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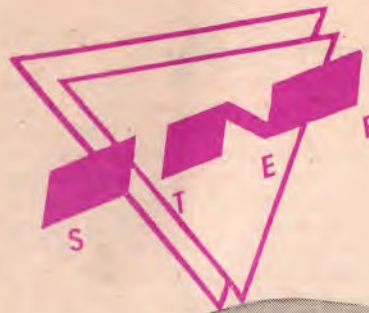
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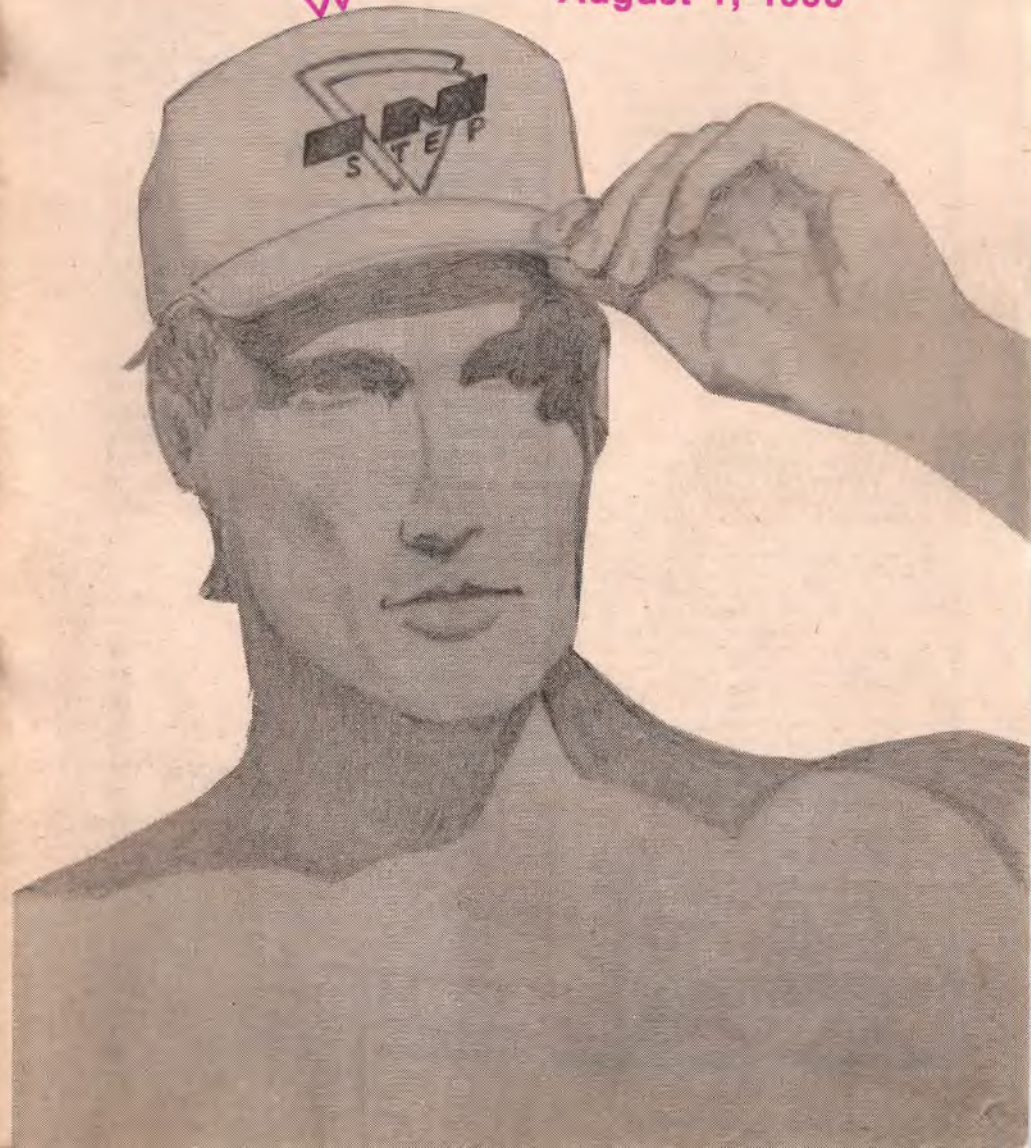
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Cover Story

In Step welcomes a new artist to our 'stable,' Jim Buckett of Madison. Jim sent us five pieces, including several of women, but the one we selected for this issue was an obvious favorite of ours (no surprise, huh?). Now, we'll be having people calling wondering if we have In Step logo baseball caps (no we don't).

Jim prefers working in pencil and or charcoal, and doesn't consider himself a professional artist, just "someone who likes to draw when time permits" (we beg to differ, Jim!).

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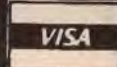
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News

World Gay Confab Breaks Records

by Rex Wockner in Stockholm

A former Chicagoan who lives in Austria and a Brit were elected July 7 to lead the International Lesbian and Gay Association for the next year, at the conclusion of the group's week-long 12th World Conference in Stockholm, Sweden.

John Clark, a US citizen who has resided in Vienna for 17 years, and Lisa Power of London were selected overwhelmingly by the 287 delegates in attendance.

Clark, who works with Homosexual Initiative Vienna, or HOSI Wien, responded merely by saying 'thank you' in seven languages.

Power, who comes from the Stonewall Group, a new national Gay rights organization in the United Kingdom, said that she arrived at the conference "completely fed up" after two years as ILGA co-secretary general but was leaving the gathering "totally renewed. You are all so wonderful," she said.

Robert Bray of the US National Gay & Lesbian Task Force was nominated for the co-secretary general position, but withdrew, saying NGLTF was not prepared for the commitment this year. NGLTF was, however, elected 'back-up' ILGA financial secretariat by an overwhelming margin, following a vocal contest with the Norwegian national Gay organization Det Norske Forbundet av 1948. ILGA 'secretaries' are individual persons while 'secretariats' are organizations.

ATTENDANCE RECORD SMASHED

ILGA's 12th conference was its largest ever, smashing last year's record from Vienna by nearly 50 delegates. Representatives were on hand from 32 countries, including, for the first time, the Soviet Union.

By the end of the week, eight Soviets had straggled into Stockholm — three from Tallinn, Estonia; one from Moscow; two from Leningrad; and two from Vilnius, Lithuania.

The woman from the Moscow Union of Lesbians and Gay men proudly displayed the first issues of the group's newspaper, Tema (Fag), but nonetheless gave reporters a pseudonym.

Only the Estonians have also organized formally. They recently placed an ad in the state's largest newspaper and have received 50 responses.

The need for Gay publishing in the Soviet Union was driven home by the fact that the Soviet Gays and Lesbians attending the conference had not known of each other's existence prior to their arrival in Stockholm — even though Gay news reporters in the West had been in touch with all of them for months.

In addition to the eight Soviets, ILGA organizers and the media were excited by the presence of Nicaraguan Lesbian and AIDS activist Rita Arauz, who said the new non-Sandinista mayor of Managua has promised to cleanse the streets of homosexuals.

Under the old Sandinista regime, a Gay/Lesbian collective had worked closely with the government to distribute safe-sex information in Gay male cruising locations and elsewhere.

Also honored by reporters was Natee Teerarojjanapongs, Thailand's leading Gay and AIDS activist; and key South African campaigner Sheila Lapinsky, who gave the conference's opening plenary address.

USA DISCOVERS ILGA

The USA made its strongest showing ever at an ILGA conference, with almost 40 activists and individuals in attendance. The largest contingent came from the North American Man/Boy Love Association, a fact that privately distressed more mainstream activists.

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Milwaukee — Juneau Park, which runs along the east side of Prospect Avenue from Mason to Juneau Streets, was the scene of a vicious early morning attack Saturday, July 14 by three Black males who allegedly beat, robbed, stripped and raped a local Gay man. The men were described by the victim as in their late 20's, with one wielding a knife, and another a handgun.

We will not identify the man who was attacked due to the nature of the assault. He wanted to let the community know that the police urge people to stay out of the park, because a number of similar assaults have taken place recently, usually between the hours of midnight and 3am.

The victim (who contacted In Step shortly before presstime) said he went to the park with a friend in the early morning hours, where they talked for a period before splitting up. The attack occurred when the victim was alone. The three men allegedly approached him, beat him while brandishing weapons, then stripped him. Two of the assailants then raped him, with the second rapist demanding fellatio afterwards. They left him naked, and took his clothing and wallet.

A passer-by responded to the victims' plea for help, and together they found his discarded shirt. Now at least partially clothed, he went to a nearby hotel and reported the incident to police.

The victim reported to In Step that the police were very helpful and understanding, but also very concerned that similar assaults could happen again in the park.

Park closing time is 10pm, but neighborhood residents often can be seen strolling through the park, which offers a commanding view of Lake Michigan and the Milwaukee harbor. The park is also a notorious Gay cruising locale. However, over the years many assaults have been reported there. A number of years ago, a Gay man was shot and killed in the park in the early morning hours, by an assailant who later claimed to have been rabbit hunting.

NGLTF's Bray and Lambda's Paula Eitelbrick organized ILGA's first "Americas Caucus," incorporating all delegates from North, Central and South America.

Eastern Europe made a strong showing for the second year in a row. Perhaps the most exciting news was that East Germany and Poland now have three Gay newspapers each, and Hungary and Czechoslovakia have launched their first Gay publications.

WALESA WANTS TO 'ELIMINATE' GAYS

Polish delegates arrived with the shocking news that Solidarity party leader and presidential candidate Lech Walesa has said he will 'eliminate' 'homosexuals' and 'drug users' from Polish society if he is elected.

Recordings of Walesa's remark, made in late April at the Solidarity convention in Gdansk, were played on Polish radio and TV, according to the seven Polish activists in attendance. Writers from the Gdansk Gay magazine FILO said they heard the comment in person at the Solidarity convention.

Delegates from East Germany proudly announced that their country now has more than 50 Gay or Lesbian organizations, and that Gay couples in East Berlin have recently been granted housing together.

Czechoslovakia has spawned six Gay groups and a new national umbrella organization. A national Gay congress and the country's first AIDS demonstration were held this spring.

Hungary's Gay movement faced a setback in the past year when the groundbreaking organization Homeros Lambda self-destructed after internal fighting. But a core group of 12 Gay men recently formed Lambda Budapest and are publishing a newspaper called MASok.

LATINS EXUDE ENTHUSIASM

Latin America made a strong but uneven showing at the conference. Energetic delegations arrived in force from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Mexico, but not from the region's 20-odd other countries. *contd. on page 6*

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Two groups in Guadalajara, Mexico — The Homosexual Liberation Pride Group (GOHL) and Patlatonalli Lesbian Group — will host the 1991 ILGA World Conference June 16-23. It is both ILGA's first gathering outside Europe and in a third-world nation.

Three delegates attended from the Lima Homosexual Movement in Peru, proudly telling of their office space, full-time employees and aggressive AIDS educational efforts.

