bodybuilders anywhere in the world can receive scholarship money by winning a medal in Physique '89. You will receive four points for each gold medal, three points for a silver medal and two points for a bronze medal which will later be turned into cash. Arcadia Bodybuilding Society (ABS) is a nonprofit corporation that is licensed by the state of California and all contributions are tax deductible.

Bodybuilders may receive entry blanks for Physique '89 by writing to ABS 1455A Market Street, Suite 221, San Francisco, CA 94103 or call (415) 431-6254. Tickets are \$35, \$20 and \$15. Make checks payable to ABS. You will receive your tickets not later than ten days before the competition.



The M&M Peanuts Softball team held a Casino Night benefit at the bar.

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HEALTH

Community AIDS & Health Forum at

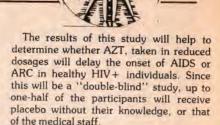
Milwaukee health care workers will be sharing information gained in the areas of AIDS and other health issues from the National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference and National AIDS Forum in San Francisco, at an open Community Forum on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 6:30 p.m. at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, 315 W. Court Street.

Many people from Milwaukee attended this year, which marked the 11th year for the conference. Besides exploring the complexities and subtleties of the AIDS crisis and the diversity of gay and lesbian health issues, print and video materials were made available to participants and much networking and exchange of information took place during the social events that took place.

This Forum will be a golden opportunity to hear about the high points of the San Francisco conference and to talk with many of those who traveled to San Francisco for the conference. For more information call MAP, 273- 2437.

AZT Study Needs HIV + Volunteers

The Medical College of Wisconsin (MCMC) is looking for asymptomatic HIV + individuals to participate in an experimental AZT study which has been funded by Burroughs-Wellcome, the manufacturer of AZT.



Dr. Michael Rytel of the Infectious Diseases Clinic at MCMC is in charge of the study which will start in May for a three-year period. "This study, the first large drug therapy study in Milwaukee, will hopefully attract attention and funding for future studies of alternative therapies in Milwaukee," Dr. Rytell stated.

Any asymptomatic HIV+ persons wishing to participate in this study should contact Claudine Fernhaber at MCMC at 257-6156, or the Infectious Diseases Clinic at 257-6151. The names of the participating volunteers will be confidential.

Beta Interferon Study Needs HIV +

[WI AIDS Update]- Physicians at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics — Madison are studying the therapeutic effects of a drug, beta interferon, in HIV-infected individuals. Researchers will be determining whether beta interferon can reduce or prevent HIV

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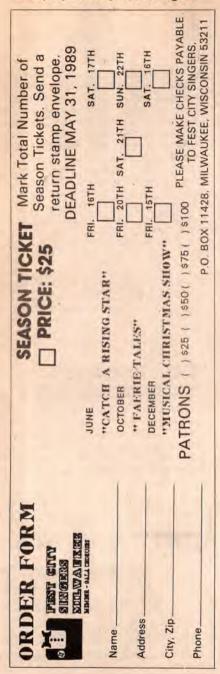


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This initial study is part of a Phase I trial during which optimum dosages and potential toxic effects of the drug are evaluated. If beta interferon proves to be effective, researchers hope later studies will show AZT and beta interferon can be used in combination with potential lowering of the necessary dosages. This could decrease side effects of either drug.

Beta interferon is related to alpha interferon which has already been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of Kaposi's sarcoma, a cancer frequently diagnosed in patients with AIDS. Beta interferon is administered daily, by injection; patient volunteers are taught how to administer it themselves. Volunteers for this study must be HIV infected, must not yet have AIDS, and must not be taking AZT (zidovudine).

Health care providers or persons interested in participating in the study should contact the UW Hospital and Clinics — Madison, (608) 263-3457.

CDC Funding Renewed for Wis.

[WI AIDS Update]- The Wisconsin Division of Health AIDS/HIV Program has been awarded 1989 continuation funding through the AIDS/HIV Prevention and Surveillance Project Cooperative Agreement with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). This award represents the fourth consecutive year of CDC funding for Wisconsin AIDS/HIV surveillance and prevention services.

The amount of the award, \$2,101,476.00, will fund AIDS/HIV surveillance, health education/ risk reduction and counseling/ testing activities in Wisconsin during calendar year 1989. More than half of the funding supports community based AIDS/HIV prevention activities, primarily through the six AIDS service groups and the HIV antibody counseling and testing sites. An amount of \$120,000.00 is specifically designated for prevention of AIDS/HIV in racial/ethnic minority communities and will be granted through a competitive process, which began in February 1989,



Milwaukee Mil-Ma-Ids Committee



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The Mil-Ma-Ids Banquet was held in Dance Dance Dance.

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SSBL Opening Day Celebration

The 12th year of the Saturday Softball Beer League [SSBL] opens Saturday, April 29, 11am at Mitchell Park diamonds (behind 'The Domes.'). See the schedule below & come cheer on your favorites.

The Wreck Room Spurs softball team will hold a benefit for the league following the games on opening day, Saturday, April 29. All proceeds will benefit the SSBL.

The fun starts at 4:00p.m. at the Wreck Room with David at the keyboard. A \$2 donation at the door will be requested. There will be several mini-raffles throughout the afternoon. One of the highlights will be the 2nd annual Mr. SSBL and Ms. SSBL contests. All members of the league are invited and encouraged to enter. The first showing will be players in their softball attire, and later each contestant will "Do Their Own Thing" in summerwear.

Concluding the days activities will be the drawing for the SSBL "Lotto" now taking place. The winning three digit number will receive one-half of all proceeds from the lotto game. The prize will be split if more than one person has the lucky number. See any softball player to get your lotto tickets. They will also be available at the Wreck Room during the fund raiser.

Everyone is welcome to join all the softball teams at this first league fundraiser of the year.

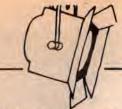
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"Oh Coward!"

By Kevin Michael

Recently in this column, I reviewed quite a disastrous production of Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit" at Marquette University. Thus it was with a great deal of hope that I proceeded to the Skylight Theatre to see their review of Coward's work. Thankfully, I was not disappointed.

This particular piece is a musical comedy review based upon the words and music of the gifted Noel Coward. The piece was dedicated to the memory of the gifted and talented "Queen Bee." Beatrice Lillie. Her wonderful comedic style blended ever so well with the Coward wit. I remember last seeing Miss Lillie in the entertaining, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" as Mrs. Meers, the proprietress of the boarding house which took young women into "white slavery." How 20's and what fun "Queen Bee" had with her role telling the two Orientals with whom she worked in her droll style, "You're so dreary!" "Queen Bee" (gosh, I like that nickname) would have enjoyed this production.

Also, I believe the wonderfully talented Gertrude Lawrence would have approved as well. Steven Hauck and Melinda MacDonald were terrific in their selection from "Private Lives" which starred originally Lawrence and Coward. Also, the haunting melody of "Someday I'll Find You" from the original piece continues to have us all look back at the loves of our lives.

The show was presented with a cast of four, all quite good. However, it was Melinda MacDonald who had that extra "star quality" both in voice and performance which made her stand out. Her "World Weary" was sung well and she did everything right with her interpretation of the ghost, Elvira, from "Blithe Spirit" So, too, MacDonald's "Mad About the Boy" was sung effectively.

The entire cast was great fun in the famous, "I've Been To a Marvelous Party" sequence.

Something struck me this time in viewing Coward's work. His valet wrote about Coward's gay lifestyle in a biography. Listening to the lyric and looking at the relationships which probably soured and the bittersweet feelings that were brought forward in "what might have been" that Coward's work evokes, I was moved with how what he wrote and created contained this deep feeling from within him. I was also overwhelmed by how this feeling or empathy which I believe is characteristic of many gay and lesbian people is one which allows us to be great artists such as Coward because we feel. Through hearing his music and lines spoken so eloquently, I was able to touch and feel what he must have felt. Such to me is the power of true greatness in this arena and why Coward is considered the legend that he is.

My last thought was a profound disappointment at the average age of the audience which I computed to be about 60. Here we have one of the truly great playwrights of the 20's who a new generation of theatergoers or moviegoers has never heard of. Somehow in the age of new wave, and MTV, we shouldn't lose those who have touched the very essence of what it means to risk, to live, to love, to hurt, to laugh, and to go on. After all, isn't that what it's all about?



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London Dance band Bronski Beat appeared at La Cage. [Top Left] LaCage bartenders Michael and Elroy, [Top Rt.] Lead singer John. [Bottom Left] Keyboardist Steve Bronski with D. J. Tonya.

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cry-myself-into-the-pillow heartache that caused me to crawl into my bed when someone I really loved left me. It was more like a sinus headache, persistent, irritating, but difficult to locate precisely. Rejection, given or gotten, always smarts. But the trick I learned was not to ignore the dull ache but to find solace in the self affirming discoveries that would last long after the pain.

