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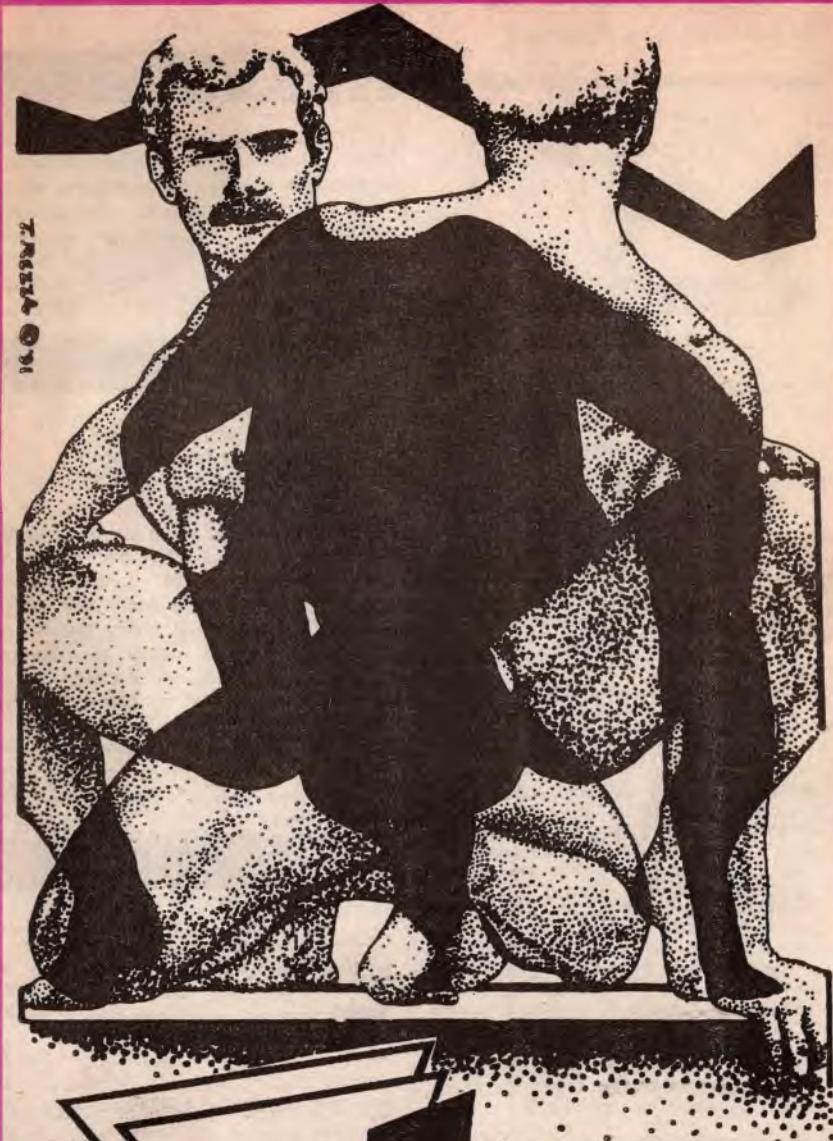
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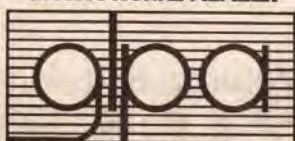
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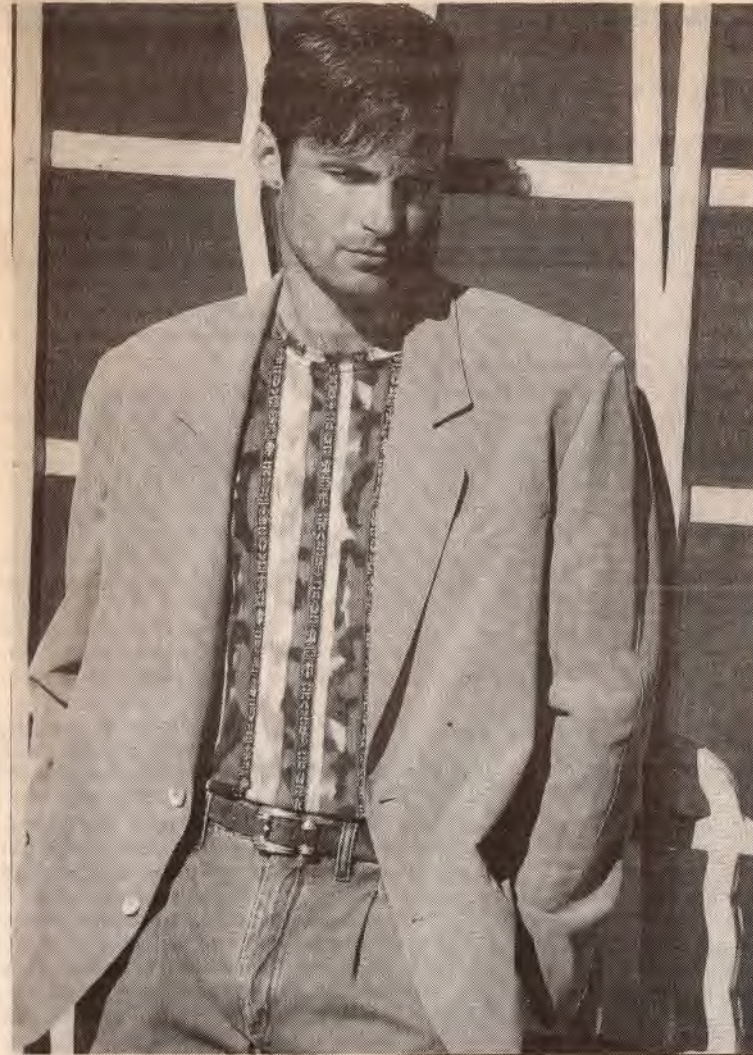
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News

19 citations in 'buns' contest

Milwaukee — Approximately thirty police officers, at least four of them in plain clothes, descended upon Club 219 late the night Wednesday, March 27, and arrested six contestants participating in a 'Best Buns' contest, as well as the emcee, female impersonator Tiffany Thomas. Citations were later sent to four bartenders and the bar itself received another eight citations. All nineteen citations, except Thomas', were for "certain performance or costumes prohibited" a misdemeanor charge carrying a \$799 fine. All those cited were scheduled to appear before the City Attorney on April 5.

One witness counted 13 squad cars on the street outside the bar as well as two paddy wagons. Innocent patrons complained of rude conduct by many of the officers including verbal harassment, verbal abuse and pushing and shoving. Patrons were allegedly told to leave the bar by one officer, and when they went to leave, a different officer wouldn't allow them to do so.

Witnesses later reported seeing several of the plain clothed officers in the bar during the 'Buns' contest. The officers said or did nothing during the first segment of the contest when six contestants allegedly dropped their pants enough to bare their bottoms (one contestant was in full drag wearing duct tape, a gaff, body suit and two pairs of panty hose and a second wore a g-string). An undercover officer jumped on the stage during the second part of the contest when the contestants returned for a final judging by the audience. The officer held up a badge and said to the contestants "You're under arrest". A witness quoted a second officer as saying "I'm the next stripper... the show is over!" Confusion reigned as other plain clothed officers jumped on stage and escorted everyone upstairs.

Disk Jockey Kim Zweibohmer, who was watching the whole thing from his booth perched above the stage, said everyone on the stage and the plain clothed officers poured up the stairs from behind the stage to the dressing room area located behind his DJ booth. He said he was so scared by officers actions that he quietly stayed in his booth, confused as to what to do.

Bartender Kevin Rotar said when he saw what was happening, he left from behind the bar to man the front door so doorman/manager Donald Wilson could go upstairs to talk with the officers. Within seconds uniformed officers started pouring in the entrance door and scattering throughout the bar and up the stairs. Rotar said the uniformed officers were confused as to what was going on and why they were there. One female officer started to draw her weapon before she realized it wouldn't be necessary, according to Rotar.

Zweibohmer said one officer came into his booth and told him to turn off the music, that the bar would be closed for the rest of the night. The officer then saw a video monitor in the booth that showed a view of the front entrance of the bar and asked Zweibohmer if the video was also being taped. When Zweibohmer replied it wasn't hooked up to a recorder, and was used just to monitor the entrance, Zweibohmer said (with the LA police brutality case that was videotaped going through his mind) the officer acted relieved.

Many of the contestants were shocked at the treatment they received from the officers. One scared contestant who allegedly tried to get away, was pursued by officers, and ended up tumbling down the main staircase to the upstairs non-public area. The contestant reportedly had his arm broken in the scuffle, and was taken away in an

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ambulance.

Many in the crowd complained of such a large police presence for such a minor incident, especially considering the high number of violent crimes Milwaukee is experiencing. Not all officers were uncivil, however. One observer said the younger officers seemed to be quite nice and less hostile towards the crowd than some of the older officers.

When asked for his version of what happened, Rotar replied, "The cops were over-reacting to the situation, and it's happened a lot of times at a lot of other bars for a number of years. We were simply having a hot buns contest and the police came in, started over-reacting and pushing people around and being very rude and obnoxious." When asked if officers explained what the violations were, Rotar replied, "No they didn't say anything about what was going on to us (staff)." Rotar said regardless of the technicalities of the law, his biggest concern was the officers behavior. "Most of the cops that I did bother to talk to were very antagonistic. They were swearing, they were rude, they were knocking people as they were coming in when they had many of our customers huddled by the front door and wouldn't let anybody leave. They had a real Rambo attitude."

When asked what he thought was at the heart of it, Rotar replied, "Prejudice. Intolerance. I've been called 'fag' by more than one cop. I've seen it happen, I know of plenty of instances after bartending for over 12 years, where cops have been called to a bar for one reason and ended up getting nasty with people for unrelated reasons."

Wilson, when asked to describe the business at 219, replied, "It's run very clean, we have no record, the police even said that. I'll agree that something may have occurred that may have been against city ordinance. We put on a contest, and it got a little out of hand. It was just a minor thing. I don't think they needed to have so many officers, and why haul the people downtown and hold them overnight, what for?"

When handcuffing those arrested, several people commented they heard an officer say he knew how much "you

people" like handcuffs so he'd make them nice and tight.

Female impersonator Goldie Adams, one of the six contestants in the Buns contest when interviewed said she had entered the contest on a lark, as a 'fun' thing to make people laugh. She was attired as described above and 'bared' no bare skin in the contest, yet was arrested and cited. "I was thrown into the male bullpen at the lock-up with my wrists and ankles shackled at first" until an officer later removed them. Adams said she and four other 'Hot Buns' contestants were in the bullpen with all these "hard-core" types who began badgering her because she was in drag until "these two big guys stuck up for me."

Emcee Tiffany Thomas was placed in a single cell next to the bullpen area when a jail matron told other officers "You can't put HER in there with THEM!" According to Thomas, the guys in the bullpen chanted "We want the blonde, We want the blonde" as the officers escorted her to the cell.

