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Corey Haywood celebrates St. Valentine's Day with this dark pencil illustration in his unique style.

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That issue will cover the 8th Anniversary of Wisconsin's historic Gay/Lesbian Civil Rights Law.

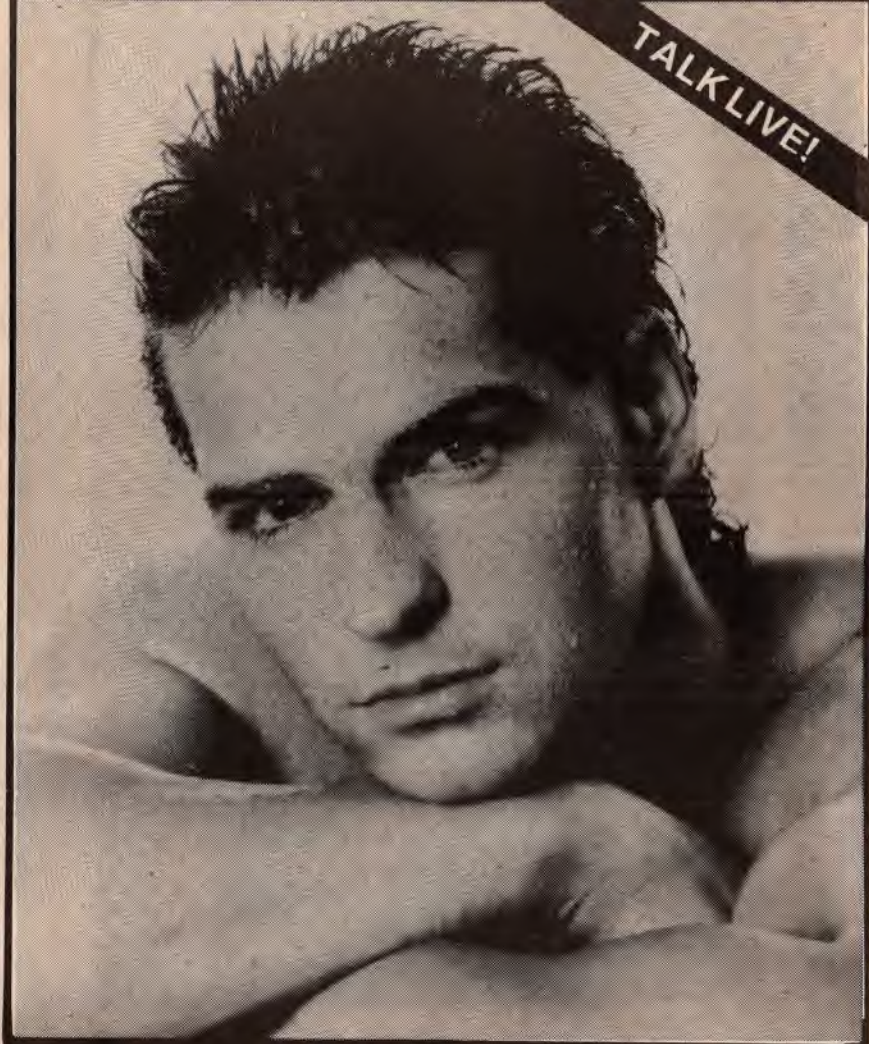
Our first issue was published Feb. 9, 1984. To mark the occasion, we've redesigned our column headings and have now put our Guide section on computer. Up until now, we've had to strip-in changes to the Guide, and have the entire thing re-typeset every so often. This will make it much easier to keep the Guide as current as possible, and to make it much more legible. Our new guide will make its debut next issue.

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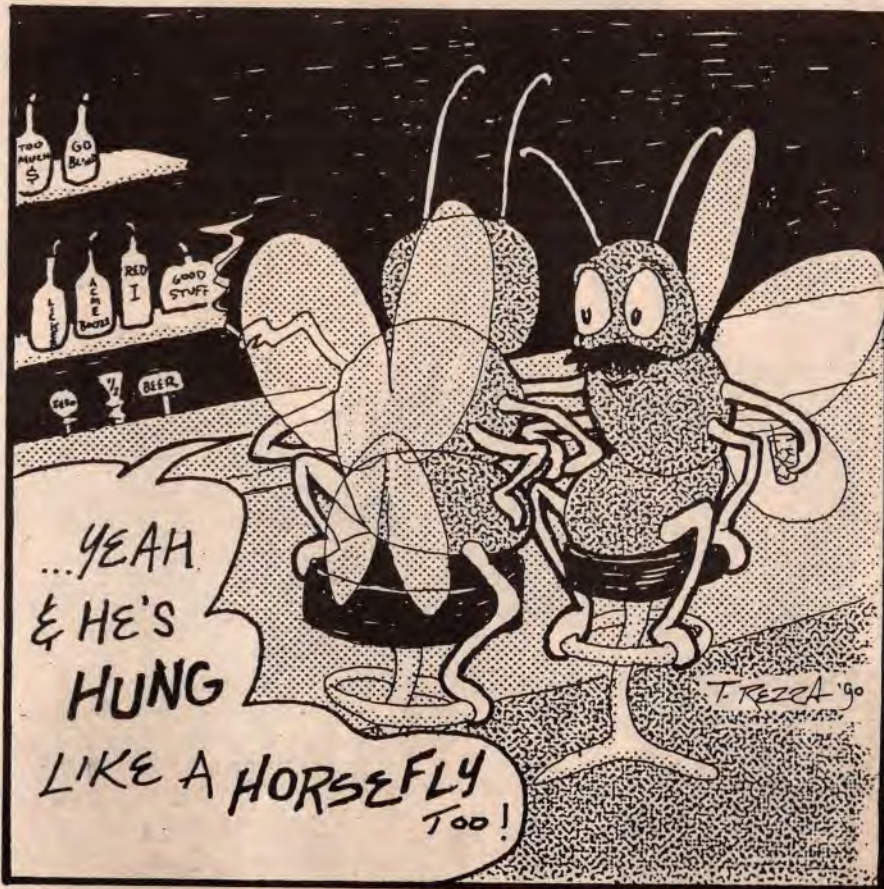
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Gay Side

by Tom Rezza



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News Briefs

WI. AIDS Bills

Wisconsin Assembly Bill 400, which would guarantee Persons With AIDS or HIV infection certain insurance rights, as well as other care provisions, has passed out of the Senate Health Committee on a 5-0 vote. According to Representative David Clarenbach (D-Madison), one of the co-sponsors of A.B.400, the bill may be on the fast track and go up before the full state Senate this week. A.B.400 passed the Assembly Health Committee in '89, and passed the full Assembly by a unanimous voice vote on October 31st, 1989.

A.B.400 was introduced in the House by Representatives Clarenbach, Carpenter, Bock, Barrett, Notestein, Medinger, Seery, Plache, Gruszynski, Bell, Moore, S. Coggs, Schenider, Wineke, Black and M. Coggs, and cosponsored by Senator Risser.

A.B.766

Whereas A.B.400 would make insurance companies treat PWA's the same as everyone else, A.B.766 would create an exception. A.B.766, sponsored by Rep. Timothy Carpenter (D-Milwaukee), would prohibit insurers from testing for HIV, but permit insurers to deny AIDS coverage to policyholders if symptoms show up within 12 months after a policy is issued.

In a January 24th hearing, insurance companies disagreed over the bill, which Carpenter, according to the Milwaukee Journal, said represented a trade-off between the privacy concerns of individuals and the needs of insurance companies to protect themselves against 'unreasonable claims'.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin told the Assembly Health Committee it supports A.B.766 because it opposed mandatory AIDS testing for those applying for health insurance. Some insurers opposed the bill because it would "delay payment of claims and could lead to claims being denied" even for illnesses not AIDS related, according to

the Journal article.

A.B.766 may be the 'better of two evils', for it would at least allow those who are PWA's or HIV positive to get some health insurance. In Step contacted Rep. Clarenbach when it noticed he was not listed as a co-sponsor of A.B.766 to find out his feelings about it. Clarenbach responded "I'm trying to figure out my position on it. I am not a co-sponsor of the bill... however, this is an opportunity for someone who HIV positive to get insurance. Under today's rules, you're going to have to take an HIV test to get insurance."

A.B.400

Clarenbach continued, "A.B.400 should be passed first. I'm afraid 766 would interfere with its passage."

A.B.400, which only faces the hurdles of a full Senate vote, and Governor Tommy Thompson's action if passed, would require health insurance policies to cover the total cost of each drug that is prescribed by the insured's physician for treatment of HIV infection or a medical condition related to HIV infection that is included in a list of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved drugs for those conditions. The coverage must include new investigational drugs that have been approved by the FDA for treatment use.

The bill prohibits an accident or health insurance policy from excluding or limiting coverage of HIV infection, unless the exclusion applies generally to other medical conditions covered by the policy. In addition, the bill prohibits a life insurance policy from denying or limiting benefits solely because the insured's death results from HIV infection.

The bill also prohibits an insurer from using information regarding whether a person has obtained an HIV test, and the results of that test, in underwriting policies for under \$100,000 in death benefits.

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Other areas of A.B.400 insure that health care providers, home health agencies, and inpatient health care services will be prohibited from: refusing to treat PWA's/HIV infection; providing a lower standard of care; unnecessary isolation; or subjecting such patients to indignity.

Restrictions will also be placed on local zoning for community living arrangements with a capacity of 8 or fewer persons under A.B.400. Home test kits for HIV infection or HIV antibodies would also be prohibited unless those tests have been approved by the state epidemiologist.

Your Action Needed Now

In Step urges you to contact your state Senator to avow your support for A.B.400, now. The vote may come up this week. You may reach them through the Wisconsin Legislative Hotline, phone 1-800-362-9696. You do not need to know your Senators name, the Hotline will help you with that.

Meanwhile, we think A.B.766 needs to be 'digested' a bit more before it is voted on in the Assembly Health Committee, where no immediate action was taken on it. In Step sources indicate A.B.766 may actually give insurance companies two years, (not the one referred to) after policy issuance to deny AIDS coverage to policyholders if AIDS symptoms arise.

Fundies Still Fuming

[Milwaukee]- Reverend Vic Eliason, executive director and chief operating officer of the Wisconsin Voice of Christian Youth (WVCY) radio station and a fundamentalist broadcaster, lambasted Milwaukee media for alleged inaccuracy, lack of coverage and omission of 'controversial' local issues.

The Milwaukee Sentinel, in an article covering Eliason's speech before the Milwaukee Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists meeting last week, said Eliason was still miffed over alleged poor coverage of the "furor created by proclamations" issued by Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist, County Executive David Schulz and the Milwaukee County Board. The proclamations he referred to concerned

Gay and Lesbian Pride Week, Rally and Parade, Milwaukee's first major G/L pride effort.

The Sentinel quoted Eliason "Bluntly speaking, the Milwaukee media, particularly the Milwaukee Journal and Sentinel, have exhibited a definite sharp bias against Christians and issues that affect the moral fiber of our country."

R.O.T.C. Update

[Madison]- University of Wisconsin Chancellor Donna Shalala received more advice on how to deal with the issue of discrimination against Gays and Lesbians by the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) on the U.W. campus.

A 35-20 vote on January 16 by the Academic Staff Assembly, would mount a "sustained effort" to end discrimination against Gay and Lesbian students who want to become ROTC cadets and serve as officers in the military after graduation, according to the Milwaukee Journal. However, they set no deadline for evicting the ROTC if discrimination continues.

A vote in late '89 by the Faculty Senate recommended evicting the ROTC in 1993 if the discriminatory policies were unchanged.

The assembly, which consists of 87 voting members, represents academic staff numbering approximately 4,200 who are not hired as professors.

Shalala has said she would make a recommendation later this month to the UW Board of Regents regarding the ROTC issue. The Regents hold the ultimate power in deciding the ROTC's fate.

Dole Cosponsors Hate Crimes Bill

[Washington, D.C.]- Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kan.) has signed on as cosponsor of the federal Hate Crimes Statistics Act, bringing the total number of supporters of the bill to 58 in the U.S. Senate.

"Dole's support is an important step forward for the Hate crimes bill," said Peri Jude Radecic, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) legislative

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director. "As leader of Republicans in the Senate he carries formidable power for moving legislation. His cosponsorship sends the clear message that this law has strong bipartisan support."

