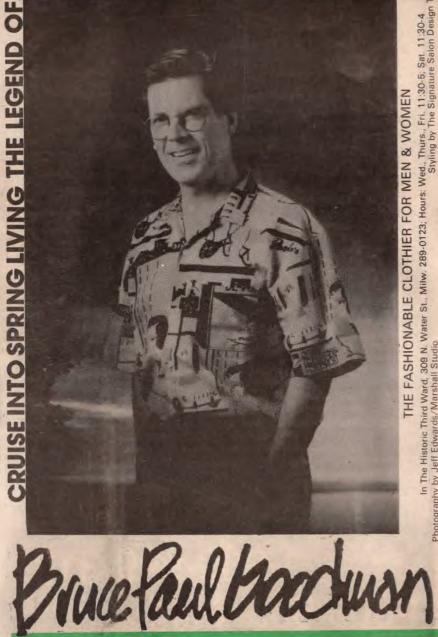
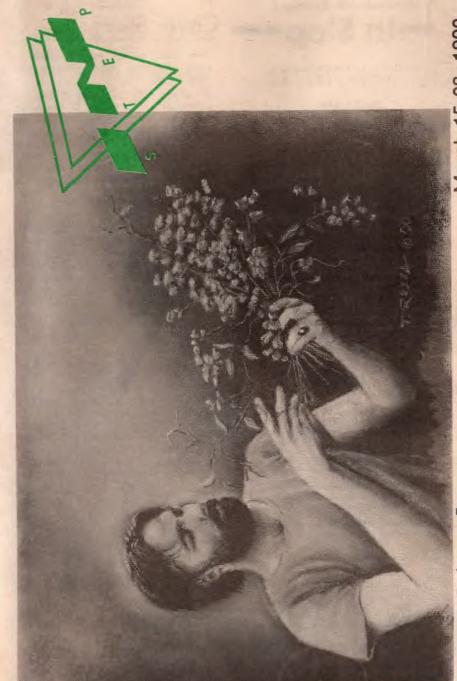
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by Tom Rezza



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News Briefs

Senate Unveils AIDS Care Bill

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington, D.C.- Senate leaders unveiled a massive AIDS care and disaster relief package at a Capitol Hill press conference March 6, bringing in actress and fundraiser Elizabeth Taylor to help them draw attention to the ongoing lack of access to treatment by people with AIDS and the mounting health care crisis in hard-hit cities nationwide.

To face the problems of the ongoing crisis, Sens. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) announced their introduction of the Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act of 1990, a massive package which would provide \$600 million in emergency aid to cities and states hit particularly hard by the epidemic and would expand access to treatment to early intervention services for the HIV infected.

The bill has already been co-sponsored by 16 other senators and could see Senate floor action as early as April, according to Kennedy.

"AIDS is unmercifully killing people — people I know and love, and, I suspect, people you know and love," said Taylor, founding national chairperson of the American Foundation for AIDS Research. "But sadly, the darkest days of the AIDS crisis still lie ahead of us. Hundreds of thousands of lives hang in the balance unless we begin to confront AIDS as a true national emergency."

In her remarks, Taylor vowed to "not stop fighting" and "not be silent" until the KennedyHatch bill is passed by Congress.

"America responded within days to the California earthquake," stated Kennedy in introducing his bill. "We have pledged tens of billions to rescue the savings and loan industry. AIDS is a comparable disaster and we need to respond effectively."

Pointing out that a friend of his was featured on the large square from the Names Product AIDS Memorial Quilt which served as a backdrop to the press conference, Hatch outlined the 'bill's provisions, calling for 'compassion and tolerance' of all those affected by AIDS and predicting the bill would be supported by the Bush administration.

Speaking to the massive number of reporters at the press conference — ostensibly there because of Taylor's appearance — National AIDS Commission member Belinda Mason called it "sad" that it took a celebrity's appearance to draw attention to the landmark AIDS bill.

"I think it's wonderful that (Taylor) does the work that she does for us," said Mason, who is also the president of the National Association of People With AIDS, "but it's very sad we have to have this to get the kind of attention that this issue needs. I find that very demeaning as a person with AIDS."

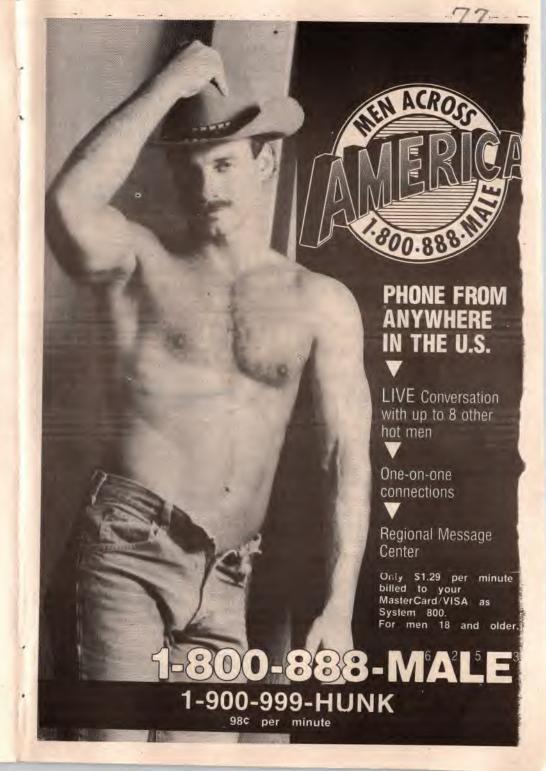
"We want nothing more or less than what each of you takes for granted today," she said, "a place to live, the right to have a job, to live our lives without unreasonable barriers and to have access to decent medical care. We are not asking for extras."

Ben-Shalom Discharged From Reserves

By Cliff O'Neill and Ron Geiman

Milwaukee- Milwaukee activist Sergeant Miriam Ben-Shalom, was discharged from the U.S. Army Reserves March 6 after the Supreme Court Feb. 26 declined to hear two cases challenging the military's standing policy which excludes Lesbians and Gay men from service.

Ben-Shalom's and James M. Woodward's separate cases both challenged the military's position on Gays and Lesbians. Ben-Shalom's 16-year battle with the Army to remain in the service was a series of victories until the



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Miriam Ben-Shalom [Left- wearing uniform] faced the major media during a rally on her behalf in front of the old Federal Courthouse in downtown Milwaukee. The Supreme Court recently refused to hear Ben- Shalom's case.

Supreme Court's decision.

The Supreme Court's refusal to hear the cases does not affect the military's policy, but also does not bar future challenges. Ben-Shalom had been fighting for reenlistment while Woodward sought to enlist as an openly Gay man.

Ben-Shalom was devastated and outraged, saying "What in the name of God do I need to do to be a citizen of this country and be fit to serve her? To have the same responsibilities and privileges as any other citizen"?

Ben Shalom's attorney Patrick Berrigan argued the Army violated Shalom's First Amendment right to free speech and her constitutional protections under the Equal Protection Clause by penalizing her for her statement that she was a Lesbian.

After winning repeated rounds in her case, Ben-Shalom was set back by a Chicago appeals court which declared that by identifying herself as a Lesbian, she declared herself as prone to 'criminal' behavior, and that evidence of same-sex sexual behavior was not needed to deny

her reenlistment. Her appeal to the Supreme Court was her last move in her continuing battle.

Ben-Shalom is uncertain about her future, but is hoping at some point discharged Lesbians and Gays could bring a class action suit against the Pentagon to force them to explain why they feel homosexuals are unfit for military service.

Milwaukee Rallies Behind Ben-Shalom

The evening of March 6th, approximately 30 people gathered in front of the Federal Court House in downtown Milwaukee in sub-freezing temperatures at the urging of Gay and Lesbian Supports Coalition (GALS). to honor and bestow their love and thanks on Miriam.

Miriam appeared, wearing her Army uniform for the last time, and listened to over a dozen speakers commend her on her long-fought battle. Most of Milwaukee's major media covered the event, with all three television stations reporting on it.

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Speaking at the end of the 70 minute rally, Ben-Shalom said "At 4:15 this afternoon, I was notified that my discharge papers were in order so it's sort of a gesture of defiance to stand here in front of you and to wear this uniform, but I tell you something, 'Thank You' are the only words in the English language that I have to say how much this rally means to me." She continued, "Let's go get Congress, and let's make it the Gay 90's. Whatever I can do for you it was my pleasure to do it for 16 years ... we don't need another hero, we need people who are willing to work... let's go get Congress and make it a little hot for them. Give me a week to breathe a little bit, cry, and feel bad, put away the uniform in mothballs... and then let's go raise a little Hell, what do you say?"

Speakers included a GALS spokesperson who read a letter of support from Rep. David Clarenbach (D-Madison), and Mr. Gay Wisconsin, J.J. Newmann. Newmann announced a plan that would encourage Gays and Lesbians to add the Lambda symbol to their signatures as a reminder to "merchants, businesses, and the government that they are there to serve our needs."

Newmann announced the "beginning of my own personal letter writing campaign calling for this effort nationwide... the only benefit being proposed is increased social awareness of our Gay community, which by no means, is a minimal benefit."

GALS' Doug Raedke then read a letter from the Lesbian and Gay Law Students Union at UW Madison that lauded Miriam for her "place in history."

Kitty Barber, speaking on behalf of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee said "The decision by the Supreme Court has relegated Gays and Lesbians in the military to the status of second class citizens. A few years ago I didn't think this was my problem, I didn't care because I didn't want to join the Army... but it became my problem." Barber continued, "We owe it to Miriam, and we owe it to ourselves. Because you may not see this as your problem right now, maybe

not today, but tomorrow you could lose your job, your children, your home, and maybe your life."

Sue Burke, who has covered Miriam's story in the Gay and Lesbian press since 1984, spoke next saying "we've learned we don't have as much freedom as we want and there are places in our own country that we are not allowed to be. Miriam hoped to change that... we are not done fighting, and maybe we can win the next one, for Miriam."

Another statement was read from Madison's Gays and Lesbian Visibility Alliance (GALVAnize) saluting Miriam's long fought battle.