Argentines continue to battle a homophobic police campaign that leads to the arrest of an average of 30 Gay men nightly. At present, parliament is considering repealing the law under which police pluck the men off the street and take them in for a 'records check.'

POLICIES SET, PROJECTS LAUNCHED

Among the scores of resolutions passed and projects launched by delegate voting at plenary sessions was a very controversial measure that will allow women to call for a women-only vote on ILGA issues that affect only women, but will not allow men to call for a male-only vote on issues that affect only men.

Lesbian presence at this year's conference was at an all-time high (35 percent), to the overt delight of nearly everyone in attendance.

DEMO TARGETS IRAN

A rowdy demonstration — made more militant by the presence of U.S. rabble-rouser Michael Petrelis of ACT UP/Washington, D.C. — was held in downtown Stockholm in protest of Iran's formal policy of executing those who have homosexual sex.

In a letter to the Iranian ambassador, the conference wrote: "We have read of the savage executions of homosexuals that have occurred in your country. It is shocking that such ignorant, sadistic and blood-thirsty behavior can be associated with any religion or group of people...."

Plenary votes also reaffirmed ILGA's dedication to several on-going projects, including campaigns to extend the protections of the European Convention

on Human Rights to Gays and Lesbians, convince Amnesty International to adopt individuals imprisoned for being Gay, and achieve consultative status in the Council of Europe and the United Nations.

International Human Rights Day, Dec. 12, has been targeted for ILGA fundraising events worldwide. ILGA faces a constant cash-crunch, due in part to the poverty of member groups in developing nations.

Other new US members of ILGA this year included: The Coalition of Lesbian and Gay Student Groups, New York's Heritage of Pride, the New York Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center, the Oak Park (IL) Lesbian and Gay Association, Washington's Gay and Lesbian Political Action Committee, The National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation, the National Organization for Women, and the Baltimore Gay Alliance.

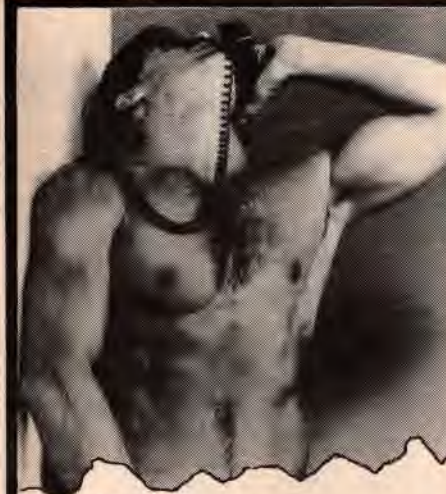
US delegates in Stockholm said this list is just a drop in the bucket and urged all US Gay/Lesbian organizations to acknowledge that the Gay and Lesbian movement is global — with activists in several nations well ahead of their US counterparts.

Delegates particularly decried the absence of such large organizations at the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the American Civil Liberties Union, National Gay Rights Advocates and ACT UP/New York.

Gay Legislation Update

Washington, D.C. [NGLTF] — Three more members of the U.S. Congress have signed on as cosponsors of the Federal Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill in the wake of a massive National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) constituent pressure post card campaign. Meanwhile, NGLTF is marshaling forces for an expected battle over NEA authorization and homoerotic art.

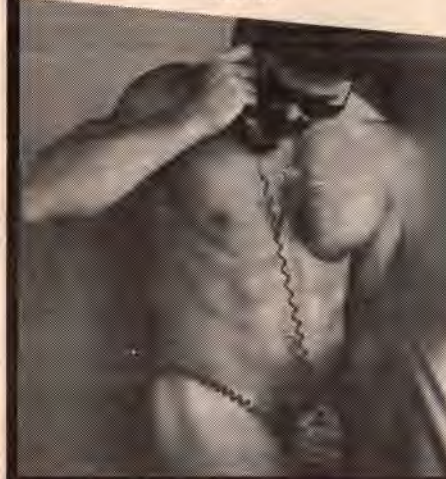
Senators Howard Metzenbaum (D-OH) and Daniel Akaka (D-HI), and Representative Claudine Schneider (R-RI) recently cosponsored the Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill. Currently, 79 Representatives and 12 Senators



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cosponsor the bill. Only two of Wisconsin's Democratic Representatives are cosponsors — Robert Kastenmeier & James Moody.

NGLTF has distributed 125,000 post cards across the U.S., covering 334 Congressional Districts (out of a total of 435). The cards, which have preprinted Congressional addresses but are filled in and mailed by constituents, urge lawmakers to support S. 47 and HR. 655, the Gay and Lesbian civil rights bill.

To get a supply of post cards, contact NGLTF at 1517 U St. NW, Washington, D.C., 20009, phone (202)332-6483.

In other Capitol Hill action, the NGLTF is gearing up for the battle over censorship and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). NGLTF is working with a coalition of arts and political groups to ensure the NEA is reauthorized without content restrictions or homophobic stipulations. Last year, Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) passed an amendment that restricts NEA funding of 'obscene' art, including homoerotic imagery.

NGLTF is calling on Gays, Lesbians and artists to contact their members of Congress and urge them to reauthorize the NEA without restrictions. The Task Force has assisted the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) in preparing postcards for GLAAD's "War on Homoerotic Art... Censorship as Gay-Bashing" campaign. The preprinted cards, which feature a 'banned' David Michaelangelo on the cover, urge members of Congress to "stand firm in support of freedom of expression by rejecting any attempt to impose censorship restrictions on the arts." Call GLAAD at (212)966-1700 for cards and information.

Conservative Comes Out

The founder of the modern conservative movement, 66 year old Marvin Liebman, publicly came out July 11, saying he decided to announce his homosexuality in hopes he can counter the homophobia he said is ripping through right wing politics, according to the Milwaukee Sentinel.

Liebman publicly came out in both the Advocate and William F. Buckley's conservative National Review simultaneously. He was quoted in an interview saying, "the primary impact I wanted to have in this whole coming out was on the conservative community. Just to sort of alert them to the dangers of homophobia and all that comes with it."

Liebman helped found the Young Americans for Freedom, and has been involved in the American Conservative Union, the Conservative Party of New York and the presidential campaigns of Barry Goldwater and Ronald Reagan.

Leaders of national Gay/Lesbian organizations praised Liebman's actions, saying it was important to let the community in general know the wide diversity of the Gay/Lesbian community.

Court: OK To Reject Gay Advertising

The Wisconsin Court of Appeals ruled July 10 that a newspaper's classified advertising section is not a public accommodation/place of business under Wisconsin's pioneer Gay rights law, and thus papers are allowed to reject ads, including Gay/Lesbian oriented ones.

According to the Milwaukee Sentinel the Appeals court decision affirmed a trial court judgment in favor of the publishers of the Green Bay Press Gazette. The paper had refused to accept ads from Among Friends, and Peggy and Tracey Vandever.

Hatheway did business as Among Friends, a networking group offering referrals and resources for rural Gays and Lesbians, had sought to place an innocuous ad in an attempt to reach rural Gazette readers. The Vandeveres wanted to place an ad selling Lesbian-oriented sweatshirts.

The paper rejected the ads due to the words Gay/Lesbian. The original suit argued that the classified sections of papers were a place of business, and thus subject to anti-bias provisions under the public accommodations law.



Vets Form Group

As a result of continuing discrimination on the part of the Department of Defense, and all branches of the United States military against Lesbians, Gay men and Bisexual military personnel, a group of determined veterans and their representative organizations, have formed Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Veterans Association of America (GLBVA), a national veterans' organization, (previously as reported in In Step Vol. 7, Issue 10). This organization will assist Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual veterans and active duty personnel in matters which pertain to discrimination, harassment, and less-than-honorable discharges. In addition, the GLBVA will organize a concerted effort to challenge D.O.D. policies and administrative policies which now prohibit persons with alternative affectional preferences from serving in the US military establishment.

The GLBVA presents its agenda as a focus on three issues: 1) a challenge to D.O.D. policy 1332.14, which excludes Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals from military service; 2) support and assistance to campus groups challenging ROTC programs on their campuses; and 3) establish a "Witch Hunt Strike Force," which will provide legal observers on military installations where witch hunts are on-going, to insure that all military personnel, regardless of sexual orientation, have their rights observed, protected and enforced.

Future goals of the GLBVA include a "Lobby Day" on Capitol Hill; establishment of a legal defense fund; a discharge upgrading service; and AIDS buddy program; and other programs which deal with issues of importance to both Gay and non-Gay veterans.

GLBVA has a permanent telephone number: (414)342-6543. Callers are guaranteed a personal response within 24 hours (if they leave a recorded message). Anonymity/security is also assured if the caller is requesting legal information or is under investigation. For more information, call or write: GLBVA, 1350 North 37th Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

53208, Attn: Miriam Ben-Shalom, National Chairperson.

EDITOR'S NOTE: At deadline, In Step was informed of an impending action to be filed against the Wisconsin National Guard by a Madison man. The action will center on Wisconsin Statute, Section 21.35, Military Affairs Section, which would seem to prevent discrimination based on sexual preference in the state National Guard. The question remains if federal law would supersede state laws over the state-funded Guard. More on this issue once the action has been filed, which is expected to come late in July.

Consumers Give NGLTF Support

Washington, D.C., [NGLTF] — The Working Assets Funding Service, a "socially responsible consumer services company" for "practical idealists," has granted the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) \$20,000 for its work on behalf of Gay and Lesbian civil rights.

Working Assets awards funds generated over the past year by its Visa, MasterCard, long distance, or travel services. Every time a Working Assets member charges a purchase to his or her credit card, makes a phone call or buys an airline ticket, a percentage of the bill goes to the Working Assets Funding Service, at no charge to the member.

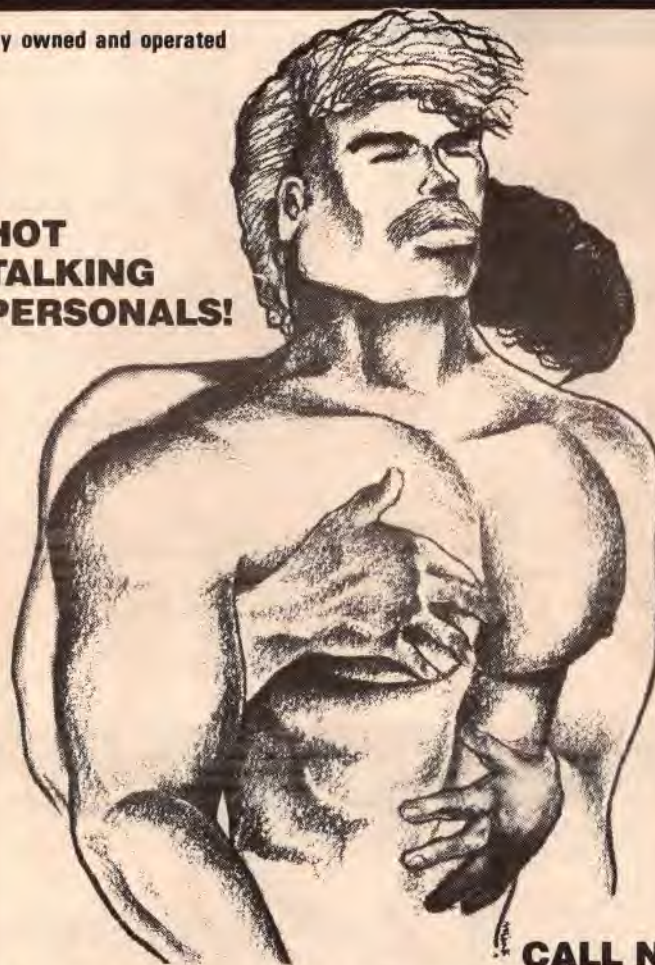
The organization makes grants to environmental, human rights, justice and peace organizations. Working Assets' 100,000 members nominate and vote on which groups will receive funding. In the most recent granting period, more than \$300,000 was distributed to 32 action groups last year.