When a casual involvement did blossom into something more lasting, it came as a complete surprise. I hadn't planned to change my ways — one of the relationships I'd tried on simply fit well and it stuck.

I'm happily discovering the much

touted pleasures of settling down. But I wouldn't take back a minute of my directionless romancing. Even if the relationships hadn't been going anywhere I'd be growing and changing with each.

I got rid of my Billy Idol hair a while ago, but I can't quite part with those black jeans, even though they're out-of-style and too small. They represent an open-ness to adventure that is lurking below the surface of my newly settled life that I don't want to forget is there.



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by Tim Hensiak

In Praise of Fly-By-Night Romances

Thinking back on the romantic exploits of my past, an image of myself as I once was comes to mind. In this picture, I am wearing black jeans, white T-shirt and sporting bleached Billy Idol hair. It's early Friday evening and I'm on the phone tracking down some man or other asking him to a party, to go out dancing or possibly dinner. At a time when many of my friends were settling into or searching for solid, long term relationships, I was happily involved in a long chain of here today gone next week romantic entanglements.

The standard wisdom is that we all want to exchange men in quantity for the One Good One. Going through a number of men, this wisdom implies: wanton promiscuity; low standards; many break-ups; long nights of waiting for the phone to ring; gut-wrenching realizations that one contender or another is not right; or, not interested. Maybe so. But I was slow to trade-up. And whats more, I reveled in this process of "trying on" intimacy.

Each new man was walking proof that everyone has different aims, different humor, different strategies for living. Of course it's possible to observe diversity in anyone — a friend, neighbor, the mailman. But having no stakes in these observations, they tend to be registered, then quickly forgotten.

Scott, a man I met several years ago, had a sensual connection with food. The items on his kitchen shelves were deep enticing colors... raging orange curries, green bottles of olive oil, and his breakfasts were events far richer than my typical toast-on-the-run. One morning he spent about forty-five minutes in the kitchen, whipping up a delicious French Pancake, smothered in warm apples, brownsugar and cinnamon. Sitting back, happily full from this meal, I had a small revelation: Not everyone shared my

utilitarian approach to eating. Scott considered food an end in itself, a way of enjoying life, and my appreciation of his cooking was deeply important to him. When I left his house later that morning, I had not only his recipe, but I'd discovered an area of previously undernourished pleasure.

Tom, a man I met a year or so later, once offered to bring dinner to my house. He arrived with a small chunk of cheese and two perfect tomatoes. I'd been ravenous anticipating something satisfying — maybe pizza and beer. But I liked Tom better for this frail meal. It seemed to prove a kind of idealism, a tiny-bites-of-precious- things aesthetic. His idealism made him vulnerable. I felt not only a rush of affection for him but also a new appreciation for the practical side of my nature. He needed protection and I could supply it.

Even an activity as passive as sitting in front of the T.V. became, with the right company, an adventure of sorts. Chris and I used to love M-T.V. We'd go out after watching and pretend that Minneapolis was a video fast-lane; we would prowl bars where the patrons looked slick and the music had a hard driving, pulsing urgency. I have since felt free to borrow from Chris' imaginative eve, and appreciate how make-believe can create a mood - playful, dangerous - romantic, that can spill over to enhance real life. I've also hung on to the memory of Chris' grin, which appeared fleetingly when I said something particularly inventive or funny. His quick half-smile helped me appreciate my own humor.

Imperfect, uncommitted men taught me things, shared adventures I might not have had with Mr. Right. I was able to take a long look at each of them without having to figure a romantic future into the assessment. I made an effort, took a risk, saw how the unexpected could happen.

Of course, each break-up when it came, was painful, whether initiated by him or me. But it wasn't the

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Cream City Chorus 'Beyond Stonewall'

Milwaukee's Cream City Chorus is pleased to announce that tickets are now on sale for their second annual spring concert. The concert, entitled "Beyond Stonewall," will commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots which began the Gay Liberation movement.

Chorus Director Scott Stewart explained that the purpose of the concert will be both to highlight music and poetry of gay and lesbian writers, as well as to create a greater understanding of our gay heritage. Mr. Stewart explained that "the title of our concert is most appropriate because we will truly look beyond Stonewall, both back to the earliest roots of written verse and music, as well as forward to some of the most recent writings. It is our desire through this concert to provide a bridge to our history that every gay man and lesbian can truly relate to and embrace."

The concert will be performed Saturday, May 20th, at Centennial Hall in the Milwaukee Public Library, at 8:00 p.m.; tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$6.00 at the door. Group rates are available, and tickets may be purchased from any chorus member or at the M & M Club. The Chorus is presently arranging a series of Ticket Nights, where members will be selling tickets in various bars on an announced schedule, and will be releasing the schedule soon. The Cream City Chorus invites everyone to join them in "Beyond Stonewall."

7th Annual Shaw Festival

New faces and a fresh look at Ireland headline Milwaukee Chamber Theatre's Seventh Annual Shaw Festival which kicks off May 12 at the Stiemke Theater.

While this year's festival cast include faces familiar to MCT audiences, six actors will be making their debuts with the company. They are Lynn Allen, LeWan Alexander, Don Forston, Brian Robert Mani, J.D. Nelson and Yaakov Sullivan.

"This year's festival shows Shaw's gigantic talent focused mainly on his

homeland, Ireland," said Montgomery Davis, MCT's artistic director. "Also the contemporary play we're presenting is a deliberately different view of the "Irish question."

John Bull's Other Island regarded as Shaw's most hilarious comedy opens Friday May 12 at 7:30 p.m. "This is the play in which Shaw explained his love-hate relationship with Ireland," said Davis, who directs the play. "It is also the first of his plays to be really popular."

On Sunday May 14 at 7:00 p.m. MCT opens Rat in the Skull a searing drama about the anguish in today's war-torn Ireland. Written by Ron Hutchinson, it presents the confrontation between a contd. on page 23

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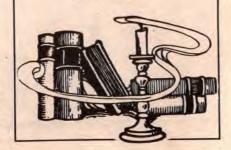
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The London vocal group 7th Avenue made an appearance at the Pivot Club.

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Island show lounge, when a 750-pound drag queen lost her balance, fell and knocked over dozens of industrial-sized barrels of Maybelline after attempting to walk in a new pair of 3-inch cha-cha heels. The painstaking clean-up is expected to take weeks as countless drag outfits were covered with the black, oozing liquid and each rhinestone and sequin must be cleaned individually by workers using only cotton balls and Noxema.

- In order to reduce rampant exaggerated claims of physical dimensions, the International Conference on Truth in Advertising arrived at a standard method of measurement for the most crucial numerical fact included in most gay personal ads. The newly adopted formula to determine length is: "simply measure the distance from the belly-button to the tip of the penis and then add two inches."
- * Judge Wapner of the People's Court ended up red-faced earlier this week. While presiding over a custody battle between two lesbians fighting over visitation rights to their pet doberman, the judge farted quite loudly. A fast thinking Wapner quickly regained his composure and quipped, "One more outburst like that and I'll clear this courtroom!"
- Archaeologists digging at the site believed to be the world's first gay bar have unearthed the perfectly preserved body of an ancient drag queen. Scientists speculate that the amazingly good condition of the find was due to the gobs of make-up which covered the specimen. The body was accidentally discovered by a

scientist who thought he had found fossilized remains of two centipedes. Upon further excavation, the two hundred-legged insects were found to be attached to the eyelids of the buried drag queen, who apparently used them as the ancient version of fake lashes.

So there you have it, all the news other publications were too afraid to print!

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will wake up from the coma and stop doing these things to myself.

It's been years since I've played softball, and of course-, I've forgotten how serious some people can be about this sport frequently referred to as a game. In fact, perhaps we should just call this 'social' municipal league work, for it is treated as such by many people in the league.

Softball does have it's advantages over bowling. First off, it is actually possible to get some exercise by playing softball. If anyone can convince me that bowling is exercise, I will certainly be healed. About every 1/2 hour, you get the opportunity to throw the ball down the lane, and if you're really good and throw strikes, you only have to do it once per toss. The better you get at bowling, the less exercise you actually get.

Softball is not at all like bowling, unless you're the pitcher. Then, you shouldn't bowl because your pitches frequently reflect the 48 weeks of the bowling season.

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young IRA terrorist Roche (played by James DeVita) and a vengeful Ulster detective, Nelson, (played by J.D. Nelson).

A double bill of two rare Shaw one acts opens Friday May 19 at 7:30 p.m. The Admirable Bashville presents a boxer (DeVita) spouting blank verse while trying to win fame and the heart of highborn Lydia (Allen), who is secretly loved by her butler Bashville (Mani).