Jude, who has lobbied extensively on the bill since its original introduction in the previous Congress, said the goal is to reach 60 cosponsors or more.

NGLTF has identified the bill as a top legislative priority and an important first step in stemming the alarming pervasiveness of "gay bashing" and other crimes of prejudice. The House passed the bill last June by a vote of 368 to 47.

NGLTF encourages Gay and Lesbians to write or call their Senators and urge them to cosponsor the bill and reject attempts by Helms to attach anti-Gay amendments to the legislation. Write: Honorable Senator Robert Kasten, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. Sen. Herb Kohl (D-WI) has already signed on as a cosponsor.

HUD Shuns Domestic Partnerships

[Washington, D.C.]- The two top officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recently denounced a labor contract that would extend domestic partnership benefits to the federal agency's Gay and Lesbian employees.

Jack Kemp, Secretary of HUD, along with Under Secretary Alfred A. DelliBovi, claimed the contract with the HUD employees union illegally "redefines the family." The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has sharply criticized the HUD officials, and has sent a strongly-worded letter to DelliBovi urging him to reconsider his position.

The controversy was sparked by a clause in the contract of the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE). AFGE's proposed definition of "family" would provide Lesbian and Gay employees with familial leave benefits identical to the privileges already offered heterosexual workers.

I.N.S. HIV Policy Eased-Boycott Still On

By Rex Wockner

Embarrassed that numerous European AIDS organizations had called a boycott of June's Sixth International Conference on AIDS in San Francisco, the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Jan. 16 eased its restrictions on the entrance of HIV-positive foreigners into the country.

But as of deadline, AIDS community spokespersons were indicating that the INS had not gone far enough, and they were predicting that the boycott call will move forward.

"This is not enough," stated Dr. Robert Wachter, program director for the San Francisco conference. "As physicians and researchers, we see no public health justification in restricting travel by HIV-infected people. We think the law as it presently stands is discriminatory."

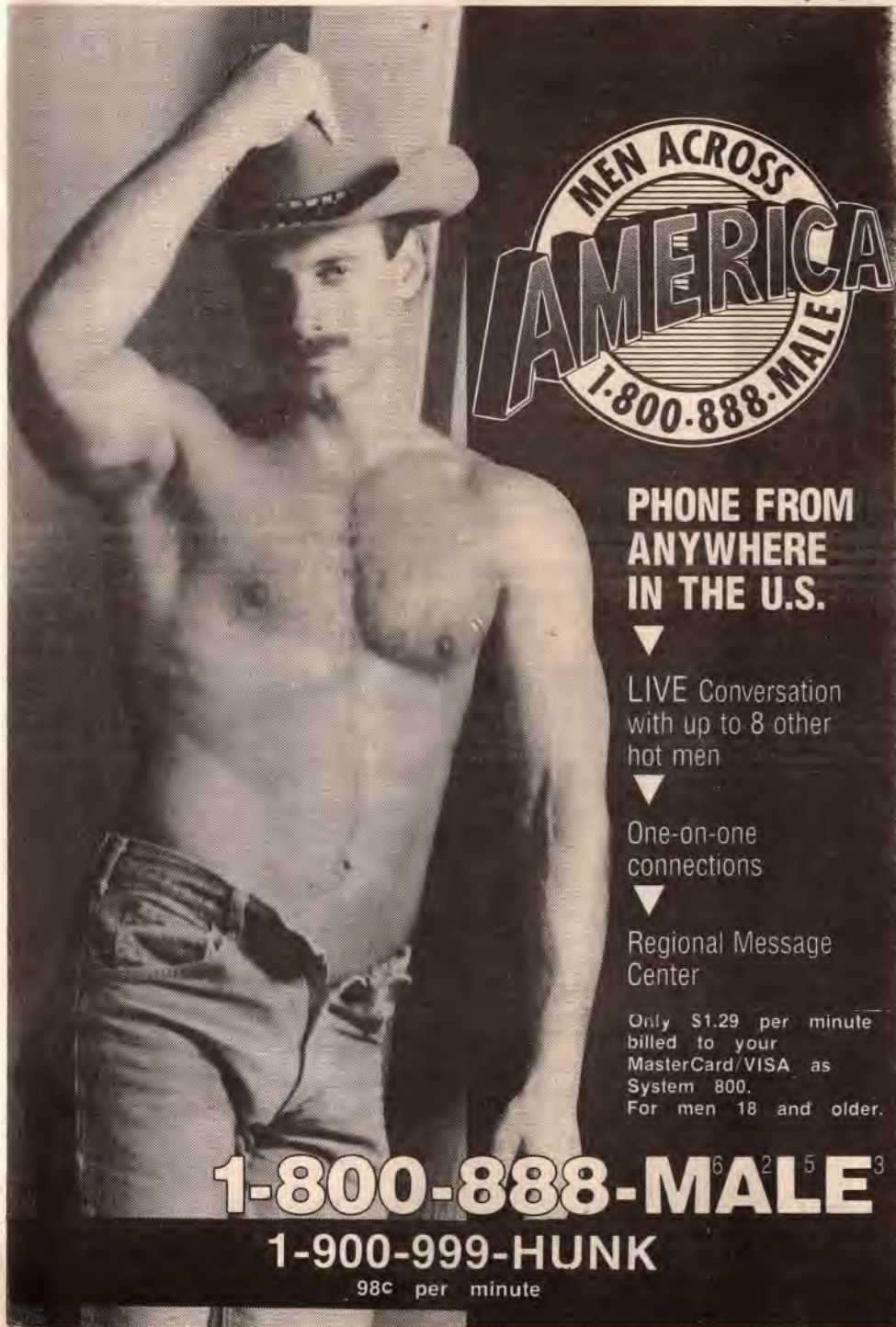
Since last May, HIV-positives have been allowed into the U.S. for 30 days to visit family, conduct business or receive medical treatment, if they applied for and received a special INS waiver.

AIDS activists opposed that system, arguing:

- that applying for the waiver could lead to an HIV positive's loss of confidentiality at home,
- that the U.S. waiver stamp in passports could lead to discrimination and quarantine,
- that international health authorities oppose all restrictions on the free movement of HIV- positives,
- that viral transmission can just as easily happen on a 30-day business trip as a 31-day pleasure trip and,
- that it is silly for the nation with the most AIDS cases to try to stop the virus at its borders.

In its Jan. 16 moves, the government responded to two of the objections, agreeing to route waiver requests through high-up American officials rather than

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**In Memory Of
John M. Cowles**

Milwaukee's Gay/ Lesbian community lost one of its leaders a few weeks ago, when John Cowles died. John was a member of our community for only about 13 years, but in that time he served several years as President GAMMA, also serving in other capacities; and served on the Board of the Cream City Foundation.

John was instrumental in running volleyball leagues, the Foundation Community Center, and numerous fundraisers, in addition to social events and parties.

Whatever John took on, he did so with unparalleled energy and dedication. He will be sorely missed.

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embassy employees who are foreign nationals, and opting to place the waiver stamp on a separate piece of paper, rather than in passports.

Activists Aim For Passage of Rights Bill in 1990's

[Washington, D.C.]— The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) will celebrate the 15th Anniversary of the introduction of the Federal Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights Bill on March 25-27 with a series of commemorative events designed to increase momentum and awareness of the anti-discrimination legislation.

Among other things, NGLTF will launch a massive Gay and Lesbian constituent post card campaign to increase support for the bill in the U.S. Congress. The objective of the Task Force is to pass the bill during this decade.

The bill, officially known as The Civil Rights Amendments Act of 1990, was introduced into the 94th Congress in 1975 by then Representative Bella Abzug, the bill's first sponsor.

The act would prohibit discrimination on the basis of affectional or sexual orientation in the areas of housing, employment, credit, public accommodations and federally assisted programs. Passage of the bill would specifically amend Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin.

Advocates of the bill say it would ensure equal access for all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, to vital areas of society. The bill also protects persons from being required to disclose their sexual orientation.

As part of its commemorative post card campaign, NGLTF will distribute thousands of cards to Gay and Lesbian organizations nationwide. Constituents are asked to complete the cards and forward them to their lawmakers, urging

them to cosponsor the bill.

In addition, NGLTF has produced a lobbying packet on the bill for constituents around the country. NGLTF urges Gay and Lesbians to lobby their Federal representatives at their home district offices, in particular during NGLTF's Lobby Days in June.

For more information and to obtain lobbying kits and post cards, contact NGLTF at 1517 U St. NW, Washington, D.C., 20009, Attention: 15th Anniversary, or call (202) 332- 6483.

Fundies 'Forbid' Gay Games

(Equal Times)— Unnamed "Christian leaders who live in Greater Vancouver" shocked organizers of Celebration '90: Gay Games III and Cultural Festival last month with full-page ads in the city's two major daily newspapers calling for the Games not to take place.

"We therefore will all reverence and serious intention, in Christ's name, make a public statement: That because these games will bring God's judgment upon us all in this city, we therefore forbid them in the name and authority of Jesus Christ. We believe that they shall take take place," one section of the ads stated.

The ads also called for "Spiritual Warfare."

Running under the banner headline "Time is Running Out," the advertisements immediately provoked a storm of controversy in Vancouver. Sponsors of the two ads, which were reported to have cost \$15,000, refused to identify themselves or to speak to the press.

Celebration '90 organizers were quick to respond to a barrage of media attention. "We are disappointed that a group of people would be willing to spend this amount of money attempting to control the legal activities of another group of Canadians," Barry McDell, a director of the Celebration '90 Board, told *The Vancouver Sun*, one of the two papers to run the ads.

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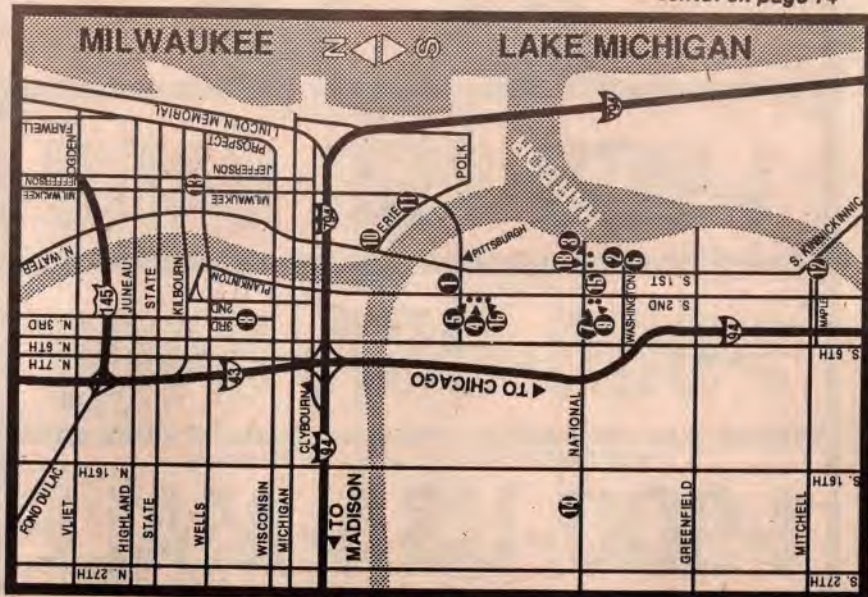
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"To a large extent these particular ads back-fired," said Shawn P. Kelly, Consulting Executive Director. "We've had a tremendous outpouring of offers of volunteer and financial support because of them.

"We know that these right-wing fundamentalists have a long-range goal of trying to stop the Games and that they are well-funded," said McDell. "Now is the time for the international Lesbian/Gay community to support the largest sports and cultural festival it has ever attempted to produce," he said.

Gay Games III and Cultural Festival will take place August 4-11, 1990 in the Greater Vancouver area. Inquiries for participants, spectators, or donors should be addressed to: Celebration '90, 1170 Bute Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6E 1Z6. Phone: (604) 684-3303 or 684-0444.

Skinhead Sentenced For Gay Bashing

[Washington, D.C.]— In a move that was widely acclaimed by Gay rights, civil rights and anti-violence activists, Judge Robert Scott of the D.C. Superior Court Jan. 12 sentenced David McCall, a self-proclaimed Skinhead, to 10-30 years in prison for assault with intent to kill and 5-15 years for armed robbery for the vicious September 1988 beating of a Washington, D.C. Gay man, Rodney Johnson. David Hyder, another gang member who was convicted of the same charges, will be sentenced on March 12. McCall and Hyder had been held without bond since their conviction by a unanimous jury on November 17, 1989. A third Skinhead indicted in the attack, Richard Grimes, fled the jurisdiction and was never found or tried; police are still looking for him.