Ben- Shalom's attorney, Pat Berrigan then addressed the crowd, as a member of the heterosexual community, saying "people all over America, heterosexuals, non-heterosexuals, realize that when you take away the civil rights of one individual we are all in danger of losing those same rights. There is support there, I think the time is now right to really organize and go after the legislative actions that need to be done especially in the US Congress, and go after our elected officials to change the laws... because we're simply not going to get redress in the courts."

Another letter was read by Madison Alderman Jim McFarland which read, in part, "Miriam Ben-Shalom is truly an American hero no matter what 9 justices say or decline to say."

Other speakers included Richard Aries of the Tenant Resource Center of Madison who also read a letter from The United: Robert James of Queers Action Committee and Madison Gay and Lesbian Youth; Dignity-Milwaukee; Bill Meunier of GPU and a columnist for Wisconsin Light; Terry Boughner, editor of Wisconsin Light who read a letter of support from Dr. Karen Lamb; Tim Hansen of Milw. Lesbian and Gay Pride Comm.; Scott Gunkel of Lambda Rights Network; and Milwaukee County Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs-Jones, who lauded Miriam as a close friend, saying "Miriam we love you and you've fought this fight, but we've got to fight longer, as long as in this country people are discriminated against because of the color, or their sex, or they are Gay and



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Lesbian."

Jim English of MLGPC read a statement from Perry Watkins, a close friend of Miriam, and another soldier who has sustained a long battle for his rights as a gay solider. "Soldiers, like good citizens, come in all shapes, sizes, sexes, colors and orientations and they ought to be judged not on any of those factors, but solely on their performance as soldiers in the accomplishment of their mission."

Stronger Housing Law Drafted by City

City Officials have introduced a strengthened fair-housing ordinance aimed at "Putting some teeth into"

investigations of housing discrimination complaints.

The ordinance would set up a staff and commission to investigate complaints involving rental housing and home purchases, including blockbusting and redlining by lenders.

The five member commission would receive complaints based on sex, race, religion, color, national origin or ancestry, age, disability, lawful source of income, marital status, sexual orientation, or family status.

In other words, Gays, Lesbians and Persons With AIDS would be protected. After the commissions staff investigated

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complaints, and a dispute could not be settled, it would then go before an administrative law judge, who would have the power to levy forfeitures of up to \$5,000 for first violations. The commission would then decide if the fine was warranted

The ordinance, introduced into the Common Council earlier this month, will get a hearing later this month before the city's Judiciary and Legislation Committee.

Surprise Anti-Gay Amendment Killed By Narrow Margin

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington, D.C.- The U.S. Senate on March 1 narrowly defeated a surprise measure which would have exempted volunteer youth programs from the District of Columbia's stringent Gay and Lesbian rights law following hours of debate and intense behind-the-scenes negotiations.

The anti-Gay proposal, introduced the evening of Feb. 28 during debate on the unrelated National and Community Service Bill (S. 1430), was defeated by a razor- thin 47-50 margin when senators refused to table a substitute measure

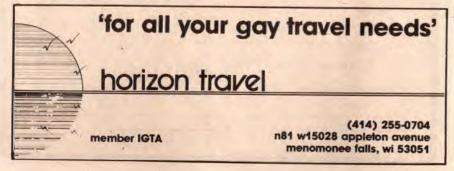
The original amendment, sponsored by Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.), would have created a loophole in the D.C. human rights code to allow any volunteer organization which "educates, coaches, or trains any minor, or holds out the adult as a role model, mentor or companion" to discriminate against Gay and bisexual persons.

The successful substitute measure, sponsored by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), instead put the focus on "homosexual, bisexual or heterosexual" convicted and accused child sex abusers and allowed parents final say on their children's counselors. After Armstrong's motion to table it was defeated, the substitute rider went on to pass 97-1, with even Armstrong voting for it.

"This is Sen. Armstrong's final year in the Congress and he's making last ditch efforts to take down the Gay and Lesbian community," said National Gay and Lesbian Task Force public information director Robert Bray, "What young people need in D.C. is integrity and support, not bigotry and homophobia.'

The landmark vote, the first such vote in the Senate upholding the D.C. Lesbian and Gay rights law, comes only two weeks after senators overwhelmingly defeated a fiercely anti-Gay measure from Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) on the Hate Crimes Statistics Act.

"Having voted against Helms without the world caving in on them. I think now senators realized they can vote against Armstrong," commented Greg King. communications director for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "Although the vote was close, it is better to win than to lose."









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Smith Wills NABWMT \$400,000

The National Association of Black and White Men Together, NABWMT, has been bequeathed a minimum of \$400,000 form the estate of Michael J. Smith. The will has completed probate and is not being contested.

The total value of the trust established for the NABWMT may exceed the \$400,000 when a final accounting of the estates value is completed. According to the terms of Mr. Smith's will a trust is to be established with at least an initial capitalization of \$400,000 for the benefit of the National Association of Black and White Men Together. This trust is an endowment with the maximum annual withdrawal established at \$50,000.

Smith was an author, playwright and collector of sheet music.

Mr. Smith also provided specific bequeaths of \$1,500 to the Atlanta and \$5,000 to the San Francisco chapters of BWMT, and Clark University in Atlanta

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Specialized Gay/Lesbian Chemical Dependency Recovery Group with the proviso that the university keep his name permanently associated with the gift and that the school note that Michael J. Smith was Gay and died of AIDS.

Mr. Smith further provided a special bequest of all rights to his play "The Book Malcom" to his friend Roger A. Lewis of South San Francisco.

Mr. SMith, who died of AIDS in the fall of 1989 in Atlanta, founded Black and White Men Together in San Francisco in 1980.

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Army: Give Us Back Our Money, Fag Boy

By Rex Wockner

Adding a new twist to its anti-Gay policies, the Army's Reserve Officer Training Corps is asking that a \$25,000 scholarship be returned by a college senior who realized he was Gay and came out of the closet.

The early March ruling by an ROTC hearing officer came in the case of 24-year-old James Holobaugh, a senior at Washington University in St. Louis.

The handsome Holobaugh had been an ROTC favorite prior to being blacklisted, appearing on an ROTC national recruitment advertising campaign and performing at the top of his class in St. Louis.

The Department of Defense has not previously asked for scholarship money to be returned unless a particular Gay or Lesbian lied about his or her sexual orientation to gain admittance to ROTC programs. DOD policy rejects all homosexuals as unfit for military service.

But in the case of Holobaugh, the hearing officer found no evidence of deceit. Holobaugh was dating women when he entered the ROTC in 1984 and did not realize he was Gay until late in 19888. He promptly reported his gayness to ROTC officials.

In retrospective, Holobaugh says it might have been better to keep his sexual orientation a secret, be he added, "I'm also glad I'm not trying to hide anything."

Holobaugh plans to fight the ROTC ruling, with the support of the American Civil Liberties Union and Washington University.

Washington University provost Edward Macias, in a letter to the university's ROTC commander Lieut. Col. Robert Bates, called the military's anti-Gay policies ''inconsistent with the nondiscriminatory values of this (and I should think virtually all) universities." He urged the ROTC to drop its plans to seek reimbursement from Holobaugh.

Condoms At Marquette? Yes!

There were more than ashes distributed at Marquette University this Ash Wednesday. ACT UP Milwaukee and other AIDS activists distributed almost 300 condoms and over 800 pamphlets filled with up-to-day AIDS information from noon to 1 p.m. February 28, 1990 in front of Gesu Church at the Marquette campus in Milwaukee.

One in every 500 college and university students has been infected with the HIV virus according to a study by the American College Health Association and the Center for Disease Control. This study contd. on page 12





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Gay/Lesbian Information Recording	263-3100
(Ask for tape #3333) Gay/Lesbian Resource Center	203-3100
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Nothing to Hide (gay cable)	241-2500
Gay Alcoholics Anonymous	257-7575
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c/o MTI, 821 Williamson St., 53707	255-8582
Gay Fathers c/o United	255-8582
Galvanize (G/L pride organizers)	-
P.O. Box 1403, 53701	255-8061
Gay Outdoor (recreation group)	244-8675
P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-80/5
Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians	271-0270
P.O. Box 1722, 53701 L/G Youth of Medison P.O. Box 2675, 53701	246-4297
Madison Gay Men's Chorale	240 4231
2005 Pike Dr. #5, 53713	256-0425
Madison Wrestling Club P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8675

Men Over 30 (support group) P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8690
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P.O. Box 1786, 53701	
QUAC (Queers Action Committee)	410 1000
P.O. Box 2675, 53701	246-4297
10% Society (student organization)	
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United (education, counseling, advocacy)	
310 E. Wilson, 53715	255-8582
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ACT-UP/MIlwaukee, P.O. Box 15620, 53215	769-8708
Alcoholics Anonymous (req. gay mtgs)	272-3081
Beer Town Badgers (L/L social club) P.O. Box 166,	53201
BI-Sexual Support Group	
P.O. Box 14081, West Allis, 53214	271-3067
Black & White Men Together	
P.O. Box 12292, 53212	265-8500
Black Gay Consciouness Raising	
P.O. Box 93694, 53203	933-2136
Castaways M.C. (L/L) P.O. Box 1697, 53202-1697	
Cream City Chorus P.O. Box 1488, 53201	277-0434
Cream City Foundation [CCF]	
P.O. Box 204, 53201	278-0880
Galano Club (chemical free recovery club)	
2408 N. Farwell	276-6936
Fest City Singers (gay choral group)	
P.O. Box 11428, 53211	263-SING
GAMMA (sports/social) P.O. Box 1900, 53201	963-9833
Gay People's Union P.O. Box 208, 53201	562-7010
Gay Youth Milw. (regular peer group meetings)	
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was conducted during the 1988-89 school year and included 16,861 anonymous blood samples from 19 colleges and universities (information taken from SPIN Magazine, Oct. 1989).

When ACT UP Milwaukee contacted Marquette University about their response to the AIDS crisis they were directed to Rev. David Haschka, Vice-President of Religious Affairs who stated that Marquette would not compromise the teachings of the Church. This of course precluded any possibility of the administration teaching the students about safe-sex, the most effective way of avoiding HIV infection other than celibacy.