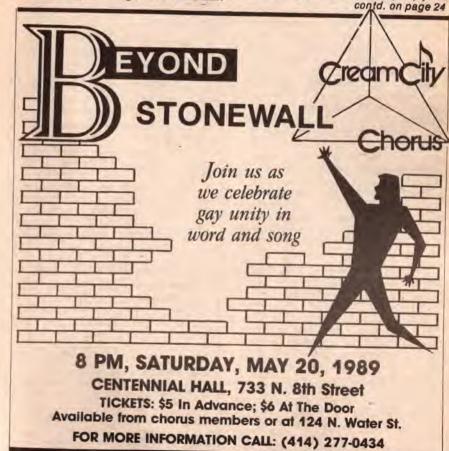
On the same program is O'Flaherty V.C., a "Recruiting Poster" which Shaw wrote during World War One. A young Irish soldier returns a hero, to the shame of his English-hating mother. Norman

Moses play the title role and Ruth Schudson, his mother. Davis directs this comedy.

All productions are at the Stiemke Theater, 108 E. Wells St. Tickets are \$10.50 and \$12.00. Senior and student discounts are available. Ticket buyers are reminded there are three Saturday matinees at 4:00 p.m.

Fest City Singers Activities

Milwaukee's Original Fest City Singers are bursting with news these days! They announced a first time offering of season tickets to this year's three major concerts at a savings of \$12. And, they enjoy the



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distinction of being the first non-professional group to perform in the Stiemke Theater and the Stackner Cabaret of the Milwaukee Repertory Theatre in the new Milwaukee Center. Intensive rehearsals are now scheduled every Wednesday and Sunday in the Reprehearsal spaces, and brochures advertising the shows are now enclosed in all Rep theatre programs.

Three distinct styles of performing artistry are showcased in the season concerts. Pride Week will feature "Catch a Rising Star." a fully costumed song and dance extravaganza appearing in the Stiemke Theatre, Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17 at 8p.m. An augmented cast of forty and a four-piece band will present highlights from Miserables", "Follies," and other show tunes. The entire second act is centered around a circus theme with highlights from the Broadway musical "Barnum," including such show stoppers as "Bigger Isn't Better," "Come Follow the Band," and " There's a Sucker Born Every Minute."

As a follow-up to their standing-room-only success of last year, the Singers are presenting "A Not-For-Children" bawdy collection of choral and novelty acts entitled "Faerie Tales." This adult entertainment will be presented appropriately at the Stackner Cabaret, Friday through Sunday, October 20, 21, and 22.

The annual Fest City Singers "Musical Christmas Show," on the other hand, is designed as family entertainment, and children are especially welcome. The Fest City Singers will greet family, friends and guests to the South Shore Park Pavilion, 2900 South Shore Drive for a casual Yuletide celebration of songs with a visit from Santa. French pastries, chocolate Turtles, and all the foods that say "forget about calories," will be served together with hot cider, coffee and punch. The dates for this holiday entertainment are Friday and Saturday, December 15 and 16.

Season tickets and tickets for "Catch A Rising Star" may be ordered by calling the FCS Hotline (414) 263-SING. Season ticket order forms and individual tickets are also available at the Cream City Foundation Community Center, 225 S. Second Street, Phone: (414) 278-0880.

An order form for season tickets is printed in the April 21 issue of The Wisconsin Light, and this issue of In Step.

As a fund-raiser (these shows cost a pretty penny, you know), the Fest City Singers are selling pizzas which they will make with their own little hands with help from Jimbo's. Sausage and Pepperoni pizzas are priced at \$3 apiece, available from the Singers individually or by calling their hotline (414) 263- SING.

The Survival Revival Revue

Barbara Leigh, well-known mime, actress and co-founder of the Friends Mime Theatre, presents her one-woman show, The Survival Revival Revue in the Milwaukee Repertory Theater's Stiemke Theater, May 4 and 5, at 7:30 p.m.; May 6 at 5:00 p.m. and May 7 and 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Leigh, partially paralyzed in an auto accident last year, explores the many facets of healing through humor, puppetry, music and theater. The production is a collaboration between Ms. Leigh, Mike Moynihan (co-founder of the Friends Mime Theatre), and Debbie Anderson and Jenny and Jerome Lerner.

Sponsored by the Milwaukee Repertory Theater, The Survival Revival Revue is being supported by the Milwaukee Foundation and the Max Fund in cooperation with the Friends Mime Theatre and Theatre Within You.

There will be a benefit performance and reception on May 5 beginning at 6:30 p.m. A donation of \$35.00, which includes the performance and reception, will help defray the cost of the production and provide membership in Friends of Friends, FMT's support organization. There will be an interpreted performance for the hearing-impaired on Friday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets range from \$7.50 to \$10.00. Group discounts are available. For more information, call the MRT Box Office at 224-9490.

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In The News

Our ace investigative reporter, W. W. Wells III, has dug up the following news items which never made it to your morning paper.

The California Raisins will no longer appear on the front of boxes of Raisin Bran cereal because, according to marketing executives, the California Raisins are "nothing but a bunch of old fruits." In response the California Raisins are suing the makers of Grape Nuts, claiming that before they had their day in the sun, the company forced them to undergo a painful nut removal process in order to get the ingredients for their cereal. The Raisins contend the procedure left them emasculated and not very "macho." Meanwhile, Olympic diving champ Greg Louganis has been named

by W.W.Wells III

official spokesman for Nuttin' Honey Crunch breakfast cereal.

- Fast food clown, Ronald McDonald, escaped serious injury after being assaulted by a Milwaukee man attempting to personally collect a prize when he mistakenly spelled-out an obscene word in the McDonald's Scrabble Game. A quick thinking Ronald scared off the confused man by calling the police and shouting, "The police are going to come, but you're not!!"
- A multi- million dollar mop-up effort is well underway in New York City, where specially trained squads of cosmetologists are attempting to contain the largest mascara spill in U.S. history. The disaster occurred in the dressing room of a Long contd. on page 58

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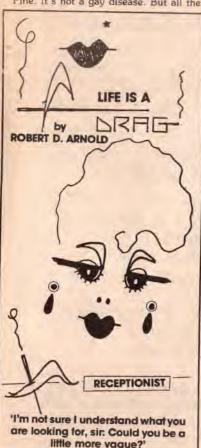
worked so hard to support fall silent, who will be left to goad and poke and prod the stagnant into action?

It may not be the place of "socialservice agencies" to bite the hand that feeds them, now that theydo get fed: but how can they in good conscience resist discussion of the problems that got us here in the first place, and the problems that still exist?

Is our silence that easily bought? Or is the "P" word (politics) simply the new

The clamor of the cries that "It's not a gay disease." nauseate me no end.

Fine. It's not a gay disease. But all the



crying, all the quilt making and all the federal funding in the world will not change the basic verities of this disease: how it is transmitted and hence, the stigma it will invariably bring to all but transfusion recipients and babies. Why else would this world so easily call them "innocent victims?"

That stigma is what we as lesbians and gay men have dealt with forever, and it's the same stigma eternally faced by every IV drug user and prostitute: it is the stigma of possessing a heartbeat that society would rather not have to hear.

So it's not a question of "gay rights" and "political agendas:" it is a question of fighting flat-out bigotry and hatred from an uncaring government and an apathetic

And these questions cannot exist in a vacuum. The grief and the hope, the politics and the anger; they are all steps along the same path.

And for all our petty discussions, our public relations differences and our empty prattle, one voice still changes hearts and minds silently, without the help of mere humans.

The Quilt.

It makes the homophobic father finally accept the fact that his son was "one of them" and that "they" have the same blood coursing through their veins as "we" do.

It makes the lover who counted out the pills and pulled up the bedspreads fell like his trauma is daily shared by so many others.

It makes the lesbian mother realize that it could have just as easily been her, or her children, had things been different.

And it makes the skittish senators and representatives finally put aside their election year worries and do what is right, fair and just.

They are all part of the same cloth, woven together with the same threads. Not threads of contention, or contempt. Not threads of bickering and back room machination. They are threads of unity, of strength and - like it or not - of righteous anger.

To try to pull one of them out would render it but a rent and broken cloth. 7

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To The Editor:

On Sunday night (April 9th) at the M&M, a young man made a nuisance of himself and had to rejected by Bob. The young man returned a second time. this time, he came in with a bloodied face and nasty cut. He was once again rejected by Bob. Within say a half-hour period a police car appeared in the parking lot across the street. By now, a few of the customers assembled themselves at the windows to watch the young man talking to the police. Soon the police came into the bar to talk to Bob. I did not see or hear any other customers come to Bob's aid. Probably many of us still have some fears of becoming involved; fear of being found out, job security, etc. I for one can be placed in that category!