The beating, which took place in the early morning hours while Johnson was on his way home from work, involved

several gang members, some wielding baseball bats and shouting "die, faggot, die." Johnson, who was left for dead, suffered a concussion, collapsed lung, broken finger, and a fractured skull, ribs and shoulder in the attack.

The sentencing comes just four months after Johnson filed a multi-million dollar civil lawsuit against eight members of the Skinhead gang who had engaged in a weekend of beatings and robberies of Gay men in the Dupont Circle area of D.C., including the attack on Johnson. The lawsuit claims that the Skinheads violated Johnson's civil and constitutional rights by conspiring to attack him solely because he is Gay. The civil case is the first of its kind ever filed by a Gay person against members of the Skinheads.

With the first of the criminal convictions behind them, Johnson and his lawyers plan to move forward with their civil case, which is based predominantly on conspiracy claims as well as civil assault and battery. "There are many more Skinheads out there who are legally responsible for Rod's beating and who must be held accountable," said Ettelbrick. "Though we are pleased with the criminal convictions, it is still only partial justice."

Oops

(Equal Times)— According to the Danish newspaper *Pan*, this year's competition for Miss Italy turned chaotic when it was discovered that Miss Naples, Lisa Visonti, was a transvestite named Vincenzo. Journalists later discovered that the stunt had been staged by the Milan-based gay magazine *Bavilonia*, *Pan* said.



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Group Notes

Woman to Woman

[Milwaukee]- "Beyond the Movement...Into the 90's" is the theme for this year's Woman to Woman Conference, to be held at MECCA, February 1-3. The 15th Award Night and Banquet will culminate in a salute to the 1990 Woman of the Year, Ferne Caulker, and seven women representing major service agencies in Milwaukee, including Cheryl Vaughn of the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Representatives said "Woman to Woman is proud to recognize the outstanding contributions of women in our community." The evening will also be an opportunity to share memories of past conferences, and attendees will receive a commemorative book highlighting the past conferences.

Caulker is an accomplished choreographer, dancer and musician. Perhaps her most remarkable accomplishment is the development and direction of Ko Thi Dance Company into national prominence. Ko Thi is the praised ensemble specializing in traditional and contemporary African-American performing arts.

MAP's Cheryl Vaughn in the last three years, has been responsible for the creation and continued development of client support services. Ms Vaughn also has been a consultant to statewide health care providers that work with Persons With AIDS and HIV-infection, guiding them in establishing support services. She was also involved in the annual MAPfest celebration, and its successful move to its new Schlitz Park home.

Other women to be honored include: Sally Callan, Hunger Task Force of Milwaukee; Grace Abramson, Eleanor Backus and Janet Maier of Horizon House, Inc.; Carey Tradwell, Milwaukee Women's Center, Inc.; Amzie M. Franklin, Neighborhood House of Milwaukee, Inc.; and Pauline R. Coggs, New Concept Self Development Center, Inc.

The Awards Banquet will be held at 6pm, Thursday, February 1, at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom. Cocktail hour (cash bar) begins at 6pm, with dinner following at 7pm. A jazz vocalist will entertain. Tickets are available for \$20. in advance, call 276-4477.

M.A.S.N.

[Madison]- Get ready for the 3rd Annual Sweet Sunday Afternoon, a tried and true fund raising event for the benefit of the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN).
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 UW-O Counseling Center 424-2061
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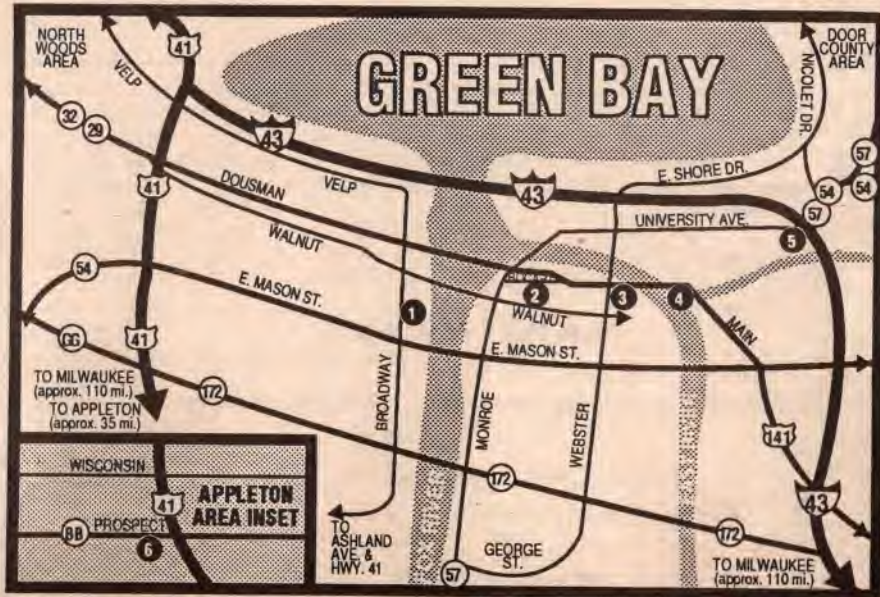
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Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)
 1552 University Avenue 262-7330
L/G & Bi's In Medicine (medical students)
 1890 Preston White Dr., Reston, Va. 22091 (608) 257-8577

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This year the date is Sunday, February 11, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at The Wilson Street Grill (Wilson and Hamilton).

Nancy Christy and her wonderful staff are getting ready to play host again to hundreds of people on the prowl for chocolate and other sweets. There will be background piano music provided for your listening enjoyment. Help is always appreciated, of course, and there are many tasks to make this the sweetest Sweet Sunday Afternoon yet. Advanced reservations are appreciated but tickets will be available at the door, the cost is \$15.00 per person. To make reservations or volunteer your help call (608) 255-1711.

MIL-M- AIDS

Get your form down and start looking for the proper attire MIL-M-AIDS is coming back to Madison. MIL-M- AIDS is an annual bowling tournament/event, alternating between Madison and Milwaukee, and serves as a means of raising money for MASN and MAP.

This year it will be happening on Saturday, April 21, at the Sun Prairie Lanes. Individuals and teams are welcome to take part.

There will be a celebration dinner in the evening following the tournament.

Look for more details in the coming months, but mark it on your calendar today.

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Young Lesbian Group

[Milwaukee]- A support and discussion group for young women 17-20 years old who are exploring their sexual identity or who are in the process of coming out is being sponsored by the Counseling Center of Milwaukee.

The group, called Insight, is a joint venture of the Women's Support Group Program and the Prevention/Education Project.

Insight will provide a supportive place in which to discuss topics like self-esteem, family and school life, coming out, sexuality, relationships and life planning. The myths and realities of lesbian life will be explored and sessions will be geared to the particular needs and concerns of the women attending.

Participants are assured of confidentiality and an understanding environment in which to work out their feelings. Young women interested in Insight can call 271-2565 and ask for Kathy Herbst or Cheryl Orgas. Concerned friends who may know women in need of this kind of support are encouraged to pass this phone number on to them.

The specific times and meeting dates of Insight will be arranged when the first group is established.

Homophobia Workshops

[Madison]- Wisconsin Community Fund and The United are presenting three workshops dealing with homophobia.

Suzanne Pharr, author of "Homophobia, a Weapon of Sexism," former vice-chairperson to the Lesbian Task Force of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence and founder of the Women's Project of Little Rock Arkansas will lead the workshops.

Scheduled events and dates are:
Friday, Feb. 2, 7-8pm Lecture
Saturday, Feb. 3, 10am-4pm workshops on Connections Between Homophobia, Sexism and Racism.

Sunday, Feb. 4, 10am-4pm Internalized Homophobia Workshop for Gay Men and Lesbians.

All events will take place at the Memorial Union at University of Wisconsin, Madison, 800 Langdon Street (608) 255-8582. Check "Today in the Union" for room numbers.

All events are free, but due to space limitations, advanced registration is required for the Internalized Homophobia Workshop Sunday, Feb. 4. Call to register or for more information.

Workshops are co-sponsored by: GALVANize, The Ten Percent Society, UW Dean of Students Office, and Centro Hispano.

Black Pageant Announced

S.M.T.J. Mass Pageant Productions has announced the first 'Mr. and Miss Black Wisconsin on the Move' Pageant. The pageant is scheduled for sometime in March in Milwaukee.

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Heathers! Thanks for a great time at La Cage January 6th, it was very! One question, what was my damage?
Brenda

Gabrielle M: I think its time for the 'sisters' to reunite, whatcha think?!? Talk to me about it! We'll go scamming in Atlanta!
Betina

Rodger: Mr. Tall, Dark and handsome. How were the tacos at LaCage? I'll make you the best tacos you ever had. Forget Auntie Alice's tacos. Oh ya, nice ass.
Taco Bell

Helen: Did you die or what? We're worried, call us!
Joanna, Martha

Clare: You'll Get Yours!
Uno Who

M & Michael: Thank's for trusting me & staying with me
D.W.

John [P.A.]: More than happy we met. Can't wait to see you again. How's Feb. 16 sound?
Mike

Miss Marcs: Excuse me, but how can I get into the show? I'd really like to know!
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Mary Richards: Since you can't come to the party, we'll have to give you your 'Wells...' now! 'The boobs, The boobs.'
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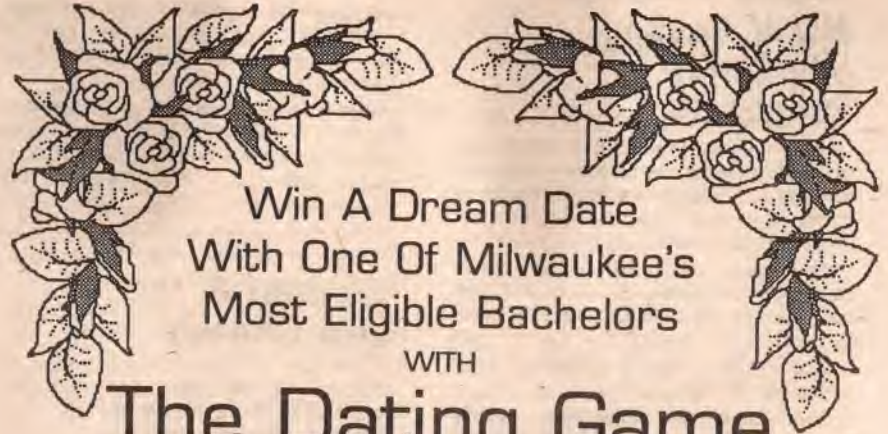
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Workshops are a major portion of the program and cover a wide range of issues from child care to running political campaigns. Each year a number of workshops focus on Lesbian rights issues. Although proposals on all subjects are welcome, NOW is particularly interested in four major themes. These include how the AIDS crisis has impacted progress on other Lesbian rights issues; to integrate Lesbian rights into the

consciousness of abortion rights activists; legal strategies to further the right of privacy; and issues of importance to Lesbians of color.

Deadline for submission of proposals is March 1, 1990. For a proposal form, please contact the National NOW Office; 1000 16th St., NW, Suite 700; Washington, D.C. 20036; Attn. Nancy Buermeier, Lesbian Rights Program Director; or call (202) 331-0066.

Women & the Law Confab

The 21st National Conference on Women and the Law will "Shift the Focus: New Perspectives for the 21st Century", when it meets March 22-25 at the Westin Hotel in Detroit, Michigan.

The Core Committee said in prepared material: "Much has happened in the past year. The courts have diminished the rights of women, people of color, and other unrepresented groups, once again emphasizing our exclusion from their vision of society. In response, women

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Interested in meeting new People? Enjoy good conversations? Reading this ad? If so, GWM 25, 6ft., 180, blue eyes, looking to meet other men 22-36 not afraid to talk and enjoy life. My interests are many. What are yours? Why not take a few minutes and drop me a note and photo? P.O. Box 92503, Milwaukee 53202. Who knows what will happen if you write? If you don't we won't be able to make a connection.

