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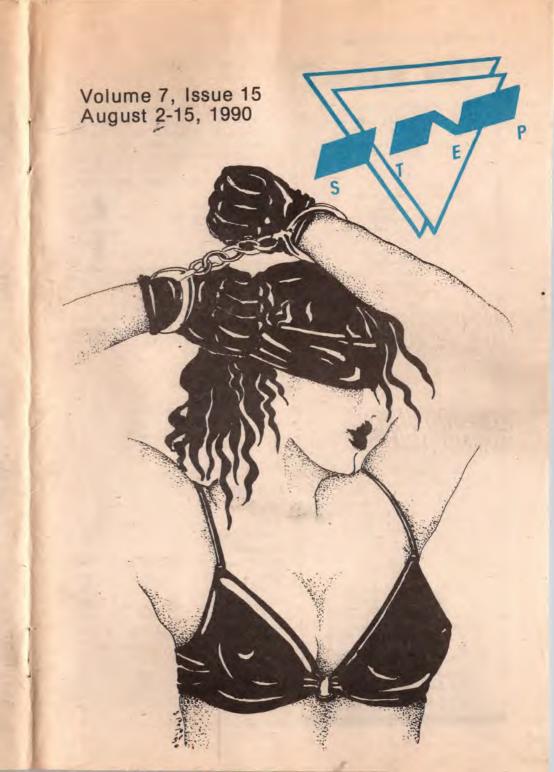
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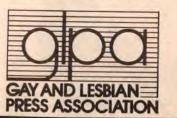
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Cover Story

A new women artist joins us this issue, Sandy Pope of North-Central Illinois, who is an avid In Step reader. To quote the note she sent along with the art "I really enjoyed doing the work, and I'd be pleased as punch to have other people enjoy them, too. I do a lot of erotic art, some more tame, some much more radical."

Sandy also paints furniture, shoes, etc., and this is the first time she'll have drawings published in a magazine. Congratulations Sandy, and welcome to a select group of published In Step artists.

(Editor's Note: This drawing may cause a bit of controversy in the Lesbian community because of the bondage theme, however, I didn't want to be accused of censorship, especially with Helms and the NEA grant brouhaha. There must be room for all of us to express ourselves.)

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Funding Bill Avoids Anti-Gay Amendment

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — The US House of Representatives on July 19 approved their 1991 spending bill which includes dollars funding the nation's fight against AIDS, successfully avoiding an anti-Gay amendment from Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.)

The bill, which funds the entire operations of the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education for the coming year, also includes all federal dollars for the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health.

The measure carries \$1.7 billion in appropriations to fight AIDS through the Public Health Service and another \$2.9 billion in reserve funds for a list of health initiatives which are still awaiting final authorization. Among those programs is a House and Senate approved proposal funneling \$750 million in emergency funds to urban and rural areas particularly hard hit by the AIDS epidemic. The legislation is currently pending final congressional action.

Prior to the House's consideration of the Labor HHS appropriation bill, Dannemeyer had circulated a congressional letter expressing his intention to offer an amendment to the bill seeking to ban federal public education funds from being used for programs which 'promote or encourage' homosexuality or which use words describing it as being 'normal,' 'natural' or 'healthy.'

"It really does make a difference what we teach our children," Dannemeyer wrote in his July 13 letter announcing his intention to offer the amendment. "children taught sex outside of the context of pre-marital abstinence will naturally increase sexual behavior. Numbers of teen pregnancy and teen abortion prove this: the more we fund programs such as Planned Parenthood (Which assume kids will have pre-marital

sex), the more teen pregnancies and abortions occur.

When the bill came to the floor, though, Dannemeyer was out of town on a visit to Yorba Linda, Calif. to celebrate the opening of the Richard M. Nixon Library.

Despite his hopes for the amendment, no other House member rose to offer the proposal on Dannemeyer's behalf.

Gay and AIDS lobbyists noted that even if Dannemeyer had attempted to introduce the amendment, Rep. William H. Natcher (D-Ky.), the Democratic manager of the bill, would have sought to shut off debate by employing a parliamentary tactic.

Dannemeyer's anti-Gay education rider is modeled after a similar Senate amendment to the bill, sponsored by Sen. Gordon Humphrey (R-N.H.).

The Senate has for two years overwhelmingly approved the Humphrey amendment, but as the House version of the bill has never included the measure, the anti-Gay education rider has twice been killed in House/Senate conference.

Seeking to bolster their position, the Human Rights Campaign Fund shipped in Virginia Uribe of Project 10 the week of July 16 to meet with targeted House and Senate members and discuss Gay and Lesbian youth issues. Project 10 is the Los Angeles Unified School District's Gay youth counseling program targeted by the Humphrey/Dannemeyer proposal.

Scheel PWA Home Fund Grows

Friends, associates and customers of Madison businessman Rodney Scheel had donated \$7,500 as of July 23 to a fund to establish a group home in Madison for Persons With AIDS (PWA's). The Rodney Scheel Memorial Home for PWA's fund was started July 16. Scheel died of complications of AIDS the morning of July 12.

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The New Bar was crowded after Rodney Scheel's Memorial Service with well-wishers who feasted on a buffet and viewed a video montage of Rodney's life. It was truly an Irish wake to send an Italian off to Heaven.

A Memorial Eucharist was held for Scheel on July 21 at Luther Memorial Church in Madison, with nearly 900 in attendance. Over \$5,000 was added to the fund that day alone. People attended the service from throughout the Midwest and indeed, the USA.

Scheel was owner of the Hotel Washington complex, which houses two Gay bars — Rod's and The New Bar, as well as the award winning Cafe Palms plus two other bars. The fund, a vision of Scheel's, will be used to set up a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the PWA home to reality.

The home would also provide a place for patients who normally drive 100 miles or more to obtain treatment at the UW Hospital to stay for several days during treatment protocols.

Dane County has the second highest reported incidence of AIDS in the state with 11% of all cases. Milwaukee County has half of state cases, and already has one home for PWA's.

Rodney's death, and the fund have received widespread positive coverage in Madison's major non-Gay media, including an editorial in the Capitol Times, headlined "AIDS hits home again."

House Reprimands Barney Frank

On Thursday, July 26, the US House of Representatives voted 408-18 to reprimand Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) for using his office to fix parking tickets for male prostitute Stephen Gobie and for penning a misleading memo to Gobie's probation officer.

Frank had been charged with violating the catch-all House rule insisting that members comport themselves "at all times in a manner which shall reflect credibility on the House of Representatives."

The reprimand was recommended by a unanimous July 20th vote by a House ethics panel. Frank could have received a more lenient letter of admonishment, but also faced more severe charges — censure or expulsion.

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The House first voted the 26th to reject a move to expel Frank, submitted by Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.). The vote was 390-38, and would have required a two-thirds majority to pass.

A move by GOP Whip Newt Gingrich to censure Frank, which would have stripped him of his subcommittee chair, failed on a vote of 287- 141. According to the Milwaukee Sentinel WI. Republican Steve Gunderson and all five of the state's Democrats opposed censure, while Republicans Thomas E. Petri, Toby Roth and F. James Sensenbrenner Jr. voted for censure.

The House votes clearly turned back conservative efforts. Frank, in a statement of contrition, said "I should have known better." He also said he has taken some of the actions for which he was accused to "conceal my homosexuality," (he later 'came out' publicly).

Several members of Congress took pains to say they were not judging Frank on the basis of his sexual preference.

Frank will make restitution to the District of Columbia for an unspecified amount to cover the improperly dismissed parking tickets.

The House ethics committee recommendation cast aside the most serious charges against Frank which suggested that for 18 months Gobie ran a bisexual prostitution service out of Frank's Capitol Hill apartment, and that Frank knew about it. The committee was also not convinced of Gobie's charges that he and Frank engaged in sex in the House gym.

Gobie is currently out on bail awaiting trial on unrelated charges of drug possession and assault on an off-duty police officer.

Gingrich suggested at a July 24 press conference that the way members voted on Frank may likely be used as a campaign issue this fall by Republican House candidates. Gingrich also rallied

the ethic committee's decision to reprimand Frank, calling it clearly political.

Parental Rights Denied

According to the Milwaukee Sentinel, a July 24 State Court of Appeals ruling denies parental visitation rights to a woman who claimed she was a defacto parent to a child adopted by her female roommate.

The two women, Wendy Sporleder and Janice Hermes, who had been roommates for eight years, wanted to be parents. Attempts to artifically inseminate Sporleder were not successful, and the two women then turned to adoption, deciding Hermes would be the legal adopter.

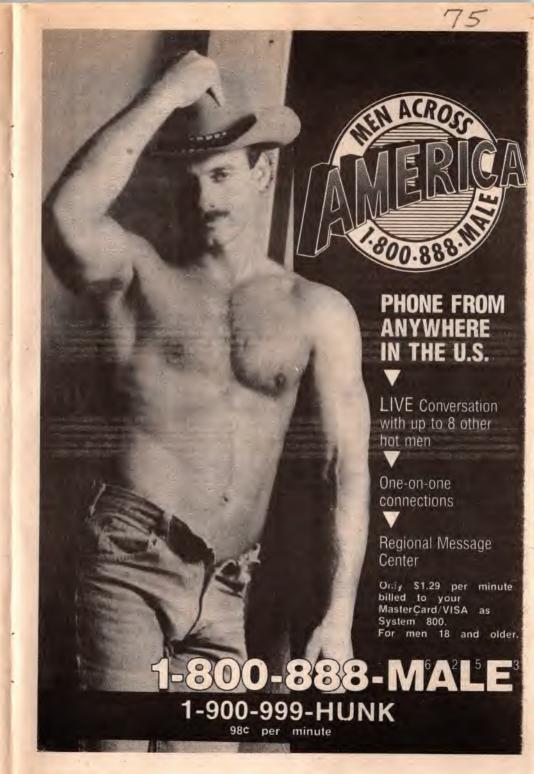
A two-year old boy was placed in their home for adoption in March of 1988. The women signed a contract designed to protect Sporleder's parental relationship with the child. She took care of the child while Hermes worked. The women's relationship deteriorated, leading Sporleder to move out of the home according to the Sentinel. An arrangement for sharing time with the child only lasted several months, and Hermes ended Sporleder's contact with the boy in January of '89, leading to the lawsuit.

A ruling by Outagamie County Circuit Judge Dee R. Dyer said Sporleder had no parental or visitation rights with the boy. The 3rd District Court of Appeals ruling on the 24th of July upheld that decision.

Hermes adoption of the boy gave her all the legal rights of a natural mother, according to the Appeal decision, which also said the co-parenting contract could not be used to waive or change state law.

WI Clinical Trials Group Seeking Major Funding

The Wisconsin Community-based Research Consortium (WCRC) is seeking funding in the range of \$150,000 to match Wisconsin state funding of the same amount, to establish a clinic that will introduce experimental drugs to battle AIDS right here at home. If the funds are



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not matched in the near future, the state dollars will return to general funds instead of going to the WCRC, which is a group of five physicians around the state that will spearhead this battle against AIDS and HIV infection.

The American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) has designated such community based drug trials around the country as its top priority.

The WCRC is in final stages for obtaining non-profit, tax deductible status for donors to the group.

The clinicians involved all have HIV-care experience, and organized to conduct statewide clinical trials of therapeutic and prophylactic (protective) medications and agents for persons with HIV; and to keep detailed records on the course of illness and outcomes of the treatment programs.

The WCRC reports that up until '89 there had been little interaction among clinicians involved in HIV care in Wisconsin. However, because of progression of the disease into higher numbers of infections, they've come together in WCRC. The nearest cities that

offered clinical trials centers were Minneapolis and Chicago, and they were impractical for large scale referrals.