NGLTF ranked third in size of awards, behind Greenpeace (\$27,787) and the National Abortion Rights Action League (\$24,132). Earth Day 1990, Amnesty International and the Fund for a Free South Africa were among other groups to receive awards.

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Person With HIV Sues For Treatment

New York, [LLDEF] — A man with advanced HIV infection brought suit July 12 in state court asking for an emergency order to require his insurance company to pay for the treatment that could save his life. The judge will have to determine who should make critical decisions on payment for needed health care — patients and their doctors, or insurance companies.

The lawsuit, filed in New York State Supreme Court by Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund (LLDEF), charges the insurer, Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield, with refusing to pay for a bone marrow transplant for Thomas Bradley, in violation of his insurance policy. Empire has refused to pay because it says the procedure is 'investigational,' even though the federal Food & Drug Administration (FDA) and New York State's Medicaid Program have approved it. The lawsuit asks the court to immediately order the company to pay for the procedure so Mr. Bradley can get treatment before it is too late.

This case presents a key issue for health care in the 90's," said Lambda staff attorney Evan Wolfson, co-counsel for Mr. Bradley. "Who should decide that treatments are to be used — patients and their doctors, or insurance companies with a built-in conflict of interest? Time and time again, as in our fight with them over the drug AZT, we have seen insurance companies try to avoid having to pay the costs of caring for people with AIDS and helping to stop the progression of HIV illness. We hope the court will act swiftly, not only to save this-man's life, but to make it clear that doctors and patients make the medical decisions, not insurance companies."

Mr. Bradley's doctor, H.Kent Holland of the Johns Hopkins Oncology Center in Baltimore, a specialist in the procedure, stated in sworn court papers that, because Mr. Bradley has a twin for a donor, he is an excellent candidate for the bone marrow transplant, a standard treatment for patients with congenital immune deficiencies.

G/L Couples & Bias

In a national survey, a whopping 71 percent of 1,266 Lesbian and Gay couples said they had experienced at least one type of discrimination as a couple, and 39 percent had experienced three or more types.

The statistics were released in the May/June issue of Partners Newsletter For Gay & Lesbian Couples. The publishers, who developed the survey, collected responses in 1988 and 1989.

"Gay couples who have sought equal treatment for their relationship unfortunately will not find these statistics surprising," said Stevie Bryant, who edits and publishes the bimonthly newsletter with his 10-year-partner Demian. "But we hope that the information will impress upon elected officials and other policy makers the severity of the problem."

Discrimination was most frequently reported in connection with employment benefits. However, the problem was not universal. Eight percent of the respondents said their employers provided partners with an employee benefit of some kind. Five percent said their employer provides health insurance for their partner.

Judging from the results, same-sex couples face likely discrimination wherever they seek equal treatment. For example, almost half of those couples who had arranged to parent children through adoption or foster parenting programs said they faced discrimination in the process.

Women reported significantly more discrimination than men. Fully 75 percent of women reported relationship discrimination of some type, as compared to 65 percent of men. This may be partly attributable to the added discrimination Lesbians experience as women.

A free summary of results from the national survey may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to Partners, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109. A detailed analysis appears in that newsletter's May/June issue, which may be ordered for \$3.95.

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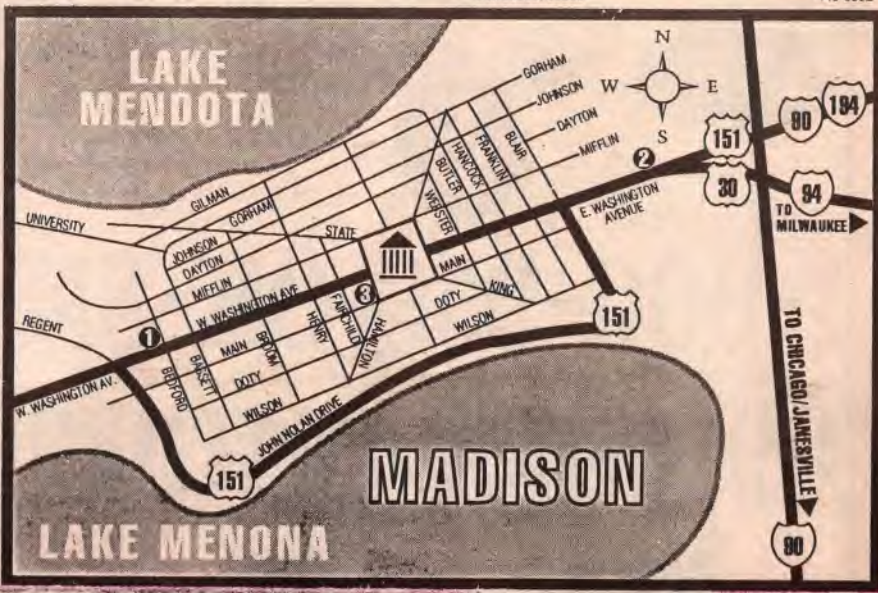
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MI. Sodomy Law Struck Down

New York [LLDEF] — A trial court in Wayne County, Michigan July 6 became the second court in a month to strike down a state sodomy statute on state constitutional grounds. In reasoning similar to that used by a Kentucky court in early June, the Michigan court recognized that the state sodomy law and related so-called 'gross indecency' laws violate every citizen's right to privacy under the state constitution.

"This is an important victory for everyone concerned with privacy rights in this country. The Michigan ruling is a good example of the growing trend around the country to challenge and overturn these antiquated, oppressive laws," said David Piontkowsky, lead attorney for the Michigan Organization for Human Rights (MOHR), one of the plaintiffs in the suit, along with eleven diverse individuals. MOHR brought the lawsuit together with Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund, the national Lesbian and Gay rights advocacy group, and the ACLU of Michigan.

A broad range of plaintiffs from all over the state successfully challenged the Michigan law, including a 75-year old Lesbian, a Gay male couple, a Lesbian mother, and unmarried non-Gay man, a married non-Gay man, a Bisexual woman, a Bisexual man, and a non-Gay disabled woman. All the plaintiffs told the court that, because of these laws, they have suffered a chilling effect on their behavior and fear of prosecution since, in Michigan, a sodomy conviction is classified as a felony and can result in up to fifteen years in prison and a fine of \$5,000.

Wayne County Circuit Judge John A. Murphy ruled that the sodomy and gross indecency laws violate the plaintiffs' (and by extension, all sexually active adults') state constitutional right to privacy, the fundamental right to be free of government intrusion in making important personal decisions. The lawsuit had also claimed that the laws — which define sodomy as "the abominable and

detestable crime against nature" or "an act of gross indecency" — are unconstitutionally vague and provide unlimited discretion to prosecuting attorneys and arresting officers as to what conduct is criminal.

"The right to privacy victories in Michigan and Kentucky within a month are extremely significant, because they show that state courts and state constitutions can do what the federal courts used to do: protect minorities and basic American freedoms against government intrusion," said Paula Eitelbrick, one of two Lambda attorneys on the case. Before the rulings in Kentucky and Michigan, twenty-four states (as well as the District of Columbia)

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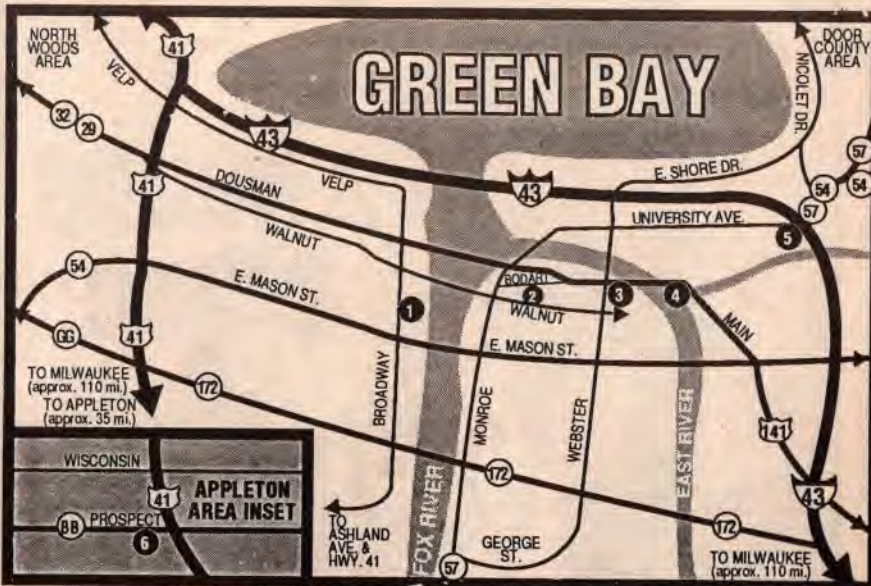
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still criminalized so-called 'sodomy,' oral or anal sex between consenting adults in private. Noted Ettelbrick, "Seven of those states (including Kentucky) singled out Lesbians and Gay men as criminals for private sexual acts that most adult Americans engage in, and did not prohibit the exact same conduct when engaged in by heterosexuals."

In another case, Lambda is challenging the Texas sodomy law on similar legal grounds under that state's constitution. The plaintiff, Mica England, an open Lesbian, was denied employment as a police officer with the Dallas Police Department because of the state sodomy law, although she had never been charged with violating it.

Farwell Targets NGLTF

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — Rev. Jerry Falwell has targeted a Gay and Lesbian political group by name in a recent fundraising letter supporting the re-election campaign of Sen. Jesse Helms (R- N.C.).

Asking for \$45,000 in donations for the conservative senator's bid for a third six-year term, the founder of the now-defunct Moral Majority lashes out at the traditional targets of the right wing: The National Endowment for the Arts, the American Civil Liberties Union, the

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National Abortion Rights Action League and the National Organization for Women. But leading the Falwell's list of "sinister" organizations in this particular appeal is the Human Rights Campaign Fund, "the political committee of the homosexual activists."

The Campaign Fund, Falwell wrote, "has more than \$1 million in their liberal war chest" and has "declared that "We need to... see that the word 'former' comes in front of Jesse Helm's name after November 6."

Calling Falwell's comment "significantly out of date," Gregory King, the group's communications director, pointed out that this year, HRCF's budget will come to over \$3 million.