GWM, 35, fit, good-looking, healthy, professional, playful, seeks to meet other men for dating, friendship, we'll decide what else. Hot passion is great, but we'd explore all aspects of life. Write: Box 26362, Wauwatosa 53226-0362.

GWM, 30's, 6'2", 180lbs, straight acting, masculine, professional, attractive. I've been married but coming out and changing lifestyles. I don't go to bars and not into gay scene. Many interests and into health, fitness, athletics. Send me your letter if you are straight acting, sensible, caring, and sincere about building upon the future with someone. Photo welcome. Will respond to all serious inquiries to P.O. Box 44321, Milwaukee, WI. 53214.

Jack [Beak]: The last 2 years, loving you have been the best years of my life. Now my days without you are dull and gray. The simple things that make loving each other so special such as: our healthy and faithful sexual relationship; no red meat; no drugs; no smoking and most of all the invisible spiritual/karmic bond and our ability to be open and honest about our personal life are not easily discovered in another.

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In honoring the space you desire away from me I will no longer attempt to pursue you or to call you or write more letters and notes. I do want you to know however that your desire to break off is not what I desire as we still have so much more to offer each other in the years to come. I wait earnestly for your call.

Every waking moment my silent cry is for my Beak, Beak, Beak!

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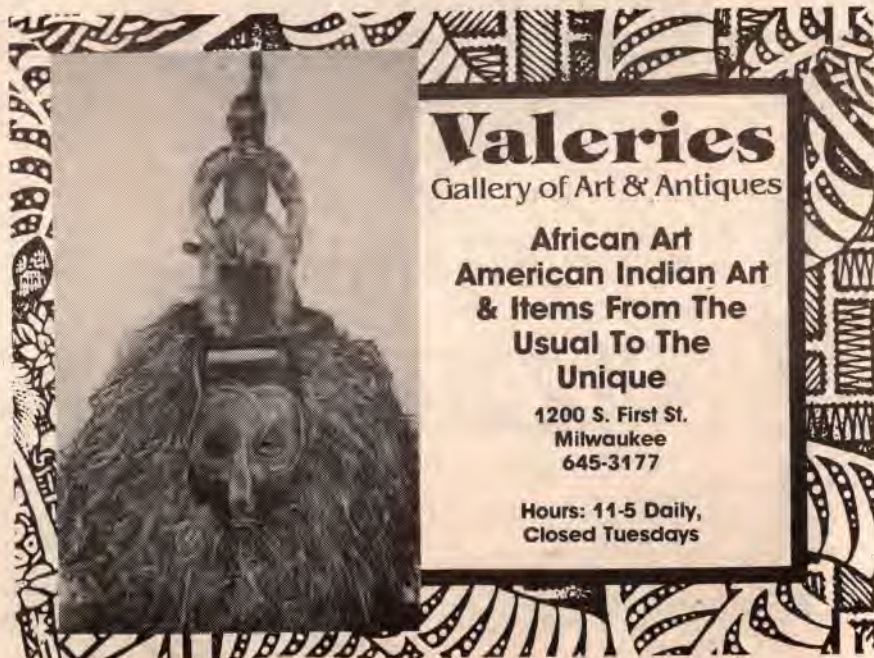
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have been speaking out, organizing, and marching in the streets. Across the country, women have demonstrated renewed political energy and commitment to the many goals of feminism."

The conference hopes to focus that energy on reframing the law to encompass women's experiences, contributions, and aspirations. "Our political activism must expand to include new approaches to old laws, formal political organizing and lobbying, education in the classroom, community activism, and alliance-building among diverse groups. Without losing sight of our goals, we need to reconceptualize and recast our methods for reaching them." The Core Committee tried to organize the conference with that in mind.

Discussion and coalition-building among feminist lawyers, community activists, students, educators, politicians and judges at the conference can help all to understand one another's issues and positions, and then work together to accommodate a vision of a better world.

For further information about the 21st Conference, please contact: 21st National Conference on Women and the Law, Hutchins Hall, University of Michigan School of Law, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. (313) 998-7974 (Voice/TDD).

Sat. Night Live: Dead Wrong?

"Wayne's World" is a recurring skit on NBC's "Saturday Night Live" about Wayne (written and played by Michael Myers), a teen-ager who runs his own public access cable show. Last season several of these skits used the word "fag" as an insult. This season, "homo" seems to be the epithet of choice.

Another recent skit on SNL was called "The Big Bitch Bulldyke Breakout," in which Zsa Zsa Gabor and Leona Helmsley break out of jail to escape beatings by an overweight lesbian.

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Galano- Afternoon card tournament at the Clubroom, 2408 N. Farwell.

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

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

MAP Support Group- For PWA's & PWARC's, 7 pm, 273-2437.

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

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

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

Best HIV & Support Group- Meeting, 7pm; call 272-2144 for location.

HIV Positive Support [Green Bay]- Meets bi-weekly at Center Project, f.m.i. 437-7400.

MONDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

Christian Gay OK- Support group gathering, 7:30 pm, All Saint Guild Hall, 818 E. Juneau Ave. (west entrance).

PFLAG/Lakeshore [Sheboygan]- Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets 1st Tues. of each month. Info, write: P.O. Box 1396, Sheboygan 53082.

BEST- STD testing 6-9 pm, walk in, BEST Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. (272-2144).

MAP- Support Group for family, friends of Persons with AIDS (PWA's); Alternate Tues., f.m.i. call 273-2437.

HIV-Positive Support Group [Madison]- 7-9 pm, call 255-1711 for time and location.

Gay Men's Chorale [Madison]- Rehearsal in Memorial Union, see TITU for room, 6-9 pm.

Evangelicals Concerned [Madison]- Bible study at 7:30 pm, f.m.i. Duane at 244-5010.

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

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

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

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

MAP Support Group- Info & education regarding HIV infection & treatments, 7 pm, 273-2437.

The Ten Percent Society [Madison]- Meets during the semester at 8 pm in Memorial Union, check TITU for room.

Nothing to Hide [Madison]- 9:30 pm on cable channel 4.

Men's Coming Out Support Group [Madison]- Meets, f.m.i. 255-8582.

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

Milwaukee Trackers- 3 mile run, depart Lake Park Pavillion, 7 pm. Meet at picnic tables next to bowling green, 332-1527.

THURSDAYS

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

Gay Fathers- Meeting 1st Thurs. only, pot luck- 3rd Thurs. only; call 871-2362 for location.

Lesbian Drop-In Group [Madison]- 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm, The United.

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

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

Gay/Lesbian Support Group [Appleton]- 8 pm, 1st Congregational Church, 724 E. South River Rd.

FRIDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

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

GAMMA- Saturday Volleyball League, 7th season; games from 3:00-6:00 pm most Saturdays- UWM Englemann Hall.

Galano- Movie night; 9pm, 2408 N. Farwell.

BWMT- 3rd Sat., 8 pm, 225 S. 2nd; 265-8500 for more info.

Gay Youth Milw.- Discussion group- 1st & 3rd Sat. only 1-3 pm, Main Public Library (9th & Wis.), 1st floor meeting room: (18 yrs. & under)- 265-8500 for info.

Gay AA [Appleton]- 8 pm, 1st Congregational Church, 724 E. South River Rd.

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A person died of AIDS every 24 minutes.

In the World:

A new case of AIDS was reported every 8 minutes.

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'Virus-Like Agent' Called Significant

[New York, NY] (Windy City Times)- For the first time, outside scientists have been given an opportunity to assess an AIDS-related infectious agent discovered by a military medical researcher.

Citing a report in the **San Antonio Light**, the **New York Native** reported that scientists with expertise in the field of mycoplasma met with researchers from the National Institutes of Health on December 14 in San Antonio. According to the report, Dr. Joel Baseman of the University of Texas Health Science Center described the new microorganism as "clearly an important agent... The finding is significant."

Originally announced in 1986 by Dr. Shyh-Ching Lo of the Armed Forces

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Institute of Pathology, the new organism was first called "Virus-Like Infectious Agent" (VLIA) and then later renamed mycoplasma incognitus. For 30 months it was kept under carefully restricted access by its discoverers at the institute. More recently, however, Lo and the institute began sharing the new agent with a few other researchers, though not with the laboratories of Robert Gallo at the National Cancer Institute.

A second press report cited by the Native confirmed that some 14 infectious disease experts from the NIH were impressed by the finding presented to them. Scripps Howard News Service quoted NIAID bacteriologist Robert Quackenbush as saying that the new mycoplasma "could be a significant pathogen in certain AIDS patients" and that "it may also cause disease in people who are not infected with (HIV)."

AIDS, Medicine and Miracles Conference

[Boulder, CO]- The Third Annual AIDS, Medicine and Miracles Conference will be held May 3-6, 1990 at the Clarion Harvest House Hotel in Boulder, Colorado. The theme for the conference is "Turning Point: Personal, Medical, Political, Spiritual."

During the three day conference, medical doctors, nurses, AIDS project workers, complementary treatment practitioners, People Living With AIDS (PLWAs), and their family members form a team of love and hope.

• Elizabeth Kubler-Rose, M.D., the internationally known author will be the keynote speaker. Her recent book is "AIDS, the Ultimate Challenge." As she has studied and spoken about death and dying for many years, she also shares a zest for living with hope and joy.

• Dr. Adan Rios, a medical researcher and doctor in private practice in Houston, Texas, will combine medical information and social concerns in his lecture to the entire conference.

• Martin Delaney, executive director of Project Inform in San Francisco,

California, will share the latest information about new treatments for AIDS. He will share Project Inform's experience with drug testing and the influence for change of FDA and other governmental agencies.

• Fran Peavey, author of "A Shallow Pool of Time," and a performer known as the Atomic Comic, will share her personal experience with the AIDS epidemic in San Francisco. She brings a world perspective to the conference having recently visited in Brazil.

• Bernard Marichal, a doctor of homeopathy from Brussels, Belgium, will present a treatment modality which is showing early promising results in Europe and Africa.

Other speakers and workshop leaders will be: Julie Redstone, Ph.D. from the Center for Healing in Amherst, Mass.; Dr. Richard Flinders, developer of the RISE meditation system; Annette Goodheart, Ph.D., a laughter therapist from Santa Barbara, California; Robert Gass, Ed.D., a nationally known teacher, psychologist, consultant and professional musician; and Nick Bamforth, author of "AIDS: The Healer Within."

It is expected that the conference will have 500 people in attendance with about 20% being People Living With AIDS. George Melton, a long-term survivor of AIDS with his symptoms in complete remission, will lead anriential circle of healing and share information about his turning point toward healing and living a full, joyful life. Ron Webeck of St. Petersburg, Florida will share his experience with AIDS and PML, a rare virus which affects the brain. Science cannot find either virus in his system after five years.

In a belief that the conference will be nurturing emotionally, physically, and spiritually, there will be interactive support groups led by professional psychotherapists; delicious meals of immune enhancing food planned by a nutritionist and the hotel chef; special time and space for meditation and exercise.

Registration before February 28th including the banquet and keynote lecture

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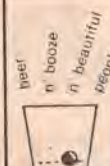
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Humor, like beauty, is in the eye of the beholder. But if SNL doesn't use words like "nigger," "coon," "kike," or "spic," why are "fag," "homo," and "dyke," alright? And why are gay people always the butt of the show's gay 'humor'; why isn't homophobia targeted for ridicule so teen-agers get the point that gay-bashing is not cool.

Part of the problem may be that since Terry Sweeney left the cast several seasons back, all the performers have been (ostensibly) straight. Isn't it time for another openly gay cast member, particularly if the show engages in humor about gays?

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD), suggests you send your opinions to: Lorne Michaels, Executive Producer, Saturday Night Live, NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112, and to writer Michael Meyers at the same address.

To receive the GLAAD BULLETIN and their newsletter by mail, call or write: GLAAD, 80 Varick Street, Suite 3E, New York, NY 10013, phone (212)966-1700. GLAAD would appreciate copies of your letters.

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by Carol Palca, this adaptation was created and written by Zambello and Palca.

The production combines the music of Verdi's *La Traviata* and material from Dumas' novel and play, whose story was the basis for Verdi's opera. The Skylight's new adaptation focuses on the depth and struggle of Dumas' main character Marguerite (or Violetta as she was renamed by Verdi). Presenting the story from Marguerite's perspective, Zambello's production will create an expanded view of Parisian society in the 1880's, and reflect the injustice and hypocrisy of that society.