A woman I have seen from time to time in the bar stepped forward. She stated that Bob, by no means injured the young man. She went back to the booth, joining her woman-friend and one of the guy's. She then took a business card and approached the policemen at the door. She at this point gave them her name, etc. She said if they had questions regarding the incident, she would appear as a witness for Bob, as he was no way at fault for any injuries the young man had received (obviously elsewhere). The policeman, very polite, said someone might be calling her with some questions but felt it would go nowhere.

The friends told her that she had done the right thing. A few stated that she may have put her job on the line. She said something like, "I enjoy coming to the M&M, where I can meet with my brothers and sisters. Why should I let some obnoxious - fool jeopardize the M&M that has served the community for so many vears!"

The point is, we should all stick together, not just one or two of us. We speak up on other issues and want our issues addressed. I for one learned a lesson from this woman. I feel that in the future that I can start standing on my own

two feet. We need to stand together as brothers and sisters at all times; the good as well as the bad!

I feel a kind word to the woman is important, if only from me, a stranger May we all learn from this:

A Brother With A Lot Of Growing To Do.

TO THE GAY COMMUNITY OF MILWAUKEE:

I've just moved to Milwaukee from the Boston area and immediately joined the Milwaukee Gav/Lesbian Committee. This was a commitment I was excited by because of my involvement back east.

My balloon was rapidly punctured by the apathy of this town. Why? When I investigated this community before arriving, I heard of a town that was "Gay and Proud;" a town that had its act together with a community that functioned with strong support from everyone in it. Where is that!?

On Sunday, April 16, I attended a meeting with representatives from the Gay/Lesbian Pride Committee of Madison (GALVAnize). There I heard the enthusiasm that I had expected from Milwaukee. They have strong community involvement with support from both the straight and Gay/Lesbian communities.

As the largest city in Wisconsin, are we in Milwaukee going to allow Madison to outshine us?

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Let's band together and show Milwaukee that we are proud of who we are. It's time now for every group, every business, every individual to commit to his and her own personal support of Lesbian/Gay Pride.

It's embarrassing to advertise the theme "Stonewall 20: A Generation of Pride" when this generation is acting just like the community did 20 years ago, replete with fear and apathy.

Gay Pride is not just a token title to sit back and ponder in our living rooms (or bedrooms). It's time to show all Wisconsin and America that we join our brothers and sisters in believing that we deserve to celebrate the fact that we are Gay/Lesbian and proud.

The opportunity is being presented to you right now to be involved. The June 17th parade and rally are forging ahead with dynamic speed and effort.

The only factor remaining is your involvement. Do yourselves and our community the favor of saying yes, NOW! Support the fundraisers and attend the functions. If you want more information, come to any Pride Committee meeting at the Foundation Community Center. We meet every Tuesday evening at 7:30. Or call 32-PRIDE.

Start showing the world that Milwaukee IS PROUD!

— Jed Clay Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee member.

TO THE EDITOR:

I am one of the people who is currently working on the Lesbian/Gay Pride Celebration here in Milwaukee.

As a member of the organizing committee, I have noticed a large amount of apathy among the people in this city. We have tried to bring about a special celebration commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the Stonewall riots by planning a series of events that would appeal to most, if not all. As the deadline approaches, we are finding ourselves running critically short of three things: volunteers, finances and other support.

Volunteers have been the least of our problems, though we certainly could use more. At present we have a small, dedicated group who have been working behind the scenes as it were, putting in a lot of time and considerable effort to enhance the community.

The major concerns lie in the areas of money and general support. We have tried to come up with a variety of events as pre-event fundraisers. So far, these fundraisers (badly needed) have been met with a response that can best be characterized as non-existant.

It would seem as if the same people who can spend up to \$50.00 a night to "go out" on the weekend, can not afford the \$12.00 it would take to attend a fundraising performance of a Theatre Tesseract production.

I would hesitate to remind you that these same people go to the theatre, or the movies or out to eat on a fairly frequent basis. Yet, they persist in complaining that the theatre is "too yuppie" or "too expensive" or "just not my thing." But even these reasons or excuses pail before the general lack of enthusiasm for what we as a committee are trying to do.

We don't expect everyone to like everything we do. But we have constantly exerted every effort to elicit opinions and support from our brothers and sisters to help us in our planning. This is, after all, a celebration of OUR COMMUNITY and it must be inclusive. We are not trying to be an elitist group, nor perpetuate stereotypes or create ill feelings.

What we ARE trying to do is to provide a time and a place where we can gather in our "Common Unity" and celebrate the great strides we Lesbians and Gays have made in the past 20 years.

Let me therefore, make a personal appeal to all in my community. I know you are out there and if you can't support us in a fundraiser, come, join the committee and help us plan. Believe it or not, your time and participation is as valuable as your cash. Last of all, be sure to join all of us at the Pride events. Sponsor a float if you can and, above all, be sure you are visible. This is, when all is said and done, OUR COMMUNITY.

Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride member.

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cliff's notes...

By Cliff O'Neill

Beyond Tears

[Cliff was news editor of Florida's TWN. This column, written when the Names Quilt Project toured Florida, is most appropriate for the Quilt's visit to Madison May 5-7]

For one, I am tired of grief. I have stood next to the panels of the NAMES Project and cried too many times. I have chalked the names of friends and heroes on too many sidewalks in too many cities. I have gotten too many bad news phone calls.

I am all cried out

I can no longer master the melancholy for the glory of their lives and the joy theirs brought into mine. I cannot get weepy seeing panels after panels unfold.

And yet I do. I have. And I will.

For although I know there are thousands and thousands just like me that have walked this path too often to just stop at the point of mourning; I also know that there are millions and millions who have not yet set foot along the same path. There are hoards who have not seen The Quilt and who are not yet immersed in the harsh reality of the 50,000 American deaths can mean. There are millions of American men, women and children who have yet to walk throughout communal nightmare. Sadly, many of them will soon have to.

And so, I be it my lip and smile and uneasy smile. I nod and move on to the next panel, trying ever so hard to remember that everyone deals with grief in their own way.

But for me, grief is not enough. Not anymore. For throughout all the droning of the names being read off as a seemingly never-ending dirge, my sentiment is well past sorrow, well past anguish.

I am angry. I am incensed. I feel anger towards a government and a society that has hell, that still does sit on its hands, while hundreds of thousands of lives are senselessly put at risk, just because they are "fags," or "junkies," or "spics," or "niggers," or any other number of people our supposedly great nation pays lip service to in public, but really couldn't care less about when it comes to dolling out dollars to save lives. I'm pissed off at a world that chooses to downplay a disease, just because it is known to be transmitted in ways that most people would rather not discuss over dinner conversation..

And I am maddened at the thousands of this nation's ever-vital AIDS service providers. These groups, who, because of the same governmental and societal negligence and apathy, have had to bear the brunt of caring for and educating people when no one else would. I am repeatedly stunned how many of them now turn around and shun all discussion of the fact that it was this same negligence and apathy that has led to their staggering caseloads and their quilts the size of eight football fields.

I will rock the boat, because I will not just "go gently into that good night." And when unkempt rabble-rousers choose to end a silent candlelight vigil with loud chants of "We'll never be silent again!" I will no longer wish they would "just be quiet." Because I, like them, am over tears. Over sorrow. They shout for action for the living today, so there will be no need for tears for the dead tomorrow.

They may seem disrespectful, out of place, or even, some would say, counterproductive. But where other people make funeral arrangements, they make living arrangements. So, how can I arque?

Who else will ask about access to drug treatment programs? Who else is screaming about funding for newly founded AIDS-service organizations? Who else is insisting that AIDS education be targeted at gay and bisexual Hispanics and Blacks? When the systems we have

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by Ron Geiman

It's been a hectic two weeks. We've been preparing our special Madison March Weekend section (which appears in this issue, following the Calendar); hosting a reception along with Wisconsin Light for the GALVAnize Committee; and attending the meeting Mayor Norquist had with members of our community.

The Brady East Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinic[BEST] has been active doing on-site Anonymous HIV testing in several of Milwaukee's bars. "You can lead a horse to water ... " BEST is trying to get a more accurate assessment of HIV infection in our community, to map out future plans to care for those infected. Like I said, its Anonymous, done very professionally, and it's on a donation basis.

The SSBL Team fundraising season is in full swing. The WR Spurs held their successful benefit auction fundraiser at the bar April 8th, and, the M&M Peanuts went Vegas, with a team benefit Las Vegas night at M&M's on April 15.

The Alternative's weekly Theme Partu's were moved to Tuesday nights, and are drawing better crowds. Each week offers a different theme (if you dress according to the theme you get a bonus), and includes a show with Goldie & her gang.