Sensing the need for education on the Marquette campus, ACT UP Milwaukee stepped in with condoms, and AIDS information pamphlets from the American Red Cross and the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services. These pamphlets were chosen for their non-combative nature and their broad appeal.

Editor's Note: For information on joining ACT UP Milwaukee call 769-8708 or write P.O. Box 156201, Milwaukee, WI 53215-0620.

Otto Elected ARCW President

Milwaukee [MAP]- The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) has elected Sharon Otto of Greenfield, Wisconsin as President of its Board of Directors. Otto, 50, is the second President of the Board in the five year history of the organization. ARCW is the parent corporation of both the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) and the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP) headquartered in Kenosha. The ARCW Board establishes policy for both AIDS Projects.

"All of Wisconsin will be profoundly challenged by AIDS in the 1990's," Otto said following her election. "In southeast Wisconsin, will will have two-thirds of the State's AIDS cases in the next decade.

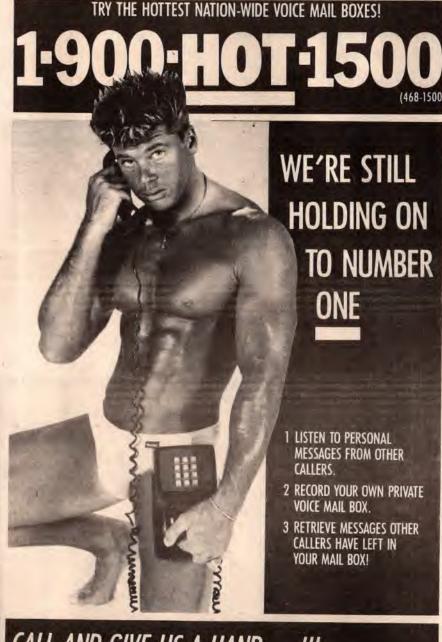
My primary objective as President is to assure that both the Milwaukee AIDS Project and the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project are well prepared to deliver the highest quality of service and support to people affected by AIDS'

Otto said her volunteer experience working with AIDS clients of the Milwaukee AIDS Project motivated her to take a leadership role as President of the Board. "I found that the individuals with AIDS who I supported and came to know inspired me to do more," she explained. "My decision to lead these organizations is truly a response to them and I am honored to have this opportunity."

Doug Nelson, the Executive Director of the Milwaukee AIDS Project, praised Otto's selection as President. She is knowledgeable, dedicated, compassionate and tough," Nelson said. "We have many difficult challenges ahead and Sharon Otto's leadership will surely be effective in gaining the community commitment that we urgently need to manage the AIDS epidemic in Milwaukee."

Otto stated that her greatest challenge will be to secure sufficient private sector funding for both AIDS Projects so that vital client services can be maintained as the AIDS caseload continues to grow in southeast Wisconsin. "We will need the financial support of corporations, foundations, people from all walks of life if we are to successfully meet the challenge of AIDS," Otto said. "The Milwaukee AIDS Project is providing tremendously important services of counseling, case management, legal assistance, housing and financial support to people with AIDS. but it won't be able to maintain these vital services for its growing clientele unless we succeed in gaining greater financial support from the community."

Otto began her involvement in AIDS as a volunteer at the Milwaukee AIDS Project in 1985. She was elected to the Board of Directors in 1987 and served as Treasurer of the Board until her election as President.



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ORGANIZATIONS

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P. O. Box 672, 54305	437-3816
Argonauts of Wisconsin (L/L Social Club)	
P.O. Box 1285, 54305	
Dignity (Gay Catholic Church) Box 2283, 54306	
Gay AA (Meeting Weekly)	494-9904
Center Project, Inc. [CPI]-(HIV Test/Counsel)	
P.O. Box 1062, 54305	437-7400

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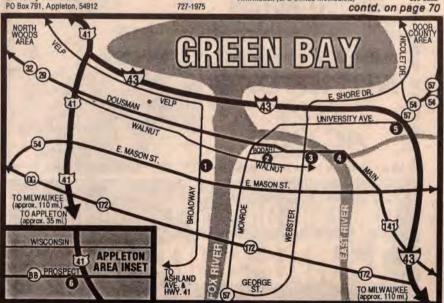
MEDICAL

Madison AIDS Support Network (support & counseling) P.O. Box 731, 53701 255-1711 Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday) 1552 University Avenue 262-7330

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Integrity/Dignity Box 730, 53701 836-886 Affirmation (L/G United Methodists) 256-2352

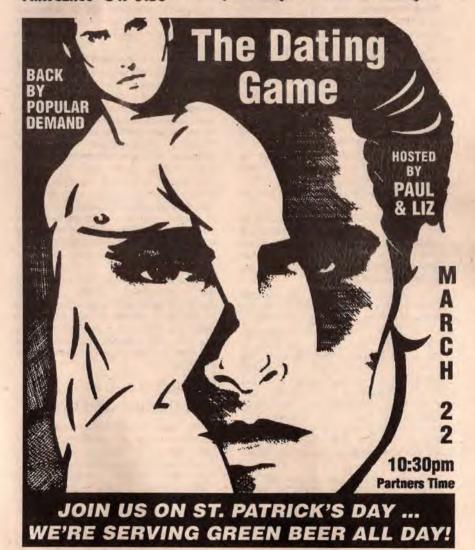
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Group Notes

MLGPC Seeks Award Nominees

[MLGPC]- The Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC) is currently accepting nominations for its annual Community Service Award. The award will be presented to a person or persons who have dedicated service over a period of time to enhance the esteem of Milwaukee's Lesbian/Gay Community. The award will be presented at the Rally following the Parade on Saturday, June 16th. The theme of this year's Pride Week Celebration is: "Look to the Future... The Gay '90's".

Nominations must be submitted in writing by person(s) other than the nominee to the MLGPC Steering Committee a minimum of 60 days prior to the rally date.

To ensure impartiality, selection will be by separate committee established of non-MLGPC representatives, but will be chaired by a non-voting member of that selection committee, appointed by the MLGPC Steering Committee.

To nominate a person or persons, please submit a letter to: MLGPC Award, 225 South 2nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53204.

The 2nd Annual Milwaukee lesbian/Gay Pride Parade and Rally is only 3 months away... only 90 days... till June 16th! We encourage any interested volunteers in whatever capacity to call MLGPC Pride Line at 32-PRIDE. We know that Milwaukee's Lesbian/Gay Community wants to witness and participate in another spectacular parade and rally this year. Yet, MLGPC can only succeed with the generous support of our Community.

It's easy to volunteer — just call the MLGPC Pride Line at 32-PRIDE. Also, feel free to call for any other information and/or suggestions as that this year's Pride Celebration will surpass everyone's expectations.

Make A Promise Dinner

It's time once again for the Milwaukee AIDS Project's annual "Make A Promise" fundraising dinner. The dinner and show will be held on Sunday, April 1, at the Wisconsin Club, 900 W. Wisconsin Ave., in Milwaukee. The evening will include dinner, fine entertainment, and a silent auction.

Social hour begins at 5:30pm featuring piano music. During this time, guests may investigate the numerous items presented for the silent auction. Bids will be accepted throughout the evening, with high bidders announced during the entertainment portion of the evening. Dinner is scheduled for 6:30, in the ballroom, with entertainment following.

The show will feature several professional performers collaborating to present an evening of fine entertainment. Two entertainers from Comedy Sportz will be hosting the show with performances including individuals from the Milwaukee Ballet, the Bauer Contemporary Ballet, the Milwaukee Repertory and the Florentine Opera.

To order tickets, call Tim Kennedy at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, (414)273-1991 or send in your coupon (see ad this issue). Tickets for the dinner and show are \$40 and tables of ten are available. All proceeds will benefit the Life Care Services department and clients of MAP.

Uyvari To Be Auctioned at Dinner

This year, in addition to many other wonderful silent auction items, MAP is very pleased to offer one of the best known works by internationally known gay artist Robert Uyvari. Known as the "Fallen Angel", this piece hung on the ceiling of Milwaukee's Your Place bar for many years. It is through the generosity of the former owner of Your Place and the owner of Partners that MAP is able to



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Graffiti

George and Robert [Club 94]: Thanks for the use of Club 94 and extras done for cast members. Thanks to Robert, for spot light and the D.J.'s for the show.

Richard and John

Elroy, Bartender La Cage: You have caught my attention for quite some time but still no dice. Maybe putting it down in black and white might help!

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Librarian: I'm so vain, I probably think this statement's about me. You're simply the best, better than all the rest! Bartender [From Skid Row]

Echo: 'Miss Gay Black Wisconsin' when do we get to see you perform again? C'est La Vie's Softball Team Fundraiser??

Your Teammates

Closet Case: 'Come Out, Come Out, Wherever you Are!' D.A. Cliff T: College Graduate, Come On Now, We Know Better, So Should You.

Your Associates

Skid Marks: I wish I could say it happens to everyone sooner or later, butt...

Mrs. Tide

Happy Belated Birthday to Judy Carle!! With love, from Laurie Miller

Judy: Don't O.D. on fabulous babes for your birthday, O.K.? Save some for Stephanie! Signed, Stephanie

Jose: You look so macho when you downhill ski without any poles.

Suzy Chaffee

Mike: I'm Dreaming of Koalas for some strange reason. I feel it in my ribs.

The Perfect One

Ron: If you want to go down smooth hit em with Southern Comfort. Carol

To Tom T: Glad you're feeling better, Friday nites haven't been the same. You're my best audience.

To The Girls: Won't be long now, Look out Baton. Tracy

Attention Sheepshead Players: We play sheepshead at Doubleday's every Monday Night at 7:00pm and at the Mint every Thursday Night at 8:00pm, come play and have fun.

Cast of 94 Follies: No matter what was printed you all did a great job, raised alot of money for AIDS, and gave us a fun filled show. Looking forward to your next!

An Entertained Fan

Karen E: You Babe You Take your chances You never know who's out there!

Your Secret Admirer.

[p.s. keep watching graffiti].