Camille: La Traviata will mark the Skylight debut of three rising young American singers: soprano Ann Panagoulas and baritone Victor Ledbetter, both of San Francisco Opera, and tenor

Paul Austin Kelly, of the New York City Opera.

The set for this production will be abstract and surreal, in contrast with costumes which will be representative of the 1870's and 1880's in Paris.

Show times are Wednesday and Thursdays at 8:30 p.m., Sundays at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. Tickets range from \$16 to \$20 and are available through the Skylight Box Office, 271-8815.

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find out who's out there looking for what.. Of course, you are in danger of dating a computer nerd with very bad eye strain and chronic lower back pain, but just think of the potential prestige of eventually being a two-computer family.

And speaking of interfacing, it's time to put down this article and get out there and mingle, Mary. Make like a Canadian mountie and bring back your man. This little outline of partner-seeking tactics and game-plans should prove quite effective as a means towards that end. After scrupulously following these suggestions, you need never again worry about being alone.

So, I'll see you and your lover NEXT Valentine's Day at the local greeting card store. You'll easily recognize me. I'll be the one with the swatch of material, frantically trying to match the color of our new love-seat sofa with a valentine's card for my significant other.



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is \$230; registrations received after March 1st will be \$225. Group discounts are available when three or more register together. Additional tickets to the keynote lecture by Elisabeth Kubler-Ross are \$15.

For more information or to sign up for the conference, contact: AIDS, Medicine and Miracles, Inc., 2033 11th Street, Suite 2, Boulder, CO 80302. For VISA/MasterCard Registrations and more information, call (303) 447-8777.

Awakening the Body Electric

By Jeff Zurlinden

"Ninety percent of Gay men have never had an orgasm," says Joe Krammer with a trace of a smile, "sure, they've all ejaculated, but they remain pre-orgasmic."

Krammer founded the Body Electric School of Massage and Rebirthing in Oakland, California, to teach men how to touch and experience the connection between sex and spirituality. According to Krammer, "stimulating touch creates an electrical vibration which circulates through the body, building to the ecstatic feeling called a full-body orgasm."

Forty men will have the opportunity to awaken their bodies and learn to achieve a full-body orgasm during a three-day area workshop with Joe Krammer on Feb. 23, 24, and 25. This hands-on class is done nude. The workshop starts with simple rituals based on Eastern and Native American traditions that gently teach men how to touch and focus their attention on other men. The experiences gradually build in intensity, as each man learns to give and receive a complete erotic massage that lasts for hours. Erotic massage awakens the power of sex to enlighten the spirit and heal the body.

The key is relaxation. Krammer says, "when our body is relaxed, we give up control and open up to receiving on every level. When relaxed, we feel our emotions more, our intuitions more, and we feel our spiritual connections to each other more. The Taoist tradition teaches that erotic

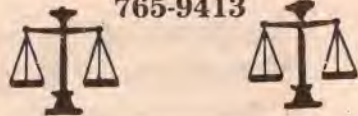
energy turns to compassion or heart energy. As such, love comes from erotic energy, and the higher we raise our erotic energy, the higher our capacity is for experiencing and sharing love."

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So whether you're an avid softball player or just one who enjoys watching the sport, keep your eye on NAGAAA and all its member leagues to catch all the excitement the new year will bring.

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Jock Shorts

by Daniel Trzebiatowski

NAGAAA Update

As another year opens, so does another softball season for the players and officials of the North American Gay Amateur Athletics Association (NAGAAA Update).

The season will kick off in mid-February, as Pittsburgh, the host city for the 1990 NAGAAA Gay World Series, and the Steel City Softball League welcome delegates to the annual NAGAAA Spring Meetings. As is the norm for these annual meetings, NAGAAA delegates will discuss a myriad of subjects, ranging from rule and/or regulation changes for the 1990 Softball Gay World Series to a routine review of the current bylaws. Delegates will also take a guided tour of the facilities to be used in Pittsburgh during softball world series play. And as part of a traditional gesture, delegates from Atlanta, the host city for the 1989 Gay Softball World Series, are expected to formally present 'the NAGAAA Gay

Softball World Series' to members of the Pittsburgh delegation in separate ceremonies.

Season play is expected to begin in most NAGAAA affiliated leagues in the last few weeks of April and to culminate in the early parts of August. The season will continue though as member leagues send teams to Pittsburgh in late August to participate in the 1990 Gay World Series.

This years' World Series will be a unique experience for NAGAAA members, as this is expected to be NAGAAA members, as this is expected to be NAGAAA's largest World Series of record as well as the first World Series sponsored by one of NAGAAA smaller affiliated leagues, Pittsburgh's Steel City Softball League. Members of the Steel City Softball League, under the auspices of Nancy Pribich, haven't let that fact hinder them, however, as they have lined up such sponsors as Strohs beer (the

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Several bar owners gathered for a photo at The Triangle.

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Letters

To the Editor:

Those who attended LRN's awards-nite on Wed. Jan. 17th, experienced a wonderful feeling to see dignified members of our community receive well-deserved recognition. In his opening remarks, Ralph Navarro criticized the Gay/Lesbian community (for want of a better term) for our internalized homophobia that prevents our Community from progressing to a vibrant force in Milwaukee. Fine. However, Mr. Navarro continued to describe how many of us in our community continue intensifying our internalized homophobia by perpetrating rumors and personality attacks upon members of our Community; and then further went on to list the rumors that have been inflicted upon his person over the course of his sojourn in Milwaukee.

It is one thing, Mr. Navarro, to criticize and chastise our Gay and Lesbian community. We need it. But please, do not insult our intelligence.

Vicious rumors, innuendoes and personality slurs are a constant in any community, especially the more active and well-known a person becomes in that community. It is not pleasant to deal with at times, but we continue to strengthen our Community in spite.

But to grandstand and don the martyr's mantle in front of members of the media and our Community; and attempt to intimidate us to feel guilty by using the old internalized homophobia gimmick is an affront to our intelligence. The maneuver, in this case, only deflects the issues at hand, not deal with them. It begs of asking our Community to "back off", "let's get on with business, let's stop fighting and work together," etc.

Many of us have been involved in enough organizations in our Community over the years and are, indeed, sick of the infighting. It is inherent in any organization and within every community. Yet, there is growth potential when issues and strategies are at hand, and not ego trips. Sometimes, I repeat, sometimes rumors evolve into exaggerated versions

of the facts. Sometimes these rumors may need to be re-considered and investigated before passing judgment; which we tend to do whether we have the capacity or not.

Maybe our community can be guilty of apathy and cowardice at times. Because sometimes we look the other way when we should confront specific concerns and rumors and innuendoes. Unfortunately, too many rumors are malicious; but, also unfortunately, there are those in our Community who would cheat, lie, manipulate and con us all in the name of community who would cheat, lie, manipulate and con us all in the name of community and togetherness and growth.

Truly, only after we are long gone, we will be judged when the careful sifting of the rumor and deed have been accomplished.

(Any inferences to persons living or dead can only be construed by the reader and are purely unintended).

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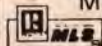
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caused me to shelve this book for some months.

Valley tells the story of two lovers, hurtling through Gay's fastest lane in New York and Fire Island in the late '70's. The expected elements are present: sex, alcohol and drugs galore. This is not Andrew Holleran's landmark novel chronicling those years, **Dancer from the Dance**, nor is it meant to be. After the initial period that the two lovers — Andy and Teddy — later refer to affectionately as the "War Years," they separate.

Some years later, Andy runs into Teddy, obviously devastated by AIDS and, Andy soon learns, penniless. He takes Teddy in, cares for him until his death, and soon after, discovers that he himself has also developed AIDS.

This is by no means a "cautionary tale" describing the result of promiscuity. It's a realistic tale of a romantic but rocky relationship and, later, once the disease has set in, of strength and caring, if not heroism, a story of this

epidemic not that often told. David never moralizes; his protagonist simply tells the story matter-of-factly. Readers who wish to find this a book describing "the wages of sin" will. But they will have missed the main point.

"Uplifting" may not be the most apt adjective for this novel, but nor is it one of "utter hopelessness." Along the way, the reader is treated to various sexy scenes, some comic, others tragicomic. Davis withholds both the most intimate sexual details as well as the most gruesome medical ones, to focus instead on Andy's state of mind.

Whether or not the reader will like this work may largely depend on his/her own mentality and fears regarding AIDS. For those ready to tackle the topic in fiction, **Valley of the Shadow** is one of the better novels of the many now published on this issue.

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multitalented; Leslie Caron and Audrey Hepburn were androgynous and exotic; Natalie Wood was sensitive and had breathtakingly beautiful brown eyes. Put them all together and what do you get? Kate Clinton! (Who I will probably have a crush on as long as we both shall live.)

Finally, also in defense of my childhood crushes, I would like to point out that, back then, we didn't exactly have a lot of tough, savvy, feminist role models to choose from. And at the risk of further slipping into curmudgeonism, I feel compelled to say that these baby dykes today have it great when it comes to suffering the sweet torments or a crush on some star. They can choose from among Martina Navratilova, Melissa Etheridge, Tracy Chapman, k. d. lang, Whitney Houston, Signourney Weaver, and dozens of others. Though come to think of it, my entire softball team has crushes on these women — and there's not a baby dyke among us!

Anyway, despite this impressive list, I'm only sending out one valentine this year: to the woman who helped me take the martyr out of Valentine's Day and put in a lot of joyful love instead. And I don't mean Connie Stevens.

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Books

The Boys In The Bars,

By Christopher Davis
(Knights Press, 206 pp., \$9.50);

Valley of the Shadow,

By Christopher Davis
(St. Martin's Press, 211 pp., \$7.95).

Reviewed by Jeff Kirsch

Christopher Davis' first short story collection, *The Boys In The Bars*, follows his first two successful novels. Some of these stories were first published in *Christopher Street* magazine and the title story was showcased in George Stambolian's *Men On Men 2*. Others have been previously unpublished.

Most of these stories take place in Manhattan and on Fire Island, beginning in the late '70's and continuing through

the late '80's. Some are mainly humorous, such as "The Art of Criticizing Writers" (the "art" involved is not to criticize them at all); others merely have a light exterior. Among the latter are "Oeufs a la Neige" and "Rope Trick," where the overt subjects are cooking and bondage, respectively, but the underlying subject is alcoholism.

In the same vein is perhaps the collection's most successful story, which gives this volume its title. The not-always-detached narrator meets with his friends for daily cocktails and is treated to their dishing, sniping, and tales of love and rejection, while the subject of AIDS, first lurking only outside the bar, slowly invades their coterie.

The most gripping, haunting story is "untitled", the story of a writer and the dependent relationship he ends up finding himself in with unattractive, unspeaking teen-ager.

Davis' most ambitious story, "History," might have worked better as a novella. A tale of pre-AIDS and post-AIDS life (yes, Davis does mean after AIDS is cured), starts coherently and engagingly enough, but ultimately doesn't come together. The reader senses Davis' attempt at a "profound" story. Although not altogether unsuccessful, this story needs further expansion to round out its characters and a better ending than the futuristic one Davis supplies.

Others of the thirteen stories included are lighter, easily read, and enjoyable, but essentially "filler" material that lacks the depth behind Davis' well rendered surfaces. Nonetheless, this collection is fairly well-founded and one of Knights Press best books. For easy-to-read and often insightful pieces, *The Boys In The Bars* is a welcome addition to gay short fiction.

Valley of the Shadow, Davis' second novel, sustains the high quality of his first, *Joseph and the Old Man*. Just as readers may be influenced by reviews they read, so are reviewers. A negative review that I read, calling this novel "too depressing" and one that left the reader with a feeling of "utter hopelessness"

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Viewpoints

When Political Correctness Runs Amok

By Cliff O'Neill

Is it unavoidable that the oppressed shall eventually become the oppressor? Look around. It would seem so.

Certainly it is a controversial issue, since no non-dominant group would ever want to be seen doling out the same currency of hatred which has been dealt to them over the centuries.

But it happens. And all too often some Gay men or Lesbians act like Jerry Falwell and his followers in their brazen intolerance of those who do not subscribe to their moral standards.

How can Lesbians and Gay men, who the world's anti-Gay forces would force to submit to their bigoted standards of "morality" if they could, turn around and reject those who don't live up to that individual's personal attitude of how the world should operate? Easy.