One witness who drove by the bar at the time of the incident said "I thought there had been a murder or an armed robbery." He continued, "I understand the Gay community needs protection by the police department because of homophobes and Gay bashers, but they seem to patrol Gay functions, social activities and establishments more than they should. In many cases, officers abuse their duties by their antagonistic approach towards homosexuals."

Bush admin. responds to Gay military issue

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — The White House on March 26 officially issued a terse response to a letter from Rep. Gerry Studds (D-Mass.) and 39 other members of Congress which called on the Department of Defense to drop its policy of barring Gay men and Lesbians from military service.

The succinct answer from the Bush Administration was signed by Frederick

D. McClure, Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs. Four sentences long, the letter thanked Studds for his letter "regarding the treatment of Gay and Lesbian soldiers in the military."

"We appreciate the interest which prompted you to write," McClure wrote. "Please know that your correspondence has been directed to the appropriate Administration officials for their careful review and consideration."

Studds, who is openly Gay and a point person of the efforts to change the anti-Gay Pentagon policy, reported being "less than overwhelmed" by the White House response.

"Gays always have and always will serve in the U.S. military," said Studds in a prepared statement. "The only question is when they will be allowed to do so with dignity."

Studds and 39 colleagues on March 15 sent a joint letter to President Bush urging him to issue an executive order rescinding the anti-Gay policy, citing Pentagon estimates that possibly as many as 50,000 Gay men and Lesbians served as part of the U.S. military presence in the Persian Gulf War.

Spokesmen for the two leading Gay and Lesbian organizations fighting the military's anti-Gay policy reacted to the letter with discouragement, but little surprise.

Saying that his organization will continue its lobbying efforts against the Pentagon policy, Tim Drake, privacy project director for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, expressed dissatisfaction at the White House response.

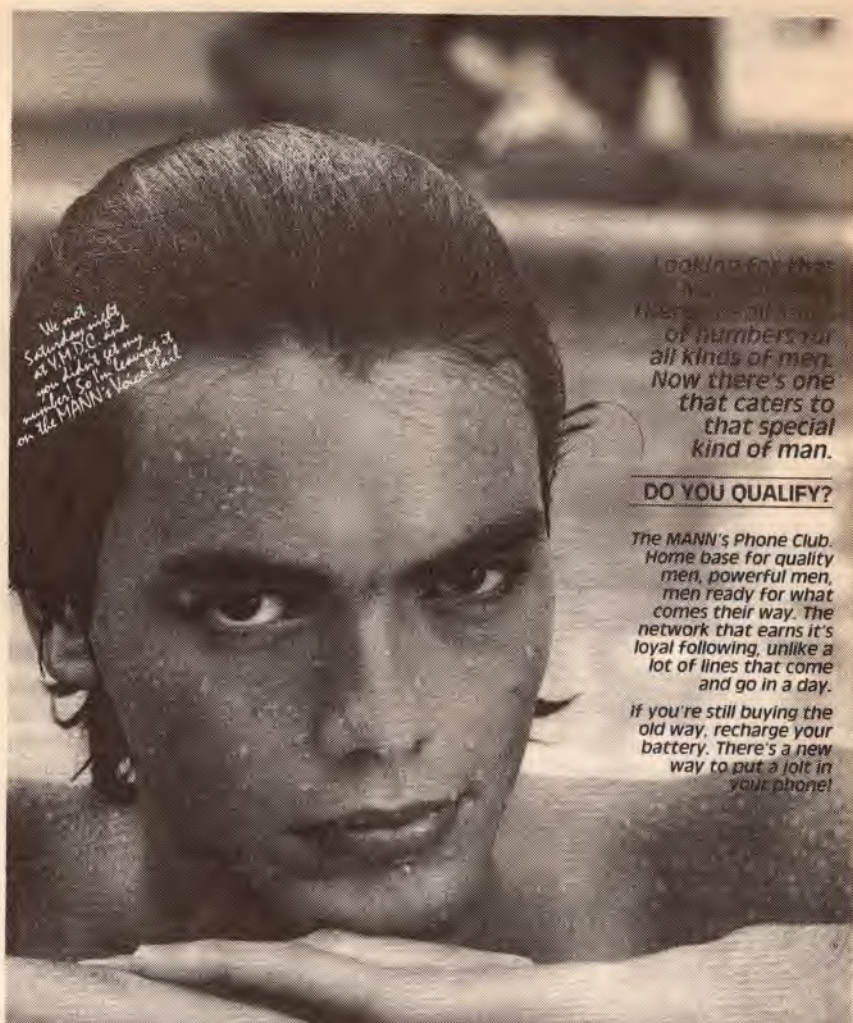
"We are disappointed," said Drake, "that the White House has failed to seize an opportunity to address institutionalized discrimination against Gay and Lesbian servicemembers, or to even give any indication that it would look into the matter."

"It's a standard form letter," observed Gregory King, communications director for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "I don't think that anyone should be surprised."

King added that HRCF's executive director Tim McFeeley recently received a similar form letter from a Pentagon official to whom he had written about the same policy.

"This is going to be a process that takes some time," King added, "No one expects that the Administration is going to issue an executive order overnight."

King suggested that action around the issue of Gays in the military would heat up "in the next few weeks," but declined to elaborate.



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Hate crimes law needs changes

Madison — Enforcement of Wisconsin's law against hate crimes would be strengthened under legislation being prepared by Rep. David Clarenbach.

Clarenbach (D-Madison), author of the original 1988 Hate Crimes law, will propose changes to assist the police and courts in applying enhanced penalties for violent crimes motivated by bigotry.

"Wisconsin has already sent a strong signal against Gay-bashing, racism and religious bigotry with enactment of this law," Clarenbach said. "We must now act to make the statute as effective as

possible in practice."

Under the hate crimes law, prison sentences can be increased by up to five years and fines by up to \$10,000 when a jury finds that a violent act was directed at an individual or group because of their minority status.

In some cases, however, prosecutors have reported difficulty in winning convictions because of the standard of proof required.

"This can create an impossible situation for victims," Clarenbach said.

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In the proposed revision, the penalties would apply based on the criminal's belief or perception about their victim's minority status, whether or not that belief was correct.

"Prosecutors have indicated to me that this change will result in a stronger, more workable hate crimes law," Clarenbach said.

renbach praised law enforcement officials for their use of the anti-bias statute. He said the fact that prosecutors have sought the penalty enhancements in a number of cases refutes skeptics who predicted such a law would rarely be used.

"It is being used, and that in itself sends an unmistakable message that our society will not condone crimes motivated by bigotry," Clarenbach said.

Local hate crimes on the rise

Milwaukee — Despite little public media or financial support, reports by Lesbians and Gay men of 'hate crimes' in '90 increased markedly over '89 figures, according to Gay Information Services (GIS). In '89 there were a total of 35 various hate crimes reported to the GIS Hate Crimes Reporting Project. That total jumped to 54 such events in '90.

The 1990 figures show: 18 cases of Verbal Harassment; 17 of Physical Abuse; 1 Murder; 16 cases of Harassment by Police; and 2 cases of Abuse by Police, totaling 54 reported incidents.

According to Hate Crimes Reporting Project coordinator Ralph Navarro, "even though this project is the only S.E. Wisconsin central data collection for Lesbian/Gay hate crimes, most incidences of abuse go un-reported directly to us. When we established the project almost two years ago we did so to guarantee confidentiality to all those

reporting and NO ONE needs to fear that his/her name will ever be revealed in any report, unless the person chooses to allow such."

Navarro reports that when funding is available to advertise the Hate Crimes Reporting Hotline, the number of calls rise, peak and then fall after the advertisements run. Navarro said "The sad fact is that little to no funding is available to support this vital project."

The 1990 report will be forwarded to the National Gay/Lesbian Task Force, and the Milwaukee, West Allis and Shorewood Chief's of Police (areas where incidents took place).

Besides the Hate Crimes Reporting Project according to Navarro, GIS also provides sensitivity training to cadets at the Milwaukee Police Academy, and a Speaker's Bureau which did presentations before over 2,000 people in 1990. For more information on GIS services or to report a hate crimes incident, call 444-7331.

State AIDS budget increases sought

Madison — Rep. David Clarenbach is calling for a 'realistic increase' in funding for AIDS and HIV disease programs in the 1991-93 state budget.

Clarenbach says the no-increase funding proposals in Governor Tommy Thompson's budget fall far short of meeting the growing needs of the fight against AIDS.

"We sometimes get numbed by the devastating impact of the AIDS epidemic," Clarenbach noted. "But the human tragedy of this disease is growing, and state government cannot pretend that it is not."

Already in Wisconsin, there are 15,000 people with HIV infection.

"Behind these numbers is the reality that AIDS affects every segment of our society," Clarenbach said. "In fact, the

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fastest growing group of people with AIDS are racial minorities, women and children.

"Yet after a decade of progress in Wisconsin in the fight against AIDS, Wisconsin is in danger of taking a giant step backward," Clarenbach continued. "The Governor's budget would deal an untimely setback to programs for people with AIDS and HIV infection."

The administration's budget proposal would:

- Eliminate \$150,000 in funding for the AIDS drug clinical trials program, which allows state residents to receive new drugs approved by the FDA;
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- Cap the AZT drug reimbursement program at 215 slots, despite estimates

that 15,000 people in Wisconsin have HIV infection.

"These budget proposals ignore reality," Clarenbach charged, noting that the Madison AIDS Support Network has had a 34 percent increase in its case load in the past year alone.

"If these proposals are enacted, the skyrocketing number of people with AIDS and HIV infection will no longer have adequate medical and support services."

The cutbacks are especially short-sighted since the programs that the Governor proposes to curtail actually save taxpayers' money, Clarenbach said. "They work to keep the infected population as healthy as possible, out of expensive institutional care settings, and off medical assistance."

Clarenbach is working with key organizations to develop a budget amendment responding to the growing need for AIDS and HIV services.

Bill would punish colleges that bar recruiting

by Cliff O'Neill

Washington — A handful of U.S. House members, in a gesture that could impact the movement to pressure the Department of Defense to rescind its policy of excluding Gays from the armed forces, on March 22 unveiled a bill which would bar federal funds from any schools, colleges or universities that bar military recruiters from their campuses.

The measure, H.R. 1651, sponsored by Rep. Gerald B. Solomon (R-N.Y.), was crafted in response to the actions of a handful of high schools across the country that have refused the Department of Defense access to student rosters for recruitment purposes, according to Dan Amon, a Solomon spokesman.

Amon acknowledged, however, that the same bill would also "put at risk" federal funds to colleges and universities that prohibit military recruitment on their campuses based on the military's policy of excluding Gay men and Lesbians from

the service. What impact the measure would have on schools that ban the Reserve Officers' training Corps (ROTC) from their campuses is unclear.

Eight years ago, Solomon gained notoriety for sponsoring a measure which barred federal scholarship monies to college students who fail to sign up for the Selective Service. The measure was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court a year later.

The new measure is being co-sponsored by Reps. W.J. 'Billy' Taukin (D-Louis.), Bob McEwen (R-Ohio) and James A. Traficant, Jr. (D-Ohio).

As part of their ongoing campaign to change the Pentagon's policy of barring homosexuals from military service, Gay and Lesbian activists over the past several years have scored a string of notable successes in having colleges kick the ROTC off their campuses.