Patsy: I'm trying, but I still Love You. Pest

Roger: Love you girl! You Know Who

Don: Let's have Cocktails. You Know Who



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Uyvari's "Fallen Angel", 7 foot round, will be auctioned at the Map A Promise Dinner. Bids will also be accepted by phone, at the MAP office.

offer this widely known oil painting by Uvvari for auction.

The "Fallen Angel" was originally designed to be used as a coffee table. Round, it measures seven feet in diameter. The work features a large, partially clad medieval seraphim or angel. This, of course, of how it came to be known as the "Fallen Angel." Because of its size, shape and the artistic ability of Robert Uyvari, this piece is very impressive and is in excellent condition.

Uvvari was well known throughout the international gay community. A native of the Milwaukee area, he lived in both Chicago and San Francisco. While a resident of San Francisco, he won numerous "Cable Car Awards" for his artistry. In addition to his award- winning works, he was also well known for doing many covers and posters for gay publications, events and businesses. Some of these include The Places of Interest Guide Books, the Gay World Series, Milwaukee's own IN Step and a number of gay businesses throughout the country. His work has been widely displayed and collected since his death in

The "Fallen Angel" is one of Uyvari's best and well-known pieces. This year' "Make A Promise" Dinner may be one of the last times a Uyvari of this quality will be up for sale to the general public. Don't miss your chance to own this fine example of the artistry of Robert Uyvari.

C.P.I. Thanks...

Center Project, Inc. and Fox Valley AIDS Project thanks the Argonauts of Wisconsin for their on-going fund raising events at Brandy's II in Green Bay! Great job, guys!!

And thanks to Queen Bee Productions for their recent benefit comedy show and bake sale at Za's. Special thanks to all the wonderful performers who contributed their time and talent (they were great!). Extra thanks also to all the people who contributed baked goods for the sale. The response was over-whelming.

The consistent support from the Green Bay/Fox Valley bars is appreciated. The coat check at Za's every weekend has been a steady source of income for CPI's emergency fund (a much needed steady income). All the volunteers who "man" the coat check deserve special thanks!

Most of all, Kudos to all of you for making these and other projects a success. All funds donated go into the emergency fund for clients.

Salon Holding M.A.P. Benefit

Milwaukee- Diva Salon and friends will hold a special hair cut benefit for the Milwaukee AIDS Project, Sunday, April 8 between 9am and 8pm to support services for those who are HIV positive and People With AIDS.

Diva's, located at 316 N. Milwaukee Street, Suite 575, in the Historic Third Ward above Nance's restaurant will do hair cuts in exchange for a donation to MAP. Your participation can be counted by calling Diva's at 272-4247 for an contd. on page 18

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The Argonauts are holding monthly Sunday evening fundraisers for Center Project at Brandy's II with lots of foods, raffles and prizes.



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Hungry F/A Wanted by trim, well-hung GWM; 45. Kinky preferred. Boxholder, P.O. Box 23168, Milw, WI 53223.

GWM, 29, who is funny, serious, romantic, sensitive, understanding, educated, spontaneous, artistic, and good-looking seeks GWM, 25-40 for long-term relationship. All inquiries will be answered and kept confidential. Send letter with phone number and picture to P.O. Box 216, Hortonville, WI 54944.

Man in Wheelchair 35, wants someone special for needs, sexual and otherwise. Must be strong, at least 160, but doesn't have to be good-looking. Jeff, 608-754-7168.



GWM, 49, 5'9'' 165 lbs attractive, professional, horny. Would like to meet younger men 25-38 for sexual relationship; possible long term. Sincere & stable. P.O. Box 83173, Milw. 53223.

Attractive GWM 30's would like to meet straight-acting Gay, Married or Bi Men for discreet, safe, no-strings sex. Photo welcome. P.O. Box 18508, Milwaukee, WI 53218.

Marshfield WI. Gary, age 33, 190lbs, 5'6", Blue eyes. J/O, Seeks Bi 18-45. Please send nude photo. Write: P.O. Box 932, Marshfield, WI 54449, (715)387-6433.

GWM, early 40's, 5'8'', 160lbs. Br/br, mustache/beard. Interests: Quiet evenings, country music and motorcycles. Roommate wanted 34-49, non-smoker, straight acting, to share apt. in Franklin. Relationship considered. Call 529- 9560, 6-7pm.

Shy GWM, 33, 155lbs., 5'8", Brn. Hair with sense of humor. Seeks someone for friendship and more. Enjoys the stereotypical pastimes: Showtunes, interior design, entertaining and using my handyman skills, but also jogging, CC Skiing and the outdoors. I am a small town boy with small town ideals. If 29-40, a non-smoker, and not into drugs write: Resident, 1915 N. Prospect Avenue, #11, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Handsome GWM, 30's, 5'9", 145lbs. I've been looking for someone in all the wrong places. Are you tired of being a Bar Fly, and playing games? Enjoy travel, reading, films and life. Desire to meet real man. If you're out there write: P.O. Box 15356, Milwaukee, WI 53215-0356. Sorry No Obese, fems, dogs or druggies need apply. Photo appreciated.

GWM 27, 5'11", 160 seeking friend/lover (under 35) in Oconomowoc/Watertown area. Non-smoker, no fats or fems. Write: P.O. Box 969, Oconomowoc, WI 53066.

Are you a Gay or Bi white male in need of oral service? My mouth ready and willing to service your needs. Your photo or description and phone gets quickest response, write: B. Scott, P.O. Box 7438, Milw., WI 53207.

GWM, 40's, tall, lean, ultra 'Safe', ex-farmboy, ex-Vietnam, into workboots, toolbelts, workgloves, levis, hard-hats, and the crude, hairy linemen, loggers, and construction types that live in them, Seeks friendship, down n' dirty encounters with lean, Safe, GWM 'Real Man' with own place/collection? Will give obedience, worship in exchange for domination, humiliation, praise. You? Milwaukee, Oshkosh, Madison, in-between, AOK. Write P.O. Box 14751, Madison, WI 53714.



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appointment. Join them in this special event to show your love and support for our community and those living with AIDS and HIV infection.

Get Leid At GAMMA's Luau

GAMMA, Milwaukee's athletic and social organization, will be holding three events during In Step's current calendar: on Wednesday, March 21 GAMMMA will be meeting at M&M's at 6:00pm, and then cruise to the Sentinel Sports Show at MECCA. On Friday, March 23, our monthy dining out trip wil be to LaCasita at 7:00pm. Finally, GAMMA's second annual Luau bash will be held at 8:00pm at a member's home. Come in a wild shirt and shorts and get leid. For details on these events, call Bob at 963-9833. Members, potential members, and guests are welcime.

On March 30, GAMMA will be sporting spectators at the final WAVE home game of the season; ticket deadline is March 15th. Finally, if you received this In Step a tad early, you may wish to join us as we roll around on skates the evening of Wednesday, March 14th; 8:00pm at Rollero (5200 S. Pennsylvania Ave, Milwaukee).

Nudists Plan "High Tea"

[MMC/C]- Windy City Nudists and Midwest Men's Center will sponsor "High Tea" a social for all nudists and those interested in our group. The event will take place in the suburban Madison area at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 24, 1990. Several Chicago area members plan to attend and look forward to meeting and socializing with our Madison members and friends.

Windy City Nudists plan socials, beach parties, retreats, potlucks and other activities in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan & Indiana. We look forward to meeting or hearing from those-who would like to join us or help plan an activity. For additional information about the group or the March 24 activity call (312) 281-1180 Earlfriend.

Earth Day '90

[Milwaukee]- Earth Day festivities will blossom in Milwaukee and around the world April 22, as an area coalition of environmentalists, businesses and civic organizations observe the 20th anniversary of the original Earth Day with parades, festivals and entertainment.

A parade is planned for 1pm Sunday, starting at Central Park (the old Eagles Club), 2401 W. Wisconsin Ave. Banners, floats, jugglers, cyclists, oversize puppets and contingents from schools, neighborhood groups and organizations will be on hand to kick off the day. Everyone is invited to watch or join in. The exact route is still in the works.

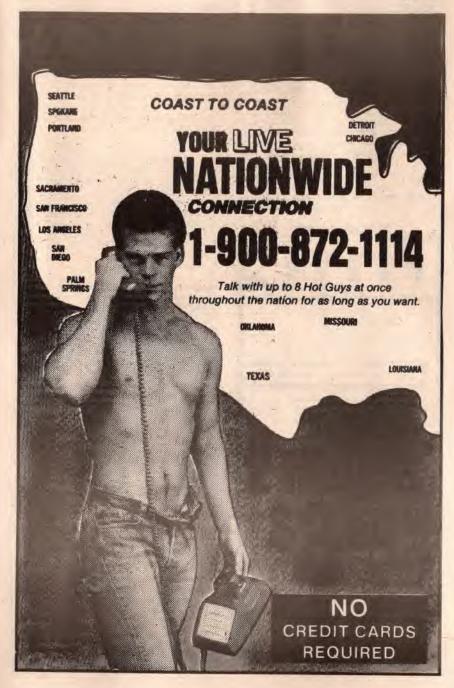
Festival events include three stages packed with an astonishing variety of music, comedy, mime, theatre, poetry and dance, all running from noon to midnight at Central Park and nearby facilities. Milwaukee County Transit will provide free shuttle buses between Central Park, the Mitchell Park Domes and the lake front.

In the planning stage: an Earth Day bike-a-thon fundraiser on April 14, and a Holly Near/Claudia Schmidt benefit concert at the Pabst Theatre April 23 at 8pm. More events will be announced later.

The original Earth Day, April 2, 1970, has deep Wisconsin roots. The original event, which launched the modern environmental movement, was conceived by then Wisconsin U.S. Senator Gaylor Nelson. Today Nelson is president of the Washington D.C. based Wilderness Society and is once again organizing National Earth Day.

Polls show that three of every four Americans call themselves environmentalists, and this Spring festival in the Ciy of Festivals should be well attended. Time has predicted that Earth Day 1990 may be "the largest global demonstration in history."

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For more information or to obtain an application form, phone the Health Care Coverage plan at 769-3165.