Whereas Falwell and company utilize their own interpretation of Judeo-Christian teachings as a club, Gay and Lesbian activists instead use their own weapon: the fuzzy yardstick of "political correctness."

As with the fundamentalists, Lesbian and Gay moralists hold a register of people who are to be condemned to their own queer hell: all Gay Republicans (regardless of their level of political activism); anyone who drinks Coors or listens to Donna Summer music (or worse yet, buys it); anyone who buys Kellogg's cereal, eats California grapes, or does not use the proper set of gender-neutral terms; or anyone who ever does or says anything, which in any way can be construed as being even remotely sexist, racist, classist, looksist, fatist, internally homophobic, anti-Semitic, anti-Native American, anti-prisoner, anti-animal or any number of other -istish things.

Surely this list itself flies in the face of

all that is "political correct," as, without a doubt, there is some terrible category which has been inadvertently omitted.

This is not a plug for the attitudes some who are quick to downplay the serious concerns of Gay and Lesbian activists. But why is it that, like the right-wingers, some of these hard-working activists feel they can be the deciders of what is right and wrong for an entire community, whether they agree or not?

I would never touch a Coors. I never liked Kellogg's, so giving it up was no big deal. And grapes were never my favorite. But, by the same token, I feel that if the community is to still put Donna Summer on the pillory for boneheaded statements she made years ago, they why doesn't it ban Michael Jackson music from its clubs for his AIDS-phobic actions and quiz all divas about their attitudes towards homosexuality before it will support them?

I, personally, find it ridiculous to "boycott" a singer whose comments may have been heard by a handful of people at a concert when there are dozens of artists, most of which don't have a large Gay following, that defame us, encourage people to beat us up, and blame us for spreading AIDS that we don't even criticize.

But whether I say the "right" words or buy the "right" things, it is my decision as an informed Gay man, not the decision of a handful of talking heads in the collectives of our nation's Gay and Lesbian ghettos.

And while it is vital for our movement to mobilize to punish our enemies and reward our friends, the way to achieve that end is to inform our communities about them, and then let them make their own decisions.

Likewise, we must understand that not all our "enemies" are forever against us, and some may be ambiguous enemies at best.

For example, many have long since

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Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipter

Keeping the Martyr In St. Val's Day?

Valentine's Day is a time-honored tradition that dates from at least the sixteenth century and is only loosely, if at all, connected with either or the two martyred saints, name of Valentine. Even with all this history, it is not exactly a major holiday. In fact, it's just one short step up from all those "Hallmark holidays"; — like grandparent's day. (And who even knows when that is? — aside from maybe your grandmother and Doralee's Card and Gift Emporium.)

Still, when I was single — which at least half of the time I didn't really want to be — Valentine's Day would take on epic proportions. I would mourn the fact that I had no one to celebrate Valentine's Day with and agonize over whether I should or shouldn't send a valentine to my current crush. Would it further my cause? Was she only waiting for a sign from me to act on her own feelings of passion? Or would sending a valentine make her laugh at the absurdity of her ever being interested in someone like me?

And somehow, just because I wasn't a kid anymore didn't make having a crush any easier. In fact, as you get older, I have found, bearing a crush can be even harder. For instance, if you, as an adult, have a crush on someone you actually know, you have to endure the subtle torture of secretly yearning for what certainly seems, after all, possible, while at the same time trying to prevent yourself from running through the whole list of past unrequited infatuations. When you're young, the list is much shorter. Or, if you find your adult self pining away for some media star, you have to live with the awful knowledge that you probably will never meet this woman much less have her declare her undying love for you. When you were a kid, everything seemed possible and that was reason enough to hope.

The other painful wisdom that comes with age is what really bizarre taste in

women you had as a blossoming baby dyke. Or am I the only one who kept a Connie Stevens scrapbook and was glued to the TV set every Monday night for "Wendy and Me"? You don't remember that sterling example of high quality television programming? Don't worry — I hardly do myself. And remember: I was a rabid Connie Stevens fan. But here's what I do remember: she had George Burns for a landlord; she sometimes held her socks up with chewing gum (or maybe I'm making that part up); and she made my little preadolescent heart go pitty-pat. At this time in my life, it's hard to understand what my ten-year-old self found so attractive about ol' Connie, but clearly she was important to me then.

Not so important, however, that she couldn't be replaced. I recall transferring my undying devotion quite painlessly and with nary a guilt pang from Connie to Nancy Sinatra. I think the white go-go boots were the turn-on there. Actually, it was probably her tough girl rendition of "These Boots Were Made for Walking."

Whatever the attraction was, it clearly wasn't enough to earn my loyalty either, because I mentally assembled, as I struggled through adolescence, a virtual stable of women I would gladly have died for if they would only once have embraced me. My heart throbs included Carol Burnett, Leslie Caron, Audrey Hepburn, and Natalie Wood. When I rattle off this list now — from Connie to Natalie — my girlfriend laughs at the odd assemblage. And I have to admit that those old crushes of mine form a comic picture when presented as a group.

But in my defense, let me point out that (1) my taste got better as I got older (not to mention more consistent and more in character) and (2) though most of these women weren't my ideal, they each offered something I was yearning for — either in myself or in a significant other. Connie was offbeat and wacky; Nancy, judged by '60s standards, was glamorous; Carol Burnett was witty and

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forgiven Coors for their by-now notorious anti-Gay policies of the '70s and early '80s. But few are aware that (according to Federal Election Commission records) as recently as 1988, members of the Coors family bankrolled an entire slate of right wing candidates (including Jesse Helms) via massive contributions to their own conservative-funding political action committee and a mess of other equally rabid, small PACs.

The answer to this problem would seem to be the education of the community of these facts, not the excoriation of those who either do not know them or who have different points of view on the matter.

To offer one warped example of how misguided some activists can be on the matter is the Donna Summer "issue." How is it that some of the same people who so indignantly march into the D.J. booths of Gay bars and so self-righteously demand that the "traitor bitch" be sent to Gay Siberia can then turn around and puff away on cigarettes?

Isn't it the tobacco lobby that bankrolls Jesse Helms repeated homophobic, hate-filled campaigns, or does the North Carolina bigot owe his career to the airheaded chanteuse? Isn't it Jesse Helms who introduces legislation that declares us "unhealthy, abnormal and unnatural," who seeks to undermine every AIDS-related bill in Congress and to strip us of the few civil rights we still have, or are a few obscure and moronic commentaries from a vacuous popster a worse evil?

One easy answer would be addiction. The other, apathy. But whatever the answer to that question might be I can't help but reel at the hypocrisy of so many of these Gay moral pundits.

So next time you get a lecture on right and wrong from an irate, P.C. potentate just look for square bulges in shirt pockets and stained teeth. They are the clear signs of a worse condition: "P.C. fraud."



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John M. Cowles 1953-1990

John M. Cowles, of Whitefish Bay, WI, died January 12 at the age of 36. John was well-known for his industriousness and generosity. He devoted much of his energy to various activities in the Gay community. He was the President of GAMMA, a gay athletic/social organization from 1980 until 1986; during that time he lead the association from a membership of 40 men and women to over 100. He initiated such activities as the annual Milwaukee harbor boat-trip, the annual exchange of events with GAMMA — Twin Cities, and the popular "Sunday swim". Above all, however, John organized and managed volleyball activities for the Greater Milwaukee Gay community; he served as "setter" for his team, the GAMMA RAYS. Under his leadership, GAMMA hosted a social volleyball evening, a Saturday Volleyball League, and a competitive volleyball team that represented Milwaukee throughout tournaments in United States and Canada.

John was a member of the Board of Directors of the Cream City Foundation and served as operations manager for the Community Center. He was instrumental in securing sponsorship for many Gay activities from his employer, the Miller Brewing Company; through John's efforts, the 1985 Gay World Series of Softball was able to obtain Miller's financial support. He was a regular participant in the "Monday Night Irregulars" bowling league.

He was born in Grand Rapids, MI, attended Michigan State University and the University of California, Berkeley, and graduated *summa cum laude* from MSU in 1975 with a B.S. in Chemistry. After working in Vitamin D research at the University of California, San Francisco, John moved to Milwaukee to attend Marquette University where he received a Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry in 1983. Until his death he was employed at the Miller

Brewing Company in the Master Brewers Division. As a Senior Research Chemist, John was instrumental in development of the Watertown Hops Company and was the recipient of a Chairman's Award from the Phillip Morris Companies in 1988. With his colleagues, John was awarded two U.S. Patents for brewing research. His hobbies included bridge, bowling, gardening and sailing. He traveled often to South America as well as to Europe and Africa. In addition to his activities in the Gay community, he was on the Board of the Friends of The Haggerty Museum of Art.

John met his lover of 17 years, Dave Stowe, at Michigan State University in 1973; they soon developed a close relationship which continued to strengthen over the years. John will be greatly missed by Dave and his close friends both within and outside the Gay community. He will also be missed by his sisters, Chris Cowles of Shorewood and Cathy Cowles-Hentschel of Grand Rapids, MI, his mother and father, his nieces and his grandmother.

A Memorial Celebration of John's life was conducted on January 21, 1990, at the Village Church, Milwaukee. During the service, friends and family shared testimonials and anecdotes about John and how greatly his energy and charm had touched their lives. In lieu of flowers, John requested that donations in his behalf be made to either the Cream City Foundation, P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53201, or the Haggerty Museum of Art, Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI 53233.

CCF has announced that Cowles' memorial fund will be used to establish a scholarship and a community activist award in John's name.

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(as we nuns say) of attending the Gay churches... religiously. If you're hoping to mate with a forest ranger type, you've got to join the Gay Sierrans and ford ev'ry stream. And this means that if you are searching for a serious monogamous relationship, it is probably a waste of time answering the personals ad of "Roamin' Roger the Rubber Orgy Master" or "Floatin' Flo who flits from flower to flower."

Which brings us to another path towards lovers lane — the personals. Even if you practically break out in hives at the very thought of writing an ad, it's a good method of at least clarifying on paper

what you have to offer and to whom you want to offer it. You might even get up the nerve to actually submit the ad. Or answer someone else's.

If you are a high techie type, subscribe to a computer dating club. The application form is usually sent to you free of charge until you mail it back to be computerized. Use the form as a guideline to show you the continuum of compromises you are or are not willing to make for your match (hobbies, sports, career, education, age, looks, species).

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available in your home town, do some studying on your own. Many of us want a lover all right, but have not actually taken the time or effort to outline the characteristics we are looking for. Most of us vaguely in the Milk Advisory TV commercials — milk is for every body — or the muscle models in magazine ads for Soloflex exercise equipment. Listen here, Long Ranger, if you don't know what you want, how will you know you have it when it finally comes along? Seems to me it's time to get down to some serious soul-searching.

Begin by making a Lover's Checklist of qualities you are wishing to find in your prospective mate. let's take for example (oh, we'll call him "Dana") one man's shopping list: 1. spirituality (the new-age, unconditional-love type of guy); 2. sense of humor (not the fake nose-glasses and plastic barf variety, but something a tad more urbane and sophisticated); 3. communication skills (something beyond "so-what-are-you-into?"); 4. romance (something beyond "so-what-are-you-into?"); 5. mutuality (I'm neither looking for a daddy nor a son. Ideally we are both equals who feel good about ourselves and want to share that with each other); 6. culture (it's OK if we watch baseball together occasionally, but he has to go to the opera and ballet with me, too. "Oh, all right, you can wear your baseball cap with your tux to the symphony..."); and 7. a willingness to risk and be different ("...but I think it's only fair to warn you that I'm wearing my tux and Joan Crawford heals to the ball game with you.").

If you are really serious about getting serious, you will want to take a close look at what you want your relationship to be structured on. It really isn't a marriage made in heaven when one partner is the free-and-wild-nature's-child out every other night pollinating, while the lover is dutifully home dusting the **Architectural Digests** and building the next. Certain guidelines need to be established. Will you insist on monogamy or will this be an open relationship? How open? Is there a revolving door to the bedroom? Are the

towels monogrammed "his," "his," and "whoever's?"

What roles, if any, will you assign each other? Who gets to be Julia Child and who is Mr. Clean? In other words, which one cooks the garbage and which one takes it out?