Following successful models in other cities, WCRC in December of '89 drafted a proposal which would receive state funding to do statewide community-based drug trials. They have the full backing of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, the umbrella organization for the AIDS service organizations (MAP, MASN, CPI), the WI Divn. of Health, and other health departments and societies.

Since Wisconsin has no AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG), the only current protocols (drug treatment plans) available to Persons With HIV (PWHIV) are those available to their physicians and a small number of studies at the University of Wisconsin and the Medical College of Wisconsin. WCRC plans to establish a physician-based network of research nurses linked to a central office by electronic telecommunications who will carry out both WCRC trials and a local component of multi-center trials. Those trials will be considered and refined by a

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Scientific advisory committee and reviewed for approval by the Board of Directors. The Scientific Committee has access to clinical expertise, and advisors with expertise in areas of retrovirology, study design and statistics, and the medical subspecialties involved in HIV care.

WCRC is actively soliciting funding from corporate sources for the matching \$150,000. They foresee within 3 to 4 years that more traditional sources of funding will become available through grants, however, with no track record, they are not presently competitive for those sources.

Over the past year, the CBCT Network nationwide, has grown to include more than 40 community-based research centers. CBCT's are conducted by a new partnership involving primary care physicians, established researchers and people with AIDS and their advocates. The network includes 600 physicians caring for over 55,000 people with AIDS/HIV. Its goal is to conduct clinical trials that produce quality data acceptable to the FDA, while at the same time accelerating the pace of AIDS research and providing increased access for people with AIDS/HIV to promising experimental AIDS therapies.

\$275,000 To Pro-Gay Candidates

Washington, DC [HRCF] — The Human Rights Campaign Fund political action committee (PAC) has contributed \$276,650 to candidates running for Congress with six months remaining in the election year. The Campaign Fund's goal is \$525,000 to pro-Lesbian and Gay candidates running for US Senate and House of Representatives.

In the last election cycle (1987-88), the Campaign Fund contributed \$405,000 to candidates running for office. This year's goal represents nearly a 30 percent increase over 1988.

"Our effectiveness on Capitol Hill is due not only to our lobbying and constituent field work, but also to the impact the Lesbian and Gay community has in Congressional elections all over the country," said Eric Rosenthal, political director of the Campaign Fund.

Candidates receiving significant contributions from the Campaign Fund include:

Former Charlotte, North Carolina, Mayor Harvey Gantt, who is running against Senator Jesse Helms (R-NC); Senator Paul Simon (D-IL), who introduced the Hate-Crimes Statistics Act, the first federal law in history to include Lesbians and Gays; Senator Claiborne Pell (D-RI) -, who chairs the committee with jurisdiction over the National Endowment for the Arts: Congressman John Miller (R-WA), who worked to defeat the Helms-Chapman food handlers amendment on the Americans with Disabilities Act: Congresswomen Jolene Unsoeld, a first-term supporter of the Gav and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill, who is in a very tough fight for re-election; and Alexandria, Virginia, Mayor Jim Moran and former Washington state legislator Mike Kopetski, who are strong contenders to win seats in the House against homophobic incumbents.

Republicans have received 12.5 percent of Campaign Fund contributions so far Seventeen percent have gone to women and 21 percent to people of color, well above their percentages in Congress.

Helms Opponent Leads In Polls

Campaign Fund Political Director Eric Rosenthal noted that Gantt is leading Jesse Helms, 44-40, in the most recent polls taken in North Carolina. "Harvey Gantt's four point lead indicates that this is going to be a close, tough battle," Rosenthal noted.

The Campaign Fund contributed \$5,000 to Gantt's campaign in April, long before the conventional wisdom perceived him as a viable candidate. The amount was the maximum contribution allowed by federal law in a primary.

"The more the voters of North Carolina learn about Jesse Helms, the more questions they have about whether he represents their interests," McFeeley noted. "He spends his time fighting



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P.O. Box 93323, 53203	264-2600
MLGPC [Pride Week Committee]	
P.O. Box 93852, 53203	32-PRIDE
Metro Milw. Friendship Group (MMFG)	
P.O. Box 93203, Milwaukee 53203	423-0379
Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable Network	
P.O. Box 204, 53201	265-0880
Narcotics Anonymous (request gay mtgs.)	449-9800
People Living With AIDS Coalition	
315 W. Court, 53212	273-2437
Oberons (L/L social grp.) Box 07423, 53207	
Saturday Softball Bear League [SSBL] P.O. Box 92	2605, 53202
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Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201	229-6555
Gay Bicycling 2511 N. Farwell, Unit L, 53211	963-9833

RELIGIOUS

Dignity (G/L Catholic Church) P.O. Box 597, 53201	444-7177
Lutherans Concerned 1144 N. 44 St., 53208 New Hope MCC (G/L Interdenominational Church)	344-0690
P.O. Box 93913, 53202	442-7300

 Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)
 273-7617

 130 E. Juneau Ave.
 273-7617

 Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
 344-1746

 1821 N. 16th St.
 344-1746

 UCCL/GE (United Church of Christ)
 645-2678

 P. O. 80x 07168, 53207
 645-2678

MEDICAL

MEDICAL	
Brady East STD Clinic [BESTD] (VD, HIV testing, hepatitis screening) 1240 E. Brady	272-2144
Milwaukee AIDS Project [MAP] 315 W. Court St., 53212- office/staff AIDS information	273-1991 273-2437
STD Specialties Clinic (VD, HIV Testing) 3251 N. Holton	264-8800
Women's Alternative Health Clinic 1240 E. Brady	272-2144

HELP LINES

ay Information Svcs. (referrals)	444-73
ay People's Union Hotline	562-70
ay Bash Hotline(confidential)	444-73

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needed AIDS resources, censoring art and opposing choice," McFeeley stated. "His bigotry against Lesbian and Gay Americans has no place in the US Senate." he continued.

In addition to the \$5,000 primary election contribution, Federal election law allowed the Campaign Fund to contribute \$5,000 to the Gantt primary run-off campaign and another \$5,000 for the general election against Helms.

Educators Back

At its 1990 annual convention held July 3-8 in Kansas City, the National Education Association passed a constitutional amendment expanding non-discrimination language in the membership article to include new categories, among them "sexual orientation." While many persons held that the organization has long had a policy of non-discrimination, others argued for use of inclusive language. The vote on the amendment, requiring a two-thirds majority, was a decisive seventy five percent in favor.

Anxious to speak out against a nationwide rise in crimes of hate, delegates held a rally on the convention floor decrying racism, sexism, homophobia, and other bigotry. Examples from speakers included the violent murder of a Bangor, Maine, Gay man in 1989 and the plight of a young person beaten and harassed into dropping out of school because his peers assumed him to be Gay.

Delegates voted for a recommendation to have the NEA evaluate education programs available to address hate-motivated violence in their communities. They also voted to accept the NEA Civil Rights Committee report with a call to assist affiliates to gather information on incidents of bigotry.

The more than eight thousand members of the Representative Assembly also strengthened last year's call for NEA to work for domestic partner benefits when it bargains for member rights. This year the same language was included in the resolution regarding retirement benefits.

Prior to the convention proceedings the Gay and Lesbian Caucus staffed an information booth distributing information about education programs to assist Gay and Lesbian youth. The booth also sold the pink tee-shirts with the Caucus logo that became the hallmark of Caucus activists on the convention floor.

Through work of the Caucus in the 1989 convention, a measure was in place requiring all convention exhibitors to maintain the same non-discrimination standards held by the National Association. consequently, branches of the military which sought space as exhibitors were told that since United States military policy conflicts with NEA policy on sexual orientation, NEA was unable to approve the exhibit applications.

Information about the work of the Caucus can be obtained by writing NEA/GLC, PO Box 314, Roosevelt, NJ 08555.

Lisowski Elected National Officer

Michael S. Lisowski was elected Corresponding Secretary for the National Association of Black and White Men Together during the associations tenth annual convention in San Francisco in June. Black and White Men Together (BWMT) is an association of Gay Interracialists with Chapters in twenty six cities throughout the United States and an liaisons with chapters in Brazil, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Lisowski's duties as Corresponding Secretary will include opening or continuing communications with various government agencies at the local, state and federal levels regarding issues of concern to the Gay and ethnic minority communities, corresponding with other national and various independent Gay associations and finally communicating with all affiliated chapters, and groups expressing interest in starting a new BWMT Chapter.

Lisowski, who is the Gay Community
Educator for the Milaukee AIDS Project is
a charter member of the
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BWMT-Milwaukee which will celebrate its tenth anniversary this fall. In addition, he has served the past two years on the Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee, maintains the Gay Peoples Union hotline, and has served as mentor for the Gay Youth Group for the past nine years.

Homosexuality Rampant In Iran

by Rex Wockner

"Everybody in Iran is involved in male-to-male sex... because premarital sex and sex outside marriage are not only a sin, but also very difficult," according to a report in Norway's Fritt Fram.

As previously reported here, the Iranian government has a eight-month-old policy of executing those caught having homosexual sex.

Fritt Fram's report is based on an interview with Mansour, an Iranian emigrant who has been elected chair of the International Friendship Group, an Oslo-based organization "which aims at connecting Gays of different nationalities."

Mansour left Iran four years ago "after realizing that the religious and political pressures left him with no future opportunities."

He told Fritt Fram that "being Gay and having a Gay identity is a Western phenomenon unheard of in Iran. People (men) act in a very cliche male/female role," he said. "One is either the active or the passive partner."

But homosexually active they are, he said. "Everybody."

Iran's anti-Gay campaign was announced on short-wave radio on New Year's Day by Iranian Chief Justice Morteza Moghtadai.

Moghtadai said judges have five options for executing proven homosexuals: decapitation, stoning, burning, throwing them from a mountain or building, or collapsing a wall on top of them.

Nicaraguans Target Gays

by Rex Wockner

The new US backed government of Nicaragua has burned sex education books and wants to cleanse the parks of homosexuals, says one of the founders of the Nicaraguan Gay movement.

In a July interview at the annual conference of the International Lesbian and Gay Association in Stockholm, Rita Arauz said the "moralization campaign" was announced in June in La Prensa, the government newspaper.

"The mayor of Managua, in his program of beautifying Managua, said he needs to begin with cleaning the Central Park of homosexuals," Arauz said.

The park, along with the ruins of the old Catholic cathedral, across the central square, is the primary meeting place for Nicaraguan Gay men.

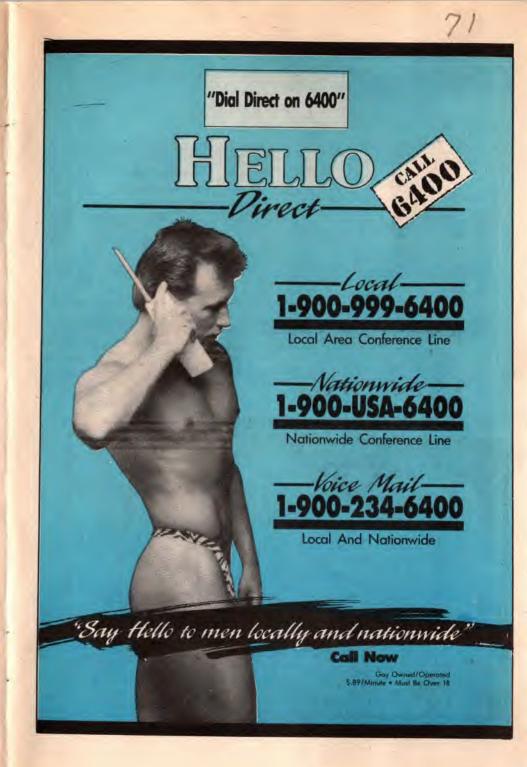
The round- up was thwarted when Sandinista police officers tipped off women vendors in the park, who in turn tipped of their Gay friends, Arauz said. Cruisers stayed away from the park for several days.