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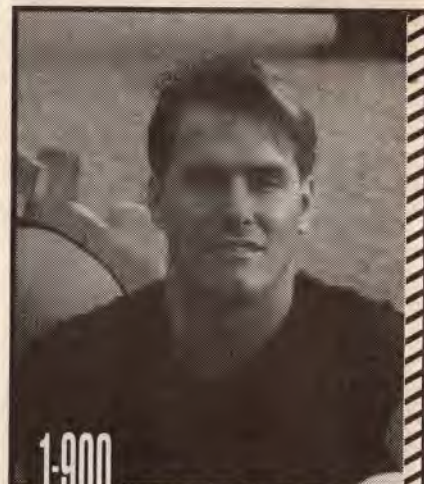


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project of the American Civil Liberties Union also scheduled a national day of protest against campus ROTC programs for April 10.

Although the figures are not complete, the most reliable estimates, supplied by the ACLU, show that as of April 3, six American universities have barred ROTC programs from their campuses already and another 16 have voted to eliminate their ROTC programs if the policy has not changed by some later date. Three colleges have opted to not bring back ROTC programs and one other opted to not offer an ROTC program, based on the anti-Gay policy. A total of 22 colleges and universities have begun serious efforts to bar the ROTC from their campuses.

One school — The University of Virginia

at Charlottesville — voted earlier this year to bar recruiting by any entity which discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation (including all military recruiting), but reversed itself later under pressure from the state Legislature.

The only schools reported to have completely barred military recruitment from their campuses based on the military's anti-Gay policy are six of the seven Chicago area law schools, DePaul, Loyola, IIT, Chicago Kent-College, Northern Illinois and John Marshall. The law school of the University of Illinois has pledged to do so, but has not done so to date.

Gay military activists aware of the bill expressed alarm at the implications the bill could have on their movement, but had differing expectations as to the bill's chances in this Congress.

NEA/Gay art conflict exploding anew

by Rex Wockner

Last year's brouhaha over National Endowment for the Arts funding of artists who embrace Gay themes is set to explode all over again as fundamentalists target the award-winning film *Poison* and the White House lets it be known that no further embarrassment over NEA grants will be tolerated.

Rev. Donald Wildmon of the Tupelo, Mississippi-based American Family Association went public with criticism of *Poison* in late March, charging that the NEA-funded film includes explicit footage of anal sex.

Poison director Todd Haynes, who is Gay, acknowledges that the movie depicts forced sex in prison. "The film does deal with various kinds of social deviance," he said. "The film is not meant for every general audience."

Wildmon's new campaign is very bad news for NEA chairman John Frohnmayer who, according to the Los Angeles Times, has been told by the White House that any renewed controversy about NEA funding is unacceptable. (Frohmayor abruptly canceled a news conference screening of *Poison* that had been scheduled for March

29th, but defended the film, saying "We prefer you see it in a commercial setting, as it was intended to be shown.")

"He's not our favorite agency head," a senior White House official told the Times. "If he (doesn't) keep his nose clean... there may be a requirement for the White House to make another assessment."

Top NEA officials also told the Times that Wildmon's attack on *Poison* may jeopardize Frohnmayer's job.

"The \$25,000 NEA grant to fund post-production (of *Poison*) has blown up," an NEA official said. "What is Frohnmayer going to do, pull back the grant? He is going to take a lot of heat."

NEA funders were aware of *Poison's* content when they granted it federal money, as the synopsis Haynes provided the agency said the film would show prison life "as both cruelly harsh and erotic," utilizing the "documentary-like... expressionistic style of B-grade horror films" to depict "unusual and perverse" behavior.

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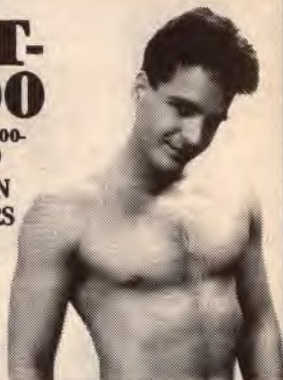
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Hawaii gets rights

by Rex Wockner

Hawaii became the third U.S. state (with Wisconsin & Massachusetts) to institute Gay-rights protections March 21 when Gov. John Waihee signed a bill banning sexual-orientation-based job discrimination statewide.

Activists have lobbied the legislature on Gay rights since 1974 and are ecstatic at their success.

"We made history today!" said William Woods, spokesman for the Gay Rights Task Force and the Gay and Lesbian Education and Advocacy Foundation.

Waihee signed the law even though his office logged 2,000 calls opposing it in the 10 days after legislators sent him the measure.

Opponents took out large newspaper ads screaming: "Parents Read This! Do you want homosexual men and Lesbian women to teach your children — in day-care centers and in public and private schools? Well, that's what will happen UNLESS YOU PERSONALLY CALL the Governor's Office at 586-0034 RIGHT NOW to STOP Senate Bill 1811."

But the bill enjoyed widespread mainstream institutional support, garnering endorsements from the Hawaii Council of Churches, the Catholic Diocese of Honolulu, the Episcopal Diocese of Hawaii, the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission, the Governor's Committee on AIDS, the state Department of Health, the Hawaii State Teachers Association and the American Civil Liberties Union.

The main daily newspaper, The

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synopsis, "a prisoner falls in love with a fellow inmate and is drowned in obsession, fantasy and violence."

Poison won the Jury Prize at this year's Sundance Film Festival in Utah. It is the first movie to be sucked into the NEA/Gay-art vortex, which has previously gorged on photography, literature, performance art and the visual arts.

Honolulu Advertiser, endorsed the bill, saying it brings Hawaii "a step closer to the ideal of a society where the civil rights and privacy of all are protected."

Massachusetts and Wisconsin have Gay-rights laws that offer not only employment protections, but also housing and public-accommodations safeguards.

Honolulu activists say they are already working to amend the additional categories into Hawaiian law as well.

Court: domestic violence laws cover all partners

New York City [LLDEF] — In the first known case of its kind, an Ohio appellate court ruled in late March that the state's domestic violence law must be interpreted to cover Lesbian and Gay domestic partners. In so ruling, the court concluded that the legislature intended "that the domestic violence statute provide protection to persons who are cohabiting regardless of their sex." Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund joined the Ohio Human Rights Bar Association (OHRBA) in submitting a brief urging the Court of Appeals to overturn the trial court's dismissal of the case.

The case arose in August 1990 when Ellensara Evans filed criminal charges against and sought protection from her domestic partner Carol Hadinger, for domestic violence. Domestic violence laws traditionally provide special procedures to protect those who are abused by someone with whom they live. Violation of the Ohio domestic violence law is a misdemeanor. The trial court judge dismissed the charges against Hadinger stating that the law, which applies to those "who live as spouses" or "otherwise cohabit," did not apply to two women. Since they could not marry, according to the judge, they could not live as spouses and thus the abused partner falls outside of the law's protection. In overturning this decision, the appellate court "declined to adopt such a restrictive position."

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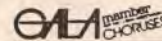
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Stonewall 25: a global celebration

Over seventy activists, representing more than fifty local, regional, national and international organizations, met at the New York City Lesbian & Gay Community Services Center to plan Stonewall 25, a month long series of events commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the birth of the modern day Lesbian and Gay rights movement, the 1969 Stonewall Riots.

The Stonewall 25 interim administrative committee was elected to represent gender parity, people of color and people with disabilities, with the intent to be as inclusive in structure as possible. The committee consists of twenty-eight people, 15 women and 13 men, 14 self-identified people of color and 14 whites. Stonewall 25 events, scheduled for June, 1994, will celebrate our lives and our diversity and advance our ongoing struggle for liberation throughout the world.

The meeting produced a Stonewall 25 statement of purpose and the interim administrative committee. The committee will assume responsibility for structuring the oversight body of the Stonewall 25 Planning Group which will meet at the annual International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) conference in Guadalajara, Mexico from June 30-July 6, 1991. A subsequent meeting will be held at the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) "Creating Change" conference in Alexandria, Virginia on November 12, 1991.

To properly remember the significance of the Stonewall Riots a great deal of work needs to be done between now and June 1994.

Numerous political, religious/spiritual, cultural, athletic and educational events are already being planned for 1994. Lesbians and Gays and our supporters, from all over the world, will converge in New York City during the last weekend in June for a massive human and civil rights march, Gay Games IV and the annual ILGA conference.

The march on Sunday, June 26, 1994 is expected to be the largest Lesbian and

Gay event in history. The Gay Games IV, which open on Saturday, June 25, will attract over 12,000 athletes and 60,000 spectators from over 40 countries. Many other groups will present special Stonewall 25 events, including: a concert of over 500 musicians by the Lesbian/Gay Bands of America; a mammoth worship service hosted by the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches; and conventions by Black and White Men Together, Girth and Mirth, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and the International Leather Community.

In addition, the International Association of Lesbian/Gay Pride Coordinators has agreed that those cities which usually hold their Lesbian/Gay Pride Day events on the last weekend of June will reschedule their events in 1994 to ensure that as many people as possible will be in New York City for Stonewall 25.

To make sure that we are represented in all our diversity and all our strength, the Stonewall 25 committee is calling on Lesbians and Gay men and their supporters for their assistance. Each of us should plan to be in New York on June 25-26, 1994. Moreover, other organizations are called upon to schedule events in New York City during June 1994 and to coordinate events elsewhere for the rest of 1994. Individuals can organize locally to get out the word on Stonewall 25 and form local support groups.

Morris Kight, a longtime Gay activist, summarized Stonewall 25 as, "Our last great chance in this century to do something so great, so mystical, that everyone for the rest of their lives will be enchanted by it."

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Another march on D.C. discussed

Washington, D.C. [NGLTF] Activists from around the country gathered in March in Washington, D.C. to discuss several proposals for a third March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. The second national march, held in October 1987, brought more than 600,000 participants to the nation's capital and helped lay the groundwork for current Gay organizing and visibility. The first march was held in 1979 and involved 100,000 people.

The meeting was called by Urvashi Vaid, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). Vaid sent out almost 300 open-ended letters announcing the meeting to national and local Gay/Lesbian and AIDS groups, and to organizers of the last march. About 60 activists participated at the meeting, representing direct action, grassroots, political, AIDS, people of color and other groups.

Participants called for a national meeting open to everyone to continue discussion, provide grassroots input, and decide on the efficacy and viability of a national march on Washington in 1992 or 1993.

The next meeting will be held on May 11-12, 1991, in Washington, D.C. For information and registration for the May meeting, call 1-800- 832-2889. American Airlines is offering a special discount to meeting participants. For more information on the travel discount, call 1-800-433-1790 and ask for "Star File S13418F."

A planning committee for the May 11-12 meeting has been established. Individuals or organizations interested in presenting recommendations at the May meeting should submit their views to NGLTF or contact Jason Heffner, planning committee convener, 1-800-832-2889. Contact NGLTF at 1734 14th St. NW, Washington, D.C., 20009-4309, (202)332-6483, Attention: March on Washington.