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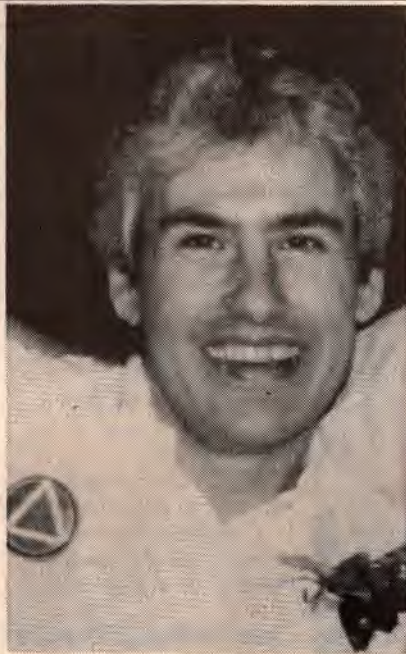
In Memoriam

Rodney Scheel 1951-1990

Madison — Rodney Scheel, owner of Madison's popular Hotel Washington Complex, died on July 12, 1990 of AIDS-related health problems. He was 39. Rodney is survived by his partner of over twenty years, Dr. Warren Olson, and by his parents, Jo and Doc Scheel, his sister, Sherry Nelson, his brother, Greg Scheel, and three nephews and a niece. Rod also leaves scores of friends and business associates in Madison, the midwest and throughout the country, more than can really be counted. He was a lifelong resident of Madison, and his dedication and commitment to Madison's central city will be missed.

Rodney was a people-person; he had a knack for remembering names and faces, and an uncanny way of enjoying his businesses while managing a diverse group of people and committing so very much to them — their personal problems and the details of their lives — in ways that are known, now, only to them. Relaxing, working, playing and sparring with him was always "eyeball-to-eyeball," straight from the shoulder, with a broad smile which always allowed for some "monkey-business." Although Rod was nearly without peer as an astute businessman and manager — in charge in a positive way — he was much a team player. He always knew when and how to listen.

'Family' events for Rodney were shared with the folks, his beloved parents, with Warren, Sherry and Greg, and with his extended family. The Hotel Christmas Party, the annual employee picnic, trips to Chicago, Milwaukee, Saugatuck, California, Hawaii — always in the company of friends — were treasured opportunities for sharing with those who remained at home, keeping the Hotel in full-operating-order. Indeed, over the years, hundreds of young persons, both Gay and straight, had the opportunity to learn the



food-and-beverage 'ropes' from Rod.

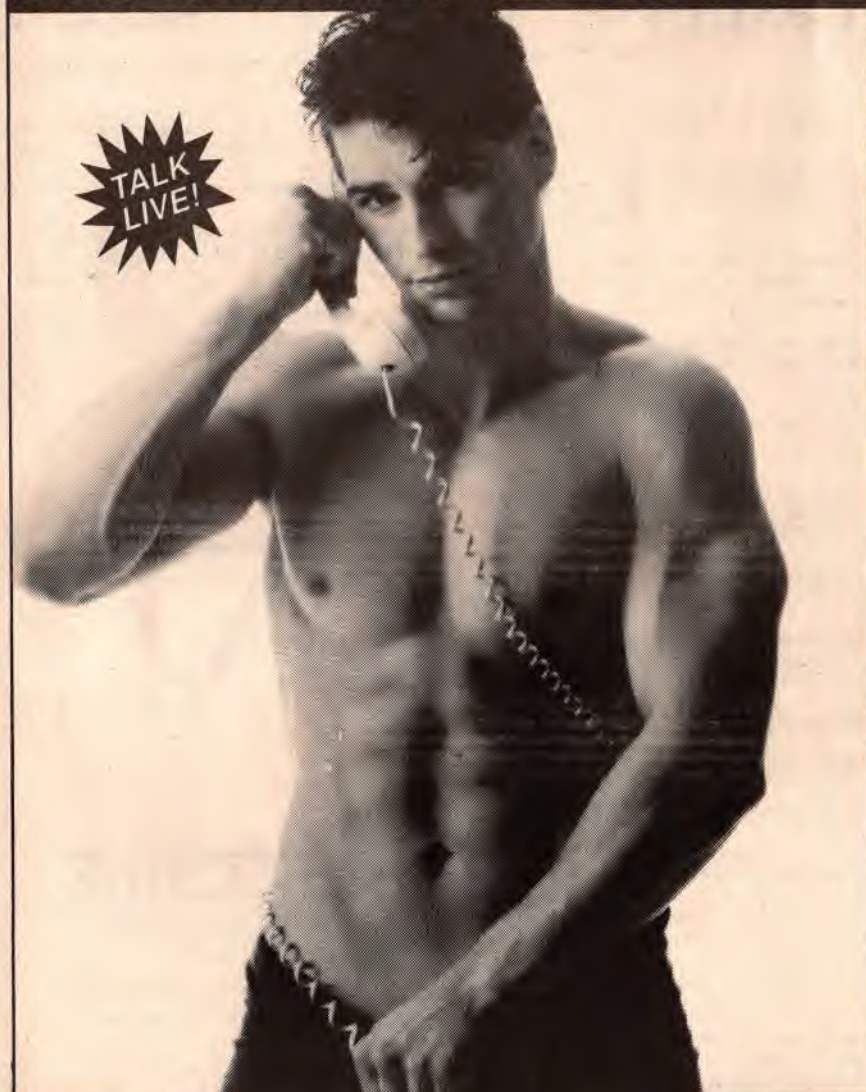
And they learned from a pro. At the age of 21, in December, 1972, Rodney opened the first, exclusively Gay bar in Madison's history. The Back Door, Ltd. went through its share of experimental phases — bar, restaurant, piano bar, dance club, and home-away-from-home for many of the newly-liberated Gay men and Lesbians and their friends of that era. Rod's commitment was a preview of the many gifts and opportunities he provided in later years.

The city of Madison is indebted to Rodney for his foresight in the rebuilding and reintegration of the 'old' Hotel Washington. He was a trendsetter and a leader, and Madison has honored him and his 'Hotel Family' with orchids, awards and allegiance. Rod was a model citizen, and his commitment to Madison as an openly Gay businessman provided countless others with a model for themselves.

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Thank you, Rodney, for your help, your courage, your encouragement, your leadership, your guts, your humor, your generosity, your love and your friendship. Madison will not forget you and your accomplishments, and the young 'Turks' in the business will always ask, "What would Rodney think?" That's a fair standard by which to judge the life of almost any person.

A private interment service was held on Sunday, July 15. Rodney's friends are invited to attend a public memorial service at 10:30am at Luther Memorial Church, 1021 University Avenue, in Madison, on Saturday, July 21. Come, let us celebrate.

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The Miss Gay Capitol City Pageant will be held at The New Bar on Sunday, July 22nd. This Pageant is open to entertainers from the entire state.

The Miss Western Gay Wisconsin Pageant will be held on Saturday, August 5th at Masquer's in Wausau. This pageant is also open to the entire state.

Registration for these pageants is at 8pm. Contestants will compete in Personal Interview, Talent and Evening Gown. Applications are available from the bars or King Productions at (414) 342-1466.

The Pageant Nov. 4

The Mr. & Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageant will have a new look this year. The Pageant Committee has expanded the contest to four categories with an interview session on the morning of pageant, incorporated into the sign-up and rehearsal period. There will also be an added Fantasy Walk for all contestants and is designed to display imagination and creativity. The Gown Walk for Miss and the Swimsuit Walk for Mr. will remain the same. Talent will be presented by all contestants and will be limited to a 4 minute musical number (lip-sync or live). Judging will be based on a total point system with Interview 20 percent, Fantasy 20 percent, Gown or Swimsuit 20 percent and Talent 40 percent.

Due to time restrictions and the added walk, the Pageant committee has been forced to limit the number of contestants to a total of 20 (10 Miss and 10 Mr.).

Applications will be accepted on a first

come basis with a postmark proving time of entry. Applications will be available in August and September and can be found in either In Step or Wisconsin Light Magazines. If you need any contestant information please call (414) 645-1011.

The Pageant will be held this year on November 4th, at the Crystal Ballroom of the Marc Plaza Hotel in Milwaukee. Ticket prices remain the same with Dinner and Pageant \$35.00 and Pageant only \$25.00.

For further information after August 15, 1990, please call: Ticket information, (414)-257-6346 days/ 384-7999 nights; Advertising info., (414)-483-2727; Contestant information or for a copy of the official rules, (414)-645-1011.

Meeting To Discuss Diet Plan

The public is invited to attend a meeting of Keep Hope Alive on Tuesday, July 24, at 7pm at the Cream City Foundation office at, 2821 N. 4th St., Milwaukee. "E.M.," a man from Chicago, will speak at the meeting on the dramatic results he had following the dietary and herbal treatment program developed by Keep Hope Alive (KHA). "E.M." says his T4 helper cell count was 6 in April, 1990, and on May 15th, he was bedridden with extreme fatigue, elevated liver enzymes and a CMV retinitis infection. For several months, he had been taking 300 mgs of AZT daily, while his condition worsened.

In a letter to Mark Konlee of KHA on May 27th, E.M. reported a 90 percent improvement in how he felt after being on the treatment program for just 7 days. Two weeks later, his eye doctor reported a significant improvement in his eye condition and Dr. Beverly Sha M.D. of Rush Medical Center in Chicago told him his bilirubin levels (liver enzymes) fell from 3.4 to 1.4 (normal is 1.0). She was very surprised at the improvement and told him to keep up whatever he was doing. On June 25th, E.M. told KHA, that after 5 weeks on the treatment program,

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Mark Konlee will present a report on the new AIDS Control Diet intestinal tract theory of HIV infection, medical research that supports the theory, how HIV infects the body through the intestinal tract through co-factors like E Coli.

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Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

— Respectfully,
Christopher Fons
ACT UP- Milwaukee

To the Editor:

Sometimes events which do not seem newsworthy are those which most effect positive change. Likewise, there are persons who never make the front page news or even the back page who are the steady, constant 'doers,' making the world a better place and society a little more loving, caring and connected. On May 6th, Bernie Schutten traded in his membership card as a devoted partner of the greater Milwaukee community and became a universal, eternal citizen! Just as in his life among us, he made the transition after a year and a half long battle with pancreatic cancer quietly and without fanfare, surrounded by his life-mate of 22 years, Ken Mulhauf and a few devoted friends who attended him during his illness.

Bernie worked on projects and fulfilled commitments for "our community" until the day he died and he left his house in order so that others could pick up easily where he left off. Since choosing Milwaukee for my "hometown" 8 years ago, I have watched Bernie work quietly and effectively as one who made it possible for others to live better lives. His devoted work at Brady East Clinic, MAP, various 12-Step programs, the Galano Club, the Milwaukee Foundation and his personal and financial support of every effort to raise funds and provide resources for those who are either without or left out are unknown by most.

We give thanks for your life and model in our midst, Bernie! We miss you a great deal, because those of us who have picked up where you passed the baton are finding out how much you did and how hard you worked for us. Where there is emptiness and a big void in Milwaukee, we know the Eternal Community is a lot better off because you are there, quietly working behind the scenes to improve even it!