900 Line Benefits NGLTF

Washington, D.C., [NGLTF] — The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has announced a new 900 number to increase membership and make the voices of more Gay men and Lesbians count in the national struggle for civil rights.

By calling 1-900-230-4321, extension 52514, callers can receive a free three-month NGLTF membership. Callers are invited to join the Task Force by Urvashi Vaid, NGLTF executive director. Members receive newsletters, action alerts, special publications and invitations. Usual annual membership costs \$35.

The five-minute call costs \$4.50 (\$1.50 for the first minute, 75 cents each additional minute). Proceeds benefit NGLTF.



MADISON [608]

BARS

2 Club 3054 (WM,DJ,V) 3054 E. Washington	241-4977
1 Rod's (Mw,L/L,D) 636 W. Washington (rear)	255-0609
1 The New Bar (MW,DJ,V) 636 W. Washington (upstairs)	256-8765
3 Shamrock Bar (GS, MW, F, D) 117 W. Main St.	255-5029
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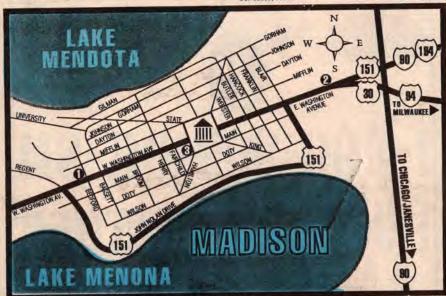
ORGANIZATIONS	
Gay/Lesbian Phone Line	255-4297
Gay/Lesbian Information Recording	46.00.20
(Ask for tape #3333)	263-3100
Gay/Lesbian Resource Center	
P.O. Box 1722, 53701	241-2500
Nothing to Hide (gay cable)	257-7575
Gay Alcoholics Anonymous	257-1747
Badgerland Narcotics Anonymous Frontiers Gay Men's Outreach (Men's Umbrella C	
P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8675
G/L Educational Employees	
c/o MTI, 821 Williamson St., 53707	255-8582
Gay Fathers c/o United	255-8582
Galvanize (G/L pride organizers)	255-8061
P.O. Box 1403, 53701	255-8001
Gay Outdoor (recreation group)	244-8675
P.O. Box 8234, 53708 Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians	244 0013
P.O. Box 1722, 53701	271-0270
L/G Youth of Madison P.O. Box 2675, 53701	246-4297
Madison Gay Men's Cherale	
2005 Pike Dr. #5, 53713	256-0425
Madison Wrestling Club P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8675
Men Over 30 (support group)	244-8690
P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-0030

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P.O. Box 1786, 53701 QUAC (Queers Action Committee)	
P.O. Box 2675, 53701	246-4297
10% Society (student organization) Box 614, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706	262-7365
United (education, counseling, advocacy)	10000000
310 E. Wilson, 53715	255-8582
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Ullumilianition	
ACT-UP/Milwaukee, P.O. Box 1707, 53201	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	200 0000
P.O. Box 14081, West Allis, 53214	271-3067
Black & White Men Together	005 0500
P.O. Box 12292, 53212	265-8500
Black Gay Consciouness Raising	000 0100
P.O. Box 93694, 53203	933-2136
Castaways M.C. (L/L) P.O. Box 1697, 53202-1	697
Cream City Chorus P.O. Box 1488, 53201	277-0434
Cream City Foundation [CCF]	
2821 N. 4th St., #217B, or,	Total Control of the
P.O. Box 204, 53201	265-0880
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 Men's Yacht Club	
P.O. Box 818, 53201	476-0808
Gay People's Union P.O. Box 208, 53201	562-7010
Gay Youth Milw. (regular peer group meeting	(s)
P.O. Box 09441, 53209	265-8500
G/L Parents Coalition of Milw. P.O. Box 9350	3. 53203
Holiday Invitational Tournament (G/L bowlin	g event)
P.O. Box 899, 53201	672-8960
Lambda Rights Network (political action, lega	
Box 93252, 53203	445-5552
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Judith Lynn Ryan

Born: March 14, 1943; Died: July 13, 1990.

Though time may change so many things,

The happiness that friendship brings is never changed,

Thoughts of you are memories old, and yet ever new.

Treasured deep in all our hearts, are those in which we've had a part...

Judy brought good times our way, and this is where she would want the good times to start.

So sit down and drink a toast, because good times are what she would want the most.

-Ever Loving P.D.

Survivors - Donald and Dorthy Ryan, Brothers - Tom, Dan, Pat, Lary.



Leslie R. Searing 1953-1990

Les Searing, age 37, died July 8, 1990 of complications of Aquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. He is survived by his life partner, Kerry L. Webster, his family, and many friends.

Les was co-owner of Elles Studios, a costume design Company, located in Milwaukee. His animal-mascot characters, including the Coor's Lite Beer Wolf, The Milwaukee Admirals 'Admiral' and the Marine Banks 'Wally Walrus; brought great enjoyment to many (many will also remember his character — Miss Gay Iowa).

Les was very involved with the Milwaukee Theatre Community. His associations include the Milw. Repertory Theatre, The Milwaukee Ballet, The Great American Children's Theatre and The Milwaukee Players.

Les enjoyed a rich life and was able to continue doing the things he loved with the help and support of MAP and his many friends. He will be deeply missed by all who's life he touched.



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MW	1/2 Men, 1/2 Women
M	Prefer Men Only
Ww	Mostly Men, Women Welcome
W	Prefer Women Only
Wm	Mostly Women, Man Welcome
G/S	Gay & Straight Mixed
VL.	Lav!/Leather
D	Dancing
DJ	Disk Jockey, Dancing
V	Video
Ė	Food Service

FOX VALLEY [414]

6 Pivot Club (MW,DJ,V) 4815 W. Prospect (Hwy BB) Appleton 730-0440 Sherlock's Home (Mw,G/S,F) 733 Pensylvania, Sheboygan

ORGANIZATIONS

Parents & Friends of G/L [PFLAG-Lakeshore]
80x 1396, Shebovgan 53081
75x Valley AIDS Project
120 N. Morrison, #201, Appleton 54911
Center Project, Inc. Fox Valley Ext. 733-2067
UW-Oshkosh 10% Society 207 Reeve Union, UW-0, 54901
Gay/Lesbian Support Revort
UW-0 Counseling Center 424-2061
Sympy (AIDS Support Network)
P.O. 80x 2137, Fond du Lac 54835 235-5100
Fox Valley G/L Parents
PO Box 781, Appleton, 54912-0791 727-1975

GREEN BAY [414] 3 Brandy's II (Mw, L/L) 1126 Main St. 432-391 4 Grand West (MW) 1444 Main St. 433-980 5 MJR's Loft (Wm, DJ) 2328 University 488-996 1 Napalese Lounge (MW, DJ) 515 S. Broadway 432-964 2 Java's (MW) 720 Bodart (rear) 435-547 2 Za's (MW, DJ, V)720 Bodart (rear) 435-547

ORGANIZATIONS

Angel of Hope (MCC Church)	
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

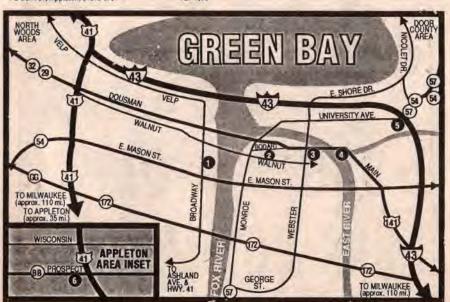
MADISON [608]

MEDICAL

Madison AIDS Support Network (support &	counseling)
P.O. Box 731, 53701 (303 Lathrop St.)	238-MASN
Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)	
1552 University Avenue	262-7330

RELIGIOUS

836-8886 256-235



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Group Notes

GAMMA's 10th Anniversary

Milwaukee GAMMA, Inc. received its charter from the State of Wisconsin on August 18, 1980. In celebration of its long-life as an athletic and social organization in the Milwaukee Gay Community, it will hold a gala banquet on Saturday, August 18, 1990 in M&M's banquet room. Cocktails begin at 6pm. Dinner must be over by 8:30pm to allow for Boarding the Iroquis Excursion Boat. All past, current, and prospective members of GAMMA are welcome. Please call Bob at 963- 9833 for reservations.

GAMMA's annual Iroquois Boat Trip will embark at 8:50pm on August 18. It's a great party for a two-hour cruise of Milwaukee Harbor. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased in advance by sending a check to Milwaukee GAMMA at PO Box 1900. Milwaukee, WI 53201.

Other GAMMA events in early August include: a Brewer game, a Swimming/Cocktail party, tennis, Volleyball, roller-skating, biking, and water-skiing. Call Bob at 963-9833 for a complimentary August Newsletter.

MASN To Honor Rodney Scheel

The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) will honor the late Rodney Scheel, who died on July 12, through the creation of an annual award, announced MASN Executive Director Earl Bricker. This award will be given to the area businessperson who has most contributed to the fund raising efforts of MASN, directly or indirectly. "This is most appropriate," stated Bricker. "Rodney Scheel was one of the best friends MASN has ever had. From providing space in the Hotel Washington for MASN's first office to participating in the Bachelor Bid held only weeks before his passing - Rodney was a consistent supporter of the work being done by MASN."

"Rodney also advised members of the Board and staff," Bricker continued. "In this way, he cannot be replaced. Rodney Scheel gave so much to MASN, and we wish to remember those efforts and support by annually honoring others in the business community who have provided support to MASN by awarding a plaque in his name."

The first Scheel Memorial Award will be presented at the MASN Annual Meeting on Wednesday, September 19. The Annual Meeting will begin at 7:00pm in the First Congregational Church, 1609 University Avenue, and will be preceded by an Open House at the MASN office located at 303 Lathrop Street (adjacent to the church).

BWMT HostsLakefront Picnic

Black & White Men Together (BWMT)-Milwaukee is hosting its annual picnic on Sunday, August 12th.

The free picnic is open to all members and friends of BWMT. Individuals do not have to be a member of BWMT or in an interracial relationship to attend. BWMT-Milwaukee will be providing the grills and beverages while attendees are requested to bring brats, burgers, buns, chips, etc. for themselves and to share with fellow participants.

The reserved picnic site is McKinley Park Area 2, which is right along the lake shore northeast of the Milwaukee Art Center/War Memorial Center and east of the lagoon. The picnic is scheduled to last from noon to dusk. For further information call Michael at 265-8500.

Lavender Hill August 19

The 7th annual Lavender Hill Garden Party, with the theme 'Wild, Wild, Lacender West,' aill be held Sunday, August 19, and with the generous support of businesses, organizations and individuals, looks to raise \$12,000, its biggest goal ever.

Space for the annual invitation-only

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event has doubled over previous years, and organizers feel confident in meeting the goal. The Milwaukee AIDS Project fundraiser is organized by a group of volunteers that begin meeting in January, and continue through August. The site, in the historic Brewer's Hill neighborhood, was at one time a lilac field (prior to when the area's historic homes were built).

Money raised goes to MAP for direct patient support — financial assistance, food pantry, The Milwaukee House, recreational enjoyment, needs and wishes of people living with AIDS in the Milwaukee area.

Founder Steve Steinhauer started the Lavender Hill Garden party as a backyard barbecue in 1984. Fifty guests, all wearing lavender, gathered for the party, not knowing that the following year it would turn into a fundraiser for AIDS.

After a March '85 AIDS diagnosis of his roommate and friend, Steve — hurting, angry, confused, and scared, decided to do the Party as an annual MAP fundraiser. 125 guests attended and \$1,900 was raised.