Group Notes

Community meeting CORRECTION

Milwaukee — In last issue's 'Reflections From The Joan Zone' column about the need for a Gay/Lesbian coalition, Joan Lawrence mentioned the next meeting of The Coalition would be held April 17th. The date stays the same, but the location has been moved to the UW-Milwaukee Student Union Room E280, at 6:30pm.

It has also been changed to a dinner meeting, with special guest Ivy Young of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, who will be speaking earlier that day at the Gay/Lesbian Awareness Week activities at the school. This dinner meeting with this vibrant, charming speaker is open to all Gays and Lesbians and will cost \$12 per person. Interested? You must RSVP to the Pride Committee by April 12, by calling 414-32-PRIDE.

M.C.C. confab in Green Bay

Green Bay — Angel of Hope Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of Green Bay plays host to the Great Lakes District of the United Federation of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC) at their Spring Conference, slated for April 26-28.

The theme for the conference is "Jesus Christ: the same yesterday, and today and forever" (Hebrew 13:8). The real meaning of hosting this conference for Angel of Hope MCC is a chance to tell all of Northeastern Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula that MCC is here to stay and needs their help.

Highlights of the confab include two UFMCC elders who will be in attendance all weekend and leading Saturday workshops: Rev Elder Don Eastman, who

is a Green Bay native; and Rev Elder Jean White, or the World Church Extension Elder.

The conference will be held at the Best Western Downtowner, which is offering special rates for conference goers. The Saturday night banquet will be especially exciting, with an appearance by the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus from Milwaukee.

Full conference registration fees are \$65, with the Banquet and Show \$20 per person. All worship services during the weekend will be open to the public. (Worship services are scheduled on Friday from 8-9:30am and 6-7pm in the North Marquette Room. Sunday worship services will be held at 9am in Regency Rooms I & II.) At this late a date, to register, call New Hope MCC at 414-496-8688.

Frontiers celebrates 10 years

Madison — Frontiers, Madison's largest Gay men's organization, will hold its 10 Year Anniversary Awards Dinner on Saturday April 20. The group has sponsored a myriad of educational programs, social events and outdoors activities since its inception in 1981 as a support group.

Those being recognized at the awards program for their service include Madison Alderman Jim McFarland, for his work resulting in the passage of Madison's domestic partners ordinance; State Representative David Clarenbach for his pioneering state legislation in civil rights; and Larry Kneeland for his volunteer service for Frontier's and numerous other Gay and Lesbian organizations.

The awards dinner will be held at The Gallery Restaurant in Middleton. Appetizers and cash bar will commence at 6:30, dinner at 7:30 and the program to follow. The cost of the event is \$20 per person. Reservations are required.

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GWM 5'9" 145 lbs, athletic, near 40, great shape/good looks, seeks monogamous guy. Slim build 18-39. Photo reply answered/returned. Shawn, P.O. Box 532, Green Bay, WI 54305.

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GBM - Would like to meet other guys in the area. I am 5'9", brown eyes, black hair and 165 lbs. Let's have some fun! 245 Southtowne Dr., Apt. E202, South Milwaukee, WI 53172.

French active Madison GWM, 35, br. hair, blue eyes. Looking for men 7+ inches. Cut or uncut. If you've got it call Chuck. (608)221-1419.

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The scholarship program was initiated by the CCF as a memorial to the late John M. Cowles, a community leader who died in January 1990. John had served on the Board of Directors of the Cream City Foundation (Milwaukee's charitable foundation for Gay and Lesbian causes), providing his unique energy and drive to the Foundation's community center and other causes, as well as being active in several other community organizations.

The Foundation may award either one or two scholarships each academic year, which is paid in two \$250 awards for each of the two primary semesters of each academic year (Fall and Spring). Applicants must be entering their Junior or Senior year at an accredited college or university in the Metro Milwaukee area, and must be pursuing a degree in the sciences. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA, have a demonstrated interest in the Gay/Lesbian community, and be a U.S. and Wisconsin citizen.

Carol Wilson was awarded this first John M. Cowles Memorial Scholarship due to her excellent academic credentials, outstanding references, and her commitment to the causes of the Lesbian community. We congratulate Carol and wish her continued success in her education.

Applications for the next scholarship cycle, for the academic year beginning fall 1991, may be requested at any time by calling the Cream City Foundation at (414)265-0880, or mailing a request to P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

LAMM Meeting April 18

Milwaukee — A local quilter will share the history behind the quilt as an art form, and display some of her own work as well, at the April meeting of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) on Thursday, April 18.

The patchwork quilt is one of the true forms of women's art. Women throughout American history have used the quilt as a medium to express their creativity; in many cases the history of women's past is sewn into the symbols used in these pieces of art. Although the quilt is a functional work of art today, it is also appreciated as fine art displayed on walls in homes and museums.

The program begins at 7pm, preceded by a potluck at 6pm, at the Milwaukee Enterprise Center, 2821 N. 4th St. All Lesbians are welcome. For info call LAMM at 264-2600.

'Flaunting It' adds performers

A special appearance by Milwaukee performance artist Debbie Davis has been added to the schedule for **Flaunting It, the First National Graduate Student Conference on Lesbian and Gay Studies**. Debbie will perform at 7pm in Curtin Hall, room 175 on Friday, April 19th. She will be joined by the Theater With Alienating Tendencies (T.W.A.T.) from Chicago. At 7:30pm, keynote speaker Joan Nestle will present a talk and slide show entitled "Lesbian Courage pre-1970."

Over eighty students working on the cutting edge of inquiry into their fields of study will gather between April 18 and 20th to present papers and share ideas.

Registration for the conference is \$10, and will take place from 5-7pm in Mitchell Hall, Center for Women's Studies, on the U.W.M. Campus. Admission to Friday's events is \$5 for those not registered. To register in advance or for more information, call 229-5918.

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Male-Appleton, single, safe male 41 seeks couples, and ladies for enjoyable sex. I'm 5'9", 165, attractive, clean and discreet. I enjoy French, movies, one room swing. Many outside interests. Write P.O. Box 714, Appleton, WI 54911.

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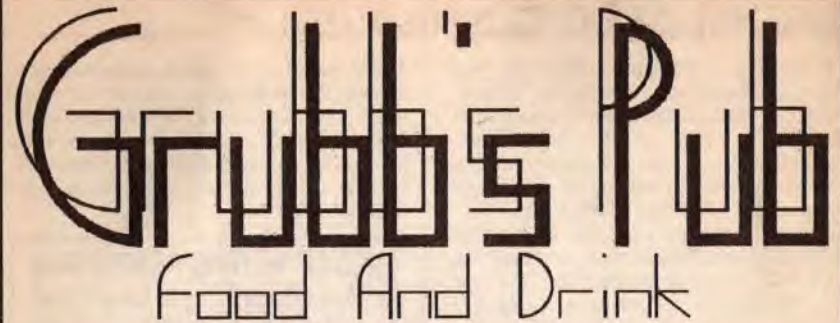
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Rev. Elder Jean Anne White is a native of London, England and chairs the ministry of world church extension, overseeing the churches in Europe, Africa, New Zealand, South Pacific and Hispanic Americas.

Rev. White's impassioned story about her years of captivity are highlighted in Rev. Elder Troy Perry's new book, **Don't Be Afraid Anymore**. Rev. Elder Troy Perry is the founder of the UFMCC whose 24 year mission has been to proclaim a positive and affirming message of God's love and acceptance of all people, inclusive of Gays and Lesbians. Copies of this book are available through New Hope MCC.

Rev. White will also speak at the 6:30 service bringing important news and information about the challenges and triumphs that Lesbians and Gays encounter in countries where public expression of homosexuality evokes severe and brutal penalties (i.e. Life Imprisonment and Even Death).

In honor of this special visit, New Hope MCC will have a "Wisconsin MCC Brat Fest" during its hospitality hour following the service. This event is open to all and there is no charge.

New Hope Metropolitan Community Church meets in the Kenwood United

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The Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance (GALVANize) is gearing up to do it all again in fall (without the snow, we hope). Pending final approval from the City, the rally will be held Saturday, October 5th. The previously announced date had to be canceled due to a change in the UW football schedule.

Rather than trying to be "all things to all people," the group is limiting its focus this time to sponsoring the march and supporting visibility of our community.

March activities may be coordinated with the celebration of National Coming Out Day on October 11th.

Volunteers can choose from many different activities. Committees are being established on: finances, events, fundraising, logistics, media, outreach, training and childcare. If you want to get involved, call (608) 255-8061 or write to P.O. Box 1403, Madison 53701-1403.

The next GALVANize general meeting is planned for Friday, April 26th from 7:30 to 9pm at the UW Memorial Union.

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AIDS memorial May 19

Milwaukee — On May 19, Milwaukee will once again be participating in the eighth annual International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization. In conjunction with other memorial activities, the PLWA (People Living With AIDS) Coalition of Wisconsin will be sponsoring a Candlelight March to remember those who have been taken from us in the face of AIDS, support those who are living with HIV and AIDS, and stand for those who will be touched by AIDS in the future.

We invite all those who have been touched by HIV/AIDS to come walk with us down the road of survival.

The Candlelight March will begin at the Reuss Federal Building in downtown Milwaukee at 9pm, where a brief introduction and statement of purpose will be given. The march will proceed down Wisconsin Avenue and end at the lakefront War Memorial where several community leaders, family and PWA's will briefly speak. Speakers confirmed to date include: State Rep. Peter Bock; Doug Nelson, executive Director of MAP;

Daniel Trzebiatowski, a PLWA; Bob and Genny Savnoch, parents of a passed PWA; and Jerry Smith, chairman of the PLWA Coalition of Wisconsin.

Those who plan to participate in the Candlelight March are asked to bring their own candles if possible. Candles will be provided if need be.

If you have any further questions or would like further details, call Daniel (contact person) at 383-1512, or the PLWA Coalition at 442-7504.

Men's spring gathering

This year's gathering is called 'Potpourri' which is based upon all the groups that were developed (Body Tenderworks Group Massage, Windy City Nudists, Men Today, Aqua Who? Swimmers, Men Nourishing Men, Midwest Radical Faeries) since the founding of Men Nurturing Men in June, 1986.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, BWMT, Gay men of color AIDS institute "The Scam of Multi-culturalism in corporate America."

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

M&M Club: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous, HIV testing 8- 12pm.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

GALVANize [Madison]: General meeting, 7:30-9pm, UW Memorial Union, work session, prepare for Oct. 5th march. Call (608)255-8061 for more info.

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Milwaukee — Sign-up now with GAMMA for a team entry in the June 9th Miller Lite Ride for the Arts. Over 15,000 bikers are expected. Rides are for 15, 30, or 50 miles on newly selected routes. Entrance fee is only \$12.50 and that includes a special T-Shirt. Party follows at Summerfest grounds. Call GAMMA at 963-9833 before the team deadline of April 17.

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Women's cruises

The big news in cruising for women has been the recent announcement by Olivia Cruises President Judy Dlugacz of Olivia's first 7-night cruise for women to Alaska in June of 1992. No other women's cruise company has offered an Alaskan cruise before.