— With gratitude and love,
Erv Uecker,

Your Friend and successor as
Treasurer of BESTD

Health

Expanded Access To ddC

[NIAID] — As of June 25, persons with AIDS or advanced HIV disease who are intolerant to or have failed to respond to AZT (zidovudine) and also are intolerant to the experimental drug ddi (dideoxyinosine) may receive the experimental drug ddC (dideoxycytidine). The manufacturer of ddC, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., received approval from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the expanded access program. Under this program, all patients will receive one of two doses of ddC to compare the relative safety of the two dose regimens and to provide some information about efficacy.

Because ddC has not been studied

previously in persons intolerant to AZT and ddi, persons receiving ddC will be carefully monitored for drug related toxicities. Early clinical trials of ddC indicated that at high doses given over several months, painful nerve damage to the feet (peripheral neuropathy) occurred in most patients. Similar toxicities have been reported in patients taking ddi; thus, patients who have experienced ddi related peripheral neuropathy will be excluded from the expanded access study.

During the first phase of the study, only investigators who have experience in treating patients with ddC will be permitted to administer the drug. After data have been reviewed on the first 25 patients to receive 4 weeks of therapy, and if no serious toxicities are reported, any

To The Editor:

There have been two events recently, the "Bachelor Bid" at Rod's and "Pride of the Nineties" at The New Bar, the proceeds from which were donated to the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) — totaling more than \$4,000! Both evenings were fun, and there was a definite sense of good will in the air.

MASN depends on the generosity of others in order to deliver up-to-date education and quality services to people affected by HIV. There has been a long-standing relationship with the establishments located in the Hotel Washington Complex. Rodney and Greg Scheel, Pam Geisler, Mark Mueller, George Kelly, Susan Breitbart and all other members of the management and staff are very special friends of MASN.

The other establishments in MASN's service area with a clientele that is primarily Gay/Lesbian have been equally supportive, a situation that will continue into the future. Cheri Becker, Hunter Beamon, Tom and Phil at Club 3054 and Wings 3054; J.J. O'Connell at The Shamrock; Bret Brecklin at The New Leaf — all have sponsored events for the benefit of either MASN or the Cookie Jar, a special fund which provides small

monetary grants to HIV positive people in need, a valuable resource for MASN's Life Care Services Managers. In addition, all of the above are assisting with the development of education and outreach programs directed at Gay and Bisexual men and Lesbians, an ongoing and ever-changing process.

Like virtually every other AIDS Service Organization in the country, MASN was started from within the Gay/Lesbian community. That support was crucial to early efforts and remains equally important as we enter the second decade of the AIDS epidemic. This support has not wavered, if anything growing stronger all the time.

So, thank you to all the "bachelors," both planned and impromptu, and the performers at The New Bar: David Lucas, Mr. Gay Madison '90; Felicia, Miss Gay Madison '90; Pam, Ms. Gay Madison '90; Dusty; Craig; and all of the other entertainers. Thanks, as well, to all those who attended both events and thereby contributed to assisting MASN continue to serve people affected by HIV in South Central Wisconsin.

— Sincerely,
Earl Bricker
MASN Executive Director

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licensed physician with experience in treating AIDS patients may enroll patients. After 100 patients have been treated with ddC for 16 weeks, additional evaluation of data will be made before enrollment is further expanded.

Clinical trials of ddC that are necessary for filing a New Drug Application (DA) with FDA are continuing; information about these studies can be obtained by calling the Public Health Service AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service at 1-800-TRIALS-A.

For information about enrolling a patient in the expanded access ddC study, physicians may call 1-800-ddC-21-HIV, Monday through Friday, from 9am to 8pm, EST.

Foscarnet Shows Promise

[NIAID] — Scientists at NIAID, the Clinical Center (CC) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and the

To the Editor:

The remains of the S & L scandal should go to the poor. The rich and greedy under the dazed eye of a Reagan administration tricked some into thinking that there was no housing available for the homeless, no money available for AIDS, no money for education, etc. Simply put whatever properties and money taken from those who would steal food from every American should go to the poor. With this proposal it is very necessary that greedy middlemen be eliminated.

There are many new and unfinished buildings from this scandal which could and should go to help those that need it the most. I'd also ask that the judges in these trials require these greedy money hungry people who stole over a trillion dollars be required to make retribution by doing community services to those without shelter and those with AIDS.

Can you imagine what would have happened had Reagan initially channeled this money towards the fight against AIDS? My guess is that there would've been a cure yesterday.

— Sincerely,
Ed W.

National Eye Institute (NEI) have reported preliminary results of the first controlled, randomized clinical trial of a drug to treat CMV retinitis, a serious, sight-threatening eye infection that occurs in many persons with AIDS.

CMV retinitis is caused by cytomegalovirus, a ubiquitous member of the herpesvirus family that usually causes mild or no symptoms in persons with healthy immune systems. CMV infection has been diagnosed in nearly all patients who are infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

The scientists found that the experimental drug, foscarnet, was effective in delaying progression of disease to sight-threatening retinitis. Clinically significant anti-CMV activity was also demonstrated by a decreased ability to culture CMV from the blood and urine of the study participants.

All of the patients in the study had nonsight-threatening CMV retinitis at entry and were randomized to either immediate treatment (13 patients) or delayed treatment (11 patients) with foscarnet, which is administered intravenously. Patients were evaluated each week by an ophthalmologist and had retinal photographs taken. Patients in the delayed treatment group were offered foscarnet if sight-threatening retinitis developed.

Following 3 weeks of induction therapy (60mg/kg every 8 hours), patients were placed on a reduced dose of foscarnet as maintenance therapy (90mg/kg once a day). Drug toxicities, including reversible kidney dysfunction, nausea, mild decrease in white blood cells, and anemia, were not serious enough to force prolonged discontinuation of therapy during the induction period. The maintenance regimen was well tolerated, without progression to sight-threatening CMV retinitis, for up to 37 weeks.

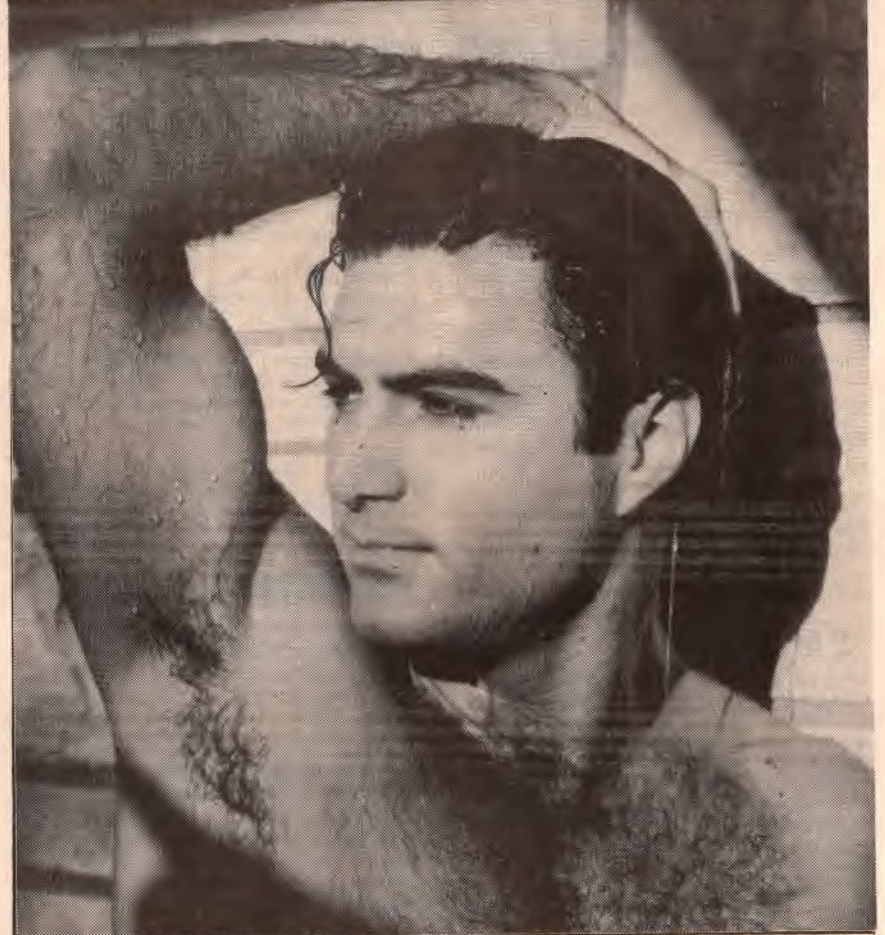
The scientists also reported that foscarnet was found to have activity against HIV, as demonstrated by consistent decreases in p24, a core antigen of HIV that indicated viral activity, in those patients who had detectable p24 in their blood when they entered the study.



The Triangle celebrated its 2nd anniversary with an evening of specials and food for the packed house. Owner Al, 4th from left in bottom picture posed with some of his staff for this handsome group shot.

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The Arts

A Personal Note...

For the past six and a half years, I have had the privilege to write the biweekly Arts column for In Step from its premiere issue. Before that, I wrote occasional reviews for Ron Geiman in the Escape green sheet section of Gay Life.

Now for both personal and professional reasons, this will be my final scheduled biweekly column. However, I will continue to offer occasional reviews.

Review

by Kevin Michael

"Gypsy"

It is a rare pleasure for me to close my recent New York series with a review of a remarkable production of one of my favorite Broadway musicals, *Gypsy*.

This 30th Anniversary production brought back to live theatre the four time Emmy Award winner, Tyne Daly, most recently remembered as Mary Beth Lacey from the hit TV series, *Cagney and Lacey*. Though we don't usually think of Ms. Daly as a singer, she approaches the role of Momma Rose, as an actress who can sing rather than as the original star, Ethel Merman, a singer who could act.

Perhaps The New Yorker magazine says it better than I could in its description of the show, "anyone would be happier for having seen it." I do believe that they're right on the mark on this one.

Ms. Daly attacks this role and builds throughout the show. She brings more of the dark side of the character to us than other Rose's I've seen. Based upon a conversation I once had with June Havoc, the real "Baby June" and sister of Gypsy Rose Lee, I believe Ms. Daly gives us a close rendering of what the real Momma Rose must have been like. Her spectacular performance ends with a dynamite version of "Rose's Turn" and includes an exciting "Everything's Coming Up Roses" sung almost as if the character "snaps." It's abundantly clear why Ms. Daly received the Tony Award

this year as Best Actress in a Musical.

The fine caliber of this entire cast too makes is clear why the show won the Tony for the Best Revival. The cast sings this superb score ever so well accompanied by a fine "bright" orchestra which definitely "sells" this score.

The revival was cleverly directed once again by Arthur Laurents, who wrote the book for the show, directed Ms. Merman, Ms. Landsbury, and now Ms. Daly, and makes this 30 year old classic look fresh and new.