Once you have figured out the specifics of the lover you are looking for, it is time to take action. You have to make sure you are, as Connie Francis so aptly sang it, "where the boys are." (Women will want to be where the Connie Francises are). This requires persistence and diligence. If you want to hook up with a **spiritual** soul-mate, you've got to get in the habit

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The Arts

"Strange Snow"

Part of the Milwaukee Theatre Festival's first year, was to present a sample of some of our city's finest. In so doing, I had the opportunity to see Theatre Tesseract's review of "Strange Snow" from their successful 1987 season.

"Strange Snow" by Stephen Metcalfe is an interesting piece which reflects the post Viet Nam experience. We meet three characters. "Megs", a former soldier, arrives at the home of David, another Viet veteran, to go fishing on opening day of

taking the risk of human touch and important personal contact and so she too hides in her world of the safe and secure.

"Megs" entry into the world of both brother and sister pushes them to confront and deal. However in so doing, he also is touched by the process. Therefore, the experience of this threesome causes them all to be affected by their inter-relating one with another.

The Todd Wehr Theater at the PAC, the former home of the Milwaukee Rep, was a great space for Theatre Tesseract. The set design of Skelly Warren was just suitable enough to effect the comfy "cocoon" that David and Martha had shut themselves up in. The light design of Marty Wallner too was effective in creating the right mood.

Jonathan Smoots, as "Megs", showed the grand form as an actor of which he is capable. His characterization of a simple and unsophisticated man held a multiplicity of nuances and shading which were pure and simply superb! He made a character written with not a great scope of variance far more than one dimension. He was recast in this revival and reprised his former role.

Also returning to his former role as David, was David Ceasarini. With a

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Review

by Kevin Michael

the fishing season in 1982. In the early morning hours, "Megs" comes face to face with Martha, David's sister, a somewhat uptight schoolteacher. All three deal with their life situations in unique ways. David, scarred by the war experience, tries to drown his sorrows and memories in the bottle and forget. "Megs" just wants to remember the "good times" so processes his feelings and emotions by reliving it. Martha has run away from life and too is afraid of

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Valentine's Advice



By Sister Dana Van Iquity of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence aka Dennis McMilian

So, it's Valentine time once again, and you are not anticipating receiving an elegantly wrapped 5- pound box of Godiva chocolates from your Mr. Right (or Ms. WonderWoman). Oh, let's be real; at this point you'd be grateful for one lousy foil-wrapped Hershey's chocolate kiss from Mr. Make-Do or Ms. AnyOleWoman). But not even THAT is forthcoming, is it?

So, Mr. Red-Blooded, Gay American Man, how come it seems you're the only one in town who doesn't have a hot date with Cupid's arrow (you know... that long, thick, stiff, love-shaft that keeps shooting into everybody's ...er... heart). And you, Ms. Liberated Lesbian, might as well be a straight spinster for all the love action you've seen lately!

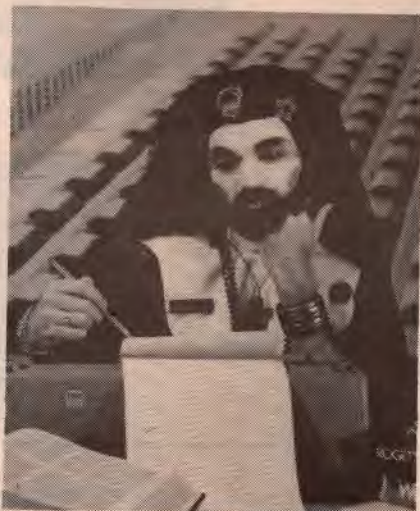
But if you are one of those rare guys and gals whose only worry this February 14 is finding just the right greeting card for your lover, one that tastefully matches the pink and grey tones of the new living room furniture you both recently purchased together, go read something else; this article is definitely not for you!

Okay. Are we alone, now? Have all the blissed-out, happy little couples fled to another page of this magazine, gleefully checking the ads for more furniture and finery to feather their little love-nest with?

Good. I can speak frankly. You bet we're alone now! And it's a drag. I mean, we just barely got through Christmas with all its hearth and home imagery, only to run smack into New Years, where everyone kisses and blows horns and auld acquaintance is soon forgot. Hell, we'd settle for a New acquaintance lasting more than a month, right?

And just when we thought it was safe to go back into the water... dum dum, dum dum, dum dum dum dum..." "Jaws 14: The Valentine Monster!"

After all those romantic holidays with no romance, we're no doubt emotional



[photo by Chicester]

Sister Dana Van Iquity

wrecks by now. But at least we've got a small respite until Eastertime rears its ugly head with cuddly stuff bunnies and baskets (oh, those baskets!).

But it's not fair. It seems as if everyone on earth has pair-bonded but you and me, right?

What's wrong, Lonelyheart? It COULD be your attitude. If you think romance has passed you by, maybe just maybe it is YOU, dear, who is doing the passing.

Or failing.

With this thought in mind, I decided to do some studying on the subject. I mean, when I was a college student getting D-minus in chemistry, I sought help from tutors and started hanging out a lot in the chem lab doing experiments. It's no different now. If you're a student of the heart and seem to be flunking out, turn to the experts, do some experimenting, and learn to improve your grade.

Your first step might be to enroll in a Gay Relationships Class. You can figure that, if nothing else, at least the homework should be fun. If this is not

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broader character from the script. Cecasarini had much more to work with but didn't deliver as fully as he might. His David was very one dimensional and didn't fully develop because the actor didn't allow him to. Perhaps it was the choices, he seemed to be able to pout and hurt, but he didn't make me "feel" for him as much as he was able. I had the distinct impression that he was holding back. He just didn't click for me and was not on a par with Smoots excellent work.

Laura Gordon was newly cast as Martha in this production. Gordon too was hit and miss in her approach to Martha. She was able to aptly make us believe that she was nervous and cautious. However, her transition to "risk" the possibility of vulnerability was not clearly understandable nor believable. Even when she describes her intent to her brother, it didn't sound convincing and so. Confusing.

A unique and thought provoking piece, however a rather uneven evening at the theater because of the acting.

Women's Ninth Annual Film and Video Festival

[Chicago]- More and more women are breaking into the film industry from behind the camera. To celebrate the diversity of women who are making films and tapes, Women in the Director's Chair is holding its ninth annual film and video festival, **All The Angles**, at Columbia COLlege (600 South Michigan, Chicago, Illinois) from March 1-4, 1990.

This year's festival will showcase films from 10 different countries - including the premiere of a West German film, titled "The Germans and Their Men". Also, the premier of "Women's Story", a controversial work by exiled Peng Xiaolian which was recently banned by the Chinese government.

Part of what makes the annual festival a must see is WIDC's ability to attract projects which are both timely and topical. Two such works are: "John's Not Mad",

which examines the tormenting affects of Tourette's Syndrome on a teen-ager and everyone around him and "With A Vengeance", which tackles the social responsibility of a woman's right to have an abortion.

During the four-day film and video festival, there will be panel discussions as well as workshops. Former Chicagoan Barbara Hammer will conduct a workshop in scriptwriting.

Both Women in the Director's Chair and Columbia College are working in cooperation to make this year's festival one of the best ever. For further information call the WIDC office at (312) 281-4988.

"The Road To MECCA"

The Milwaukee Chamber Theatre will open their third production of the season with **The Road to Mecca** by Athol Fugard, at the Stiemke Theatre in the Milwaukee Repertory Theatre Center from February 9 through 25. The brilliant South African author continues his exploration of personal freedom in this unusual work about an older woman's conflict with the prejudices against age and individuality in a small Afrikaan village.

MECCA was named as one of the best plays of the decade by Time Magazine. "I first saw the play in London at the National Theatre" says artistic director Montgomery Davis "and was deeply moved by it. To watch a dignified English audience leave the theatre in floods of tears was quite something. Seeing it again in New York, I was taken with it even more, so it was worth the wait to get the rights for it."

For ticket information please call 224-9490. Senior and student rates are available.

"McCarthy"

McCarthy, by Jeff Goldsmith, is a fast-paced historical drama about Joe McCarthy, the junior senator from Wisconsin whose ill-founded scare tactics against alleged subversives and communists grew to legendary

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Inklings

Home Sick

By Tim Hensiak

Calling in sick makes me ill. It's my mother's fault.

Although I'm an adult now, whenever I get the urge to stay home from work sick or not I must first struggle to overcome my mother's Olympian attendance expectations.

As a child, my campaign to stay home from school began the night before. Whether the pain lodged in my throat, stomach, ears, or head I was excessively vocal about it.

"Go to sleep" my mom would say. "We'll see how you feel in the morning." The line she used in the morning was, "Why don't you brush your teeth, and then we'll see how you feel." A 1960's mom, she had unshakable faith in fluorides restorative powers.

The charade worked sometimes. Other times, my mother skillfully played on my guilt over missing school fears of falling behind or of ruining my reputation among teachers. So, defeated I would slowly get dressed and drag myself out the door.

When I was truly sick, my mom stayed home with me, and that was a treat. She would roll the television set in from her room to the end of my bed and together we would watch reruns of Gilligan's Island and Green Acres. My sick-day hey-days were those when I was left alone. With free run of the house and the thrill of a stolen day, my creativity blossomed. My "convalescence" was evidenced by ice-cream-stick planters, self-portraits in crayon, a new found interest in my neglected toys. And in the kitchen, I invented sandwiches out of peanut butter, rice, Life Savers and jelly.

Having inhabited my body for almost three decades, I'm finally inclined to believe I know when I'm deservedly sick and when I'm able to make it through the day. But still, I begin my arbitrations the night before. If I decide to go in, I must prepare myself. If I'm staying home, I must assume a sickly disposition.

Monday morning arrives with a host of decisions to make...What is the proper time to call in? Definition of illness - do I refer to my malady as flu, or mere cold? If designated flu, can I return hale and hearty the next day, possibly undermining my credibility? On the other hand, does a bout with a mundane cold warrant a day away from work? Most people simply say they're not feeling well...I'm compelled to give a complete diagnosis.

The purpose of taking a sick day is to rest, but these mental gymnastics electrify me like caffeine. I could still hop in the shower and make it on time, I say to myself. But what if I feel lousy all day, I counter back. Finally, a series of sneezes decides it; I reach for the phone but pause for a run-through. A cold has got to sound like a cold, and so I do a voice check. Two surefire techniques add a convincing note: Minutes before estimated calling time, I lie across the bed with my head hung over the side. The "head hang" insures my sinuses will be in peak congestion. Next the "tissue twist"...I roll up a corner of a facial tissue, insert it in a nostril and tickle until I produce a lusty sneeze. If timed precisely, I can sneeze and say "hello" simultaneously.

Until these absurd theatrics are behind me, I cannot truly enjoy my sick day. Even now, my mother's disappointment still haunts me.

Midmorning, the telephone ring shatters my solitude. My heart steps up its pace. I'm sure it's my boss trying to catch me uncongested and alert. I count a reasonable number of rings (the approximate time it would take me to rouse myself from under the healing blankets and lumber wearily, weakly across the room) "Hullo?" I answer faintly.

Is it worth it? I'm not sure. Being sick used to be such fun. Now it just seems like too much work.



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proportions. Frank Condon, who directed the original production of *McCarthy* at L.A.'s Odyssey Theatre, will direct this powerful drama running through February 18. "McCarthy was a master manipulator of the public's fears, and he brought these fears into focus during the coldest part of the 'Cold War', when Russia served as a convenient scapegoat for American frustrations," said director Frank Condon.

Talkbacks will take place on January 18, 25, February 1, 8 and 15 at 8:00 pm. There will be an interpreted performance for the hearing-impaired on Sunday,

February 18, at 2:00 p.m. Tickets range from \$4 - \$18. For reservations call the MRT Box Office at (414) 224-9490.

"Camille: La Traviata"

[Milwaukee]- *Camille: La Traviata*, an original adaptation of Giuseppe Verdi's masterpiece, *La Traviata*, and Alexander Dumas' play and novel, *Lady of the Camellias*, will be presented by the Skylight Opera Theatre, through February 18th at the Skylight Theatre. Directed by Francesca Zambello, the Skylight's Artistic Director, with musical direction

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Juicy Bits

by W.W. Wells III

Winter Break

Post holiday depression. Winter doldrums. Burnout. No matter what it's called, the prescription used to remedy the malady is usually the same, a vacation. Unfortunately, many Gays and Lesbians are so involved in the problem they can't see the solution. Not taking a vacation because they don't even know they need one. Fortunately, I have been able to pinpoint often overlooked events which certainly merit a vacation. If you have experienced any of the situations in the checklist below, contact your travel agent immediately.