One big entertainment event was the appearance of London's Bronski Beat at La Cage/Dance Dance Dance, April 11th. The high energy crowd was treated to a set lasting over an hour, that included live vocals & keyboards. Steve Bronski, keyboardist was a real "Party Animal"



SALLY RICHARDS **Appears** April 30

and joined the crowd immediately after the concert. The crowd was 'up', and the band 'on', with a reprise of their past hits, a look at some new releases, and some reworking of other artists works. I loved the mix they did of Sylvester's "Do Ya' Wana' Funk." Lets hope the success of Bronski encourages more bars to offer live, touring acts.

You can read about the meeting with Mayor Norquist in the Briefs section of this issue, but a personal comment -Norquist seemed very approachable & sincere in his efforts to help us.

Thursday, April 13th turned out to be a busy one around the Gay Rights State. Bret, co-owner of the New Leaf in Janesville celebrated his birthday (they continued on Friday - it took a lot of celebration)!! Meanwhile, Jackson & Ray (Ray's the bar manager) celebrated their birthday at the Napalese in Green Bay.

Club 219 held their 2nd Closet Ball (Boys will be girls & Girls will be boys!) the same night. Six contestants competed. First dressed as men, they had 45 minutes to make the transformation into glamorous 'girls'. Only amateurs were allowed to enter, and Paris was the winner.

The big name entertainment that night could be found at Appleton's Pivot Club, where recording artists 7th Avenue made a live appearance. These three hunky London singers had the full house on their feet, screaming for more. Another good omen for the future of live acts in our entertainment night spots. We want more! (Do you hear us club owners?)

I'm sure all the clothes horse types made a trek to Bruce Paul Goodman's for his annual Spring Sale. Remember the 'old days' when everyone was a clone? 501 jeans, & T-shirt and you were set for the night.

Female Elvis impersonator extraordinare Stoney & her backups - The contd. on page 32

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remark is made, or a question is raised. If I answer the question, will I be tagged the queer on the staff? Will I loose my job?

Self esteem is another major reason why most people do not come out. How does the view from my friends affect my view of muself? If they approve of me, even if they don't really know me, I must be O.K., right?

As a result, we continue to view the people we love, our friends, and our activities as a negative aspect of our life because of fear. Since our society doesn't talk about bad things, we begin to view our life as a gay or lesbian person as bad because we are not allowed to talk about

What can I hope to accomplish by overcoming my fear of coming out? Most people never 'know' a gay or lesbian person.

When asked, most people say that they do not know a gay or lesbian person, and we all know that such a view is very naive. They just don't know who their friends really are.

I try to remind myself that when people make negative comments about gays and lesbians, that their remarks stem from ignorance rather than from hatred. Opening up and telling the truth will give us the ultimate power because our numbers will become known.

As we internalize the hostility perpetuated by heterosexuals and continue the cycle of concealing our true identity, the ignorant in our society succeed by instilling fear and self-hatred in us as a community.

Softball

It's spring, and the controversy of the season has begun in the lesbian community. The question: Is softball a game, or serious business? The answer is yet to come.

After completing a truly challenging season in the Good Time Bowling League, I've made the serious commitment to play softball with the Grapevine softball team. Friday's at Wick Field. One day soon I contd. on page 58



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darla's view...

by Daria Kashian

Coming out. To be honest, it's not something I've done for a very long time, and I'm beginning to find that I'm a bit out of practice. Let's try. 'Hello, my name is Darla and I'm a lesbian.' Sounds a lot like Alcoholics Anonymous.

For most of you, it may be hard to believe that I am in the closet to some people. This column affords the visible opportunity with in the gay and lesbian community, but few people outside of our community are readers of In Step let alone suburban heterosexuals. As a result, I am sad to report that I'm not a household word.

Following a recent discussion with my sister, I realized why I hadn't had to 'come out' to anybody for a very long time. Almost all of my friends are gay or lesbian, or know that I am a lesbian. Because of my own anxiety, I've excluded most heterosexuals from the category of potential friends. As a result, my friends are gay and lesbian, and my acquaintances are heterosexuals.

Several years ago, after having been appointed to Tony Earl's Governor's Council on Lesbian and Gay Issues, my entire family, including distant relatives, found out via The Milwaukee Journal that I was at the very least, a lesbian sympathizer. That revelation, combined with constant female companions, has led most of my family to the conclusion that I

am most likely homosexual.

Since this public publishing of my sexual orientation, I've tried to lay low. I decided that I didn't want to be a professional lesbian, but rather a lesbian professional. Professionally, I had the advantage of having two very openly gay employers over the past three years. In my last position, everybody I worked with was lesbian. Yipee!

The real world strikes. While the issue of homosexuality is quite prevalent in my current position, gays and lesbians are not supported by the staff of the institution. Because of the nature of my work, it is suspected, and rightly so, that many of the people within the establishment are gay (primarily men). As a result, AIDS, gay lifestyle, etc. can be common topics of conversation.

It's ironic after working to pass the state Gay and Lesbian Rights legislation, and spending two years on the Governor's Council on Lesbian and Gay Issues, that I should end up working for an institution that can legally discriminate on the basis of religious application.

Anxiety strikes every time the topic of homosexuality is raised at work. I find myself shifting in my chair and seeking to change the subject. I wonder if people are looking at me and speculating, or maybe they already know.

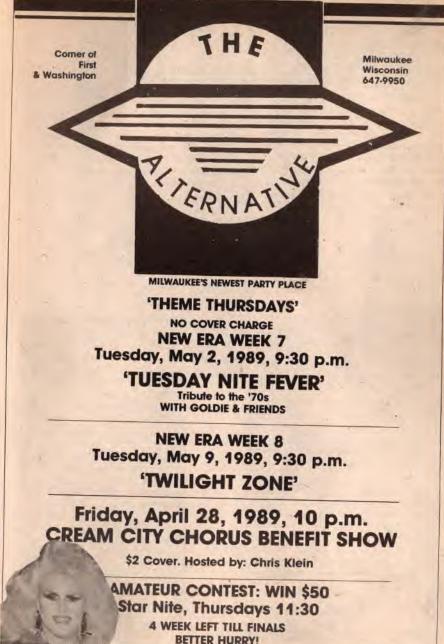
Fear. It stops me each time a negative

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[Top] Paris as a boy [left] and as a girl [Top Rt.] won CLub 219's Closet Ball contest. [Bottom Left] Tommy is that you?



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us before the accident, then four years after they could not still be claiming that their daughter was not a lesbian," said Thompson. They had no documentation — no co-owned house, no will, no power of attorney — to substantiate their relationship.

Finally, Karen came out to Sharon's parents in a letter. They refused to believe it. They said Karen was sick and crazy.

Karen then filed for guardianship of Sharon and her parents counterfiled. A settlement was reached giving Karen liberal visitation and appointing Sharon's father as legal guardian. Sharon's father promptly refused to honor it and filed an appeal. He won full guardianship rights and moved Sharon to a lesser care nursing home, hours from Karen. Worse, he removed Sharon's typewriter and discontinued Sharon's rehabilitation.

Sharon can communicate — though it is painstaking. Her wishes have finally been respected, but she lost months of support from Karen and other close friends, setting back her rehabilitation.

Karen Thompson will be speaking in Madison as part of the GALVAnize events, on May 5th at 6:00 p.m. in 6210 Social Science Building on the UW campus. She will also hold a workshop Saturday morning at the Memorial Union and speak at the opening rally in the March for Lesbian and Gay Rights & Pride. The rally starts at 2:30 p.m. May 6th at the Capitol in Madison. Karen has appeared on TV in West 57th Street and is an ordinary person placed in extraordinary circumstances. Come hear her talk about what can happen to anyone at any time.





March Weekend



May 4-7





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Panamystics made an appearance at the New Leaf. It was her first appearance in that section of the state & she was received very warmly by the enthusiastic crowd. See, Elvis really is alive!

The annual Mil-Ma-Ids benefit bowling tournament was held April 15th at Red Carpet South Park Lanes in South Milwaukee. The yearly event, which switches each year back-and-forth between Milwaukee & Madison is a benefit for that city's AIDS project. This year MAP was the recipient. 238 bowlers joined in the fun.

Sunday the 16th was another busy day. Your Place hosted an Art Show by In Step artist Tom Rezza. Tom & his family own Artworks, and they are all involved in artistic endeavors. The whole family came for the day. Uncle Al provided some excellent hors d'oeuvres & the art was a feast for the eyes.

It was a "Spring Affair" as Northwoods Productions presented a Center Project benefit show at The Napalese Lounge. Too bad the weather wasn't more reflective of the theme!