Over the years, Lavender Hill Garden Party has grown, and had it's share of set-backs. Steve's roommate Dan died from complications of AIDS in '87. With Dan's passing came determination to make '88 even bigger...they raised \$4,900 with the theme of Lavender Oz. 1989 and Lavender Hill VI brought A Roman Holiday, 310 guests and raised \$9,200.

Steinhauer said "The Lavender Hill Garden Party is a celebration of life, to help those living with AIDS. We are Gay, Lesbian, and straight, we are ONE community with many hearts! Let us work together as a community in sharing the love our hearts have to offer."

HIT's Annual Pizza Sale

The Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) organization will be selling pizzas during the month of August to help raise funds for their annual Thanksgiving Weekend bowling tournament.

The pizzas will be available for pick-up

at Jet's Place, where a taco party and beer bust will be held in appreciation of our supporters. (Further details on dates and times in the next In Step).

If you are interested in purchasing a pizza (or two), please contact any HIT board member, or contact Dean at 482-1700 or Cindy at 871-4735 for your order-by-phone.

Through your generosity (and hearty appetites!) HIT hopes to make this year's sale the biggest yet!

MASN Presents Fran Peavey

Madison — The Madison AIDS Support Network presents Fran Peavey, an HIV positive woman talking about AIDS and the impact being HIV positive has had on her own life, on Thursday, August 2.

The MASN benefit, to be held at the Madison Senior Center, 330 W Mifflin St (2nd floor) at 7pm will feature Peavey, a comedian and social activist from San Francisco. She has authored A Shallow Pool of Time and Heart Politics.

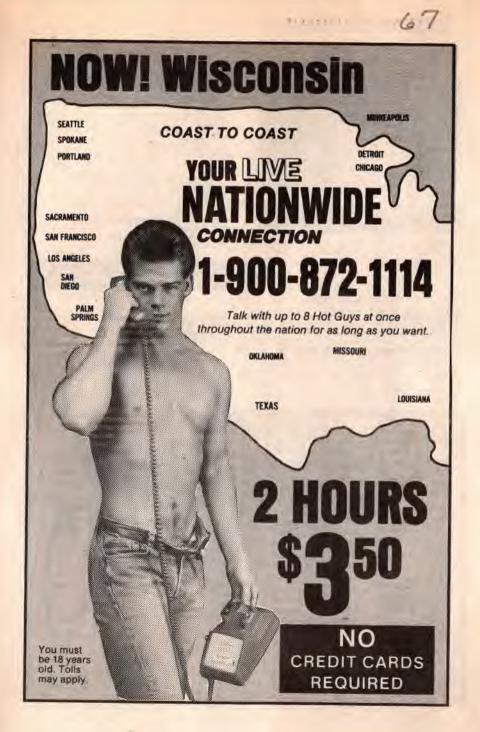
Tickets are \$5 in advance, and \$6 at the door, with MASN getting all proceeds. Tickets are available at: A Room of One's Own; Four Star Fiction and Video; Steep and Brew; Mifflin St. Co-op; and MASN.

Blue Triangle

Madison — "Blue Triangle," An AIDS Benefit Concert, will be presented at the Wisconsin Union Theatre, 800 Langdon Street, Madison, October 20, 7:30-9:30pm.

Proceeds will be donated to The Cookie Jar Fund which provides short term emergency funds for HIV infected and AIDS sufferers. The cookie Jar Fund is affiliated with The Madison AIDS Support Network [MASN].

"Blue Triangle" is a group of musicians concerned with relief and community support for those with HIV and AIDS related diseases. The concert is supported in part by a bequeath from Rafael Conde-Boytel. "Blue Triangle" is presented in his memory. For further information, contact J. Scott Hall at (608) 244-3916.



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Bi BM, 35, 5'7' 154lbs, laid back, seeks WM 28-44 in Southern WI for discreet weekenders away from urban scene in Windy City. I enjoy sports, fishing, nature, the country. Please: no hard drugs, fats, fems or barflies. Occupant; Box 2252, Chi., IL 60690.

GWM 26, 6'2", 178lbs., seeks a secure, attractive man, 25-40, who's interested in a real relationship. Love music, art, nature, history. Would like to meet someone as interested in romance, tenderness and love as I am — that someone special to enjoy life with. PO Box 11456, Shorewood, WI 53211.

Are you tired of meeting insecure, disturbed, unpredictable, unstable types? If between ages of 23-40 try me! GWM 49, attractive, 5'9''. PO Box 83173, Milw. WI, 53223. Phone/photo optional.

Pleasurable Bottom — Seeks Top Extremely good-looking GBM seeks GWM 27-50 for a 'hard time.' Send photo and phone to PO Box 23078, Milwaukee, WI 53223.

GWM 51, Looking for GWM 30 yr younger in Fox Valley area for companionship and/or relationship. Not into bar scene — social drinkers OK. Call Ron (414)426-1871 — leave message—first name & phone number. I'll be discreet when I return your call.

GWM age 24. Looking for a friend interested in: Art, Fangoria magazine and Rock n Roll. Write: Randy, PO Box 261, Germantown, WI 53022.

Gay & Bi male, single, safe, seven shaved, cut, receives prolonged French, Greek, rectal massage, butt plugs, lite B&D. Desperate for live-in lover, male/female, young couple. I live just six miles North of New London, WI on Hwy 45. Call Jake at (715)752-3476. Keep calling, 8am-8pm weekdays, anytime weekends, let's get busy!!

Nudest Group - In Lake County. Interested in getting new faces in our Strip Down, Get Naked, Get off Partys. Next party in August: Send address or phone for more info to: Party, PO Box 443. Fox lake, IL 60020.

Find the Right One — If you are tired of bars and phone lines, thousands of Gay men have found a better answer. Computer matching. For FREE information, write to: MANHUNT, Suite 218, 501 W. Mitchell St., Milwaukee, WI 53204.

Graffiti

Dean [\$5.00]: Yes I'm interested in meeting you. Please write back soon! Change?

Greg G: Happy Birthday! Luv Ya!

Mark Mom: Happy 4th... Happy Home and it's ours. Love, Mark Dad

Congrat's - Ric & Dale: We wish you many years of happiness. Jet's Place

Bobby: When is the Divorce Party? Parties are always fun. Aren't They?

Dave, John, Rick: Looks like life and party's are a lot better now. Good luck. Bobb

Bebe Douglas: I Love You! C.C. Rae

T.J. Tate & Mary Miller: Thanks for coming to Green Bay. Love ya both! C.C. Rae

Green Bay: Thanks for your support in the Green Bay pageant. Love ya. C.C. Rae

Thanks to everyone: who performed at or attended our Benefit Show at the Pivot Club. Dee Richards and C.L. Edwards.

Danny: Having your love has really made my life beautiful. I will hold on to your love forever. Thank You. Your lifelong Cupcake, Todd

Cai: What did I do for a Klondyke? Everything I could... J.

Dee Richards & C.L. Edwards: Good luck at the Miss Gay USA At Large Pageant in Louisville. We're proud of both of you. Jimmy & Wade

In Memory of: Robert Masaro Jr., 1969-1990; We had some great times. I'll miss you. Love, Russ

Dick [Florist]: How much Baby Oil was used this month? Mr Slick contd. on page 52

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PARTNERS

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Bus departs from
Partners at 2 pm.
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Party continues at
Partners till closing.
\$10.00 per person includes
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Gay Video In Final Production

Principal photography on Syzygy's Gay-themed theatrical-length home-video, "Should Have Been A Love Song," was completed in Chicago on July 15, and the post-production has begun in Los Angeles. Anticipating a late September release, this bittersweet romance penned by Jeff Hagedorn and co-directed by John Story and Hagedorn will be sold mail-order directly to the Gay market via the country's extensive Gay press network.

"It's time for us to create Gay images for a Gay audience," says Hagedorn. "For too long Gay people have only had pornographic images of ourselves, or else images made for a straight audience. As a Gay artist, I don't feel the need to explain or justify my sexuality to an audience and as a Gay audience member. I sorely miss the emotional ties that come with that sexuality. With the growth of video, the technology is now there to reach Gau people across the country with positive, non-apologetic images. Syzygy, by keeping costs down, will be able to create products that don't have to depend on straight audience cross-over to be a financially successful venture. And, in the process, we hope to expand our definition of ourselves as Gay people and artists.

Hagedorn based his screenplay for "Should Have Been A Love Song" on his International Gay Playwriting Award winning play. Taking advantage of the lower production costs and the wealth of talent in Chicago, "Love Song" stars Scott McWilliams (who played the role in Syzygy's 1988 production of the original play), former Mr. Gay Chicago Paul Adams, Gina V. Driskell, Judith West, Steve Buri and Gregory Grene. Mary M. Badger produced, with Michael Wm. Randolph serving as Director of Photography for the 4 week shoot in and around Chicago.

Copies of "Should Have Been A Love Song" will be available in late September. However, people can order their copies now for the pre-release price of \$19.95, plus \$3.00 shipping and handling (plus



Paul Adams and Scott McWilliams in a scene from SYZYGY's soon to be released video, "Should Have Been A Love Song." [Photo by M. Badger]

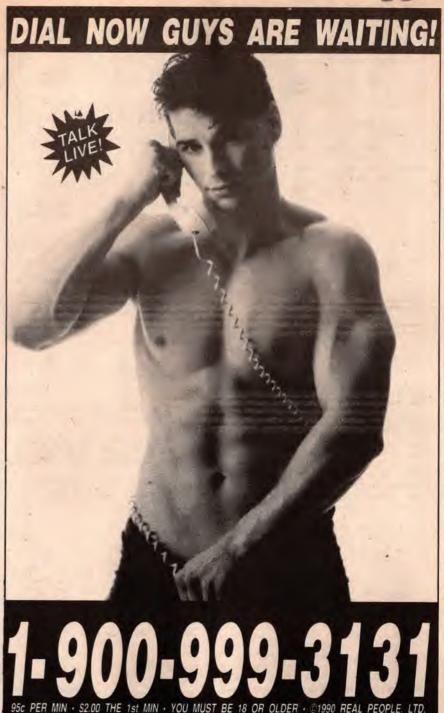
any applicable California sales taxes), by sending a check or money-order to Syzygy, PO Box 3003, No. Hollywood, CA 91609

Pride Sketch

If you missed the opportunity to purchase a 1990 Pride Theme Sketch by Tom Rezza, there are still some available. Each 18x24 high quality print is \$25. Ten dollars from each print is being donated to the Pride Committee to help defray costs of the 1990 Pride Celebration, and to put money in the treasury for 1991.

Organizations and businesses may want to consider buying one or more prints for raffles or fund raising events. If you're interested, contact Annabelle Havlicek of Havlicek & Associates, (414)271-5819.

The dramatic sketch portrays Tom Rezza's idea of the 1990 Pride Theme, "Look to the Future." In the foreground are two ethnically mixed couples (portraying the ethnicity of our own community), holding the rainbow flag. A larger group of community members are



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GWM 28, 5'10", 170 lbs — Professional, good-looking. Needs well hung stud for hot fun. I want to fulfill your fantasies. Uncut cock loved. Blacks welcomed. Discretion always. POB 344, Watertown, WI 53094.

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Couple looking for couple[s] for friendship only. GWM's both 29 who enjoy camping, biking, concerts, movies and weekend get-aways. Write PO Box 7512, Milwaukee. WI 75012-7512.

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portrayed in the background.

Also, watch for Havlicek & Associates and Miriam Ben-Shalom at MAPfest on Sunday, September 2. They'll be sharing a merchandise booth. For sale will be: "Gay 90's are Back" painter caps; the Rezza sketches; the "Ex-heterosexual" T-Shirts that are drawing some attention; and Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Veterans of America "They Served Proudly" t-shirt (up to 4X) and baseball caps. They'll also be introducing a new womyn's t-shirt, saying "Born to Love a Woman," complimented by a hot piece of art (in larger sizes also).