It's time for a vacation when... your mother telephones and says she knows you're twenty-nine, lived with 6 different men in the last 3 years and own every Bette Midler album ever recorded, but that still doesn't prove that you are Gay.

It's time for a vacation when... you are so exhausted after making love you are convinced your lover hired Paula Abdul to choreograph the sex session.

It's time for a vacation when... animal rights activists picket your house, protesting cruelty to rabbits, after an ex-lover spitefully tips them off about the fuzzy, pink bunny slippers you wear around the house.

It's time for a vacation when... you realize it's been so long since you've made love the condoms in the night stand have passed their expiration date.

It's time for a vacation when... you've been so cranky lately that your cat files for a divorce.

It's time for a vacation when... exasperated and unable to find a condom, you wrap his weenie in Reynold's Wrap and then yelp in agony when the foil makes pain-inducing contact with a silver filling.

It's time for a vacation when... you are dating a man who is so cheap he tips a male stripper \$1, and then plunges his hand into the dancer's g-string, fishing around for 50 cents change.

It's time for a vacation when... your entire social life consists of calling the phone number of an old boyfriend just to hear his voice on the answering machine message.

It's time for a vacation when... you are so confused lately, you place a personal ad which says you're looking for someone who's into Lite leather and specify "no chubbies", because your doctor told you to watch your cholesterol level and fat intake.

It's time for a vacation when... you have been spending so much time in Gay bars lately, you now consider those little fish crackers served during cocktail hour to be one of the five basic food groups.

It's time for a vacation when... you are so tired of your room-mate, the thought of spending time locked in a small room with Andy Rooney and a heavy smoker is now strangely appealing.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

I'm writing this column the night of the 24th, and all the weather forecasters are predicting snow for tonight and tomorrow, which should make all our ski bunny friends happy... we've had a rather warm, snowless January to date.

We managed to get pictures of the Miss Gay Chubby Wisconsin Pageant at Club 219 in the last issue, but this column was already off to the typesetter, so let me take this opportunity to congratulate Bouji, who captured the crown (finally... she got a title!). Did I say that... somebody slap me! (Bouji knows I love her!) Four other girls vied, with Ginger Snaps (Baby Divine) taking first runner-up.

Congratulations to Judy and her staff at Jo'Dee's for celebrating the 17th Anniversary of the Racine institution. Here's to lots more!

Mondays haven't been dull in January with Partner's weekly look-alike and act-alike contests. The 15th saw Holly Brown wanna' be's compete and the 22nd saw three George Prentice's wandering the bar. The contests were to be wrapped up on the 29th with a Ginger Spice contest.

Rodney and George tapped a keg for a night of free beer at Rod's to thank their customers for continued support. The Mid Wisconsin Gay Alliance (formerly the Monday Nite Dance Club) held its "New Faces of the 90's" show at Platwood Club on the 20th. They have an active schedule the next couple of months to keep their area hopping.

Club 219's Sunday night special continues through the 25th of February, with an open bar from 10:30-11:30 prior to the 219 Girls Show, with a \$3 cover.

Jet's Place premiered their weekly Wednesday night 'Talent Search', with hostess with the most-est, Miss M emceeding the contests. There's a \$50 cash prize for the 10:30 show. All talents will be judged on the quality of their individual talent, with the best overall winning.

Masquer's has added video to their Wausau establishment, and is finally getting around to having its Grand Opening from February 23-25. Downtown Express in Eau Claire, was to close January 27th. Donny, David and John, in a letter, said "we at the Downtown Express regretfully announce the closing of our establishment due to circumstances beyond our control. A heartfelt thanks to all for your patronage and support. You've made the last two years eventful,

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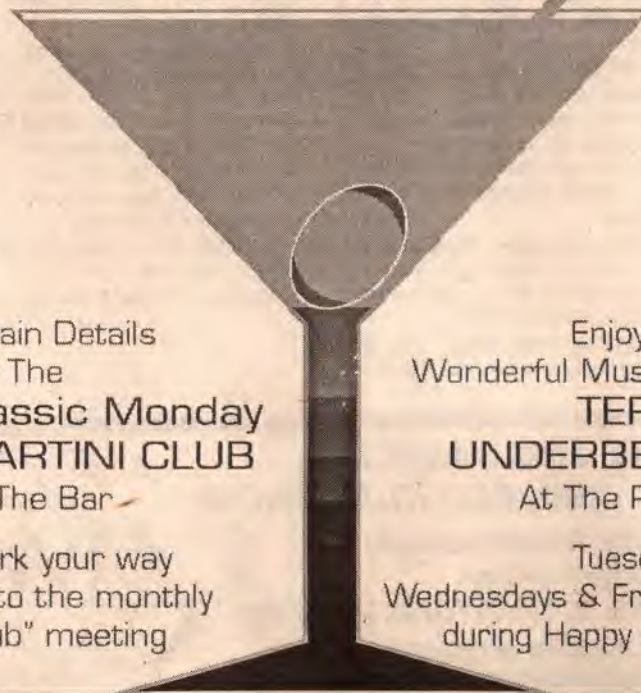
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Partner's had Holly Brown & George Prentice look-a-like & act-alike contests, that helped to make Monday night in January unique.

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exciting and most of all, fun. We hope to relocate soon."

I have to apologize for not mentioning Doubleday's before now. If you haven't discovered their food as of yet, you're in for a treat. Chuck, Steve and Steve and their staff provide fast-service Italian and Greek specialties, as well as char-broiled burgers and sandwiches. I've tried their lasagna, pizza, spaghetti, Italian beef & sausage sandwiches, as well as their gyros, grilled pita sandwiches since they've opened, and can recommend them all, without a qualm. They're open from 4pm until an hour after-bar seven days a week, and located at 814 South 2nd St.

(the old Shadow's).

GAB, the Green Bay Area Bars, are preparing for their second round-robin on Sunday, February 11th. GAB formed when all five area Gay/Lesbian bars decided to promote community togetherness. See one of the bars for details.

Hope you all have a happy Valentine's Day... many of our bars and restaurants are offering V.D. specials, and if you need to order flowers, check out our advertisers, and let them know you "Saw it in In Step". Next time!



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Touche' [Chicago]: 2nd of 3 day 'Tour of Wisconsin', tonite guest bartenders at Rod's.

New Bar [Madison]: 6th Anniv. Week, Women's Night, guest DJ's, Hors d'oeuvres, special candid video clips.

Rod's [Madison]: Bartender exchange with Touche'.

La Cage: Premiere of new Claim to Fame contest with Holly Brown.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Touche' [Chicago]: 3rd of 3 day 'Tour of Wisconsin', Milwaukee bar crawl.

M&M Club: Free, anonymous HIV Testing, by BESTD Clinic staff, 7pm-midnight.

New Bar [Madison]: 6th Anniv. Week, 'A night you won't forget', show with Jennifer, Erica, George & Karlotta, 9:30, no cover.

Rod's [Madison]: Buy a heart for \$1, write your message & the bar will post it. All proceeds to the Cookie Jar Fund, through the 14th of Feb.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

New Bar [Madison]: 6th Anniv. Week, best of dance music from last 6 years.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

M&M Club: Rona's Final Annual 29th Birthday Bash to benefit Cream City Chorus. Showtime 10:30pm. \$2 donation.

Wreck Room: Premiere of monthly 'Man of the Month' contest, judging on formal & do your own thing begins at 11pm. See bar to sign up. Contest first Sat. of every month.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Nitengales: King Prod. presents "Stars of Wisconsin", featuring King Prod. title holders & guests. Showtime 9pm, \$3 cover.

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in May. Held in conjunction with Argonauts, money goes to CPI's Emergency Fund. 4-9pm, \$3.50 donation.

M & M: Entertainment by Tommi & Nanette.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

10 percent Society/UW Milwaukee: AIDS Awareness Day, Co-Sponsored by MAP, a day of Workshops & booths on 2nd floor of Union.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Preview Party of new remodeling. Bar opens 10 pm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

MGA [Wi. Rapids]: Ice Skating at Wittier Field, 3pm. (Alternative Roller Skating), afterwards Soup & ? at Angela's (511 1/2 3rd St. South, Wi. Rapids).

The New Leaf [Janesville]: Sweet Heart Show, 10pm showtime, \$3 cover, with Madison's Miss Dusty & Guests.

Masquer's [Wausau]: Katrina K & Friends present a 'Valentine's Show to Warm Your Heart'. no cover, 10pm showtime.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: 1st Annual Club 94 'Follies', AIDS Benefit Show featuring 94's staff, 10pm.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Grand Re-opening Party, drink specials all nite.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

M&M: Entertainment by song stylist Sally Richards.

Sweet Sunday Afternoon [Madison]: An afternoon of sweets, chocolates & other just desserts in honor of Valentine's Day for the benefit of MASN. 1:30-4:30, Wilson Street Grill, (Wilson & Hamilton). \$15 per person. (608)255-1711 for registration.

All Saints Cathedral: Evensong & Public Healing Service for People Living with AIDS. Sacrament of Unction, prayers for PWA's, and those affected by AIDS.

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The New Leaf [Janesville]: Proudly presents the return of Chicago's 'The Rockets' Male dance troupe.

Masquer's [Wausau]: Beach Party & Beer Bust, 9pm-midnite, beach attire contest, drink specials.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: "The Dream Team" male dance troupe from Oklahoma.

Nitengales: Heart-filled day 4, 75 cent Slammers, 75 cent Schnaaps, \$1.25 shots Cuervo.

C'est La Vie: \$1,500 Singles Dart Tournament, \$10 entry fee, double elimination. See bartender.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Area Party, sit in the right place at right time & get a special bar tab.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Ces't La Vie: \$1,500 Singles Dart Tournament, \$10 entry fee, double elimination. See bartender.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Mr. & Miss Pivot Club Contest.

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Pivot Club [Appleton]: Mr. & Miss Pivot Club Contest.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

M&M/Glass Menagerie: Gourmet Night, reservations required.

Partner's: Premiere of monthly Classic Monday Martini Club, 9pm- close.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: \$1 rail, can beer & wine all nite.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Jet's Place: 'Have A Heart for AIDS', A MAP Benefit, \$3 cover, 10:30 showtime.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Valentine's Party with \$4 all you can drink Love Potion.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

VALENTINE'S DAY

Partner's: Valentine's Day Party with 'The Dating Game'.

M&M/Glass Menagerie: Valentine's Dinner for two.

Club 3054 [Madison]: Valentine's Day Specials.

Triangle: Happy Valentine's Day, hors d'oeuvres served.

Alternative: Valentine's Party and surprise show.

La Cage/Dance: Valentine's Day Party & Show, 'Turn-About', a MAP Fundraiser.

Rod's [Madison]: Sweetheart Special, Drink specials all day long.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Valentine's Red Drink Specials.

Club 219: Happy Valentine's with Love from The Dream Team Male dance troupe from Oklahoma, 10:30 Showtime, cover.

Ballgame: Valentine's Get-Together, Food & Door Prizes, 4pm-1am, \$3 Beer Bust.

Nitengales: Heart-Filled Day 1, \$3 Beer Bash, one complimentary glass of champagne.

Jet's Place: Talent Search not held tonite.

Pivot Club: Special Valentines Talent Shop, grand prize \$200.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Club 3054 [Madison]: Grand Opening Party, 6pm Cocktail Party with Hors d'oeuvres. Special Live entertainment by Dream Team throughout the evening, free champagne.

Nitengales: Heart-filled day 2, 2 for 1 rail drinks.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Two for one all evening.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Valentine's Dance: Hurricane Productions 1st Dance of the Decade, Turner Hall, 1034 N. 4th St., Milw. \$6 admission, cash bar, DJ, food available.

Nitengales: Heart-filled day 3, 75 cent Slammers, 75 cent Schnaaps, \$1.25 shots Cuervo.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Dream Team Dance Troupe from Oklahoma.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Za's [Green Bay]: King Productions presents, 'Stars of Wisconsin' show, \$3 cover, 9:30pm.

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