I'd like to quote Mr. Laurents himself about the show. he says:

"Over the years, *Gypsy* has grown. Before, we went skimmingly over the surface, avoided the deeper, darker waters. That was in part, because that is how the theater was. But the theater has changed, audiences have changed, the surround has changed. Now, this time, we can really dig, not only into the book, into the music, into the lyrics. What has come up...is a more moving, more meaningful, and, of course, even funnier play. We had a wonderful time writing *Gypsy* Jule Styne, Stephen Sondheim and I. We've all changed, too. but one thing is constant, one thing we share with delight; pride in what we will always have in common — that phenomenon called *Gypsy*."

I'm too young to have seen Ms. Merman in 1959, I didn't see my first New York Broadway show until 1965. But, I'd rank Ms. Daly's performance right up with the 1973 revival I saw starring the remarkable Ms. Angela Landsbury. I believe Mr. Laurents is right, that is "the phenomenon called "Gypsy." and, I'd like to think that's why I number the play among my personal favorites.

Illusion Theatre In Green Bay

Green Bay — Illusion Theater will present **Amazing Grace**, its new play about HIV/AIDS on October 9, 1990 at 7:30pm at West High School Auditorium

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challenge. The "Babes" played in the Bronze Medal round and captured fourth place. They won two games, tied one (losing it in the sudden death shoot-out) and lost one.

SSBL SCHEDULE

07/21 Upper Diamond

- 11:00 Station II v Nitengales
- 12:00 Nitengales v Jets Place
- 1:00 M&M Bad Girls v Station II
- 2:00 C'est La Vie v M&M Peanuts
- 3:00 Ball Game v Partners

07/21 Lower Diamond

- 11:00 Jets Place v Fannies
- 12:00 Fannies v M&M Bad Girls
- 1:00 M&M Peanuts v Triangle
- 2:00 Triangle v La Cage
- 3:00 C'est La Vie v Wreck Room
- 4:00 Wreck Room v Ball Game

07/28 Upper Diamond

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07/28 Lower Diamond

- 1:00 La Cage v Partners
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- C'est La Vie v Triangle
- 4:00 Triangle v Ball Game

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**Quilt In Chicago
Oct. 6-8**

Quilt in Chicago Oct. 6-8 The Chicago Chapter of the Names Project, AIDS Memorial Quilt, announces the return of the Quilt to Chicago. The Quilt will be displayed in Chicago over the Columbus Day Weekend, Oct. 6, 7, & 8, 1990, at McCormick Place. The theme of the weekend will be "Common Threads," expressing the universality of AIDS, while recognizing the Academy Award winning documentary of the same title. Chicago is one of five cities hosting a regional display of the Quilt during this weekend. Simultaneous regional display sites in the U.S. are: Houston, Atlanta, Los Angeles, and Washington, DC. The regional displays are being held in lieu of a single display in Washington, DC.

LIFE IS A
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ROBERT D. ARNOLD

'Obviously, she's educated beyond her intelligence....!'

The Chicago Chapter has many events planned throughout the summer, culminating with the McCormick Place display. Quilt panel workshops, sewing sessions when panels for the Quilt are actually made, are being scheduled. Individuals who have been touched by AIDS are encouraged to use the Quilt as a means of expressing their feelings. Many roles are open to those who wish to become involved with the work of the Quilt. For more information on the Quilt's activities or for volunteer information, call the hot line at 312-472- 4460.

in Green Bay. the performance will be followed by an open discussion with the audience members.

Amazing Grace emphasizes the social and emotional aspects of the issue by looking at what AIDS teaches us about sexuality, fear, living and dying. By considering related issues that affect us all, Illusion Theater hopes to sensitize audiences to HIV/AIDS and to people living with AIDS. **Amazing Grace** addresses the fears and barriers that block us from learning the facts and dealing with each other in a humane manner. The play also celebrates the many things HIV/AIDS teaches us about living.

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Amazing Grace is set in a high school in which a student athlete becomes ill from AIDS. We see the many ways in which the reality of AIDS affects classmates and community adults. The play also includes film segments of Archie Harrison and Drew Tillotson, a couple who lived with AIDS.

Amazing Grace is one of five plays created and produced by the Illusion Theater as part of its programs to prevent sexual abuse, interpersonal violence and HIV/AIDS. Started in 1977, the Prevention Program has reached several million people through presentations, lectures, films, TV appearances and training sessions throughout the United States and Canada. Audience participants have included children, parents and community organizations as well as law enforcement, legal, educational, social service and medical personnel. **Amazing Grace** is designed specifically for adolescent and adult audiences.

The evening is supported by: UWGB Office of Arts and Performances; UWGB Women's Center; Brown County Dept. of Community Programs; Center Project, Inc.; CESA 7; and the Brown County AIDS Task Force.

A Women's Love Story

Chicago — Rebecca Ranson's **Secrets** directed by L.M. Attea, is the third component of Bailiwick Repertory's critically acclaimed 1990 Gay/Lesbian Theater Series, which opened July 15 in the theater's auditorium, 3212 North Broadway. Opening night proceeds were donated to benefit Horizons Community Services.

Secrets is a women's love story spanning 1930-1969. A biracial lesbian couple, Rosetta (Emily Brown) and Phoebe (Lauren Love) with Phoebe's brother Leland (Daniel Lee) form an unusually intimate family triad living together as tens of years go by. History whisks around them and the lovers' relationship is inevitably challenged by its passage in their thirty years together. Set in Carrboro, North Carolina, **Secrets**

celebrates a Lesbian relationship in the oppressive rural South. "One of the simplest, beautifully written pieces of theatre to whisper across the transom in quite some time." (David Perry, Atlanta Constitution).

Performances run Thursday-Sunday, 8pm. Ticket price is \$15. MC/VISA accepted. To make reservations, call Bailiwick Repertory box office: (312)-883-1091.

Drag Queens On Trial

Chicago — Bailiwick Repertory presents the Midwest premiere of Sky Gilbert's touching and hilarious **Drag Queens On Trial**, directed by Edward Wilkerson, opening Friday, July 20 at 11pm in the theater's auditorium, 3212 North Broadway, with a reception to follow.

Drag Queens is a contemporary comedy dealing with underlying issues of acceptance and equality, drag queens included. Not far removed from Psycho Beach Party, this is "outrageously funny entertainment for the family of man." **Drag Queens** is the fourth and final component in Bailiwick's 1990 Gay & Lesbian Theater Series.

Drag Queens On Trial opens July 20 at 11pm. Regular performances will run Friday/Saturday at 11pm through August 24. Ticket price is \$15. MC/VISA accepted. To make reservations, call Bailiwick Repertory, (312) 883-1091.

Milw. G/L Theatre Group

Fifteen people had responded as of last week to a classified advertisement in In Step under 'organizations' that sought men and women interested in creating a Gay/Lesbian theatre company in the Milwaukee area. The response was exciting to the man who took it upon himself to place the ad, and after one formative meeting, he has announced a second one for July 22. Those interested should call 476-7464. Your skills and talents as actors, directors, techs, designers, etc. are more than welcome in this formative group. ▽

Jock Shorts

Trojans Triumphant In St. Louis

Six teams from the Saturday Softball Beer League participated in out-of-town tournaments over the July 4th weekends.

The most successful was Triangle who won a 10-team tournament in St. Louis. The Trojans had six wins, and no losses, Kansas City, Birmingham and St. Louis. The Trojan's beat the K.C. Edge 6-5 in the championship game.

The Ball Game finished in 4th place in Atlanta, winning 3 games and losing 2. M&M Peanuts won 1 and lost 2. The Wreck Room Spurs trekked West to San Francisco and for the 2nd year in a row lost a key player thru injury (a broken wrist this time for Chuck C.) The Spurs won 1 of 7 games. M&M Bad Girls played in Chicago, and finished in 3rd place. Partners went East to Boston, and won 1 game and lost 2.

Despite threatening weather (what else is new on Saturdays this year), several SSBL make up games were played on July 7th. M&M Peanuts and Wreck Room defeated Ces't La Vie.

Capturing the spirit of the SSBL of prior seasons, Ces't La Vie challenged the Wreck Room to a "Beer Game" following their make up game. After a hamburger and brat cook-out, complete with potato salad and baked beans, the 2 teams played another game. Mandy M. was designated "Beer Pourer" and each player who reached 2nd base had to drink a short cup of beer or a small shot before advancing. Mandy willingly became "Designated Drinker" for the non-drinking players. No one knew the final score, or the number of innings played but it didn't matter. The 2 teams had a great time, and brought back the real meaning of what the Saturday Softball Beer League was formed for — Fun, Camaraderie, Softball and Beer on a sunny Saturday summer afternoon. Following the game, many of the players went to the sponsor bars to continue to party.

Queens Quest

The Madison-based Lesbian soccer team who will be participating in the 1990 Gay Games in August in Vancouver, B.C. has changed their name. At the request of the Dairy Queen International Corporation, they have decided to change the name of the team to avoid any possible legal action regarding copyright infringements. Look for them in the future playing under the name of "Bovine Babes."

The "Babes" competed in the Badger State Games and did well for their first big

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alternative is to get caught for six hours in an unexpected snowstorm, dodging stalled cars, patches of ice, and snow banks. Again, for the stronger test, run out of gas or wedge your car into the snow bank. This is even better when neither of you has boots or gloves and you both have to go to the bathroom.

3. Get shigella or break your foot. It's amazing how something as tiny as a virus or as serendipitous as a debilitating accident can test the mettle of your relationship. Shigella, for instance, increased our level of intimacy in ways we'd never imagined...I don't recommend these tests, however. Talk about messy! Please, I don't even want to think about it anymore.

4. Go to the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival. It's possible that another festival could be substituted, but there's something special about hauling in 200 pounds of gear a couple miles into the woods, trying to discover where your friends are camped, setting up your tent at night (or, better yet, at night in the rain), then sleeping for three or four days on hard, lumpy ground. It just cements a relationship together. As Wayne of **Saturday Night Lives'** "Wayne's World" would say, "Chya! Right!"

This next suggestion is especially good if you're just moving in with one another — as if moving and arranging furniture together isn't test enough.

5. Bring a cat with you into the relationship — preferably one that throws up a lot ("I didn't know vomit could be that shade of red"), scratches the furniture, or pees on valued articles of clothing — especially your lover's. Or, if you're not much of a cat lover, a dog will do fine, especially one who enjoys mud wrestling with skunks; who forgets, now and then, the fine distinctions between inside the house and outside the house; or who is passionately and romantically attracted to the shins of your lover and friends. The right dog or cat, mind you, can provide you with many opportunities over the years to see just how much your girlfriend really loves you.

Now, in regards to the suggestions that

follow, I must issue a disclaimer: I have not actually tried them myself. However, I have it on reliable authority that they are incredibly powerful tests.