Scheduled for June 19-26, 1992, the Olivia Alaskan Cruise Adventure departs from Vancouver and travels up the Inside Passage to Ketchikan, Juneau, Endicott Arm, Skagway and Wrangell. The scenery promises to be spectacular, as do the shore excursions into gold country and other special ports-of-call.

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Olivia's 4-night cruises range in price from \$595-1095 per person; the 7-night Caribbean cruises from \$795-1695 per person; the 7-night Alaska adventure from \$1395-2695 per person. All prices are based on double occupancy.

For more information about Olivia Cruises, call toll-free 1-800-631-6277.

'Gay Chicago' celebrates 15 yrs.

Chicago — Gay Chicago Magazine celebrated its fifteenth anniversary on Sunday, April 7. From its humble beginnings as a pocket-size guide to Chicago's Gay nightlife in 1976, Gay Chicago has expanded and matured to become the most widely read publication in the community it was created to serve.

Gay Chicago was founded in 1976 by Ralph Paul Gernhardt. After being joined by co-publisher Dan Di Leo in 1978, they offered the Gay community a complete guide to nightlife in Chicago. The early years were tumultuous, but they survived and prospered. From the tiny offices in Wrigleyville, Gay Chicago hit the streets fifty-two weeks a year, informing, entertaining and serving the community.

In September of '88 the magazine took a giant step of expanding its size to the current magazine format, and with the expansion, unveiled its 'After Dark' section. This new section focused on non-drinking nightlife and community events. Theatre, movies, music and the arts are now an integral part of the magazine.

During '90-91, the magazine commissioned Overlooked Opinions, an independent marketing research group, to conduct a readership survey. This unprecedented survey is the largest ever conducted by a Gay publication, utilizing 648 respondents and verifying the affluence of Gay readers. In '91, Gay Chicago joined the Associated Press News Service, adding gay interest stories on a global scale to their 'Newswatch' section.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We'd like to salute G.C., Ralph and his staff on a tremendous job, and thank them for their guidance during In Step's our early years. Our Publisher/Editor "learned the ropes" at G.C.'s small Wrigleyville office referred to above, and the friendship expressed over the years is much appreciated. ▽

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• **My Country, My Right to Serve: Experiences of Gay Men and Women in the Military, World War II to the Present** by Mary Ann Humphrey. New York: HarperCollins.

• **Passions of the Cut Sleeve: The Male Homosexual Tradition in China** by Bret Hinsch. Berkeley, Calif.: University of California Press.

• **The Safe Sea of Women: Lesbian Fiction 1969-1989** by Bonnie Zimmerman. Boston: Beacon Press.

• **The Trouble with Harry Hay: Founder of the Modern Gay Movement** by Stuart Timmons. Boston: Alyson Publications.

• **Understanding Sexual Identity: A Book for Gay Teens and Their Friends** by Janice E. Rench. Minneapolis: Lerner Publications.

In Fiction:

• **A Home at the End of the World** by Michael Cunningham. New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux.

• **Landscape: Memory** by Matthew Stadler. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.

• **Music I Never Dreamed Of** by John Gilgun. New York: Amethyst Press.

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G/L book award winners

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The awards will be presented during the Gay and Lesbian Task Force's program at the American Library Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, July 1.

For fiction, the 1991 Gay/Lesbian Book Award goes to **Crime Against Nature** by Minnie Bruce Pratt (Ithaca, N.Y.: Firebrand Books). Pratt's autobiographical sequence of poems is a powerful, moving account of a mother who is forced to choose between custody of her children or love for another woman. **Crime Against Nature** has also been honored as

the Lamont Poetry Selection for 1989 of the Academy of American Poets, and is a finalist in the Lesbian Poetry category for the Third Annual Lambda Literary Awards.

Encyclopedia of Homosexuality, edited by Wayne Dynes (New York: Garland) has been selected as the 1991 Gay/Lesbian Book Award nonfiction winner. The **Encyclopedia** is a landmark in the field of Gay and Lesbian studies. This two-volume set is the first work to attempt to collate, summarize and synthesize the vast and ever-burgeoning scholarly and popular literature on homosexuality.

Crimes Against Nature and **Encyclopedia of Homosexuality** were selected by the ALA Gay/Lesbian Book Award Committee from a large number of nominations sent in to the Committee from both librarians and the general public. The committee narrowed these nominations to 6 finalists in fiction and 8 finalists in nonfiction. The runners-up, all



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How to recognize Hepatitis A

A local increase in the number of Hepatitis A cases could place Gay men at an increased risk of exposure, particularly due to oral/anal sexual contact. The following information comes from a Wisconsin Division of Health Fact Sheet.

• **What is Hepatitis A?** Formerly known as infectious hepatitis, hepatitis A is a liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus. The disease is fairly common.

• **Who gets it?** Anyone can get it, but it occurs most frequently in children and Gay men.

• **How it it spread?** The hepatitis A virus enters through the mouth, multiplies in the body and is passed in the stool. If careful handwashing with soap and hot water is not done, the virus can then be carried on an infected persons hands and can be spread by direct contact, or by consuming food or drink that has been handled by that individual. Gay men who perform oral/anal sex are susceptible because even minute amounts of fecal matter from an infected person can carry the virus.

• **What are the symptoms?** Symptoms may include fatigue, poor appetite, fever and vomiting. Urine may become darker in color, and then jaundice (a yellowing of the skin and whites of the eyes) may appear. The disease is rarely fatal and most people recover in a few weeks without any complications. Not everyone who is infected will have all of the symptoms.

• **How soon do symptoms appear?** The symptoms may appear two to six weeks after exposure, but usually three to four weeks after exposure.

• **How long is an infected person able to spread the virus?** The contagious period begins about two weeks before the symptoms appear, and continues up to one week after the onset of jaundice.

• **Does past infection make a person immune?** Once an individual recovers from hepatitis A, they are immune for life and do not continue to carry the virus.

• **What is the treatment?** There are no special medications or antibiotics that can be used to treat a person once the symptoms appear. Generally, bed rest is all that is needed.

• **How can it be prevented?** A vaccine is not currently available. The single most effective way to prevent spread is careful handwashing after using the toilet. Also, infected people should not handle foods during the contagious period. Household members and those in close contacts with an infected person should call a doctor or health department to obtain a shot of immune globulin which minimizes the chances of becoming ill.

• **Safer Sex** Gay men should be aware that the use of non-microwavable plastic wrap would serve as an effective barrier against hepatitis A, and should be used for rimming. Because hepatitis A infection



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Women: it was the tofu!

The March 15 issue of the American Journal of Epidemiology reports that the large outbreak of shigellosis at the 1988 Michigan's Women's Music Festival can be pinned on an uncooked tofu salad served on the last day of the popular festival.

The August '88 festival saw an estimated 3,175 women become ill (out of a total attendance of 6,403) with gastroenteritis caused by 'Shigella sonnei. Onset of the illness peaked two days after the festival ended, and patients were spread throughout the USA by the time the outbreak was recognized.

Over 2,000 volunteer food handlers prepared the communal meals served during the festival. This large foodborne outbreak had been heralded by a smaller outbreak of shigellosis among staff shortly before the festival began and by continued transmission from staff to attendees during the festival. The strains of the virulent bacteria isolated from women who became ill before during and after the festival had identical profiles.

Even though the festival was praised for its sanitary facilities, limited soap and running water for handwashing was pointed at as the cause of the outbreak. It was one of the few sanitary defects found at the site by the epidemiologists who

studied the case.

Since the pre-festival outbreak of cases seemed to be decreasing, organizers did not cancel the festival, but implemented several measures to prevent further spread of the gastro-illness. They placed buckets of bleach solution outside toilets and in the kitchen for handwashing, and announced to staff and attendees to wash their hands after using the toilets, and before handling food. Women with diarrhea were asked not to work as food handlers or share eating and drinking utensils. Specific toilets were designated for women with diarrhea.

In addition to diarrhea, ill persons reported having abdominal cramps, fever, nausea, vomiting, and bloody stools. Some of those who became ill after the festival did not attend the festival, but lived in the same households as someone who did. An estimated 1,927 attendees sought health care for their illnesses, and 117 were hospitalized.

Men's HIV risk reduction

Milwaukee — 'Men Aloud,' a hands-on educational workshop for Gay and Bisexual men, is the first in a series of HIV risk-reduction workshops produced by the Milwaukee AIDS Project designed to meet the needs of Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian community.

"Men Aloud uses discussion, games and video to help participants develop a more sex-positive attitude that will enable safer sexual expression. Discussion and

guide for the female to male. To his surprise, the booklet promptly sold out and rapidly went through several printings, indicating to him the dire need for a handbook the average person could understand. He added to the material and revised it, selling out a second enlarged edition. This volume is a much larger and more comprehensive handbook, representing what he affectionately called "F to M Number Three."

The first section of the book deals with the unique issues surrounding cross dressing and transsexuality in general, giving the standard psychiatric rationales and the feelings and fantasies of those who have difficulty adjusting to the expected sex-role norms. Dealing with the thoughts and feelings of the opposite sex is one thing, but to identify with the physical attributes of the opposite sex is another thing altogether.

The second section is called "How to Pass" and gives tips on hair, clothing, body language, breast binding etc. It has handy clothing size conversion tables. Lastly, the book goes into detail

concerning sex reassignment, including information on hormone therapy and chest and genital surgery with a full discussion of the reconstructive surgical procedures known as phalloplasty and genitoplasty. At the end of the book there is an extensive list of contacts/referrals and references giving a long list of books and articles for further reading. The entire book is peppered with illustrated sidebars of actual historical cases of 'real people,' women who lived as men.

While the book is 'must' reading for women who have cross gender feelings, it is also important reading for anyone who wishes to have a better understanding of the range of human sexuality and gender identity feelings.

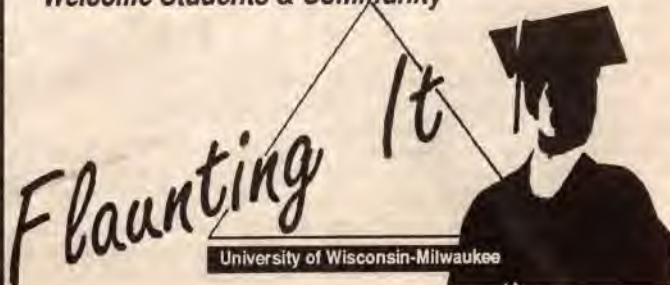
It is my sad duty to report that Lou passed away a few weeks ago from AIDS, the day after he received the first shipment of copies of this book from the publishers. This book is an eloquent memorial to the value of his life as he continued to work to help others even as he was slowly dying from AIDS.

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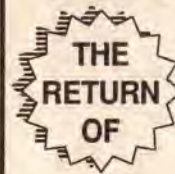
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Reviewed by Eldon E. Murray

Last year we reviewed Lou Sullivan's *From Female to Male, The Life of Jack Bee Garland*. This fascinating biography created quite a stir in the gender identity field and now the same author presents a down-to-earth, practical, informational 'handbook' for the female to male.