Of course, any merchandise purchased at MAPfest will benefit that organization.

List Events Free In '91 Almanac

The editors of The Gay and Lesbian Almanac and Events of 1991 invite all local and national groups and organizations to list their upcoming 1991 events in this important nationwide 'community bulletin board.'

This is the fourth edition containing the coming year's events in such areas as cruises, concerts, conventions, fairs and festivals bowling tournaments and other sports activities, rodeos, antique car meets, benefits and other social extravaganzas, tours and trips, contests, professional meetings, and much more.

"The crucial element in providing this service is the local organization's leader," says Danni Munson, editor of the Almanac. "All the events we know about, we print."

The upcoming events section of the Almanac is used by business travelers wanting to know what is going on in the community they might be visiting, vacationers looking for all-Gay cruises and tours, events planners seeking to avoid scheduling conflicts, individuals looking for fairs or meetings of special interest groups, those moving to a new community, and the merely curious wanting to know about all the activities in our growing Gay/Lesbian culture.

To obtain a free listing in the 1991

edition, send the name and date of your 1991 event or events, a brief description of the function, the name, address, and phone number of your group, and the name of a contact person (the name of the individual will not be printed).

Mail this information to: Envoy Enterprises, 740 N. Rush. St., Suite 609, Chicago IL 60611.

Events should be posted between August 15 and September 1 to guarantee inclusion.



Health

AIDS Update

The latest statistics compiled by the Wisconsin Division of Health showed 721 cases of AIDS reported in Wisconsin since the inception of the disease. The statistics (as of June 28, 1990) also reflected 420 deaths. One year ago state statistics showed 483 cases and 297 deaths.

Gay and Bi-sexual males make up 74% of Wisconsin cases (nationally 58%); IV drug users make up 7% of state cases (21% nationally); and 5% are Gay male IV drug users statewide (7% nationwide).

Statewide, 95% were male (nationwide 90%); while white males made up 78% of state cases, African Americans 17% and Hispanics 5%. Nationwide Whites make up 56%, African Americans 28% and Hispanics 16%.

Condom For The Bottom

Made for a woman, but he can use it too. Safe and fun, but more importantly it stops the spread of HIV. Expected to be on pharmacy shelves early next year, "Women's Choice Condomme" is the newest alternative to the penis-hugging traditional condom.

Made of 30 percent thicker latex than traditional condoms, it has a pleated tip that gently expands after it is inserted and an outer ring that stays outside the body. Rather than interrupting the flow of lovemaking, it can be inserted in advance. The condomme forms a rubber pocket within the receptive partner — either a woman or a man.

"We assume that mechanically it shouldn't cause any problems in the rectum, but until it is tested with a large group of men, we can't say with certainty that it's safe in the rectum. However, there's no reason in principle why it can't be used rectally," says Dr. Harvey Lash, who with his son developed the condomme.

Soon the condomme will be tested with Gay men, according to Dr. Lash. Already the condomme has proved to prevent the spread of HIV. Experiments at the University of California demonstrated that solutions of HIV 1,000 times more potent than found in semen didn't pass through the condomme. Because it is made of thicker latex, the risk of breaking or leaking is greatly reduced.

It may be safe, but how does it feel? In heterosexual couples, most of the men judged the condomme as much or more pleasurable than the traditional condom. Most of the women agreed.

A similar condom made of vinyl is being tested by Wisconsin Pharmaical and will be marketed by the name 'Reality.' Both brands of the new condom will be disposable and reasonably priced. These new condoms will be available early in 1991 without a prescription.

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Black Men And HIV

San Francisco — The National Task Force on AIDS Prevention has announced the findings of an historic nationwide survey focusing on the HIV-related knowledge, attitudes and behaviors of over 900 African American men who have been sexually active with other men.

The survey's findings suggest that the vast majority of men are aware of the nature of the HIV/AIDS virus, how it is transmitted and how its transmission can be prevented. However, almost half the men still engage in unsafe sex. A third of the men have sex with both men and women, but less than 20 percent of those always or almost always use a condom for vaginal sex. More than 20 percent of those surveyed would be likely to engage in unsafe sex even if they were HIV positive or had AIDS. Less than one fourth of the men surveyed were aware that Black men die almost five times faster than white men from AIDS-related causes.

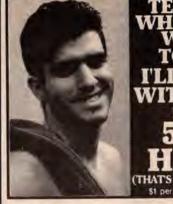
"These statistics are shocking, but come as no surprise," Reggie Williams, Exec. Dir. of the Task Force said, "when you look at some of the other survey data. Less than half the men surveyed have attended a safer sex workshop; slightly

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GWM 30's, 5'10", 160lb, brn./brn. Looking for partner for tennis, biking, fun and just maybe a relationship. I like the outdoors, movies, nights on the town, as well as quiet and laid back times. I'm stable, responsible and open-minded. If this sounds like you and you have longer hair, write: Mike, PO Box 07113, Milw 53207. Do it Tonite! Your photo gets mine, or will be returned. Please, no fats, fems, or drugs.

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more than half have attended an AIDS education program. Yet almost 80 percent of the men believe education is key to safer sex practices. The data is clear: there is an urgent need for more culturally specific education, risk reduction training and ongoing support, such as the programs the Task Force has pioneered and is continuing to develop.

"Moreover," Williams continued, "the Black community and its institutions must become more involved if we are to reduce the risk to women and children, as well as to Black men, regardless of their sexual orientation. While only six percent of the men surveyed privately think of themselves as heterosexual, 35 percent identify themselves as such publicly. It's time to deal forthrightly with the issues of sexuality that the Black community has denied or ignored for far too long."

"Three things are clear from the survey findings," Williams said. "First, safer sex behaviors need to be reinforced, through the building of individual self-esteem, with peer group and community reinforcement. Second, early intervention and treatment advocacy programs are essential to close the survival gap between Black and White men diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. Third, the Black community and its institutions must become more supportive of its sons, brothers and fathers, regardless of their sexual preferences."

"Contrary to popular belief," Williams says, "Black Gay and bisexual men do not segregate themselves into 'Gay ghettos,' as do whites. They remain an active, involved part of the Black community, nurturing their immediate and extended families, and participating in every aspect of community life. The AIDS crisis may be yet another course on a smorgasbord of problems facing a beleaquered Black community, but it offers an unparalleled opportunity to take charge and begin a community-wide healing process that will have far-reaching effects on the overall prognosis for African Americans' survival into the 21st century."



The Arts

Tesseract/Next Generation's 90-91 Season

Milwaukee - Theatre Tesseract and Next Generation Theatre have selected their playbill for the 1990-91 season. Performances will be held at Centennial Hall Theatre located at the Milwaukee Public Library, 733 8th Street, Milwaukee.

The season begins October 12, 1990 with an adaptation of Madeline L'Engles Newbery award winning classic A Wrinkle In Time. Theatre Tesseract took it's name from the book. Tesseract is a theory of the fifth dimension whereby voyagers travel quickly through time and space. This sci-fi adventure will play in rotating repertory with Reckless (rights pending), a surreal and disturbing comedy by Craig Lucas.

The Milwaukee premiere of John Olive's The Voice of the Prairie brightens the month of November. This lyrical piece

presents David Quinn, a radio storyteller of rare ability, whose reminiscences of an America in the 20's come back to him in a beautiful way.

In February Peter Pan flies into the Pabst Theatre. Join Peter. Tinkerbell and their friends Wendy, Michael and John as they travel from Victorian England to the fantastical world of Neverland, February 2-17, 1991.

Acclaimed Polish director, Helena Dynerman returns to the direct the US premiere of the prize winning revue Haven For The Disillusioned. A cabaret style piece consisting of poems and songs from several Bertoldt Brecht plays. Haven has been running at the Atenuem Theatre in Warsaw. Poland for two years.

William Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew will close the 1990-91 season. Kate and Petruchio will "duke it out" in a fresh, bold approach to the intrigues of the "war between the sexes."

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Letters

Editor:

On Friday, July 20th, ACT UP Milwaukee held a meeting to discuss the possibility of a Milwaukee boycott against Miller Brewing Co. We heard a complete run-down of Miller's stand on the topic, as explained to us by Miller Issues Director, Tom Reed, the previous day. Also taken into consideration were facts gathered by ACT UP members attempting to verify or add to the information we already had.

When a vote was taken, the Miller boycott was rejected. ACT UP Milwaukee had decided the following:

• Funding for the "Jesse Helms Library" had come from Philip Morris USA, an operating company of Philip Morris Cos. Inc. on the same corporate level as Miller Brewing Co. Miller Brewing Co., therefore, could not be held responsible for this large donation.

• Contributions to Sen. Helms' campaign had come from individual contributions by Philip Morris Cos. Inc. employees to Philip Morris' political action committee, Phil-Pac. Phil-Pac clearly represents the interests of all of Philip Morris' operating companies, but its practice of voting by consensus instead of one vote per member, and its reliance on individual contributions make it impossible to trace any political

contribution to one source.

 ACT UP Milwaukee does not believe that this corporate trickery absolves Miller Brewing Co. of all blame for the Helms contributions. However, it was decided that our current Marlboro boycott is addressing the biggest offender in Philip Morris Cos. Inc., Philip Morris USA.

• ACT UP Milwaukee believes that using a boycott to address the contributions to Helms' campaign would require a boycott against all of Philip Morris Cos. Inc.'s operating companies, not just the smallest and the largest, Miller Brewing Co. and Philip Morris USA respectively. We decided, however, that initiating such a large boycott based on the hazy corporate connections to Sen. Helms described above would be impractical.

ACT UP Milwaukee continues to endorse and encourage the growing Marlboro boycott in Milwaukee. Philip Morris USA, the maker of Marlboro products, is clearly a staunch supporter of Sen. Jesse Helms.

-Sincerely, Daniel Fons, ACT UP Milw.



PEOPLE LIVING WITH AIDS OF WISCONSIN

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The PLWA Coalition is an organization of People Living With AIDS which has taken up the mission of advocacy of AIDS-related issues. We are attempting to contact People Living With AIDS who are HIV+ to develop an agenda of their needs.

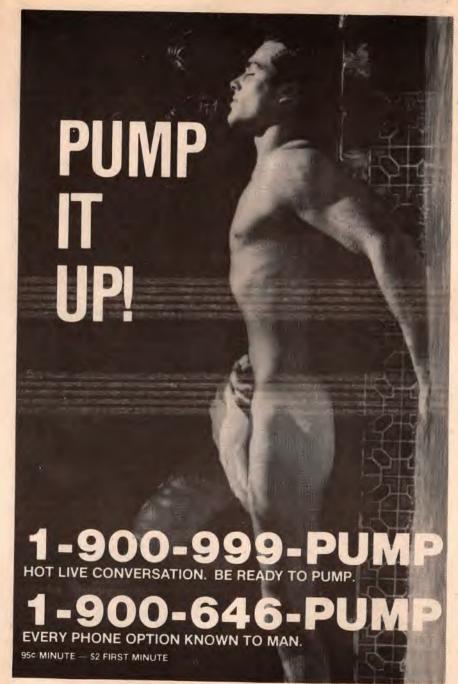
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House Share, 4 bedroom restored Victorian with professional GWM. Near Marquette, student preferred. Own furnished room, off-street parking, utilities for \$250.00/mo. Security deposit. Write: Box 05681, Milwaukee, WI 53205.

Downtown 2 bedroom/2 bathroom apartment to share. Looking for professional, non-smoking male to share this unique apartment at the Blatz. Large, modern kitchen, walk-in closet and interesting architectural detail. Call 224-0527 evenings.

Housemate to Share my 4 bedroom, bath-and-half with GWM, on lower Eastside. Includes: Own room, parking, utilities for \$275.00/mo. No smokers, drugs, or pets. 765-0658. Leave message.