6. Try to get pregnant using AI. This works especially well, I'm told, if you're getting your 'Stuff' from an out-of-state source and need to make midnight runs to the airport to pick 'it' up or to the store for dry ice so you can keep it 'fresh' until you're at the right time in your/her cycle. And, despite what the nuns — as if they have any experience in this area! — may have told you, conception does not, like whatever that lawnmower is, start the first time, every time. And what can feel like an adventure when you first set out to get pregnant can become as exciting as changing the kitty litter — and looked forward to with as much eagerness.

7. Actually get pregnant. This provides you with nine-months worth of tests: morning sickness, weird cravings, picking out a name, birthing classes with a lot of straight people ("No, actually, she's not my sister"), explaining to the doctors, your parents, and your co-workers, that, no, you're not really a single parent. Talk about adding stress to your relationship! Of course, if you carry this suggestion to its logical next step, you can extend that nine months of little tests into a lifetime of big tests: go ahead and have that child.

Well, I'm sure by now you get the idea. But what, you may be wondering at this point (or maybe seven points ago), sets these suggestions apart from any big ol' fight you might have? OK, you've got me there: not a helluva lot. But in a way, that's the point: there's no need to go looking for ways to test your relationship because life generously provides you with an ample supply of them. So next time you're surprised with a pop quality assurance check, show her that everything's OK and that you really care: leave a little love note in her pants pocket: 'Inspected by #65.'

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Hunter and the Headliners made another fleshy appearance at Club 219, much to the audiences obvious delight.

Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipter

Inspector #65

Ah, what perfectionists we Lesbians are! Not content to accept our relationships at face value, we feel compelled to test them periodically — subject them to quality control, if you will. (Why do I find myself, here, with the image of a gray-haired ol' gal fingering men's underwear, leaving numbered little slips of paper in them like fortunes? As usual, too much TV!) Anyway, one all too common way to do such testing is via the extra-relational dalliance — which is more than a test: it's a pyrotechnic display! A more colorful test of a relationship would be hard to find.

But what I don't like about this, the preferred method, is that it's so messy: you drag in a third person, risk loud scenes in public places, and muddy up the results of your test. No, when I feel a need to test our relationship, I'd rather do it privately (though not necessarily quietly) in the so-called comfort of our own home — and without factoring in the unknown variable: the Other Women: Madam X. If you too have been feeling the strain of wanting to maintain quality control yet don't want to get sloppy about the relationship and are searching for alternate avenues of testing, you're in luck: I have some suggestions.

1. Assemble with one another a simple piece of machinery like, say, oh, a Rototiller. The test is not whether you will fight, because you almost certainly will. And if you don't, someone is repressing

something — either that or both of you are DeVry graduates. No, the real test here is how sincerely she laughs when you tell your friends about how she hooked that wire up wrong.

2. Spend an hour or two together in rush hour traffic on a 95-degree day in a car with no air conditioning. For a really good test, string four or five of these days together and don't air condition your home. For the winter months, a good *contd. on page 50*

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Bonnie Bitch, seen in character in the upper left hand photo, is hostess and emcee at La Cage's new Sunday night show. Shown are some of the other cast members, including BJ Daniels [upper Rt.], and Vanessa [lower Rt.].

Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

It's been a hot Summer (and not just temperature wise) and we still have the rest of July and all of August to go. I hope everyone had a chance to get to Summerfest at least once during its 11-day run. The music serves as a background for me, with the main course being the food and my favorite sport — man-watching! Summerfest need to hire a new entertainment coordinator. You can expect to see the same acts year after year at most of the stages. The Amphitheater is the only stage that offers something unique every year. The closing concert with the B-52's, and the one early in the run with the Ramones, Debbie Harry and Tom Tom Club were the two concerts that rated highest in my estimation. As always, the hot weather equaled lots of exposed skin, and a feast for the eyes.

Summerfest brings with it a few problems for the Gay bars when drunk breeders wonder in (by accident?). At least we only have to deal with that for 11 days every year. In Chicago, the Halsted strip bars have to deal with the same thing every time the Cubbies have a night game. One well-known Chicago bar has taken to placing an Antique Store sign in their window to keep the undesirables out.

Back on June 27 we'll find that the **Pivot Club** hosted a tribute to the Fabulous Fifties, with the fab Cassie Carter and her classy company of entertainers. In Milwaukee, **Partner's** hosted their Win, Lose or Draw finals, with Zsa Zsa (not Gabor) and partner Warren taking the prize.

June 28 saw the first annual Miss Gay Cosmopolitan Wisconsin-USA preliminary, held at **La Cage**. Five contestants competed with Saymone (Ty Young) grabbing the title. Meanwhile, in Madison **The New Bar** saw a "totally outrageous drag" show hosted by Miss Karlotta and Miss Kelly. It was so outrageous, they didn't even charge a cover.

That was also the evening that the **Triangle** celebrated their 2nd anniversary with an evening of free food beer and

some great surprises. A hearty congratulations to Al and his more-than-able staff on two great years... and here's to many more!

The weekend of June 30-July 1 saw two King Production's preliminaries for the upcoming Wisconsin-USA pageant. Miss Gay Racine was held at **Jo'Dee's Intl.**, with Dimitria Francais capturing the crown. Miss Southern WI was held at Janesville's **New Leaf** with five contestants and TaTa Lamour taking the title.

The weekend also marked the beginning of the **Rod's** week-long 11th anniversary celebration. It was a weekend of T-dance's, drink specials and patio BBQ's in the Mad-Town.

It was also a weekend of monthly party nights at both the **Wreck Room** and the **Ballgame**. The WR gave away a 19' color TV as a grand prize, and the BG's grand prize was a 26' bike (and I don't mean a Bike brand athletic supporter!).

ROD'S

**CHRISTMAS
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Sat., July 28

**Come See What
Santa Has In Store
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Sat., Aug. 4
ROD'S
**NEW YEAR'S EVE
CELEBRATION**

**Hats, Horns & Champagne
at Midnight**



Cheri Becker posed with several of her staffers at Madison's Club 3054.

The sultry, and very professional vocal talents of Denise Tomasello entertained the gang at **Partner's** for two shows in this, her return encore engagement at the bar. The woman is fabulous, watch for her return.

The **New Bar** hosted a Pride 90 benefit show for the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN). Title-holders Mr/Miss and Ms Gay Madison and friends entertained.

The ever-popular Hunter and the Headliner's male dancers were back in the area again from their home base in Texas. Their shows at **Club 94** on July 3rd and at **Club 219** on the 4th provided plenty of fireworks to celebrate to.

Nitengale's celebrated the holiday with two days of drink specials and beer busts; while **Rod's** continued their anniversary week with yet more drink specials, a 4th of July eve grab box, and a Rhett Butler look-a-like contest. On the 4th, the party continued at the Rod with a trip to the fireworks, then a special encore edition of the 'Fake Orgasm' contest after.

The 4th Blowout continued with drink

specials and cook outs at the **Ballgame, Club 3054, and Wreck Room**. (After all that drinking, how did anyone go back to work on Thursday?)

On July 7 and 8, Eau Claire celebrated with their 6th Annual Unity Picnic at Riverview Park Island. The Unity group two-day picnic was followed each night by events at Ju-Di's Wildwood bar, including a dance and show.

The Castaways met for a beer bust at the **Wreck Room** on the 7th. Oh, by the way, I'd like to clarify that the Oberon's did NOT lead off the Milwaukee Pride Parade, nor did any of the groups in town for Acorn III, according to an outraged unidentified caller. Leathermen: My apologies.

Club 94 hosted another King preliminary, the Miss Gay Kenosha pageant, with Bouji coming out on top over two other challengers. On Sunday, the **Pivot Club** hosted the Miss Gay Appleton pageant, where Gloria Holloway was crowned over two others. Congrats to all the winners in King preliminaries.

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3. Rehearse what you'd like to say by talking to cat. Ignore cat's disparaging expression.
4. Drop cat. Seize phone, clutch tightly. Take several deep breaths, being careful not to hyperventilate.
5. Take phone and stiffly walk to your bed as though you were walking to the electric chair.
6. Crawl under the bed, curl-up into tight fetal position.
7. Un-grit teeth, breathe deeply, clear throat of inhaled fur balls, and pray fervently.
8. Press Speed Dialing button, already programmed to his number.
9. Bring receiver to ear, when he answers, instantly hang up.
10. Repeat as often as necessary.

Don't panic if it takes a dozen or so attempts. Remember, your pen-pal partner is probably anguishing over his phone as well. In fact, he's probably ready to call right now, oh my God! Don't panic! Stay calm! You are not **Barbara Stanwick**, and this is not **Dial M For Murder**.

Unfortunately, there are no guarantees a relationship will blossom from answering a personal ad. You may still have to work through feelings of loneliness until Mr. Right comes around. And next time you see a blissful Gay couple chatting, carrying on at a party or bar, and those feelings of envy and jealousy surface, you have my permission to sprint to the nearest bathroom and puke your brains out. ° 1990 by Wells Ink ▽



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Juicy Bits

by W.W. Wells III

Male Mail: A Gay Guide To The Personals

Responding to an ad may not sound like a good time, but replying to a Personal Ad beats the hell out of sitting home Saturday night acting out your romantic fantasies with **Gone With the Wind** action figures. The following is your guide to answering a personal ad.

For a proper written response it's crucial to make a good first impression. The right paper, ink color and good penmanship are all important ingredients. Use common sense, tailoring the response to the ad. If the person is looking for a drag queen, scribble a reply using **Maybelline**. A chubby? Write your response with blueberries or **Miracle Whip**. A leather fairy? Use saddle soap or a whip. If the ad states, "not into the bars," don't write your response on a cocktail napkin.

When sealing the envelope, be sure to include only the reply letter. Do not inadvertently include a page from your diary (chronicling your pathetic love life) or mail along your shopping list. Most men would probably be turned off when receiving a list that includes, **Ultra Slimfast**, jumbo box of odor eaters, **Vagasil**, or **Ex-Lax**. Then again, maybe not.

A photo exchange is a major element in most personal ads, as they say, "A picture is worth a thousand words." When responding to a "Your photo gets

mine" ad, avoid sending a dreadful **Polaroid**, looking like it was photographed by the same guy who takes pictures for the **Department of Motor Vehicles**. Marketing is of key importance. If you are a trifle overweight, and his ad reads, "no chubbies," shun a candid photograph taken in your kitchen, refrigerator open, **Twinkie** clinched guiltily in fat fist. Discover the benefits of strategic honesty. Most Gays won't be fooled by your head glued onto a centerfold from **Torso** or **Advocate Men**. Even fewer will believe you're **Jordan Knight of New Kids on the Block**, so don't even think about clipping his picture from your latest **Tiger Beat** magazine. However, sending a five year old photo (when you were thin and less wrinkled) could bring results. Refrain from sending photos of an intimate nature. Do mail that photo taken after you drunkenly dyed your pubic hair one of the primary colors.