Lou Sullivan, who grew up in Milwaukee in a woman's body as Sheila Sullivan, underwent successful sexual reassignment surgery several years ago becoming the Gay male that, in his mind, was his proper gender identity.

Much has been written that is helpful to the male to female transvestite/transsexual, but although female to male transitions now make up fifty percent of the known cases, little has been written that is helpful to the F to M's, aside from the professional psychiatric and plastic surgery/medical journals whose articles are usually quite academic and difficult for the average person to understand because of their technical jargon.

Because of his personal situation, Sullivan spent years digging through this technical literature, as well as actual historical case studies. Naturally, he paid particular attention to the female to male information and in the process he became his own 'expert' in the field. In working closely with several cross dressing groups in San Francisco, he answered so many personal and practical questions that fell outside of the published literature that he self-published a typewritten informational

materials will provide HIV risk reduction information that will allow individuals to take charge of their sexual behaviors and eliminate unsafe sex.

Sessions will be held from 7 to 10pm on the following dates: Thursday, April 11; Monday, April 22; Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 22 at the M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. in Milwaukee.

As the capacity is limited for each session, contact Michael Lisowski at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, (414)273-1991, to make a reservation.



Intl. Mr. Leather hq's

Chicago — International Mr. Leather opened their official headquarters this week at RJ's Video, 3452 N. Halsted in Chicago. The headquarters offers local leather men and women a convenient central location to pick up their Weekend Package for International Mr. Leather being held in Chicago, May 24-27, 1991. In addition to Weekend Packages the

headquarters is offering an assortment of posters, T-shirts and International Mr. Leather collectibles. Packages are also available from Male Hide Leather, 2816 N. Lincoln in Chicago or by mail order from International Mr. Leather, Inc., 5025 N. Clark St., Chicago, Illinois 60640.

This year's International Mr. Leather weekend, its thirteenth anniversary, is gearing up to be the best ever. Over 1500 leather men and women from all over the world will descend upon the Windy City from this year's annual event. Weekend Packages include non-stop parties at Chicago's infamous leather bars and clubs, the official designer T-shirt by artist Etienne, daily admission to this year's Leather Market, the official International Mr. Leather souvenir book and this year's official poster.

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— Ron Geiman, Editor, In Step
Terry Boughner, Editor, Wisconsin Light

On pedophilia...

Your columnist Joan Lawrence obviously received the unsigned letter circulating around the bars. I too have seen this letter about the supposed pedophilia that "two very prominent men in our community" have done.

This letter quickly convicts these people of all sorts of wrong doings without any proof. It's sad when rumor can take over truth without hearing both sides of the issue.

If I had a bone to pick with any of the bars in Milwaukee, I too could write a damaging letter, start the rumors and ruin reputations.

I am not condoning pedophilia but I don't think that the letter that was sent should be taken seriously. The letter was so poorly written (to make us believe that a 17 year old would write it) that I can't believe that this 17 year old exists. If he does exist, what was he doing in bars? Why doesn't he file charges with the police instead of sending unsigned letters in the mail to everyone? Why doesn't he finish high school English?

I hope the rest of the community doesn't convict these people without all the facts.

—Signed,
Bruce Lemke

In her March 14th edition of 'Reflections from the Joan Zone,' Joan Lawrence provided her readers with a perfect example of the anti-queer hysteria she claimed to be fighting. Ms. Lawrence asked her readers to join her attempt to clean up public perception of the queer lifestyle by participating in a witch hunt for pedophiles within the queer community. In the true tradition of 50's McCarthyism, she began by writing, "It has come to my attention that two very prominent men in our community are PROBABLY pedophiles." (It's not difficult to picture her waving some blank sheets of paper at this point, is it?)

According to Ms. Lawrence's dangerous and perverted view of pedophilia, pedophilic 'monsters' include not only adults who prefer children as objects of sexual desire, which is the definition of the term, but also older adults who form sexual relationships with 'young men,' presumably into their 20's. Clearly, Ms. Lawrence has demonstrated, in this column, that she can not discuss the important topic of child sexual abuse without also airing her unresolved hang-ups surrounding the issue of interage relationships.

As a graduate social work student in field placement, I participate in the struggle to eradicate the existence and causes of child abuse and neglect from the Milwaukee area. I understand the depth and range of the problem, and I can not support Ms. Lawrence's abuse of the subject matter as an anti-queer weapon. My fear is that many readers will accept all of Ms. Lawrence's reasoning because they agree with the premise that child sexual abuse is morally wrong. Her mistakes of logic and their dangerous implications, however, are many.

For example, suggesting that the existence of pedophiles in the queer community even remotely promotes or justifies anti-queer discrimination in the

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the truth, mine was especially gross last year. But why should I be taxed for 'endowments' anyway. I'm not hung that big, for God's sake. And what about "prizes and awards?" How do you put a tax value on a trophy for 'Miss Congeniality' in the 'Tammy Faye Look-Alike' contest? Or runner-up in the 'Mr. Vanilla Leather Sex' competition? Do you consider my meager gambling gains in the monthly Drag Mud-Wrestling Games a taxable income? Or placing twelfth in the Moist Jock Strap contest? Are Lesbians really supposed to report their winnings in the Annual Tofu Bake-Off? And gratuities: don't even ask me to report that fifty-cent tip a trick left on my nightstand. Or would that be better classified as a 'roll-over'?

Aside from the usual charities, I know I contributed my fair share buying 20 different Queer Nation t-shirts, 50 ACT UP sweatshirts, several National Coming Out Day running outfits, and countless buttons telling everyone that nobody knows I'm Gay.

Page 15 of my booklet mentions

"lump-sum distributions." Would this refer to the fat lumps that some former Miss Gay may have had liposuctioned out of her butt and redistributed to her chest? And how about post-op male-to-female transsexuals. Couldn't they be allowed compensation for that little six or seven-inch deduction they made from their body?

Finally, what about LINE 24 concerning 'your IRA deduction from applicable worksheets?' I once dated a guy named Ira, spent quite a lot of money on him, and later that night we really worked those sheets: so do I get my deduction, Mr. Commissioner? By the way, I am appalled at LINE 28 warning of a "penalty for early withdrawal." Haven't you read your safer-sex guidelines?

One exhortation I must very strongly emphasize: Gay men and Lesbians filling out their forms must not do so while dressed in self-indulgent leather outfits or silly marabou feathers or any dizzy costume, because according to page 26, 'the law imposes a \$500 penalty for filing a frivolous return.'

You have been warned, Mary Louise!!!

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Before you know it, April 15 will be here and your IRS income taxes will be due. This is not necessarily a truly trying time of tearing out your hair in total anguish and utter frustration. Especially if you follow the handy-dandy guidelines of D. & V. Iquity (kind of a poor man's, Gay person's H. & R. Block tax consultancy) which is being made available to you for the mere price of this periodical (in other words, FREE, toots).

I don't know about you, but I personally received a lovely thank you note on page 3 of my IRS package this year, signed by Commissioner Fred T. Goldberg, Jr.: "Thank you for your help in making last year a success. Our tax system works because taxpayers are willing to do their part." Well, if we weren't willing, our only other option would be to become (depending on our gender) the best boyfriend of Sam the Slammer Slasher or Big Brenda, Queen of Cellblock B. And while I greatly admire the civil disobedience treatises of Thoreau, I'm not ready to become incarcerated over them. Besides somebody has to pay for all that 'necessary' wanton destruction and genocide (and eventual rebuilding) in Iraq, so it might as well be you and I, patriotic dykes and flag-waving fags that we are.

Fred closes his little greeting by saying, "Please let us know if you have any ideas that will help us achieve our goal." Okay, Freddy, you asked for it! We hereby request certain Gay privileges, being the special disposable-income folk that we are alleged to be.

Since most of us are not married in the legal sense of the word, we are wrongfully denied spousal privileges. If we have to live with that slob of a lover and remain reasonably faithful, why shouldn't we claim him or her as an exemption?

And are you aware that drag queens have to purchase an entire wardrobe

separate from their three-piece suits and wingtip shoes, right down to four pairs of hose an evening (to hide those especially hairy legs)? Shouldn't they therefore have the right to claim their alter ego (for example, men: 'Miss Demanda Mann'; women: 'Fonda Pussy') as their other half?

Then there are our Gay children — the four-legged variety. Pusskins and Doggie-doggums are not ordinary, common house pets, I'll have you know. It's no small expense keeping them fashionably attired in those adorable little Gucci sweaters and rhinestone collars. And their meals — nothing less than Kitty Quiche and Puppy Prime-Rib-in-a-Can will do for our kids. Our furry dependents.

Let us not forget Lesbian parents. If you won't count the birth mother's mama as a wife, at least consider the turkey baster for spousal support purposes!

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workplace is nothing less than queer bashing. Pedophilia exists among all sexual orientations. Queers are not hated because of pedophilia. Queers are hated for having sex with the same sex. There are enough people trying to destroy the queer community from the outside without Ms. Lawrence suggesting that we buy their warped arguments and destroy ourselves for them.

Yes there are queer pedophiles. There are also queer serial killers, queer burglars and queer tax evaders. Where should we stop here? Since these crimes occur across all orientations, singling out the queers can only be destructive to our community. If people want to fight injustice they must fight it everywhere it exists.

Labeling the perpetrators of child sexual abuse as 'monsters' is another mistake. It alienates everyone involved from the truth, which is that perpetrators are human beings with a problem. Child sexual abuse is far too common to be written off as something of which only a 'monster' would be capable. Doing so makes people too complacent and too unaware of the possibility that abuse may be happening in their own homes. Did Ms. Lawrence talk to the alleged pedophiles about her concerns? It does not sound like it. Name calling has allowed her to remain self-righteous, distant and in no position to effect real change.

Perhaps Ms. Lawrence's most glaring logical mistake was her use of absolutes. She seems to be arguing that because her friend was emotionally and sexually

abused by a school janitor that all inter-age sexual relationships are founded in abuse. This argument demonstrates a total abandonment of logic. Many inter-age relationships are positive for both persons involved and not based in manipulation.

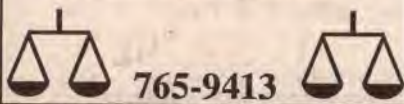
This is not a letter defending child sexual abuse or the emotional manipulation that accompanies it, because I deplore such abuse. Instead, this is a letter condemning Ms. Lawrence's attempt to bash the queer community under the pretense that she is only fighting child sexual abuse. Her tactics are used constantly by those who would destroy us. It angers me to see that this same crap is being run in our own press as though it makes sense. In the future, please screen your columns for such anti-queer garbage.

—Sincerely,
Dan Fons

It has come to my attention that a member of our community, the Gay community, has stepped up on a soap box and is spewing forth hate, misinformation and vague accusations, all under the crusading flag of Pedophilia. Joan Lawrence, while you say you do not possess enough concrete evidence to go to the authorities, why do you feel you have enough evidence to accuse? You are no better than any other gossip. No, you are much worse — you are irresponsible. You have initiated a witch hunt.