Jimmy King's 1st Miss Gay Midwest, Continental USA Pageant was held at The Pivot Club that same day. The winner, Gloria Halloway, will compete along with the winner of Ginger Spice's Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin USA Pageant in Chicago on Labor Day Weekend in the Miss Continental USA Pageant. The glamorous Kelly Lauren, Miss Gay Cont. USA '88-89, was the featured star at the Pivot event, which featured a field of five that competed in talent, gown, swimsuit, & question. Gloria won with her live talent, Tania Michaels (a home-town favorite) captured 1st runner up, and Miss Pivot,

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Madison March Weekend May 4-7 SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, May 4

7p.m. CONCERT - At the Barrymore Theatre (2090 Atwood Ave.), Lesbian photographer JEB's Multi-Image Show of 1987 March on Washington for Gay and Lesbian Rights. And, the nationally-known gay male singing duo Romanovsky & Phillips. \$10 in advance, \$11 at the door. Tickets available at the theatre.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

6p.m. KAREN THOMPSON Speech, Social Sciences Bldg, 6210 (Observatory Dr. at Charter), followed by a Candlelight Procession that leads to the Opening Ceremony of the Quilt.

8p.m. Opening Ceremony, the NAMES PROJECT QUILT, UW Fieldhouse (1450 Monroe St.).

SATURDAY, MAY 6

10am- 11:30am WORKSHOPS: Alternative Conception Methods; Bisexuality; 'Telling' - Who We Should, Why We Must; Speaking Out, Lesbian Battering; Gay and Lesbian Parenting; Adult Signmaking Workshop; Childcare services. All Workshops to be held at the UW Memorial Union (800 Langdon St.)

Noon-1:30 WORKSHOPS: Adult Sign Making; Childcare Services; Childrens Parade Art; Drag Costuming (workshop held at Escapades Hair Studio, 1229 E. Mifflin St.); The Power of Grassroots Organizing; Coming Out to Parents; Resisting Violent Attacks. All Workshops except where noted held at UW Memorial Union (800 Langdon St.).

2:30p.m. RALLY!State Capitol Grounds, North Hamilton St. Quadrant on the Square. Speakers include: activist Sherry Mapels; organizer Karen Thompson; Dane Co. Supervisor Tammy Baldwin; State Rep. David Clarenbach; others. Great way to get charged up to kick off the March.

3:30 [approx.] MARCH! Marchers, floats, cars, dignitaries, dykes on bikes. Proceed around Capitol Square, Southwest on Mifflin St.; South on Carrol St. to West Washington Avenue to Henry St.; Northwest to State St.; West to Lake St.; East down Langdon to Wisconsin Avenue; down Wisconsin then Southwest to Gilman St.; and down Gilman to James Madison Park for Picnic.

5p.m. [Approx.]: PICNIC, James Madison Park on the Shores of Lake Mendota (300 block E. Gorham St.). Post March picnic and concert featuring Lifeline, a Lesbian band from D.C.; Donna Ozawa; Womonsong; and Madison Gay Men's Chorale.

9p.m.: Jazz Performance, Lynette and Friends, at Storefront Theatre (122 State St.).

SUNDAY, MAY 7

10am-1p.m., BREAKFAST, sponsored by The UNITED, at the Storefront Theatre, (122 State St.), \$4 donation requested.

3p.m. ECUNEMICAL WORSHIP CELEBRATION, "A Time To Pause", at St. Francis House (1001 University Avenue).

5p.m. NAMES QUILT CLOSING CEREMONY, UW Fieldhouse (1450 Monroe St.). As part of ceremony, new Quilt panels from Madison will be added.

7:30p.m. CONCERT Donna Ozawa, Pres. House (731 State St.), Donation accepted.

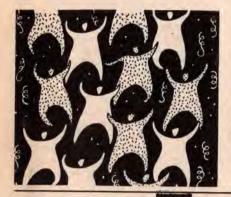


[For Madison Bar Events this Weekend, see "The Calendar" Section preceding The Madison March Section, this issue.]

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seen the Quilt can never forget the enormity of the loss as they view yard after yard of handmade panels. Bring your lesbian and gay friends, bring your straight friends, bring anyone who doesn't think they'll be moved by the experience, because they will!



Karen Thompson To Speak

by Shelley Gaylord

Karen Thompson and Sharon Kowalski were in love, but almost no one knew it. When Sharon was severely disabled in an accident, this ignorance and Sharon's parents kept Karen and Sharon apart for over four years. Finally this year a Minnesota court granted Sharon her rights to see Karen. A disabled lesbian was not an "adult" until that order was honored.

Sharon's father refused to believe that his daughter was a lesbian. Her father preposterously asserted that Karen's motives were to sexually abuse Sharon. He was grasping at straws. Unfortunately, those straws were woven into a strong enough web to keep the women apart.

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THURSDAY

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BeBe Douglas, grabbed 2nd runner-up. Doug tells me it was a very-well run Pageant that moved right along.

That brings us up to my deadline of April 19th. Hope to see you all out in Madison for the March Weekend [May 4-7]. Look for In Step's entry in the March, and our networking table at the picnic afterwards. Everyone chant for 80 degree sunny weather for the entire weekend.

CONDOM SENSE: "Cover your 'Stump' before you 'hump' "

Later



Intl. Mr. Leather '89

Chicago- The Eleventh Annual International Mr. Leather Contest has been scheduled for May 28, 1989, in Chicago. Current title holder Michael Perevra will return from San Diego to help select his successor from the expected 50 contestants representing leather communities around the globe.

Last year over 1,500 leathermen representing 12 different countries attended the contest and the four days and nights of parties and events which surround it.

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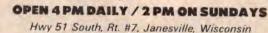
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\$1 Shots Schnaaps



752-5650 (Between Janesville & Beloit-on Hwy 51 Just South of the Airport) Plenty of Private Parking



Above— The five contestants who vied for the title of Miss Gay Continental USA Midwest at the Pivot Club.



[Above Top] 1st Runner Up Tania Michaels, [Bottom] Be Be Douglas, 2nd R.U.

The winner of the Miss Gay Continental Midwest title — Gloria Halloway, Jimmy King [Producer], and Miss Gay Continental USA 88, Kelly Lauren.

Rally / Parade Kickoff

Directions: Rallying point is the Capitol at North Hamilton. To get there take the interstate to Hwy. 30; the exit to the Capitol is Hwy. 151 South. Hwy. 151 is also called E. Washington Avenue and it runs directly to the Capitol. One block to the right is N. Hamilton.

Parking near the Capitol: go up East Washington toward the Capitol. Take a right on Webster (near the Capitol) and one block up and on the left is a parking ramp. This is good for the rally and celebration parking.

Other Capitol parking:

 Up East Washington to the stop light just before the Capitol by Pahl Tire.
 Take a right and follow this circle around a few blocks and on the right is a parking ramp on Carroll, behind MATC.

 Instead of using this ramp, continue around the circle a few more blocks and there is another ramp on the right. This is at Fairchild and Main Street.

 Or you can continue around this circle (the street name changes to Doty) and a few more blocks on the right there is another ramp on Pinckney.

 There is also parking behind the Civic Center, which is on the south side of State Street near the Capitol. It's on the march route by Henry and State.

Parking for the Union events:

- · Lake and State Street
- On the street metered parking in the lost next to the union on the east
- metered parking in the H.C. White underground lot on Park where Langdon and Observatory meet, west of the Union.

Parking for the Quilt: Parking for the Quilt is available all around the Field House.

Madison does have two hour metered parking on most streets.

Barrymore Theatre: take East Washington and turn left on 1st Street (by Sentry Foods). Take 1st Street until you can't go any further and must take a left. At the first stop light, take a left, go to stop sign and continue left and just on the right is the Barrymore.

'The Quilt' in Madison

By Shelly Gaylord

The largest separate piece of the Names Project Quilt is being brought to Madison by GALVAnize (Gay & Lesbian Visibility Alliance) and Madison AIDS support Network. It will be on display at the UW Field House when opening ceremonies begin at 8 p.m. May 5, 1989. The guilt is a labor of love to commemorate those who have died from AIDS. Each quilt tells a special story about a person who has died and who love them. While the guilt weighs 16 tons and has 8,824 panels covering over seven football fields, it still only represents 18% of those who have died. In other words, for every quilt, 4.5 others could be added.

The piece that will be in Madison will cover the entire basketball court. The Field House is located on Regent Street next to the football stadium.

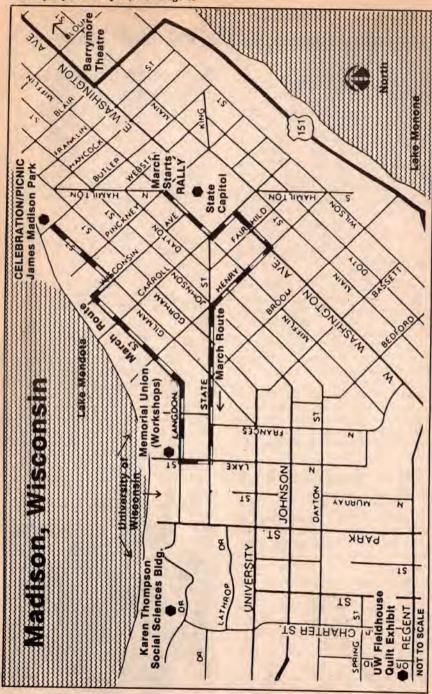
The display will be open throughout the weekend. Closing ceremonies will be Sunday May 7th at 5:00 p.m., when the new quilts will be presented. Quilts are 3' by 6' each and are made of every material imaginable — from leather to pearls, stuffed animals to state flags and everything in between.