Female Roommate wanted Must be mature and responsible. 74th & Capitol Area. \$250, utilities included. Available anytime after August 15th. 2 Bed. Lower Brick duplex. Call Debbie at 421-2840 or 527-1950.

Roommate to share large Eastside 2 bedroom with graduate student. \$250 includes heat, laundry and parking. Must like cats. Mostly furnished. Call Barb at (414)347-1061 or leave message.

Responsible Roommate Wanted — to share Southside house with GWM. Two room upper, w/carpet, garage space w/auto opener, yard & patio. Share kitchen and bath. \$270/mo. incl. utilities. Same deposit. Call 672-2995.

Roommate to share — 3 bedroom Eastside flat, \$175 per month & 1/3 utilities. References & one months security required. Avail. Sept. 1, 278-0450.

To share, beautiful large three bedroom house in Southside/Bayview area. \$200 per month, plus 1/3 of utilities. Quiet non-smoker preferred. Call 769-8430 early evenings or leave message.

Roommate Wanted: 20th & Capitol area. Available Aug. 31st or sooner. \$275.00. Call collect 1-608-257- 9891, references. Wanted: Responsible, Employed, Roommate to share large, mostly furnished two bedroom flat on near West side. Fireplace, natural woodwork, dishwasher, use of washer/dryer. Street parking; on bus route. \$260/mo. (incl heat) plus 1/2 utilities. Security deposit required. Call Larry 344-5551.

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Ask Dr. D

by Demian, Ed.D.

Calling Couples Central

Q: Do you know of any centralized effort to coordinate the actions of the many groups and individuals who now support same-sex families?

A: There is no 'centralized' effort. In fact the whole Gay movement is really grass-roots oriented. This is what stupefies the 'fundies' who visualize a highly coordinated, subversive effort in every protest and in every demand for equal rights. Much to their bewilderment, there IS no Big Boss calling the shots.

It is up to us to start our own local couples groups and to back those national organizations that support us. The following organizations are among those who are actively working to support and empower Lesbian and Gay male couples:

 Couples National Network, Inc., Box 26139. Tempe, AZ 85285-6139. Umbrella organization for local groups; social and informational events for couples; no religious or political affiliation.

• Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., Family Relationships Project, 666 Broadway, New York, NY 10012, 212-995-8585. Employs legal advocacy, education and litigation to secure dignity and respect for all families, including Lesbian and Gay relationships; public interest law firm handles impact litigation where there is a Gay/Lesbian or AIDS discrimination issue.

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• Partners Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109, 206-784-1519. National 16-page bimonthly; a resource and forum supporting the diverse community of Gay and Lesbian couples with timely information and ideas. \$21 per year.

For a free, complete list of organizations, books and other couples-supportive media, send a self-addressed, stamped business-sized envelope to Partners.

(Demian has a doctorate in education (Ed.D.) and is co-publisher/co-editor of Partners 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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[L to R] Jimmy King; former Miss Green Bay Tiffany Thomas; C.C. Rae, the newly crowned Miss Gay Green Bay-WI USA; Tania Michaels, Miss Gay WI- USA 89-90; 1st R.U. Miss G.B. Katrina Kaye; and Wade of King Productions. The contest was held during Za's 1st Anniversary weekend.



Cora Mae [2nd from right] celebrated her 9th annual 21st birthday with a party and show at La Cage/dance dance dance.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

It's been a mixed bag - MAGIC to memorials, anniversaries to TV's on TV. Let's dive right in to happenings since July 12...

Cora Mae celebrated her birthday (9th annual 21st) with a bash and show at the ever-popular La Cage/dance dance dance. The big crowd enjoyed the show, and Cora Mae was at her best. (Girl - you ought to be in the cast of the Sunday Night Shows!) Congratulations, and a belated happy birthday.

It was a MAGIC weekend in Madison from the 13-15, with the MAGIC Invitational Volleyball Tournament, and the annual picnic. Alas, the volleyball organizers sent us nothing in advance about the tourney, or even supplied us with final results. Whoever was in charge of publicity for the tourney this year certainly didn't do the job that was handled so well last year. The MAGIC Picnic was as festive as ever, even with rain in the morning, and later that evening, with cooler than normal temperatures. The mood might have been dampened a bit by the death of the MAGIC founder, Rodney Scheel (Rod passed away two days before the picnic). but Pam and the rest of the organizers insisted Rodney would not have wanted that. Rod's, The New Bar and Club 3054 were packed all weekend with out-of-towners, volleyballers, and Mad City denizens. Very festive.

Club 3054 didn't want the mood to drop after MAGIC, so on Monday, the 16th, they brought in the infamous French Canadian dancers from the Club Happy Tap in Windsor, Canada. A new blond was with them that just wowed the packed bar with his obvious physical attributes. Not to say the other dancers didn't go over big - all of them have very impressive physical endowments. I think it's time to take a trip to Windsor...

Trianglers in Dairyland... Al and a group from the Triangle trekked to Kenosha's Dairyland Greyhound Park for an evening that "went to the dogs." I

don't think anyone lost their shirt - at least not to gambling... The big money winners were Uncle Al from La Cage. Chad from the Triangle and Bridgette from the balloon company.

Milwaukee's Talking about Rona. Chastity, Mimi and BJ's appearance on the Channel 12 television talk show of the same name on July 12. The audience composed of housewives, retirees and liberally sprinkled with Gays and Lesbians - was treated to a number by each of the girls, and less-than-probing questions by host Mark Siegrist. Rona was unusually closed-mouthed, but Mimi and BJ made up for that. BJ got several new customers out of the show, and several of the bars received calls inquiring about show times... one of the girls also received a call from a married couple who wanted her to join them for a three way (she refused). (Gay Milwaukee's Talking about the two hideous cross dressers who sat denirely in the front row.) After all is done and told, it seems Milwaukee's Talking had some of their highest ratings ever when they had the Gay/Fundies show, and they were looking for more high ratings from another 'controversial' show - and that's why they approached the girls.

Don't forget when the hungries hit, you've got a new choice at Mick's Alternative at least for Friday and Saturday night and Sunday brunch.

Nitengale's toasted dance diva Janet Jackson with a special theme party, with Janet give-aways, and a chance to win free tickets to her concert. The evening was lubricated with cheap slammers.

I hit Madison for Club 3054's full moon party and "best underwear contest." Unfortunately they had the contest earlier than advertised, and I missed, but managed to gather the top three together for a photo opportunity with cherubic Cheri Becker. The winner, Rob, didn't want his face in the picture (who cares about faces anyway even though all three were quite handsome) due to his job, so

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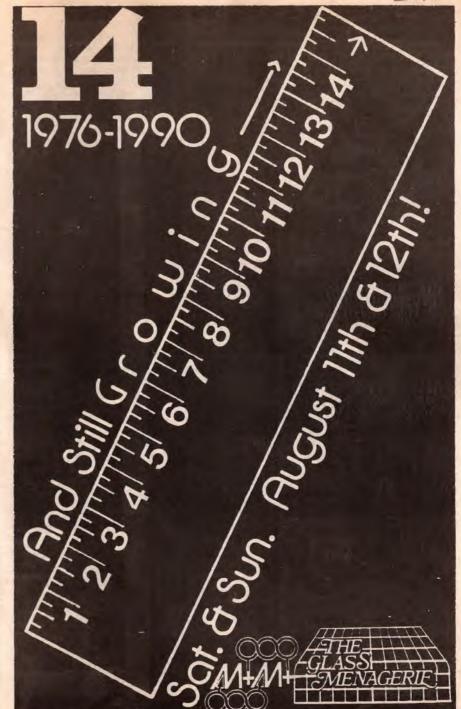




Owners Za and Ken



Za's celebrated their 1st anniversary with a weekend of events.



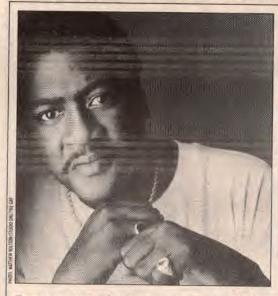
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we've cropped the picture to honor his wishes. I just didn't want you to think I don't know how to take photos without lopping off heads!

Speaking of Ms Becker, it seems she proposed marriage to Cindy (in a movie theatre, during "Ghost" nonetheless) and Cindy accepted. They've set an October date for the nupitals. (Cindy will wear a white gown)

Rodney's Memorial Service Saturday July 21 was a moving religious ceremony before nearly 900 family, friends, and admirers. The three eulogizers each covered separate but intertwining areas of his life. Thank God for Bart Lombard's comic relief... laughter played an important role in Rod's life. Rod's brother Greg, and the rest of the Scheel family, Rod's partner Warren, and Pam and the Hotel Washington staff then toasted Rod's memory with a buffet at The New Bar, after the service. Greg outdid himself with the video-photo montage of Rodney's life. By the way, as of July 23, \$7,500 has come in for the Rodney Scheel Memorial Home for Persons With AIDS.

After Rod's service, my friend Nel and I traveled to Green Bay for Za's 1st anniversary celebration. The weekend of events started the night before with the grand finals of their weekly lip sync, and continued Saturday with King Production's Miss Gay Green Bay



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Roger: You Gay thing, smile and be happy! Christine

Smiley: Get a life! You know who

Corey: Welcome to the Gay life. Christine

Marilyn: See — having your name in the In Step isn't so traumatic after all!

Guess Who

B & J from Brown Deer: Thank you for helping me find a new home. Love, Velvet

Rebel: You'd better learn to kiss me more often & like it, or else! U No Hu

Chef Kim: Do you need a recipe for a new job? Not Hungry Any More

Nawdy Babe: Cute pajamas, but we hoped you didn't wear any! Looking for More

Officer Friendly: You'll have to investigate to find out if I am untouchable.

Shannon [frisk me] O'Hannon

Tony: I Love You more with each passing day... when are you going to pop the big question?

Dave

Ron S [Racine]: The Love of my life, I can't imagine my world without you in it. I Love You and Love You always.

Bob A. [Kenosha]

Rich: Don't be a fool! Don't leave your wife and son!

Lisa: You can't serve both God and the wants of your heart!

Wisconsin: Boycott Marlboro, Defeat Sen. Helms. Urge your local bars and businesses to remove all Marlboro products from their machines. Do It Now!

Brian [ZA's]: You're a Sweetheart, and so cute, too! Next year, we hope ZA has a tropical theme for the Anniversary — We're looking forward to seeing you in nothing but a VERY brief thong.

Ron & Nel

ZA & Ken: Thanks for a fun weekend. Here's to many more anniversaries. Ron, In Step Bret [New Leaf] Get better — and watch out for those vicious queens! Ron

Hotel Wash. Staff: You outdid yourselves, even in your grief. Continue in the same vein — Rodney will be watching from above.

Ron, In Step

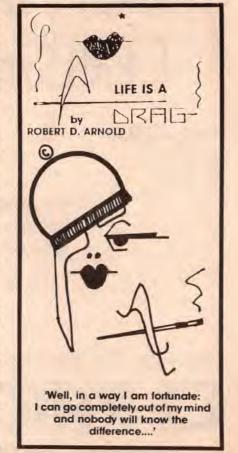
Barb M: Where have you been? I miss you so do the kids Your Husband

Ron B: Hope you had a great birthday — when can I give you your present? Bobby

Doug: Life would be much better with me than being a drag queen — change your mind.

B.C.





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WI-USA Pageant. Six contestants vied for the title in fierce competition, limited strictly to contestants from that area. Congratulations to winner C.C. Rae, and first runner-up Katrina Kaye. C.C.'s entertainment was too much, it's no wonder she won. Guest entertainers included Tiffany Thomas, who gave up her crown, BJ Daniels, Dee Richards (Miss Gay WI-USA At-Large), Tania Michaels (Miss Gay WI-USA 89-90), and the incomparable Larinda Kelly.