After application, forms are sent to the State for approval. Coverage includes a wide range of services, with premiums ranging from \$8 to \$200 a month, depending on family income. The supplemental package costs a flat \$75 per

BESTD Offers Energy Clinic

[BEST]- The Brady East Clinic is piloting a program to enhance wellness and promote relaxation by offering various "Energy Modalities" such as, Reiki, SHEN, Rebirthing and Guide Meditation

(Imagery). The Clinic Board has approved a 6 month trial period to ascertain the interest and need in Milwaukee for such services.

The pilot program will be available by appointment only, on alternate Thursday evenings, beginning March 29th, at Brady Street East Clinic, 1240 East Brady Street. For more information, or to make an appointment for Energy Work, please call the Clinic at 272-2144, evenings from 6-9:00 P.M.

Energy Modalities are methods based on ancient healing arts involving light hands-on touch, in which the universal life force energy is applied to the body in a systematic manner in order to replenish and balance the body's energy level. This energy is effective in providing partial to complete relief for chronic and acute discomforts. Energy work promotes deep relaxation and may assist in releasing blocked trauma, leaving one with a sense of well being.

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Euro Confab On HIV & Gays

By Rex Wockner

Meeting in Copenhagen Feb. 17-18, delegates to the First European Conference on HIV and Homosexuality signed onto the growing boycott of the Sixth International Conference on AIDS, to beheld June 20-24 in San Francisco.

The 200 delegates join numerous AIDS service organizations, scientists and governmental health officials from Europe, Canada, AUstralia and the U.S. in refusing to attend the gathering.

They all object to U.S. immigration rules that require HIV-positive foreigners to receive an "HIV waiver" before entering the country.

In a resolution, the Copenhagen group "demand(ed) the abolition of travel restrictions based on HIV antibody status throughout the world and in particular the U.S.A., which should honor its own commitments to the 1988 International Health Minister's Charter and the recommendations of the World Health Organization."

The Copenhagen conference was subtitled "Re-Gaying HIV," in

recognition of the fact that the "AIDS establishment" is rapidly gaining control of the AIDS organizations founded and nurtured by homosexuals.

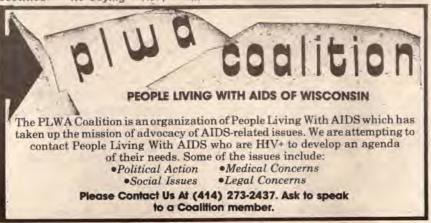
"It's a question of doing justice to the achievements of the Gay community," said British AIDS activist and conference organizer Simon Watney.

"AIDS organizations in the West appoint heterosexuals as director in order to appear respectable and get government funding. We have to insist that it be remembered that the professionals who have entered the epidemic entered late and entered reluctantly.

"Everywhere you look," Watney continued, "governments are claiming responsibility for the safer sex revolution amongst Gay men, which is preposterous. Gay men invented safer sex."

Watney charged that the heterosexual professionals who have entered the field have refused to learn anything from Gay community experience, which is demonstrably the most important factor in safer sex. There is a recalcitrant homophobia," he said.





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TRAVEL

We Want to Know: What are you looking for in Gay Travel? Write us with your ideas and include your return address. Horizon Travel, Att: Kyle, N81W15028 Appleton Ave., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051. •In Step • March 15-28, 1990 • Page 58



Masquer's celebrated their grand opening with a weekend of events including this show featuring local talent.

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Letters

Dear In Step Readers:

As coordinator for the Cookie Jar Fund, I would like to recognize several people for their kindness and support.

The Cookie Jar Extravaganza held at Club 3054 of Madison on March 1st added over \$1,500 to the fund. We would like to express our thanks to Cheri (God love ya) and all those who made the evening a success, both those who gave their time and energy to the production and those who made donations.

Brian Smith's heroic efforts set the tone for the high energy and caring atmosphere of the event. DJ Donie, Dave Lucas, Steve Kent, Tania, Ginger Spice, Jeff Dierks, Dusty Storm, Chuck Matthews, Marti Nivens, Terry Nichols, Rosa, Staarr, Kieth Kitsenbel, Delray Robertson, Jeff Kohl and Bill Heidt were all indispensable to the success of the evening.

We would also like to express our gratitude to Rodney, George Telly, Karl Peggelow, Pam, the folks at Rods and the Washington Hotel Complex, and all our friends who supported the fund in several recent efforts. The complex has had a long history of continued support of the Cookie Jar.

Working with the Madison AIDS Support Network, the Cookie Jar is a fund that provides grants to people with AIDS and HIV infections in need of emergency financial assistance who are not covered by conventional social service systems. Donation checks should be made out to the Cookie Jar Fund and sent to MASN, P.O. Box 731, Madison, WI 53701.

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The Arts

"Mother, Mother" Review by Kevin Michael

In the six plus years that I have written this column, I have not experienced such a moving artistic feeling as I did with the screening of this film in Minneapolis.

A word of explanation. I had received an invitation from a dear friend in the Twin Cities to the premiere of this film for the benefit of four AIDS direct service agencies, one of which he founded. Thus I went, not knowing what to expect but happy that I could rekindle a friendship and support such an effort.

What I experienced is almost beyond description. This 35 minute film was underwritten on a grant from the John Hancock Financial Services. However, the work of over 350 professionals was donated as an AIDS fundraiser. A short listing would include Emmy winning director, Micki Dickoff, who sought to create a film that would "change attitudes about AIDS, initiate reconciliation between parents and children, and raise money for AIDS research, education and patient care." The title song was written by Cris Williamson and the film's score by Henry Mancini.

The film stars John Dye from the cast of "Tour of Duty", Bess Armstrong seen in the mini-series "Lace" and the film "Nothing in Common", Pieper Laurie from films and TV including "The Thorn Birds" and "Promise" for which she won an Emmy Award, and Polly Bergen from films and as of late "The Winds of War" and "War and Remembrance." Remember, all this talent including that of composers and actors was donated. No one receive any compensation for this superb artwork. Said Miss Bergen, "Very shortly after the script arrived, I read it. And I finished reading it, and I put it down. I cried for about 20 minutes and I said, 'I will pay them to do this!"

Simply, the plot revolves around Dye who is in the early stages of AIDS, who has recently lost his lover, Pieper Laurie's son, to AIDS. As a result of begin Gay, Dye and his estranged mother, played by Polly Bergen, have been at odds for many years. Armstrong as a co-worker in an AIDS hospice and Pieper Laurie, the dead lover's mother, seek to help toward resolution and reconciliation. The film is poignant, touching and beautiful.

I am happy and pleased to report that I had the joy of sharing the evening's experience with my own parents who were as moved as was I.

The evening concluded with a reception with the stars. Of the film's stars, only Armstrong was unable to attend. I was able to share a special moment with a dear friend, my parents, and John Dye, Pieper Laurie and Polly Bergen. Not even close to what I had thought might happen.

I most sincerely urge you to view this beautiful film if and when you ever are offered the opportunity. It is a great masterpiece and a most appreciated labor of love from these most generous 350

"Vampire Lesbians of Sodom"

Chicago- Edge Productions is proud to deliver the long awaited and highly sought after Midwest premiere production of New York's longest running comedy, "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom," through April 29th at the Royal George Theatre Centre, 1641 N. Halsted, Chicago, IL 60614. Performances are Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8:15 pm, Fridays at 7:00pm and 10:00 pm, Saturdays at 7:00pm and 10:00pm, and Sundays at 7:00pm. Regular ticket prices are only \$18.50 to \$24.00. Tickets are now available by calling 312-988-9000.

You Just Can't Keep Some Gals Down

Initially parodying the burlesque genre, "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom" which stars female impersonator extraordinare, Shante', tyrannized elders of Sodom and Gomorrah ("the twin Cities") raffle off a peasant child as sacrifice to the dreaded SUCCUBUS. The dreaded Succubus is

•In Step•March 15-28, 1990•Page 57 Winner - John

Ces't La Vie's \$1,500 Singles Dart Tournament winners pose with bar manager Rodney, John B [1st], Bouji [2nd], Craig [3rd], Scott E [4th], Mark [5th], Jesse [consolation].



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Jock Shorts

Snackers and Muse Grab SVBL Titles

The Triangle Mootown Snackers rallied to defeat La Cage in the final two games of the Saturday Volleyball League's title match to become the 89-90 SVBL champions. In the B Division, Club Muse knocked off Jet's to take home the "B" trophy.

Final round tournament action in the A Division found Perkins advancing to the semi-finals by eliminating Triangle I in a two game sweep 15-1, 15-11. La Cage then stopped Perkins in another sweep, 15-2, 15-11, to advance to the finals. In the first game of the title match, a fired up La Cage team handed the Triangle Mootown Snackers their first lose of the entire season 15-13. But the Snackers stormed back taking the second game with a 15-1 blowout. With the score tied 6-6 in the final game, the Snackers went on a scoring blitz, pulled away to a 14-7 lead and coasted to a 15-10 victory.

In B Division final action, a short-handed CCF team eliminated M&M's with a 15-12, 15-3 sweep. Jet's needed three games but edged the scrappy CCF team 12-15, 15-12, 15-13, to advance to the finals. Top seeded Club Muse jumped off to a quick 15-8 win in game one. Jet's fought back taking the second game with a come from behind 16-14 overtime victory. But in the third game, Club Muse ran off the final 13 points of the match to breeze to a 15-2 route.

The SVBL awards banquet was held Sunday March 11th at Doubledays. Division trophies and medals were presented to the Triangle Mootown Snackers and Club Muse. The Snackers also gained possession of the leagues traveling award, "The Bruce". All SVBL players received ribbons based on their teams finish during the play- offs.

H.I.T. '90 Straight, Or What?

[Milwaukee] The Holiday Invitational

Tournament, H.I.T. '90, announced a Poker Run will be held March 23, from 6-11pm to kick off its fundraising efforts for the popular Thanksgiving Weekend Bowling Tournament.

Several Milwaukee area bars are slated to participate, including: Triangle; Partners; Jets; Ballgame; This Is It; M&M's and Wreck Room.