The Quilt was nominated in 1988 for a Nobel Peace prize by Congresswomen Nancy Pelosi and Barbara Boxer, D.-California. In their words to the Norwegian Committee: "Remembering those who have died of AIDS inspires action to fight the epidemic and to respond with compassion to those now living with AIDS." "The Names Project has made very significant progress in showing the human side of the pervasive global tragedy of AIDS," said Pelosi.

"The AIDS Quilt blankets the world of prejudice and fear with a sign of hope and sews a collective human face on this disease to heal the bitterness between people," said Boxer.

The Quilt reminds us that those who have died leave behind loved ones, acquaintances, colleagues and sometimes an indifferent world. Yet anyone who has

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discounted rates with United Airlines, Budget Rental Cars, and the Executive House Hotel. For toll free numbers and account numbers, or for more information about attending the contest, a free brochure is available on request to: International Mr. Leather, Inc. 5025 N. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60640, or by calling (312) 878-6360.

King Announces New Pageants

The first of eight preliminary pageants, the Miss Gay Milwaukee (Wisconsin-USA) will be held on Thursday May 25 at La Cage. King Productions has changed their pageants names from 'South Eastern Wisconsin,' to Wisconsin - USA. The contest will begin at 9:30 p.m. This is the first pageant leading up to the Miss Gay Wisconsin USA Pageant to be held August 27 at the Pivot Club in Appleton.

Contestants in all eight preliminary contests will be judged on personal contd. on page 39



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calendar



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

Jet's: Fun! Fun! Fun! Show at 10:30p.m., \$1 cover.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

Back East [Madison]: GALVAnize Benefit Show with out of town performers, 10p.m. Guest stars Ginger Spice & Tania Michaels.

Triangle: Swim Suit Contest. 11p.m., \$175 in prizes. 10 percent of proceeds to UWM 10 percent Society.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

GAMMA: TGIF, drinks at M&M, 7:30p.m.

Alternative: Cream City Chorus Benefit Show hosted by Cris Klein, \$2 cover, 10p.m. showtime.

New Bar [Madison]: GALVAnize benefit, patio open 5p.m. (weather permitting), dancing in New Bar 9 to close. \$2 donation.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

SSBL Opening Day: Saturday Softball Beer League opens play at Mitchell Park (diamonds behind the Domes). All games occur every week here between 11am & 4p.m.

Wreck Room: SSBL Opening Day celebration 5p.m. SSBL lottery drawing, League fundraiser. Mr. & Ms. SSBL Contest. WR Party Night follows from 10p.m.-on. Chance to win prizes with each drink, including am/fm/cassette stereo.

Cream City Chorus Car Wash: M&M parking lot (rear of 124 N. Water), 1-5p.m., benefit to send chorus to GALA in Seattle.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

CCF Casino '89: Grain Exchange Room, (225 E. Michigan), 6 to 10p.m. Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 door. Benefits CCF. Call 278-0880 for more info.

Triangle: BEST offers on-site anonymous HIV testing from 6-9p.m.

Ballgame: Ken (Freedia) Farewell Party 4-? He's Las Vegas bound.

Milw. Rep. Theatre: Benefit for MAP, presentation of "The Irish Rascal". Stackner Cabaret, Milw. Center Complex, 8:30p.m. Tickets \$10. Over \$4,100 has been raised to date.

New Bar[Madison]: Mr., Miss. Ms Gay Madison Pageant '89, with special guests, 9:30p.m., 1st drink free, \$3 cover.

M&M: Song stylist Sally Richards appears.

MONDAY, MAY 1

Club 125 [Green Bay]: First of May, 25 cent taps all day.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

Spring HIT Bowling League: Meeting at 7p.m. Landmark Lanes, side bar.

Napalese Lounge [Green Bay]: Off Broadway, 1st Talent Contest, \$50 cash prize. 1st Tues. of every month. No cover. Entry details call Randy 435-6763.

Alternative: "Tues. Nite Fever", Tribute to 70's Theme party, Goldie & Friends, 9:30.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

Madison March Weekend: See special Madison March Weekend Section following this calendar.

Ballgame: BEST Clinic offers anonymous HIV testing from 8p.m.- midnite.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

Madison March Weekend: See special March Weekend Section following this calendar.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

Madison March Weekend: See special Madison March section following this calendar.

Shadow's II: Customer Appreciation Night, Door prizes, buffet, drink specials, 8-?

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Madison March Weekend May 4-7

March Starting Point

A walk by the lake and a friend's birthday party were the starting points for the March for Lesbian & Gay Rights & Pride. Timi O'Brien and Pam Jacobson had both been at the October '87 March on Washington and wanted to bring to Madison the feeling of empowerment that the Washington march gave them. While on a walk by the lake Tim told Richard Kilmer about homophobia he was experiencing in Madison. A week later, Richard and Pam and Meg Gaines were at a birthday party when the idea of a March sparked excitement.

Three weeks later, Tim, Pam and Richard met for the first time and GALVAnize was born. The name of GALVAnize (Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance) wasn't actually added until the fall of '88, when Robert James suggested it at a March meeting. "Galvanize" means to cause action and awareness with a bolt of energy.

Now, with hundreds of volunteers and nearly a year of hard work, the musings of a few have become reality for many thousands of us throughout the state and midwest who will march in Madison May 6th.

March Sponsors and Endorsements

Endorsed by: Dane County Board of Supervisors (19); Madison Teachers Union; Dane County Democratic Party; UW Dean of Student's Office; Police Chief David C. Couper; Alderperson Jim McFarland, and Gay and Lesbian Democrats of America.

Events Sponsored by: New Harvest Foundation; Cream City Foundation; Madison Arts Center; Madison NOW; Madison AIDS Support Network; The United; UW-Madison 10% Society; Madison Women Determined to Free Sharon Kowalski; Women Law Student's Association, and the Mifflin Street Co- op.

Galvanize Statement of Purpose

A massive, visible coming out is needed in the midwest and beyond to affirm lesbian and gay culture, to celebrate the commonalties and differences of all people, and to show unity for all civil rights. Come out and be part of The March for Lesbian and Gay Rights and Pride in Madison, Wisconsin on May 6, 1989.

GALVAnize is a large and diverse group that includes families, friends and supporters. Everyone is welcome. Though we live in fear of repercussions, we all have a place, including those of us who choose to march masked. As we respect our diversity and recognize the connection of oppressions, we call for coalition and unity in our move toward freedom and justice.

This gathering of gays, lesbjans and supporters will reflect the strength of our communities, act as a tool for ongoing personal and political empowerment, and highlight the interconnectedness of all civil rights issues. Through our action we DEMAND full civil rights and an end to discrimination against lesbian and gay people, bisexuals, people with HIV infection, people of color, women, people of all ages and sizes, alternative families, people with disabilities and those who suffer from cultural, sexual, religious or other persecution.

Come Out for Change!



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projected expenses at \$20 some thousand and expected revenue hopefully at \$30 some thousand. "Hopefully," said Kilmer, "we'll come away with \$12,000 or so to start planning another March." In responding to a guestion about where GALVAnize stood now. Kilmer replied. "You're asking the wrong person because I'm not on that committee, but generally. I think we're at about \$14-\$15,000 raised to date." The \$30,000 in revenue is expected to come from the sale of buttons, the sale of beautiful 5 color T Shirts that retail for \$10, donations from people who are at the March, from the sales of ads in the March Weekend program, plus the series of fundraisers. Kilmer said "Even if we don't sell the T-Shirts, buttons, and if Romanovsky and Phillips and the JEB concert isn't sold out, we still should come out a couple of thousand ahead."

When asked how much of their total budget came from fundraisers. Kilmer replied "Each of our fundraisers raised between \$600 and \$1,000, including a pancake breakfast, a reception for political candidates, dances at the University Memorial Union, and various bar fundraisers. Every bar has had something. They heard the enthusiasm going around the city, they were impressed with the organization, and so it was a positive thing for them to get on the bandwagon and be recognized as being supportive of the March. They also know the March weekend is going to do tremendous things for their business."