We wrapped up the weekend on Sunday, when Ken and Za hosted an afternoon champagne buffet in the beer garden. An enjoyable way to end a busy weekend. Thanks to you all for the good time, and here's to plenty more anniversary celebrations!

Three contestants competed for the title of King's Miss Gay Capitol City WI-USA pageant at Madison's **The New Bar** on the 22nd. Milwaukee's Dynasty Duponte won the title, and Madison's Felicia Melton-Smith took first runner up. King's last preliminary for his Wisconsin-USA pageant is the Miss Central WI at **Masquer's** in Wausau on August 11th. The WI-USA pageant itself is scheduled for August 19, the evening of the Lavender Hill Party.

Ces't La Vie was jamming the 22nd for owner John Clayton's birthday party. This annual event keeps growing every year (just like John's waistline) with more and more food on the buffet table. John's not telling how many years young he is, but I

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Garrett-top left photo took top honors at La Cage's 'Claim to Fame' finals, over Basia and Sasha.



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Jock Shorts

Friday League Forming Now

A Friday night bowling league is now being organized. This league will bowl at Red Carpet Regency, located at 6014 N. 76th Street (76th and Florist).

Teams will consist of five bowlers and will bowl every Friday night beginning at 7pm. Since the handicap system will be used (80 percent of 200), you don't have to be a pro bowler to join. The only prerequisite is a desire to have fun and a love of bowling.

Anyone interested in joining this league should call Dean at 482-1700 or attend an informational meeting and bowling party to be held at Red Carpet Regency on August 24, at 7pm. Space is limited and teams will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Come join your friends and join a league today!

Monday League Begins Aug. 20

The Monday Nite Irregulars Bowling League will begin its fall season with an orientation meeting and open bowling party on August 20, at Oriental Landmark Lanes located at 2220 N. Farwell Avenue.

Anyone interested in joining the league should attend the meeting which will begin promptly at 7pm. Space is limited.

For more information, call Dean at 482-1700 or Peter at 258- 1907.

Aspen Ski Week

The Gay community of Aspen announced plans for its annual January Ski week. The opening party will be on Saturday, January 19, 1991. Last year over 1,000 Gay and Lesbian skiers frolicked on Aspen's slopes. Some travel and lodging accommodations are already sold out, so now is the time to make your skiing plans. Milwaukee GAMMA and GAMMA/Twin Cities each plan to

sponsor a group. Call Bob at 963-9833 for more information.

Physique '90

The Arcadia Bodybuilding Society presented Physique '90, the 4th annual National Lesbian and Gay Bodybuilding Championships at the prestigious Herbst Theatre in downtown San Francisco the day before the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade.

Deviating from the usual format of opening the show with a parade of athletes from all over the country, this year the curtain opened on Chris Dickerson, former Mr. Olympia and Mr. America. Displaying a superb physique, the music set the scene as his impressively flexed muscles grew before our eyes. Chris, who is 50 years old, set the stage for the next few rounds of older women and men. The audience screamed as Gail Winston, a fifty year old, performed a hot number to the Madonna hit 'Voque.' Winston (along with 30 bodybuilders who competed in Physique '90) will compete in Gay Games III in Vancouver in August. Gail believes in "breaking limitations, either self imposed or socially imposed." She states, "I want women to know that you can be fit after 50 and you can start any time."

The audience was treated to some spectacular posing in the pairs routines. Jon deLeon and Andy Anderson brought the house down with their gymnastics, including a beautiful lift, as well as some tender moments. Jon wowed the audience a second time during his individual routine which featured a back flip. Some gymnastics were also employed by the women's pairs, who fit a couple of headstands and splits into their routines. Same sex pairs is not done in heterosexual competition. Hooray for our community once again!

Physique '91 will be held on June 29th, 1991. For more information write ABS, 1230 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.





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can tell you that as the years go by, he looks more and more like his mother! The chattering teeth back-up during the singing of Happy Birthday was a trip. Happy Birthday John... and please don't raise my rent!

The Triangle hosted Club 3054 bartenders on the 24th, and the Triangle goes to the Club on the 26th for a bartenders exchange. It's always fun, and a bit crazy, because no one seems to know where/what and how much everything is. The Triangle's new patio is very nice, and really increases the space for the customers to spread out, relax and talk.

Club 219 hosted Kevin Andrew's 'First Class Male' Revue male dance troupe. The four dancers (two from Arizona and two from San Diego) had the large crowd wrapped around their g-strings. They all had great bodies, and three of them could even dance! Bonnie Bitch stopped by to see the boys — it turns out that Kevin toured with her several years back and they never see each other anymore because they both are always touring.

The Ballgame held their annual Christmas in July party on the 25th, with appropriate decor, lots of food and three \$50 cash prize drawings. They had a real nice crowd going by mid evening. Later that night, La Cage held their 'Claim to Fame' finals with all two time winners. Eligible to compete (only 3 did) for \$500 in cash and prizes. Vocalist Garrett was the winner, with Basia taking 2nd and Sasha 3rd place. The place was packed, and the variety of entertainment by the contestants & Sunday night show guest entertainers offered something for everyone.

That brings me up to our Thursday morning deadline, and if I want anything else to appear in this magazine, I've got to turn over the computer to Mary so she can get busy... Next time!

USA On WI Tour

King Productions has scheduled a series of shows entitled "USA on Tour." The shows will be held on Wednesday, August 15th in Appleton; Thursday August 16th at the New Bar in Madison, Friday August 17th at the Gay 90's in Minneapolis; and Saturday August 18th at Club 94 in Kenosha.

The Shows will feature Cezanne, Miss Gay USA 90; Netasha Edwards, Miss Gay USA 1989; Tommie Ross, Miss Gay USA 1988; Tania Michaels, Miss Gay Wisconsin USA; and Dee Richards, Miss Gay Wisconsin USA at Large.

The week will Culminate with the 2nd annual Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA Pageant on Sunday August 19th at the Marc Plaza Hotel, featuring the twelve King Production title holders from around the state.

3rd Ward Block Party

Milwaukee's Fest City Singers, Wisconsin Light, and In Step will be participants in the Historic Third Ward's Best Block Party Friday and Saturday August 3&4. The two papers will share a table (generously donated by Jeff and Judy Posner) displaying information and sample copies. The Original Fest City Singers will perform for the third year in a row.

For the first time, the Singers will hit the streets as strolling singing troubadours, mingling with the crowds and presenting their songs and novelty acts in street performance style.

The Biggest Block Party will be held on North Broadway between East Buffalo Street and Erie. The Singers will perform after 5pm on Saturday. The 5th Annual Biggest Block Party promises to be bigger than ever this year, with food and drink, vendors and exhibits to satisfy the eye and palate. Headline performances at two stages include the Blue Torpedoes, the WBZN All-Stars, Ghostly Trio, Andy LoDuca and the Red Mill Jazz All-Stars, Mrs. Fun, Brave New Groove and Happenstance.

Other entertainment includes the Amadeus Dance Studio, Aloha Nui Revue, Scotia Bagpipers, two fashion shows, and the always Wild and Wacky Chair Race. The two-day event is free and open to the public. Friday hours are 5-11pm, Saturday Noon to Midnight.

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b. Listen quietly, taking notes, trying to get the name and phone number of the cute freshman from Marquette he tongued on the dance floor, took home and bopped in synch to Power Tool.

c. Figure it must be true, how else could a story like that gotten started. Then tell everyone you can think of all the wicked details.

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- 2. (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 2
- 3. (a) 3 (b) (c) 2
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by W.W. Wells III

'Girlfriend''

Funk and Wagnalls defines "girlfriend" as a, "female companion..." While the American Gay and Lesbian Enclyclopedia describes a "girlfriend" as, "a Gay friend who has some glaring physical flaw or personality quirk which makes sleeping with him totally unappealing or an individual with whom an Gay man spends a great deal of time until one of them gets a lover and vanishes."

While definitions may vary, pronunciation of the word by Gay men is pretty standard. Usually accompanied by fierce wrist flapping, using a high pitch and nearly stretching the first syllable to the breaking point, the Gay pronunciation of the word is unmistakable, "giiiiirilfriend!!!," But, the real question is, how good of a "girlfriend" are you? Take the following quiz to find out.

1. You're trying on outfits at the mall, when your 'girlfriend' asks your opinion on a shirt he wants to buy. You think it makes him look heavier than he is, so you tell him:

a. I wouldn't buy that if I were you, it makes you look like you're addicted to Boyine Growth Hormones.

b. If it came in blue and white, I'd be tempted to drop a letter in your mouth.

c. Don't tell him he looks like Marlon Brando, "Buy it, you look fabulous."

2. You two have a stupid fight, although no one was injured your 'girlfriend' said something that really hurt your feelings. When he calls the next day to apologize, you:

a. Tell him you've stocked up on hollow point bullets.b.Call him a tramp and sleep with his boyfriend.

c. Tell him you never want to see him again, you've developed a sudden aversion to all nellie, carbon based life forms.

3. Your 'girlfriend' spends the night and you decide to play 'Truth or Dare.' When

it's his turn, he confesses his innermost secrets. When it's your turn:

a. You lie, making up a harmless little story about the time you had hot, manly sex with Norm, the ace carpenter from PBS's This Old House, and pierced each other's nipples with a nail gun. After all, some things are too private, even for your best-est 'girlfriend.'

b. You share some secrets too. Like the time you made love with a Black and Decker drill, using attachments not available in any hardware store. What are friends for?

c. You decide it's time to stop the game and order a pizza so you can attempt to seduce the delivery boy.

4. Your 'girlfriend' is depressed, still suffering from heart wrenching aftershocks of an ill-fated romance. You suggest a video double feature to take his mind off things, you run to the video store and rent:

a. Fatal Attraction and Bambi

b. Mommie Dearest and any Pedro Almodovar movie

c.Ilsa, the She-bitch of the SS and The Young and The Hung, Part II

You overhear some other 'girlfriends' sharing some horrible gossip about your 'girlfriend,' you:

a. Interrupt and defend him, you know he's been testy and on a diet, but it's hard to believe he was arrested for disorderly conduct at a Overeaters Anonymous meeting.

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La Cage: Premiere of weekly Wednesday night late cocktail hour, 2 for 1 drinks (any drink) from 9pm-11:30pm.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

Partner's: Thirsty Thursday's, every Thursday.

Nitengales: Premiere of weekly Jazz Night, 2 for 1 rail drinks, 50 cent tapers.

MASN Presents Fran Peavey [Madison]: HIV positive woman talking about AIDS & the impact of being positive. 7pm Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin (2nd floor), Tickets \$5 advance, \$6 door. Call MASN for more info 238-6276.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3 3rd Ward Block Party:5-11.

GMYC: Meet at M&M 7pm for trip to 3rd Ward Block Party. New members welcome.

Triangle: Patio party! \$2 Long Island Iced Teas.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

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

3rd Ward Block Party: 12 to 12.

Wreck Room: Castaways Beer Bust.

Gay Biking Network: Departs 11am from bubbler on Westside of Lake Park Pavilion, Bob 963- 9833.

Triangle: Patio party! Virgin Island's Rum Punch \$2.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

Outdoor Roller-skating: Meet 1pm at rental office on landfill east of Lincoln Mem. Drive, Bob 963-9833.

GMYC: Meet at M&M's at 2 for trip to WI State Fair. GAMMA & new members welcome.

Triangle: Patio Party, BBQ, which will continue every Sunday thru end of September.

MONDAY, AUGUST 6 Rod's [Madison]: Full Moon Party

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

CMYC Meeting: 8pm, M&M. RSVP Gay cruise representative gives presentation on worldwide Gay cruises. Door prizes, public & new members welcome.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

GMYC: Sailing on Lake Michigan, make reservations at 8/8 meeting.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

GMYC Swimming: Meet at M&M at 7pm, cost is \$2, join GAMMA members to swim.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

Masquer's [Wausau]: Miss Central Gay WI-USA. Final preliminary for WI-USA Pageant.