Join the H.I.T. '90 Committee for an evening of cards and fun while contributing to the success of H.I.T. XII. For more information, stop in at any of the participating bars, or contact Dean at (414) 482-1700.



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power-hungry and glamorous, a hard-boiled dame who ferociously feasts upon young, nubile, vestal virgins.

Thrusting forth to the 1920's, and straight into a parody of the silent film genre, the Succubus has become La Condesa (Condaysa), the Grand Queen of Silent Film who stalks air-head starlets so new to Hollywood that they don't even recognize corruption when they see it.

Her status as the Grand Queen of Silent Film is challenged by Madeleine Astarte (Astartay), the Dazzling Grand Dame of the New York Stage who, centuries ago as a sacrificial offering, bit back at the Succubus/La Condesa in the heat of her feast to become, herself, a Vampire!

Ending the tale in a parody of glitzy Las Vegas floor shows (Mitzi Gaynor comes to mind), the seemingly kindred vampires catfight and compete with each other with each other on and into the 1990's where one has become a Vega mega-star, and the other (years after a last-ditch, career-grasping appearance on "Love American Style"), a lowly cleaning lady

on the Vegas strip.

After centuries of fighting and secretly lunching, one can only wonder whether or not these two Vampire Vamps are, indeed, two of a kind. Only our Chicago Audiences will know...

Sleeping Beauty or Coma, its companion piece, is a one-act cheeky curtain-raiser parodying both the 1960's and the fairy tale "Sleeping Beauty." Set in the swinging '60's of "Mod London", where fashion and the Beatles ruled, it spurts form micro-minis, smashing pins, bare midriffs, popcorn balls on evening gowns, high fashion cocktail zombies, fashion flashbacks, a frenzied "mod" sixties dance number, as well as a fifteen year LSD coma victim cured by a yuppie nutritionist in the 1980's using potent llama enzymes.





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The Mr. and Miss Pivot contest was held during the club's anniversary and grand reopening week. Bottom Right photos, the new Mr., Willie Sabel and Lorinda Kelly, Miss.

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inheritance rights of same-sex partners. The Gay rites appeared in liturgical manuals together with those for heterosexual marriage under the heading Gamos, which means marriage.

- · In slavic-speaking villages, one of the women partners had to agree to perform a share of the "men's" work. but never to have sex with the men.
- . The rites typically invoke the names. love and martyrdom of saints Sergius and Bacchus, who are clearly identify in church documents as male lovers.

In this century, anthropologists have observed Gay marriage ceremonies in Albania and in rural areas of Greek and Slavic speaking countries. Local residents unapologetically equated the ceremony to a heterosexual marriage.

Surprisingly, the Gay marriage rites are among those ancient texts explicitly authorized by the Roman Catholic Church for present day use. In fact, Boswell says the rites are still used in some isolated communities, but he declines to say where for fear the tradition would be undermined

Demian has a doctorate in education Ed.D. and is co-publisher/co-editor of "PARTNERS: The Newsletter for Gay and Lesbian Couples." Send your questions about Gay and Lesbian relationships, for possible use in future columns, to PARTNERS, Box 9685. Seattle, WA 98109.



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Ask Dr. D

by Demian, Ed.D.

Slapping Tradition?

Q.Aren't Gay and Lesbian marriages or unions a slap in the face of tradition? A.H., Tacoma, Washington.

A. Those who believe that same-sex marriages are "a slap in the face of tradition" have not looked very closely at tradition.

Historian John Boswell's discovery of ancient same-sex marriage ceremonies has occasionally been reported in Gay newspaper accounts (and in "PARTNERS: The Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples", August 1988). The Yale professor is well known for his book "Christianity, Social Tolerance and Homosexuality", which won the 1981 American Book Award for History.

Based on an extensive review and analysis of centuries-old liturgical documents, Boswell has more recently found that Christian marriage rites between members of the same sex were conducted as early as the 4th century, long before heterosexual ceremonies became widely performed in the 11th century.

Heterosexual marriage started as a civil ceremony concerned with property exchange. Church rites developed later continued to emphasize progeny and worldly success.

Gay marriage rites, on the other hand, appear to have started as a religious ceremony and were based principally on love. And not just "platonic" love. The Gay rites make clear that the relationships would include an erotic dimension, says Boswell.

Both men and women were married using these rites, though evidence for Lesbian unions is not as geographically widespread nor as ancient.

That the Gay unions were comparable to heterosexual marriages is made clear in several ways:

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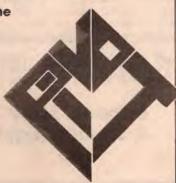
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by Ron Geiman

Steppin' Out

I'm very far behind on deadline for this issue, so I'll have to make this as brief as possible. Looking back to February 22nd and on, we'll find ...

A bevy of beef vied in the Triangle's blue jeans contest with four winners chosen. Dino & Jeff tied for tightest jeans, Tom for best ripped & Curtis for most creative. A few numbers by several of the 'Girls' rounded out the evening of beef &

Photographer Doug traveled to Wausau to cover Masquer's grand opening weekend and all their festivities, which included a Mask party, a special show and a special beer bust & buffet. Masquer's owners David & Dan used to own R-Bar. which was destroyed by fire. Good luck

Brandy's II celebrated another fire, the one that destroyed the original Brandy's, with 3 days of drink specials & food. It was a flaming good time.

Thanks to the 30 of you who braved the typical winter weather to attend the "Getting the Word Out" forum hosted by In Step & Wisconsin Light. It went over so well, we're already discussing a second one.

The women "Hit The Beach" at Nitengales for their beach attire contest & summer-time thoughts party, while the crowd was "two-steppin" it at Club 3054's Texas party complete with Country Western Band. Meanwhile, at Ces't La Vie the first weekend of their singles dart tourney got into full swing. Song stylist Sally Richards had the M&M crowd

humming along to her rapturous voice.

March 1st found a "Cookie Jar Fundraiser" at Club 3054. The Cookie Jar provides emergency funding for PWA's in Madison, and the combination bake sale, show & DJ spin-off raised \$1,500 in much-needed funding.

The weekend of March 2-4 found me relaxing in Green Bay, and covering "Reba's Comedy Revue" & bake sale at Za's. The show was delightfully outrageous & great fun. (Gloria - I know you're supposed to 'break a leg', but did you have to break a high heel and twist your ankle?)

Sunday evening was the third monthly Argonauts fundraiser for Center Project Inc., at Brandy's II. The monthly event with food, raffles, and prizes continues again in April before the big finale the first Sunday in May. Kudos to the Argonauts for this worthy community

Ces't La Vie's \$1,500 Singles Dart Tournament finals found John B taking 1st prize. Bouil with 2nd, Craig at 3rd, Scott E. at 4th, Mark at 5th, and Jesse grabbing the consolation prize.

In case you haven't heard, Touche, a leather institution in Chicago, burned to the ground the morning of March 3rd. The cause has vet to be determined, but as Sherman Heinrich of Gay Chicago quipped, "There were fireman all over the place, and it wasn't even uniform night." I'm sure Chuck Rodecker & his staff will have an announcement soon.

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Not So Traditional...

No doubt you'll want to immerse yourself in a sappy, Irish classic movie such as Bing Crosby was wont to perform in. In other words, go to the video store and rent "The Bells of St. Marv's". Maru.

If the music is too saccharine to stomach, turn the TV sound off and put a Sharon McKight album on the turntable (you may substitute any properly Irish-named performer, although the "Mc"'s are your best bet, in my humble and biased opinion).

Once you get your basic Father O'Malley down pat (excuse the pun). you'll be ready for a drink. Hopefully the truly hip bartenders in your town will be serving green beer for the occasion.

After several rounds of green beer, order double shots of Irish whiskey, and eventually sober up a bit with Irish coffee Follow this with a typical Irish feast of corned beef and cabbage. Any Jewish deli can provide this Irish fare.

Now you're ready for the Irish fashion show. Go home and drag (I use the term literally and figuratively) out every single green piece of clothing you own. Far-sighted Irish celebrants will have already purchased green- dyed 501's. Green jock straps for the gents may be a bit difficult to locate, and green chaps will be a real challenge; but you don't want to go to your leather bar on St. Pat's Day in ordinary black leather, now do you? I thought not.

If an Irish leatherman or women you are not, put on your greenest gown and those emerald-sequined heels you picked up at St. Vincent deMcPaul's Thrift Shop. Quicker than you can say "Little Miss Leprechaun" you will be the darling Colleen of everybody in the neighborhood. The really true blue (green) St. Pattu's patsies will be sure to douse their facial hair liberally in green glitter, for that added touch of drama. Women will want to drag out their greenest plaid shirts.

If all the saints in heaven are smilin' down on ve. if the wind is at your back and the devil doesn't know your name (an old Irish prayer that I've never really

understood, but thought I'd toss it in for Irish flavor) ... anyway, what I'm trying to say is, if you are a lucky leprechaun and somehow manage to score that night, be sure to wear your green rubbers. Irish lasses, don't forget your green rubber

And before you go to sleep, take two green aspirin to ward off a really green-faced hangover the next morning.

So now you're ready to properly celebrate the Emerald Isle's proudest day in a uniquely Gay way. But don't forget to pinch anyone who isn't wearing green. And if they try to hand you that old line "I'm wearing green underwear" make them prove it!

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Calendar

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

Club 219: Wacky Wednesday Wet Jockey Shorts contest, 11:30, \$50 prize.

GAMMA: Roller-skating at Rollaero, 5200 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Milw. Meet at 8pm. price is \$2.50.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

Nitengales: Judy's Birthday Party. special no cover show starts at 9:30.

Club 219: An evening with Shante , special quest performer.



SATURDAY, MARCH 17



Ballgame: 17th Anniv. Party & St. Pat's Day Celebration, 5pm-?, Buffet and door prizes, drink specials, grand prize drawing. Early evening piano music.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: King Production's Miss Gay Great Lakes USA Pageant preliminaries. All contestants compete in evening gown and talent beginning at 7pm. Guest entertainers. \$3 cover. Contestant registration at 2pm.