Response has come from around the state, and from Minneapolis and Chicago to GALVAnize's promotional efforts. Kilmer said "They are not so much saying they are going to bring a bus, but they are bringing vans, or something. We have a mailing list of about 4,000 right now. There will be several floats, convertibles, and walking groups with banners. There is no cost to enter a float, car, or marching group. The only cost is if you want a networking table set up at the picnic grounds for the party after the March."

Kilmer reported that GALVAnize has

contacted the fraternities whose frat houses are on the March route, and the frats have said they 'supposedly' would hang banners supportive of the March.

Housing plans have also been made for those coming in from out-of-town. Call GALVAnize at 608-255-8061 for details. According to Kilmer, several churches, the YMCA and several private homes will be offering free rooms to Marchers. The United in Madison is taking care of housing plans.

GALVAnize is made up of 18 coordinating committee members, 100 active sub committee members, and another 200 plus volunteers on a list to do other things. They also plan on having 100 peace keepers on hand during the March. Volunteers are asked to call the number above.

As the reception wound down, Don Clabbots of Milwaukee's MLGPC commented; "I want to applaud Madison for what you have done...somebody's done a lot of work there, and that effort is to be applauded."

GALVAnize's mission includes becoming a vital force in the Madison community and beyond - a force for positive social change and understanding. In the years ahead, GALVAnize intends to plan future marches, to empower groups and individuals, to educate the community, to encourage the building of coalitions in the struggle for basic civil rights, and to organize a variety of social events.

The May 6th March will be a milestone in their existence, however, they have high hopes that it will prove to be only a beginning.





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BRANDY'S II GRAND OPENING WEEKEND

May 12.13.14

FRIDAY, MAY 12 Double Rail Drinks, 8 Until Close

SATURDAY, MAY 13

Double Rail Drinks, 8 Until Close, Free Tap Beer 8 - 10 Hors d'oeuvres & Champagne

> SUNDAY, MAY 14 Beer Bust, 1 - 8 p.m.







[Top]- Artistic duo Jim Vieau and Tom Rezza at Rezza's art show at Your Place. [Center] Tom with Uncle Al, [Bottom] YP bartenders Larry and Ron.

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Who's [Green Bay]: Doug (Mr. Who's) Show.

Mint: Celebrates it's 40th Anniversary, 3p.m.-?

Club 125 [Green Bay]: Bus trip to Madison March, food, fun, drink.

Rod's & New Bar[Madison]: Patio open 11am, food service available. Dancing & videos in New Bar.

SUNDAY, MAY 7

Madison March Weekend: See special Madison March section following this calendar.

Why Men are the way they are: The Cultural Influence Seminar with Tony Kubicki and Bill Lauer. The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave., 6:30-9:00p.m. \$5, 271-2565.

Club 125 [Green Bay]: Canadian Male Dancers.

Rod's/New Bar [Madison]: From 8p.m.-close, 10 percent of sales donated to your favorite charitable organization.

MONDAY, MAY 8

M&M's Glass Menagerie: Last 'Gourmet Night' until Fall.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

Spring HIT League: Opening of bowling, Landmark Lanes, 7p.m.

Alternative: "Twilight Zone" Theme Party. 9:30 show with Goldie & Friends.

Napalese Lounge: Entertainment by Mr. & Miss Pivot with Cassie Carter, Sage La Rue & more. \$1 cover.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

M&M Club: BEST Clinic offers anonymous HIV testing from 7p.m.-11p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

Brandy's II [Green Bay]: Grand Opening Weekend, Double rail drinks from 8 until close.

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in session. Kilmer said "We wanted to have our March when the University was in session because so many people in Madison are involved around the University...and the University was very supportive. The Dean of Students, and Shalala had both come out in favor of the March, and the Dean of Students has endorsed it."

GALVAnize has quite a few people working with it who have worked with co-sponsoring organizations of the March, including: New Harvest Foundation; M.A.S.N.; Madison N.O.W.; Madison Community United; Wisconsin Community Fund, and the 10½ Society at U.W. to name a few. By having those people working with GALVAnize there was an immediate acceptance of GALVAnize by those other organizations.

Budgeting for the March Weekend has contd. on page 44



GALVAnize committee members Tim O'Brien, Richard Kilmer and Pam Jacobson.

Come celebrate at a statewide and regional affair: The March for Lesbian & Gay Rights & Pride

Saturday May 6, 1989

Madison, Wisconsin

Rally 2:30 pm at the State Capitol

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Come Out For Change

Madison March Week

The Story Behind the Madison March Weekend

[In Step]- Madison's Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance [GALVAnize] sees the results of years worth of organizing come to fruitation May 4-7 with a line up of events featuring the Names Project Quilt, and the Madison March for Gay and Lesbian Rights.

GALVAnize spokesperson Richad Kilmer told those assembled at a Milwaukee reception hosted by Wisconsin Light and In Step Magazine that GALVAnize was first formed in April of '88, after several people had come back from the October 11, '87 March on Washington. "They were so excited about it, and they both told me about the same time they wanted to do this, so I got the two of them together, and that's how it started." Kilmer continued "Madison is fairly political, and I think the excitement of the Washington March, seeing so many people, and they were energized by the experience...and just the whole idea there hadn't been a March in Madison, except for a small one 10 years ago, there hadn't been a big march. Afterall, we are the Gay and Lesbian Rights State, and Madison is the capital. so we thought it would be nice to show the support, and also to keep people aware of this support so we don't lose our rights under this Governor."

Kilmer spoke at the Foundation Community Center in Milwaukee before an audience composed primarily of Gay media reps and members of Milwaukee's Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC). The reception was sponsored by Wisconsin Light and In Step to foster awareness of GALVAnize and their plans for the weekend in Madison.

Plans for the weekend include: a concert by nationally known gay performers Romanovsky and Phillips that will also include Lesbian photographer JEB's multi-image show of the '87 March

on Washington on Thursday, May 4th; a speech by Lesbian partner rights activist Karen Thompson followed by a candlelight procession that leads to the opening ceremony of the Quilt display at the UW Fieldhouse on Friday; and Workshops, Rally, the March and a Picnic with entertainment on Saturday. Sunday wraps things up with an Inter-denominational service in the morning, and the closing ceremony for the Names Project Quilt display.

For detailed listings of March Weekend Activities, see the March Weekend Schedule, elsewhere this section.

The Quilt that will be appearing in Madison is the "largest showing of the Quilt, other than the National Quilt" according to Kilmer. "It's the Midwest portion of the Quilt, many panels taken from the main Quilt, from Wisconsin and other ares of the Midwest. The Quilt is getting so big now, it will probably never again be shown in its entirety."

The multi image show produced by Lesbian photographer JEB "Is wonderful. I've seen it, and it's a good history of Lesbians and Gays and it's also a good history of civil rights, it's very well done," commented Kilmer.

Madison organizers are currently working on Alternative Families legislation, and according to Kilmer, "we have the support of the new Mayor. I talked to him and he said he supports the two things that have been passed already for Alternative Families, and he also supports the third part of it which is basically if places offer family memberships, they also have to offer them to alternative families. The big one is health insurance for city employees and their alternative families. The mayor said if he gets elected to a second term, he's pretty sure that will go through." The March should help show support for that legislation.

The timing of the March for early May and not during national pride activities in June had to do with the University being contd. on page 43

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SATURDAY, MAY 13

Oberons Club Nite: With atons of Minneapolis present AIDS benefit for MAP 9 to 12 at Shaft 219. Tickets sold at door for raffle.

R-Bar [Wausau]: Kings & Queens for Mother's Day. Showtime 9:30p.m., \$2 cover. Starring Rhonda & The Queenie Sisters.

Brandy's II [Green Bay]: Grand Opening Weekend, Double rail drinks 8 until close. Free tap beer 8 to 10, Hors d'oeuvres, champagne.

SUNDAY, MAY 14

Club 125[Green Bay]: The return of Ms. Mona & Rhonda, show.

Brandy's II [Green Bay]: Grand Opening Weekend, Beer Bust from 1-8p.m.



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interview, talent, and evening gown. The winner of each preliminary pageant will receive \$100 cash, tiara, sash, trophy, bouquet and their entry fee paid to the Miss Gay Wisconsin USA Pageant. First and second runners- up will receive trophies and bouquets.

Entry fee to each pageant is \$10. Applications for the Miss Gay Milwaukee Pageant can be picked up at Triangle and La Cage.



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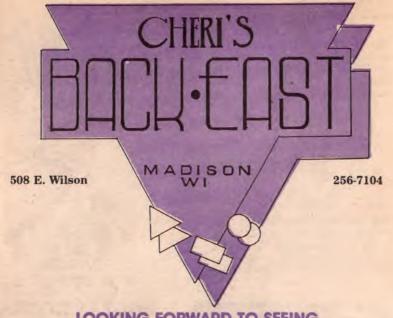
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