Pedophilia seems to be the pet subject of many Lesbians. Why? Does it have something to do with psychotherapy? How many of us know a Lesbian who has

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lubricated not only with Nonoxynol-9 but now slathered with a #15 sunblock as well, have sky-rocketed. Skin cancer is not the only beach hazard. Excessive cruising can cause whiplash and inattentiveness which has led many Gay men to be run over by spandex-clad 15-year olds, with wheels on the bottom of their shoes, sporting a hairdo that looks like it was styled by a wino using a hatchet.

It doesn't stop there, Mike Wallace and 60 Minutes recently revealed that dental fillings may contain poisonous Mercury. Which is great news for my lover, since I have enough Mercury saturated fillings in my mouth to easily take his temperature during oral sex.

Radon gas worries many Gay home owners. But it's uncontrollable, noisy and stinky leaks of 'Natural Gases' which drives terror into the heart of Gays on a hot date. In rural areas, Gays are plagued with another source of gas, cows. In fact, scientists speculate gases emitted via cow farts and belches contributes to global warming. It's ironic, since many rural Gays escape to urban areas from Elsie the cow (and her gaseous tendencies) only to be greeted at the city limits by equally stinky smog clouds. To induce additional stress related to global warming, reread paragraph #3 after eating broccoli, radishes or beans.

While activists worry about smoking politically-correct cigarettes, no one

seems concerned with the dangers of second hand smoke. Gay men have been unable to find a suitable substitute for the traditional post-orgasmic cigarette. Some suggest chewing tobacco in place of a cigarette, but a half filled spittoon near the bed is not only unappealing, but presents a decorating challenge few are willing to tackle. And I know of no one who would gladly expose his mouth to another filled with tobacco-flavored saliva, so kissing is definitely out.

In fact, as I write this column, I am being exposed to dangerous levels of radiation emitted by my video display terminal (VDT). The thought of growing a second head or third eye is incredibly unappealing. The potential for horrific mutations must be great. It reminds me of that 50's sci-fi classic, **Them**. Tiny little ants growing into 50-foot behemoths after exposure to radiation. If only that incredible power could be safely harnessed. Just think of the benefits for mankind. It could be marketed as some sort of 'enlarger'. Yeah, that's it, an enlarger. I could advertise it in the back of dirty magazines! Make thousands and thousands of dollars! Well, I've got to go, I must test out this new theory and anyways I can't use my computer when the VDT is at crotch level.

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recently had a breakthrough in their therapy ('I've discovered I was molested as a child!'). It's no wonder the heterosexuals in our society are under the false impression homosexuality is due to psychological scarring from bad childhood experiences. Lesbians seem to expend a great amount of energy blaming men for their environment, when they should be blaming their therapists for creating it.

It is unfortunate your article was so poorly written. I say poorly written only in the sense that you failed to make your intentions clear. What did you wish to accomplish with your statements? As a woman you have no idea, not even the slightest inkling, of what sex means to men. I am very at ease saying that, for haven't women been saying this type of thing to men since the advent of "The feminine mystique?" My best friend started going to fag (sic) bars when he was fourteen. He didn't go because some older man was giving him presents, he went because he wanted to go. I was quite aware of the difference between sex and love by the time I was fifteen and I practiced it. I don't think women make this distinction. Sex and love appear intrinsically intertwined in the female mind. So you, as a woman, have absolutely no right to speak for us (men) in your article. Men choose sex. When they want, where they want, and with who they want it.

We all know about the letter from the disgruntled young man. At seventeen I was thinking, talking, and dreaming of nothing but sex, sex sex. Well, well, well. At any rate, I could have written that letter, or for that matter, so could you have, Joan. Maybe you have some sort of personal vendetta. There is no proof for the courts as you so clearly stated. But apparently that doesn't matter to you. Slander is such a dirty word, but if you don't print their names, the two men of which you write can also do nothing to you in the courts, either. It is also unfortunate that you have not enough talent as a writer to defend your thesis — that of justice for the victim of pedophilia. While you have enthroned yourself as Queen Mother confessor of the concerned, you have also condoned and consorted in the formation

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of a witch hunt. While you do point out that many lives have been ruined or made difficult by accusations of pedophilia, you have been, and are in fact, the actual perpetrator of accusations thinly veiled and cloaked in unnamed names. You see Joan, by not calling the accused by name, you accuse us all. This is your crime.

This leads us to the question your article raised in the reader's mind which you left unaddressed — when do men become men? At what age? For my best friend it was fourteen, for me it was fifteen. So then Joan, what do you mean, by 'child?' Under the age of fourteen? When I was fifteen, I knew it was against the law for me to engage in sex with men over the age of eighteen, but those were the men to whom I was attracted. So, who was the user? Who was the victim? Probably neither. And what about mutual consent? Clearly these are matters of law and not the matters of Lesbians. If you wish to lobby for additional child sex laws then do so, but please don't foist it upon the readers of this publication. Pedophilia has only minimal interest to the Gay community, if any at all. As you stated Joan, most child molestation is among heterosexuals and not homosexuals. So you are guilty of preaching to the converted. Take your soapbox and put it somewhere else.

This is not to say I support or condone Pedophilia, male or female. I do not. But the difference between myself and you is this: Among males, sex begins almost as soon as all the associated parts start working. In fact, it takes us years of concentration just to get control of the damn thing. And as the age of manhood is different for each individual, there's the rub, the age of consent then will vary from person to person.

I am being facetious but clearly you put a nebulous grasp on male reality. Our bodies are not for you to make decisions about. Our bodies are not for you to rant and write articles about. Our bodies are our own and we give them when and where and to who we wish. While I agree pedophilia has no place in the Gay community, neither do the vicious, slanderous and poorly focused rantings of

Joan Lawrence.

—Fervent Civilities,
Timothy Scott

AIDS Lobby Days

The Human Rights Campaign Fund, along with other Lesbian and Gay and AIDS organizations around the country, has designated the days between May 24 and June 3 of this year as National AIDS Lobby Days. During that period, members of the Campaign Fund throughout the United States will visit their Senators and Representatives in their district offices to urge continued action on the HIV-epidemic. I am writing to encourage you and your readers to join us in this historic national effort.

The AIDS epidemic continues to spread. Opponents of adequate spending and programs continue to hinder our ability to combat the threat we face. Direct, personal contact with your Representatives and Senators will make an important difference. They will find out, first-hand, why support for effective national AIDS policies is important.

Last year alone, 31,196 Americans families lost a loved one to AIDS. Over the past two years, 55,460 Americans have died — more than died in the first eight years of the AIDS epidemic combined. As many as 215,000 more Americans may die in the coming two years. Members of Congress need to be told that AIDS involves people, people we love and care for, people whose lives must be saved.

The Campaign Fund will provide back-up materials to our members and to other organizations and individuals who request them. Please call (202) 628-4160 if you need voting records, issue briefing papers, our "How to Lobby" materials, our Constituent Lobby Report form, and other materials being prepared to insure that the National AIDS Lobby Days will have a powerful impact on our elected officials.

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by W.W. Wells III

Life in the fast lane

There was a time when the biggest anxieties a Gay man had where these: 1. Gaining Five pounds, 2. Running out of hairspray, 3. Turning 30, and 4. Does that cute guy at the end of the bar even know I exist? It's now the nineties, danger creeping in at us from every direction. While we've been preoccupied with AIDS and Safer Sex, our world has become host to a countless stream of new dilemmas challenging everyday life.

Our health care professionals vigorously warn of the dangers of stress. One look at a desperately horny Gay man around bar closing time, eyes frantically darting back and forth, gives us a clue as to the amount of stress in the lives of Gay people. Incredibly, there was a time when we didn't even give stress a second thought, everyone experienced some

stress in their lives. Now, many people experience tremendous stress worrying about how stressful worrying about stress can actually be. In fact, 39% of you just experienced more stress reading that last sentence than you would when quickly attempting to put on a condom in the dark, while your lover waits, impatiently drumming his fingers.

The beach, once the site of relaxation and recreational voyeurism has been tainted not only by medical waste, but by ominous reports in medical journals as well. Depletion of the protective ozone layer and global warming has created fear of skin cancer. People are now unwilling to risk painful removal of tumors. Even butch guys into S&M and bomber jackets don't want the leather-like skin caused by over-exposure to the sun. Nowhere can that fear be more clearly seen than at nude beaches, where sales of condoms,

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They will be performing at the Barrymore Theatre, 2090 Atwood Avenue in Madison. The performance begins at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Ticket outlets include A Room of One's Own, The Barrymore Theatre, Steep & Brew (State Street), Four Star Fiction & Video and the Madison AIDS Support Network. Tickets by mail can be obtained by sending checks or money orders to MASN, 303 Lathrop St., Madison, WI 53705, Attention Peaches. Both the Barrymore Theatre and MASN will accept VISA and Mastercharge.

The day following the concert, The Flirtations will be conducting a workshop for persons with HIV and "Self-Empowerment."

For more information about the concert or the workshop, contact Dave at (608)238- 6276.

Gay theatre in Madison

Victor Bumbalo's **Adam and the Experts**, a comedy about AIDS, makes its Midwest debut in Madison, at Fredrick March Play Circle, in the UW Memorial Union, April 10-11 at 8pm. Tickets are \$4.50 at the door (\$2 for students with ID).

The production, sponsored by The United, is a highly-acclaimed work and will be performed for the first time since its successful premiere Off-Broadway.

In the play, Adam and Eddie have been best friends for years. Together, they

share the ups and downs of modern Gay life in New York, doing their best to cope with the tragedy around them. After Eddie reveals that he too has been diagnosed with AIDS, Adam becomes obsessed with finding a cure for his friend at all costs, with surprising, and often humorous results.

How Soon Is Now runs at the Broom Street Theatre, 1119 Williamson Street, April 12-14, at 8pm. Tickets are \$4.75 at the door, only.

This drama, by Paul Weiss and Steven Orlikowski, is about two brothers, one Gay and one straight, who have been sharing an apartment in Chicago. It is their last weekend together and tensions rise as the two men prepare for their impending separation. What begins as a calm weekend at home, quickly becomes an emotional battlefield of jealousy and resentment, as old wounds are re-opened and new secrets revealed.

NYC Gay Chorus recording released

Love Lives On, featuring 18 selections from the pops and show tune repertoire of the critically acclaimed 150-voice New York City Gay Men's Chorus was released by Virgin Variations on March 19, in CD and Cassette formats. It is the first of several discs the chorus will make for Virgin's new Variations label.

Under the direction of Gary Miller, the New York City Gay Men's Chorus finds new meaning, special poignance and sometimes political defiance in even the most familiar lyrics to songs which range from show tunes from Broadway and the Silver Screen to Top 40 hits from the Big Band era to today. These songs with vocal arrangements and orchestrations by Larry Moore and Mark Riese capture the greatest moments of the NYCGMC's annual pops concerts.