Wreck Room: Oberons monthly club night, raffle & beer bust, 10pm-on.

M&M: 14th Anniversary Weekend...and still growing.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Benefit show for Turtle's family featuring Club 94 Follies, 11pm showtime.

ZA's [Green Bay]: The Chicago Meatpackers, \$5 cover; reserved tables available, see bar.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

Rod's [Madison]: Mr Rod '90, a Night in Black Leather. 9:30 showtime on the Patio, featuring the incomparable Odessa Brown & Mr Rod's '89. \$2 cover.

All Saints Cathedral: Evensong & Public Healing Service for People Living with AIDS, Sacrament of Unction, prayers for PWA's, and those affected by AIDS. 4pm, 818 E. Juneau. Call office 271-7719 for prayers, info from 9am-1am.

BWMT Milw.: Swimmer Picnic, noon to dusk, McKinley Park Area 2 (on the Lakefront East of the Lagoon). Beer & soda provided, Call 268-8500 for info.

Partner's: Bar crawl to Chicago, departs 2pm, returns at midnight, \$10.

M&M: 14th Anniversary Weekend...and still growing.

Gay Bicycling Network: 30 mile trip from Eastside to Waukesha Lake & some water-skiing, car ride return. Call Bob 963-9833 by 8/11 for arrangements.

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Open Noon 7 Days a Week; Happy Hour Noon-8

TUES., AUG. 14
BECKER'S BABES

Showtime 10:30

Get Out Your Island Wear...

LUAU PARTY Sat., Aug. 18

BBQ Beef On A Spit, Free Beer Starting at 2 PM Bring a Dish If You Like

> Show at 10:30 With

BECKER'S BABES

FRI., AUG. 25 TAN LINE CONTEST

WEEKLY

-MONDAYS-Beer & Soda Bust -TUESDAYS-**Happy Hour Till Close** -WEDNESDAYS-Beer & Soda Bust -THURSDAYS-50¢ Pail, Taps & Sodas 8 -10 50's, 60's, 70's Music -FRIDAYS-Happy Hours Noon-9 Women Pay No Cover \$1 Koolaids -SATURDAYS-**Happy Hours Noon-9** Men Pay No Cover \$1 Slammers

-SUNDAYS-

Double Beer Bust 2-8 & 9-Close

BBQ at 5:30

(We Got The Meat-You Bring

A Dish To Pass)

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Wings 3054 hosted a best underwear contest.

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GAMMA Water Skiing: And picnic at Waukesha Lake. Begins 1pm, \$3 and GAMMA membership. Call 963-9833.

MONDAY, AUGUST 13

Partner's: Martini Club meeting, 7-close.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

Club 3054 [Madison]: Weekly show featuring Becker's Babes, 10:30 showtime.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Miss Gay USA '88, '89, '90 on Tour, 10pm show.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

The New Bar [Madison]: Miss Gay USA '88,'89,'90 on Tour, 10pm showtime, \$3 cover.

Rod's [Madison]: Orgasm contest is back.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Best Underwear Contest. **SATURDAY, AUGUST 18**

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Miss Gay USA, '88, '89, '90 on tour. Showtime 10pm.

Club 3054 [Madison]: Bucky's Birthday Luau, BBQ, free beer starts at 2pm, show at 10:30pm.

GAMMA Cruise: Annual 2 hour Harbor cruise on the Iroquois, Embarks 8:50pm, tickets \$8 in advance, call Bob 963-9833.

SUNDAS, AURUST 19

2nd Annual Miss Gay WI-USA Pageant: Marc Plaza Hotel, cocktails 5:30, dinner 6:30, pageant follows dinner. Guest entertainers include: Cezanne, Miss Gay USA '90; Netasha Edwards Miss Gay USA '89; Tommie Ross, Miss Gay USA 88. 13 WI. preliminary winners will compete. \$25 for dinner & pageant, \$10 for pageant alone. Call King Prod. (414) 342-1466.

Lavender Hill Party: 2 to 9pm, invitation only. "Wild, Wild Lavender West"

The New Bar: Grant Dixon's Victim's of Desire Revue, 10pm, \$3 cover.



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WELCOME HOME FREDIA FEIDEN!

(Ken Feiden)

WATCH FOR OUR NEXT PARTY...
3rd Saturday of the Month!

COCKTAIL HOUR 4-8 PM

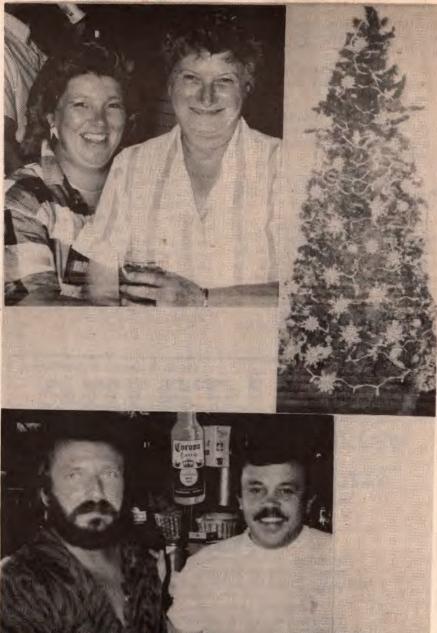
Monday - Friday ALL DRINKS ARE 2-4-1

MONDAYS—All domestic beer \$1.00; schnaaps 75¢
TUESDAYS—Pull tab nite: Pay as low as 25¢ a drink
WEDNESDAYS—Tap beer nite: 50¢ glass; Beer Bust 8-Midnight,
\$3.00 plus Free Pool!

THURSDAYS—All rail drinks & wine \$1.00
FRIDAYS—Play lotto with us from 4-9 p.m. Win Cash!
SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS— Bloodys, greyhounds are
only \$1.50 till 6 p.m.

We serve pizzas at any time.

Hot Dogs served Saturdays & Sundays. Party Room Available.



The Ballgame's original Christmas in July contest, complete with holiday decor and buffet. Three lucky winners won \$50 in cash each.

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Happy Hour Monday-Friday 4-7
DOUBLE BUBBLE

MONDAY
'Sex On The Beach' \$1.00
TUESDAY
Pitchers of Beer \$1.50 All Night
WEDNESDAY
\$3 Beer Bust
THURSDAY
Buck Nite - All Rail Drinks \$1

FRIDAY 50¢ Tap Beer All Nite SATURDAY

Domestic Bottled Beer 8-11, \$1.00 SUNDAY

Bloody Marys \$1.25 With Hangover; \$1.50 Without

FOOD SERVICE!
Friday Fish Fry
Saturday Chicken Dinners
Sunday Brunch (Open Noon)

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The primary affect of the structure LAMM employs is that members may not all be clear on the overall mission of the organization. In fact, the leadership may not be unified, causing divisiveness among elected leaders. The individual agendas of members may not support the overall task of LAMM.

Recent arguments over "women's space" have demonstrated how the more liberal mission application of LAMM can interfere with the agenda of the group. A few members were interested in finding "women only" meeting space for LAMM and other organizations. Unfortunately, not all LAMM members shared this dream, and thus, the internal debates caused certain members to resign their membership in the group.

It is unfortunate that we can't all agree on issues, but more importantly, we need to learn to effectively disagree. Our future depends upon cooperation on certain issues. Of course, we needn't agree on everything, but to form coalitions when possible will lead to successful political organizing.

Silver Space Anniversary

Older Lesbians from near and far are invited to the Second Anniversary celebration of Silver Space on Sunday, September 16, at Hubbard Park in Shorewood. Activities will begin with a potluck picnic from 1:30-3:30 in the park. At 3:45 festivities will continue at the Counseling Center with a Sing-along,

"playshops," and speaker/discussion on "Celebrating Aging," followed by small discussion groups on topics selected by participants. Dinner at a restaurant will conclude the event.

Prizes will be given, including one to the woman who traveled farthest to attend.

Silver Space is a drop-in discussion and social gathering for older Lesbians.

Hubbard Park is located at 3565 N. Morris Blvd. in Shorewood, a Milwaukee suburb. The Counseling Center is at 2038 N. Bartlett in Milwaukee. In case of rain, the picnic will also be held at the Center.

Participants are asked to bring a dish to pass. Grills, charcoal, plates and forks will be provided by Silver Space.

For a map and schedule of events send a stamped self-addressed envelope to PO Box 371, Elm Grove, WI 53122.



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The MAGIC Picnic drew thousands to the shore of Madison's quaint lakefront for this annual event which draws from throughout the Midwest.



John Clayton's birthday was celebrated at C'est La Vie, where the customers don't need an excuse to party.

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INTRODUCES

JAZZ NITE Every Thursday

WITH 2 FOR 1 RAIL DRINKS & 50¢ TAPPERS

6th WOMEN'S SHOW Sun., August 26

featuring

*Rochelle *Kim *Shannon *Sara *Judy *Cai

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An Effective Path Towards Self-Destruction

Years ago, the leadership of student political party I was active in believed that the CIA had infiltrated left-wing student organizations to divert our attention from the true issues of racism, poverty, health care, and the lack of adequate educational opportunities. These individuals were charged with the task of being jerks. Their job was to divide and conquer organizations so that the focus of the group became internal survival, rather that political empowerment and success.

Regardless of the source or sponsorship of these individuals, their success was unquestionable. In a very short time, the coalition of Students for Positive Change (SPC) was destroyed. Our self-destruction can be traced to the diversion from our mission to empower students from oppressed groups.

Remaining mission-focused is the challenge of oppressed people if we are to succeed in our political agenda. Each day, we face the world with an agenda for political empowerment, only to be dragged down by the internal squabbling that overwhelms grass-roots political movements. The result is a division that separates us by our differences rather than unifying our common goals.

In Milwaukee, we witness the affects of division in each political organization that attempts to unify the gay and lesbian community. When the vision turns from the external enemies and hate mongers be it Mark Behling, WVCY - The Voice of Christian Youth, or Shock Radio - we turn against ourselves and quickly destroy the unity we found in our common enemies.

As an active participant in the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM), I have witnessed this very process in action. Just a year ago, LAMM was formed in response to the growing attacks against the lesbian and gay community by local media personalities. A first meeting

was organized to address these and other concerns of lesbians, and LAMM was formed.

At the first meeting, over 75 women gathered to discuss the agenda of the lesbian community, and a few major issues emerged from this meeting to form a common thread of concerns. The primary issue was dealing with the Common Council and Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors regarding their handling of the proclamations for 1989 Pride Week. In addition, women expressed concern about racism in our community, the safety of lesbians, adequate political representation, and the representation of homosexuality as just male.

Sounds like a full agenda. The result of the initial meeting was ongoing planning for an organization to establish lesbians to actively address these concerns, and LAMM is the result. Today, LAMM remains the only political organization working towards the full involvement of lesbians in the political agenda of the Milwaukee community.

LAMM has worked long and hard hours to recruit leadership for the organization. Those leaders, with their talents and faults, have attempted to unify the lesbian community to work towards a common agenda. The newly elected leaders will continue this effort.

The leaders of LAMM have spent the past few months becoming distracted from its primary mission of increasing the political activism in Milwaukee's lesbian community. Instead, members are divided on a number of issues, rooted in the strong personalities involved in the organization.

The structure of LAMM invites a degree of challenge that other organizations might not face. Members of LAMM can form special interest groups that address specific issues of interest to those members. While this format allows for a variety of participation, it may in fact contribute to the divided nature of an organization.

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First Class Male arrived at Club 219 for a night of beefcake and fun.



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