Wreck Room: Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with specials on tap and rail from 3pm to

Jet's Place: St. Pat's Day Show, 'A Trip Down Memory Lane', 50's and 60's show, showtime 10:30, \$3 cover. Corned beef and cabbage served 5-9, free green beer 9:30-10:30.

Nitengales: St. Pat's Party, favors and specials.

Za's [Green Bay]: The Emerald City in the land of ZA's Ball, 9pm, drink specials for anyone in OZ or Green.

Club 3054 [Madison]: St. Pat's Party, Green drink specials, 'Green Devils'.

M&M/Glass Menagerie: Traditional St. Pat's Day Dinner.

Partners: Green Beer

Rod's [Madison]: St. Pat's, Prizes for funniest and most outrageous Shamrock and for wearing nothing but a Shamrock.

New Bar [Madison]: St. Pat's Party and Buffet, Volleyball.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: St. Pat's Party, 3-5 Free Beer & Corned Beef Lunch, Drink Specials all night.

MONDAY MARCH 18

Partners: Monday, Martini Club, 7- close.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20

Rod's [Madison]: Beach Party, wear beach attire and get drink discounts. Prizes for skimplest, most original and funniest bathing suit.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

Club 219: Wacky Wednesday 'Hottest Legs Contest' (Male and Female). 11:30pm, \$50 prize.

GAMMA: Trek to Sentinel Sports Show, meet at M&M's at 6pm to pool rides to MECCA. Call Bob at 963-9833 for info.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22

La Cage: 'Turn About', annual MAP Fundraiser, 10pm. The staff does the show, the cast attempts to tend bar.

Partners: Dating Game, hosted by Paul & Liz. 10:30.

Shamrock [Madison]: MASN & Red Cross present 'Back Talk', PWA's & their care providers in a discussion forum, begins 7pm. Free, anonymous HIV testing on site, by Blue Bus Clinic.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

HIT '90 Poker Run: kick off of HIT '90 fundraising efforts, 6 to 11pm at Triangle. Partners, Jet's, Ballgame, This Is It, M&M's & Wreck Room. For more info contact bars or Dean at 414-482-1700.

Nitengales: Theresa's birthday bash.

GAMMA: Dining Out at La Casita, 2014 N. Farwell, 7pm. Call Bill at 442-2268 for more info. contd. on page 33

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An aside to Miss M: Watch out for those Sheep, girl!

See you next issue hopefully I'll have more time to spend writing this column then!



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St. Patrick's (Gay) Day Plans

St. Patrick's day will soon be here, begorrah! Is everybody ready to celebrate? Have you put up the St. Patrick's tree and trimmed it with lots of shamrocks and shelaighlees? Is the mantle hung with care with lots of green stockings in hopes that Saint Patrick soon will be there? Have you finished all of your St. Pat's Day gift shopping, sent out your St. Paddy's greeting cards, and have you baked a lovely potato to carve and and serve with all the trimmings to all your loved ones?

Now perhaps and you'll be a'thinkin' me a mite strange and a wee bit on the eccentric side; but I've every right, I have. Now don't ye know that by birth me true first name is "Dennis" and me last is "Mc", and I've got the Irish in me, I have, I do, indeed...

Good God, that's enough brogue already! I think you've got the point. It's just that I'm really tired of every year seeing the whole world go crazy celebrating December 25th and January 1st, with precious little attention paid to March 17th. It all boils down to a matter of Irish discrimination, I feel. Or maybe it's just ignorance.

So your Irish cousin thrice removed, Sister Dana, is here to educate you and help you make your plans for the good Saint Paddy and Erin Go Braugh (or Braless, for you feminists out there).

Of course, there are times when my Gay self takes over my Irish self and says, "What the hell are you in such a green fervor over this Pat character for, anyway? Wasn't he the legendary saint (more the meddler) who brought strict, fundamental Christianity to Ireland and droves the snakes to the sea? And any good homosexual worth his salt (whatever that means... I just threw it in, because Irish love to salt their food) knows that the snake is a traditional phallic symbol. So who wants to drive phalluses to the sea,

anyway? And did we really need to bring fundamental Christianity to a bunch of brawling, drunken Irishmen?

But speaking of Christianity (note the smooth transition here?), a person doesn't have to be a Christian to celebrate Christmas, so why should a person have to be Irish to celebrate St. Patrick's Day?

Now that I've convinced you of the necessity to party in the name of Paddy, you'll no doubt be in need of ideas toward such carryings-on. Read on, oh intrepid, new Irish convert. contd. on page 52

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makes extravagant plans with a friend of theirs who's visiting from out-of-town for a night Mike already said he was busy. And not once, in all these times, does Joe say he's sorry. Finally, Mike asks himself: Why bother with him anymore?

Ditching Joe is an option. Being somebody's friend does not, after all, mean when the world dumps on him, he gets to take his anger out on you.

But Mike can also choose another course. The next time Joe is rude, Mike can confront him. If for instance, Joe leaves him out of plans with friends again, Mike can say, "That was mean, why'd you do it?"

Yes, the conversation will be uncomfortable, Joe is likely to take offense, deny he was being inconsiderate. He may have been too self-absorbed to even realize it. If Mike insists on hearing why Joe left him out, Joe may explode. "I'm going through a really bad time right now, you know that," he might say accusingly. A friend would have to have a

black heart not to feel some sympathy for him then. You know what it is like to be down. But, at the same time, you want to belt him. An apology of some sort from him is probably what it will take to save your friendship. So, don't back down. Stick to your grievance. And as sickly sweet as this sounds, it will help to bare your vulnerable side, by saying, "What you did hurt men."

Just these few sentence may nudge your friend back into realizing that there are people besides himself he should be concerned about.

Mike will probably try this with Joe. And after he does, he'll probably wonder how he could have contemplated ditching this guy who was, is, and always will be, one of his closest friends.







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SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Platwood Club [Stevens Point]: CPI does HIV testing from noon-6. Benefit show for CPI follows that evening.

Drop-In Center Workshop: 'Volunteering & Life Care Services for MAP Clients', 9pm, 225 S. 2nd St., Milw.

Foundation Comm. Center: Anonymous, free HIV testing by BESTD Clinic, 10pm-2am, 225 S. 2nd St.

Wreck Room: Spurs Annual Auction.

Nitengales: Softball benefit, raffles.

Windy City Nudists: Presents 'High Tea', Samson's in Madison, 4pm. Call (312) 281-1180 for overnight info.

GAMMA: Annual Luau, 8pm. Call Bob at 963-9833 for more info.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Triangle: Free Anonymous HIV testing by BESTD Clinic, 5pm-10pm.

Rod's [Madison]: Anita Bryant's 50th Birthday Party, shot specials.

Nitengales: Dianna Jones sings live 7pm, no cover.

MONDAY, MARCH 26

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Ashley Morgan and Peter's Legendary Oscar Party, 7pm-on. Barbara Walters Cocktail Hour 6-7, best dressed Oscar nominee gets a bar tab.

Triangle: Academy Awards Party, pick the winners & get a \$50 bar tab.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

Club 3054 [Madison]: Jock Strap Contest, Cash prizes, midnite.

The New Bar [Madison]: 'disappear fear', Women's performance duo, \$2 cover.

Club 219: Wacky Wednesday, Leather & Leatherette Contest, \$50 prize. 11:30pm.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Triangle: Trojan's Softball Fundraiser, 'The Boys of Summer', lots of entertainers and guest male stripper, super raffle, 10:30pm Club 3054 [Madison]: Texas Two Step Party, live country band.

Rod's [Madison]: Bartender exchange with The New Bar.

The New Bar [Madison]: Bartender exchange with The Rod.

Club 219: Annual 'Closet Ball'

cash prize \$150 for best amateur transformation from man to 'woman'. See Ginger for entry & details, \$10 entry fee.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Nitengales: Mexican Fiesta, Mexican food & drink specials, give-aways.

New Leaf [Janesville]: MASN Benefit Show, Showtime 9:30, \$3 donation at door goes to MASN.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Drop-In Center Workshop: "HIV Pos. Empowerment", by Dan Sorenson, 9pm. 225 S. 2nd St., Milw.

Wreck Room: Monthly Party, with prizes every half hour, grand prize is a mountain bike.

Nitengales: Shirley Fitzpatrick's Retirement party, 4pm-?

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Ginger Spice and Friends, showtime 10:30, \$3 cover.

Masquer's [Wausau]: Mr./Miss/Ms. Masquer's Contest, showtime 10, cash and prizes. Apply at bar.

Cream City Chorus: 2nd Annual Recognition Awards Banquet, Park East Hotel, limited reservations available. Call 769-6184 for tickets.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Make A Promise Dinner: Wisconsin Club, social hour with cocktails and piano music at 5:30, dinner at 6:30, entertainment at 8pm.

Brandy's II: Argonaut's monthly fundraiser for CPI, Raffles, Prizes, Sloppy Joes, 4-9pm.

Nitengales: 'Stars of Wisconsin' Show, \$3 cover. Starring Ms. Gay WI State Cassie Carter.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Mr. & Miss Pivot '90/91, Larinda and Willie present their first show, 'HEAT', 10:30pm.

Gay Life In Miami

The Beach, the sun, the well-tanned bodies! What more can you ask for? As a winter vacation city, Miami is heaven for the sun-bound Gay traveller. Our recent trip to Miami, Fort Meyers, and Everglades National Park, illustrated the finer points of South Florida.

The city of Miami offers a great deal to the Gay/Lesbian tourist, as well as the full-time resident. When first arriving, we sought information in the Dade County telephone book by looking up "Gay" in the phone book. Much to my surprise, I found not only the Gay Community Hotline, but also the Gay Community Bookstore.

A Gay bookstore can mean two things, and we were hopeful that the Lambda Passages Bookstore (7545 Biscayne Blvd.) meant books, and not those other things you can find in Gay "bookstores." The manager (owner?) was very knowledgeable regarding Lesbian literature, as well as traditional Gay literature, and stocked one of the best selections of Lesbian novels I've seen. We were very excited to see Wisconsin Light editor Terry Boughner's book.