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MONDAY, APRIL 22

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Gay & Lesbian Awareness Week: At UW Milw., sponsored by Gay & Lesbian Community at UWM, "Sensitizing our Awareness", speaker Susan Vabinder, private consultant on Sexuality & Homophobia sensitivity training, Union Wisconsin Room, 4-6pm. Free & open to the public.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Gay & Lesbian Awareness Week: At UW Milw., sponsored by Gay & Lesbian community at UWM, Union Concourse reserved for tables staffed by Gay/Lesbian organizations, 10am-3pm. "Sexual Orientation With A Genetic Basis," speaker Dr. Michael Bailey, Asst. Professor of Psychology at Northwestern University, Union Wisconsin Room, 4-6pm. Free & open to the public.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Gay & Lesbian Awareness Week: At UW Milw., sponsored by Gay & Lesbian Community at UWM. "Yes Virginia, We have families, too." Speaker, NGLTF's Ivy Young, Union Wisconsin Room. 4-6pm, free & open to the public.

Napalese Lounge [Green Bay]: Magician/Illusionists the L'Armay Brothers, showtime 9pm. Free tap beer & soda 8-9, \$1 cover. Dancing after show.

Gay & Lesbian Meeting & Dinner: With guest Ivy Young of NGLTF, share your vision of a potential new Gay/Lesbian coalition/umbrella Organization. UWM Union Room E280, 6:30pm. Dinner is \$12, RSVP to 32-PRIDE by April 12.

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, "Private Lives-Public Life," Symposium from 5th annual gathering of Intl. Conf. of Gay/Lesbian Elected, Appointed Government officials.

GAMMA Sheepshead Night: Everyone welcome, all skill levels, 8pm in Wauwatosa, call Bob at 963-9833 for address.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

La Cage: Miss Gay Black Milw. Another Miss Gay Black America preliminary 10:30 showtime, with special guest Miss Black Gay WI. For Application or contestant info call 933-3806.

Gay & Lesbian Awareness Week: At UW Milw., sponsored by Gay & Lesbian Community at UWM, featuring "Anti-Gay Prejudice from a Social Science Perspective," speaker Dr. Gregory Herek, for Univ. of California, Union Art Gallery, 4-6pm. free & open to the public.

Flaunting It: First Natl. Graduate Student Conference on Gay/Lesbian studies. Keynote speaker Professor Thomas Yingling on 'Gay Studies: Commodity & Desire; 7:30pm, UW Milwaukee Curtain Hall Room 175, \$5 admission.

Lesbian Alliance of Metro-Milwaukee: April meeting on "The Quilt as an Art Form," presented by a local quilter. Potluck 6pm, program at 7pm at Milw. Enterprise Center, 2821 N. 4th St., All Lesbians welcome. For info call 264-2600.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Beer Town Badgers: Club Night at Boot Camp Saloon. Drawings for prizes & drink tickets, 10pm until 1:30am.

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

Flaunting It: First Natl. Graduate Student Conference on Gay/Lesbian Studies. UW Milwaukee, keynote speaker author Joan Nestle speaks on "Lesbian Courage Pre-1970," 7:30pm, UWM Curtain Hall, room 175, \$5 admission, open to all. At 7pm, performance artist Debbie Davis.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Mil-Ma-IDS Six: Milwaukee & Madison Against AIDS bowling fundraiser, this year benefits MAP. 9 pin no-tap tournament held at Red Carpet Regency Lanes (6014 N. 76th St.) in Milwaukee, registration at noon, bowling begins at 2pm.

Queer Shopping Network: Capitol Court food court, 2pm.

Jo'dee's Intl. [Racine]: April Showers bring April Follies, showtime 10:30pm, \$2.50 advance, \$3 door.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

Spring is here! The crocuses are blooming and my tulips and hyacinths aren't far behind... which means we'll probably have a snow storm that will kill them all!

Hot Buns! I still can't believe over 30 police officers responded to a little too much skin at Club 219 Plus late the night of March 27. Out of six contestants in a Hot Buns contest, two allegedly exposed a bit more than their buttocks. (But officer, maybe those two guys were a bit too well endowed to be able to cover that anatomical part with one hand while the other hand was busy dropping their drawers!) And, if only two of them allegedly exposed themselves, why were all six contestants arrested? Two of the other four were clothed (Goldie wore a body suit, and one young man was

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Selections include "Not a Day Goes By," "No One is Alone," "Another Hundred People," and the first complete recording of "That Old Piano Roll," all by Broadway composer-lyricist (and honorary NYCGMC member) Stephen Sondheim; "Unusual Way," from the Tony Award-winning *Nine*; Irving Berlin's 1923 Music Box Revue standard, "What'll I do," as well as "Taking a Chance on Love" from *Cabin in the Sky*; Rodgers and Hart's classic "Isn't It Romantic" from the 1932 film *Love Me Tonight* and the title song from the 1944 movie *I'll Be Seeing You*.

Also included are authentic Big Band arrangements of the NYCGMC singing the Glenn Miller standard "Tuxedo Junction" and the Andrews Sisters megahit "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" plus a medley of Duke Ellington hits.

In addition, the NYCGMC sings the Off-Broadway melodies "I Hear Bells," "Imagining You," and "Old Friend," plus the pop hits "Wind Beneath My Wings," Peter Allen's "Love Don't Need a Reason," and the recording's title tune "Love Lives On" by Barry Mann. ▽

wearing a g-string), and the remaining two only showed their butts. Butts, by law, are not considered a sexual organ. And why was emcee Tiffany Thomas (who was a hit in the cellblock) arrested for kissing a few butts... it's not as though she slipped 'em a tongue! (more in the 'News' Section this issue.)

I'm not sure where all this will lead, or how it will end up. I do know that if the district has so many spare police officers on hand that 30 of them can respond for such a minor incident, perhaps the district is over-staffed, and some of those officers should be transferred to areas where they can fight real crime.

The Triangle Trojans softball team and all their friends cleaned out their attics and cellars for the team benefit auction at the popular gathering spot on March 23. You'll be seeing more and more softball benefits, as each team holds at least one fundraiser for itself and another to benefit the Saturday Softball Beer League (SSBL).

The New Leaf offered their Janesville clientele 'A Night With The Girls' female impersonators while a jazz trio opened their weekend gig that night at M&M Club.

A marathon but entertaining 3 and a half hour Academy Awards telecast was the feature at a number of bars the night of March 25, with the Ballgame offering a special party and balloting. Viewers didn't see it, but an AIDS protester was escorted out of the auditorium during the ceremony for shouting an AIDS battle cry. I wish Bruce Davison had won for Best Supporting Actor for his role in *Longtime Companion*, it certainly would have boosted the video rentals of that poignant AIDS film, and perhaps educated a few people about AIDS and its affect on our community.

Tiffany made it out of the hoosegow in time for her and BJ's benefit show at 219 to help towards their costs of representing us in the Miss Gay USA pageant in Atlanta. They and other King Productions Great Lakes and Wisconsin-USA

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Calendar

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, Jay Hatheway on the Persian Gulf aftermath.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: National comedian Tony Deminico, live at 10:30pm. As seen on Showtime & numerous comedy specials.

Milw. Repertory Theatre: Another in their continuing benefit performances for MAP. "Hula Hoop Sha-Boop," Stackner Cabaret, 7:30pm curtain time, tickets \$12, reserved seats only, 224-9490.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Men Aloud: Safe sex workshop presented by MAP. Games, videos, condom tips, 7-10pm, M&M upstairs banquet room. Call Mike Lisowski at 273-1991 to make reservations.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Spaghetti Dinner: MLGPC Benefit Chow Down, 6-9pm. St. Pius X Catholic Church, 2506 Wauwatosa Avenue, Wauwatosa. Spaghetti Dinner with garlic bread, \$5. Soda extra.

Cream City Chorus: Anniversary Awards Banquet, Park East Hotel grand ballroom, cocktails 6pm, dinner 7:30pm, \$20 admission.

Napalese Lounge [Green Bay]: Magician/Illusionists The L'Army Brothers, showtime 9pm, free tap beer & soda 8-9, \$1 cover. Dancing after show.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

ZA's [Green Bay]: Baby Jane & Company Showtime 10:30pm.

Ballgame: Monthly Sheepshead Tournament.

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Club 94 [Kenosha]: Female Elvis impersonator Stoney, showtimes 10pm & midnight.

Cest La Vie: Cruisers Softball Team Benefit Variety Show 9:30pm showtime; 50/50 raffle & prizes.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Queer Shopping Network: Brookfield Square, meet inside mall near JC Pennys entrance, 2pm.

Station II: Piano/song duo Kristi K & Jeff Stoll, live from 5-9.

Sherlock's Home [Sheboygan]: 10th Anniversary, 2pm-on, 7pm buffet.

All Saints Cathedral: Monthly Dicesan Evensong & Healing Services, All Saints Cathedral, 818 E. Juneau. Service begins 4pm. Call Cathedral office, 271-7719, to make prayers on behalf of someone.

Cream City Chorus: 4th Anniversary Concert, New Hope United Church of Christ, 1424 W. Greenfield, 3pm showtime, \$5 admission.

Gay Biking Network: Level lake territory bike ride. Meet at 12:30pm at Lake Park Pavilion - group will decide distance. All skill levels welcome. Call Bob at 963-9833 for questions.

MONDAY, APRIL 15

Pride Rally Auditions: Rally performers auditions, Theatre X, 158 N. Broadway, call 32-PRIDE.

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MONDAYS 8:30PM

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titleholders C.C. Rae, Larinda Kelly, and Alicia Kelly went off to compete in Atlanta the week beginning April 1. The winners were crowned April 6, past our deadline, but I'm sure all 'our' girls did us proud!

The 'Milwaukee Wild Boyz' have settled in at **Partner's** every Thursday night for 10:30pm shows. They offer dance routines, some stripping, some comedy and eventually some live vocals, all for a \$3 cover (and that gets you a \$2 drink ticket).

Drippy drawers and running mascara! Appleton's **Pivot Club** offered both on March 29 when they held a wet jockey shorts and wet drag queen contest. All that work to get a little moist!

The women at **Nitengale's** just couldn't wait any longer for Summer, so they held their annual Beach Party on March 30. The weather could have been a bit more cooperative... goose bumps and bermuda shorts DO NOT go well together.

Rosie bid adieu to a long and illustrious career behind the bars of the Mint and **Mint 2** at her retirement/good-bye party the afternoon of March 30. Lots of old and young friends stopped by to give her a kiss goodbye.

The **Wreck Room** was still recovering from its monthly party night on the 30th when they held their Easter Bonnet Contest early Easter night. (I just couldn't get my 'Bunny in Bondage' chapeau done in time!) Seven contestants modeled their bonnets, with Frank named winner. Basket and bunny give-aways followed the contest.

La Cage wrapped up their talent search weekly contests the night of March 27 (finals May 16) and kicked off their new Wednesday night 'Turn Back The Clock' special on April 3. They'll be playing your favorite oldies videos and music every Wednesday, and pouring drinks at 1981 prices all night long.

Bowlers - don't forget to register NOW for Mil-Ma-IDS XI, which is scheduled for April 20th at Red Carpet Regency Lanes. Call Jeff at (414) 482-1700 or Steve at 265-6188, to join in this fun benefit for M.A.P.



B.J. Daniels and former jailbird Tiffany Thomas held a benefit show prior to traveling to Atlanta for the Miss Gay USA contest.



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