The correspondence has been dazzling, and undeniable curiosity controls your brain, now the time is ripe to take this pen-pal relationship to the next level of passion. That means a phone call to arrange an intimate romantic rendezvous. The phone call is a pivotal point, which usually separates the men from the boys. Use the following step by step guide to jump that hurdle and make that phone call:

1. Quickly consume seven wine coolers in a twenty minute period.
2. Hunt down Muffin, your cat. Grab and squeeze tightly until Cat's eyes bulge like

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Rod's annual anniversary blow-out cocktail party was held on July 7. The bar was decked out in white bunting, flowers and even a chandelier over the buffet table (in the Rod?!?). As always, the cocktails flowed and the hors d'oeuvres were plentiful and scrumptious. The Southern theme was carried out into the Patio with columns, flowers, and the trees draped in Spanish moss. Entertainment was provided by some local twisted sisters who performed pseudo drag comedy routines. A very fun afternoon and evening, for which I'd like to thank George, Mark, Pam and all the rest of the Hotel Washington staff. I'm looking forward to many more. Rodney was "under the weather" and unfortunately couldn't make it to the celebration.

[Note: After this column was written. I was informed Rodney passed away at 8am July 12th. My heart & love go out to him in heaven & to his family, staff & countless friends here on earth. Please see the details in this issue's "In Memorium."]

Ginger Spice's Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin Pageant, held at Club 219 on July 10 is reported on separately, elsewhere this issue, but here are the highlights — 9 contestants, from Milwaukee, Green Bay, Chicago, Detroit and Georgia entered. The announced winner was Detroit's Fantasia, a contestant who has entered Continental preliminaries every year since their inception, and finally won one. She'll represent us well in Chicago on Labor Day weekend. Milwaukee's Tiffany Thomas was a close first runner up who will also enter the Miss Gay Continental Pageant. Congrats to both of you.

As announced previously in In-Step, the first Wisconsin AIDS Walk will be held September 30 as a benefit for the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. Recent developments include the naming of Honorary chairs Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist and his wife, Susan Mudd. Corporate sponsors are also lining up, including WTMJ-TV, Aurora Health Care, Banc One Wisconsin Corp., Miller Brewing Co and Time Insurance Co. Other sponsors are still being lined up. The sponsors will underwrite the cost of

producing the AIDS Walk so that all the money raised by walkers can go to support AIDS programs. 75% of the money raised (the aim is \$175,000) will go to the Milwaukee AIDS Project, with the other 25½ to be divided between other Wisconsin AIDS Service Organizations. If interested in participating, contact ARCW at 273-1991.

That's it for this issue, folks. Kick back, relax and enjoy this beautiful summer season, then, at night, let In Step be your guide to Wisconsin's HOT Summer nightlife!



Two Winners For Continental WI

Ginger Spice, curator of the Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin pageant announced July 12 that an error had been made in the tabulation of scores for the July 10 contest, and a new winner has been named — Tiffany Thomas.

Miss Spice would like to extend her sincere apologies for this unfortunate mistake, and after consulting with Mr Jim Flint, curator of the Miss Gay Continental pageant, decided that both Tiffany and the previously crowned Fantasia would represent Wisconsin, the Gay Rights State, at the national pageant held Labor Day Weekend.

Tiffany will be recrowned August 1st, and will receive the same \$300 cash 1st prize and entry fee to the Continental pageant, as did Fantasia.

An error was discovered the evening of July 11 in the tabulation of scores. Upon double checking all the scoring done by the judges, it was found that in the final tabulation, Tiffany's 40 point score for the 'Question' segment was inadvertently omitted. After already crowning Fantasia winner, giving her the award money and entry fee, Spice felt it only proper to handle the mistake in the manner outlined above.

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Partner's Win, Lose or Draw finals proved that not all Gay men have artistic talents! Zsa and Warren won first place in the finals.

Eight contestants competed for the title of Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin, a preliminary for the pageant held in Chicago every Labor Day.



[L to R] Miss Gay Continental 89-90 Lakesha Lucky, the former Miss Gay Cont. WI Paula Sinclair, winners Fantasia [Detroit] and Tiffany Thomas [Milwaukee], and 2nd runner up Aja [Chicago]. Both Fantasia and Tiffany will represent 'The Gay Rights State'.

Calendar

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Miss Gay Wisconsin At-Large benefit show.

GAMMA: Miniature golf outing, Johnson's Park, 7350 N. 76th St., 7pm, informal dining out after.

FRIDAY, JULY 20

Wreck Room: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing on site from 4-8pm.

ZA's [Green Bay]: 1st Anniv. Weekend, grand finals Lip Sync, complimentary champagne 9pm-10pm.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Full Moon Party, Best Underwear contest at midnight, happy hour prices all night.

Nitengales: Janet Jackson Party, chance to win free tickets, give aways, \$1 Slammers.

Mick's Alternative: Beginning tonight, food served Fri. & Sat. night & Sun. Brunch.

"Milwaukee's Talking" Channel 12: TV show featuring four Milw. female impersonators: Ginger Spice; Miss Gay WI, Mimi Marx; Rona & Chastity Belt. 10-11am.

SATURDAY, JULY 21

M&M Club: Peanuts fundraiser, BBQ on the patio.

ZA's [Green Bay]: 1st Anniv. Weekend, King Production's Miss Gay Green Bay, WI-USA Pageant, \$3 cover includes 1st rail drink.

Biking Network: Annual trip to Port Washington's Fish Fry. Depart Lake Park Pavilion 9am, 55 mile rd. trip, Call Bob at 963-9833.

Rodney Scheel Memorial Service: Lutheran Memorial Church, 1021 University Ave., Madison, 10:30am.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

The New Bar [Madison]: Miss Gay Capitol City, WI-USA preliminary contest. \$3 cover, 9:30 showtime. Special guest stars.

ZA's [Green Bay]: 1st Anniversary Champagne & Buffet in the Beer Garden, Volleyball, music, opens early at 1pm.

Outdoor Rollerskating: Meet 1pm at the rental office on the landfill east of Lincoln Drive, Call Tom at 282-1335 by June 21st.

Ces't La Vie: John Claytons; annual birthday bash, 8pm-on.

TUESDAY, JULY 24

Club 219: Kevin Andrew's "First Class Revue," hot dancers from Arizona, 11:30pm, \$4 cover.

Triangle: Hosts Club 3054 bartenders exchange.

Keep Hope Alive Meeting: CCF offices at 2821 N. 4th St., 7pm. See article in Group Notes for details.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

Ballgame: Christmas In July Party, 4-12, 3 - \$50 cash prizes, buffet.

Indoor Roller-skating: meet at WI Skate University, 10928 W. Oklahoma from 6-8, cost of \$2 includes skate rental, Bill at 442-2268.

La Cage: "Claim To Fame" finals, all 2 time winners return to compete for \$500 in cash & prizes.

THURSDAY, JULY 26

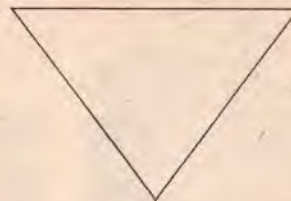
Jet's Place: Miss Jet's Contest, 10pm, \$3 advance, \$4 door, hostess Miss M, with special guest Beverly Kay (clairvoyant & numerologist), & more. Over \$200 in cash & prizes. Applications at bar must apply before 26th. \$5 reserved tables.

M&M Club: BESTD Clinic offers free anonymous on site HIV testing from 8pm-midnight.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Uniform night, prizes for best uniform, 50 cents off drinks all night for those in uniform.

Club 3054 [Madison]: Plays hosts to Triangle bartenders exchange, \$1.00 drinks 10-close.

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Darla's View

by Darla Kashjan

Unity = Success

In any oppressed community, unity amongst the group is the greatest challenge. For the past ten years, the Democratic Party has experienced constant deterioration because of internal disputes. Most recently, Wisconsin Democrats are reportedly jumping ship and turning against gubernatorial candidate Tom Loftus.

The feminist movement has also experienced the affects of internal squabbles, which ultimately helped contribute to the decline in the women's movement. Ultimately, feminist organizations nationwide, until recently, experienced dwindling membership nationwide.

What made the difference in the women's movement? Abortion unified pro-choice women and men nationwide in support of a common goal - reproductive rights. This unification, courtesy of the Webster decision by the United States Supreme Court, re-focused political energy towards a common cause.

In the gay and lesbian community, we have experienced some directed focus to unify our community. AIDS issues have unified many segments of the gay/lesbian community nationwide. The random impact of AIDS brings together men and women regardless of race, gender or economic status. Working together, many AIDS organizations have been able to form successful coalitions working effectively towards change in federal and state AIDS policy.

Unfortunately, national political and health disasters tend to re-focus political movements towards a common cause. In Milwaukee, we seem to lack the necessary 'crisis' to unify the gay and lesbian community. The 1990 Milwaukee Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration is an example of our need for crisis to succeed politically.

In 1989, Mark Behling ensured the success of the first Pride parade in recent

history. Without Behling, the incredible hard work of the Pride committee would have been in vain. Most gay and lesbian Pride participants came as a result of publicity by Milwaukee's mainstream press. Behling, **The Milwaukee Journal**, and **The Milwaukee Sentinel** were key to the incredible success of the 1989 parade. This first year success helped propel the 1990 parade to greater success.

Unfortunately, we are unable to sustain the fervor stirred by Mark Behling. The broader issues in the gay/lesbian community fail to inspire the masses effectively way. The net effect is declining interest in political organizations, and limited participation.

As the Milwaukee Lesbian Gay Pride Committee explores the possibility of endorsing **National Coming Out Day**, I join by endorsing their efforts. Coming out is the first step to political power, and the timing of **National Coming Out Day**, scheduled for October, helps to prepare the community, our friends, and our families for Pride Day.

This task is a large undertaking itself. Like the Pride preparations, **National Coming Out Day** will require fund raising, publicity and participation by all committed members of the gay and lesbian community. This year-round effort will also demand the need for increased active participation by everyone.

The affect of a well organized **National Coming Out Day** will be a year-round pride effort. The continued reminder of gay and lesbian power will provide for an organized structure of politically active members of the community. In addition, the Pride committee will cultivate rolling membership, with people maintaining activism throughout the year.

We need to remember that if we intend to grow politically, we must all take advantage of **National Coming Out Day** by telling a friend, and joining an organization representing and supporting our views.

FRIDAY, JULY 27

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Holy Jean contest, prizes for the holiest jeans, contest at midnight, free beer 8pm.

Biking Network: Drive to campsite at Gov. Dodge State Park, bike the Military Ridge Trail Sat. & Sun. with group from Madison. Call Bob at 963-9833 for info.

SATURDAY, JULY 28

Rod's [Madison]: Christmas in July party. See what Santa's got for you!

ZA's [Green Bay]: Baby Jane & Company return. Surprise give-aways, \$2 cover includes 1st rail drink.

Wreck Room: Monthly party night 10pm-2am, many prizes, 18-speed bike grand prize.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

Rod's [Madison]: New Year's Eve Celebration, Hats, horns, champagne at midnight.

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Congratulations to Rod's, on the celebration of the Madison hot spots 11th anniversary. Friends and customers from the Midwest gathered for the 11-day party.

Unfortunately, less than 5 days after these photos were taken, Rodney Scheel, owner of the Hotel Washington Complex, died of an AIDS-related illness.