We also had the pleasure to meet the director of the Gay and Lesbian Community Center, Mr. Robert Ben Mitchell. The center is conveniently located next door to Lambda Passages. Mr. Mitchell has been very actively lobbying for a Gay/Lesbian civil rights law in Dade County, Florida, and recently published his first book. Just a little warning if you plan to visit Lambda Passages, or the Gav and Lesbian Community Center. The neighborhood of the bookstore and center leave a lot to be desired. The parking is tough, and we wisely parked in a nearby fast-food restaurant

Mr. Mitchell also operates the Gay and Lesbian Community Hotline of Greater Miami. This hotline uses taped messages to provide information to all callers in the Miami Gay and Lesbian community. Topics include activities for women and men, AIDS information, bar and social information, and current political events. This 24-hour service efficiently distributes information to both visitors and residents.

Florida's Gay/Lesbian newspaper, The Weekly News, has published for eight years, and contains an matchless collection of national news. In addition, through advertising and a special entertainment supplement, The Weekly News is an excellent resource on the activities throughout the entire state of Florida. The Weekly News comes out each Wednesday, and is distributed throughout Florida.

Miami Beach is heaven for the little bit of decorator in all of us. Renowned for its art deco style, many Lesbians and Gays were drawn to the artistic nature of Miami Beach. Today, rehab. is the norm, and most of the old hotels are being renovated by yuppie types. It's a fun place to hang out, shop, and the beach is fantastic. In addition, the Cuban community adds a unique international flavor to the area.

Of course, a city the size of Miami ought to have all the necessary trappings of a Gay lifestyle: bookstores, bars, etc., but what about the rest of Florida? The Florida Keys are renowned for the Gay life, and Key West is about as close to a San Francisco atmosphere that you can get in the south. The disadvantage is the trek to Key West, which is long, and if it's a weekend, can be stop and go traffic the entire route.

Our trip to Fort Meyers found a great deal of day time opportunities for tourists, particularly elderly ones, but the night life lacks. A state renowned for its retired population can tend towards the dull side at times. Be sure, if weather permits, to try the beach, though. Always fertile cruising ground.

So, Gay life exists in the south. It's an exciting fact, and Miami is a great place to venture out to meet people from around the world. Check it out!



Inklings

By Tim Hensiak

How Much Can You Take?

I want to tell you about Mike and Joe. They were once the closest of friends. They met several years ago while in college, and had chemistry from the start. They ate together, lived together, doubled up in hysterics imitating their professors together. At night they'd prowl the town, crazy partners on assignment to find fun and men.

Once they had a tiff when Joe was on some stupid diet and forced Mike to walk with him for hours until they found a restaurant that served brown rice and vegetables. Mike hated the food and made them leave halfway through it. They were mad at each other that night, but the next morning they laughed about it. "The things I do for you!" Mike howled. "The things you do for me?" Joe hooted.

But now, several years later, their lives are different. Mike likes his new job; Joe hates his. Mike has a boyfriend; Joe doesn't. For weeks Joe has been depressed, self-absorbed, a pill to be around. And Mike is not sure what to do: How long do you put up with a friends unpleasant moods and bad behavior because you know he is down?

For quite a time Mike tries a tolerant approach. Whenever Joe wants to talk about himself. Mike listens, even though it means that their conversations turn into a tedious Joe monologue.

One afternoon, Mike has to interject, "Guess what! An ad agency in Chicago wants to interview me for a job!"

"That's great." says Joe, looking bored. He's like a person Mike doesn't want to know.

As the weeks go by, Joe's crimes against friendship mount. He forgets to call on Mike's birthday. He doesn't help Mike set-up for or clean-up after a party they threw "together" at Mike's. Joe

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[L to R] Dino [tie for tightest jeans], Tom [best ripped], Jeff [tie for tightest], Curtis [most creative], Triangle owner, Al; and front - Miss Chastity Belt, at The Triangle's recent Jeans Contest.

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Life is full of little contradictions and ups and downs. While a therapist may say it's not healthy to look at life's events from either a black and white perspective, it seems good news is often followed by bad. It's probably a smart idea to keep that thought in mind as you read this column... then again, maybe it's not such a good idea after all.

The good news is... you've got a date for Saturday night.

The bad news is... he is a dental assistant who insists using his tongue to frisk you back teeth and check for plaque while kissing.

The good news is... you finally decided to purchase a self-help book on Codependency.

The bad news is... you are afraid to buy it until you get your lover's permission.

The good news is... your lover has been named the new national spokesman for Sunsweet Prunes.

The bad news is... he was chosen because of his wrinkled skin caused by daily water-logged, voyeuristic, hour-long visits to the men's shower at the local health club.

The good news is... after a two month dry spell, you are in the midst of intense, high-kilowatt sex.

The bad news is... those four bottles of La Croix have come back to haunt you and now you're hopelessly attempting to ignore the call of nature by staying in bed, praying the feeling will somehow go away, so you won't have to interrupt the action.

The good news is... your new love interest just experienced an intense orgasm.

The bad news is... it occurred after only four seconds of intense sex and then he immediately shot out of bed, urinated with the bathroom door open and brushed his teeth using your brand new Reach toothbrush.

The good news is... your new boss

takes a real interest in your relationship problems.

The bad news is... you accidentally transpose pronouns, making "she" a "he", so now he not only knows your gay, but that your boyfriend isn't putting out.

The good news is... there's a big clothing sale down at the mall.

The bad news is... there's only \$7.57 worth of available credit remaining on your Visa card.

The good news is... you had a little too much to drink last night, but didn't wake up with a hangover.

The bad news is... now you are afraid Fluffy, your cat, considers himself to be an Adult Child of an Alcoholic.

The good news is... you've made a date with a man whose personal ad stressed personal honesty and being truthful.

The bad news is... after the date, you are convinced the experience provides indisputable proof that truth is stranger than fiction.

The good news is... you've discovered masturbating 4 or 5 times a day alleviates all cravings for food. As a result of using this method, you've lost 15 pounds in less than two weeks.

The bad news is... you now experience a constant ringing in your ears.

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Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipter

Let's Talk Sex...

That Lesbians are defined by SEXual preference and, frequently, thought as hyperSEXual beings is, on a number of counts, a bit ironic. First of all, studies of this sort of thing have shown that Lesbians have sex significantly less often than anyone else. If you look at the response to JoAnn Loulan's workshops and books not to mention the long hours logged in with therapists it certainly would appear that many of us seem to think that we have a problem in this area. We do. But not having sex often enough (particularly in couples) is probably not one of those problems.

The first problem is really that "having sex" is a heterosexual concept. As Mailyn Frye says ("Lesbian 'Sex," Sinister Wisdom Fall/Summer 1988). "When the only things that count as 'doing it' are those passages of our interactions which most closely approximate a paradigm that arose from the meanings of the rising and the falling of the penis, no wonder we discover ourselves to 'do it' rather less often than do pairs with one or more penises present." In other words, counting as "times we have had sex" only those times when one or both persons has an orgasm or when each person touches the other's vulva may not be a valid representation of Lesbian sex. Looking at sex this way limits our experience and our prerception of what Lesbian sex really is. And comparing ourselves to this standard may leave us feeling cheated or abnormal, feeling that other couples, particularly non-lesbian couples, have more and/or better sex which can be seen for the falsehood it is when you consider, as Frye points out, that "what 851/2 of long-term heterosexual married couples do more than once a month takes on the average 8 minutes to do."

Part of the problem is that we don't have the language to encompass the fullness of our experience, the arousal, the passion, the intense emotions, the playfulness and variety of bodily contact

- as well as the orgasm. Lack of language or societal conditioning have led us to discount as "sex" anything that does not end in direct genital stimulation. We, as Lesbians need to invent a language and to reconstruct a frame of mind that not only construes a broader range of sensations as "sex" but celebrates and cherishes them as well.

If we are going to create such a language, we have to talk. And that's the other irony of Lesbians as SEXual beings: we are not very good, as a rule, at talking about sex. Oh sure, there are those who are good with the sexual innuendo or a dirty joke, but even many of these women have a hard time talking seriouly and sincerely about sexual matters. There are a number of reasons why that is so, of course among them that, especially as women, we've been trained that sex is an unfit topic for conversation and that sex is a very private (shameful?) thing. But no matter what we've learned, we need to start talking about sex. It's not any prurient interest on my part that leads me to say this, either in fact, I am one of the most squeamish when it comes to talking about sex.

But on the most personal level, there are a couple of reasons we've got to get better at talking about (you know what). First on the list is personal satisfaction. In my experience (never you mind just how vast or minute that is!), most Lesbians are way ass too timid about saying what they want, when, where and how. We need to develop open, nonjudgmental lines of sexual communication with our partners if we hope to achieve mutually satisfying sexual relationships. (Easier said than done, I know.)

Then, at both a personal and a larger level, we need to be able to talk comfortably about sex if we are going to be able to talk about safe sex. Historically, safe sex hasn't appeared to be a major issue for Lesbians. But if and when it becomes so, we could be in big trouble if we don't learn to talk more freely about

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partners in one-on-one situations, it's even more difficult to talk about sex with groups of friends. Still, I think it's important to do so. Even if you've had a range of sexual partners and, especially if vou're in a long-term relationship, your view of ways to relate sexually is limited by your experience and those of your partner(s). In the sexual isolation of each relationship, you can sometimes begin to feel that your experience is somehow atypical that your friends are more sexual more often, or that they are more adventurous, or that they are more 'conventional', or that only you and your partner have "problems like this". Talking among our friends can help us keep things in perspective and give us

new ideas about how to relate.

Finally, Joan Nestle makes the point in her A Restricted Country that part of what has happened with Lesbians is that, in order to be accepted by and to "fit in" with the larger society, we have downplayed our sexuality even to ourselves. Nestle reminds us that "our battle is to be accepted in the fullness of our difference and not because we promise to be like everybody else." It is especially important now, in the shadow of the Helms amendment, that we loudly claim our homoerotic selves lest the so-called moral majority and their ilk think they have successfully beaten us down.

We are not only sexual, but we are sexual. And we need to own that out loud.

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