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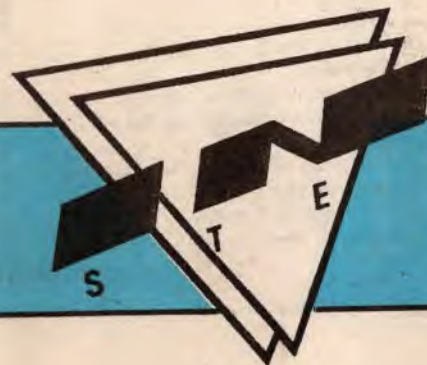
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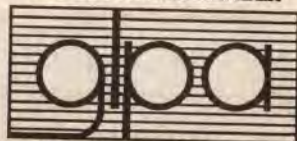
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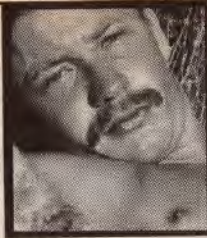
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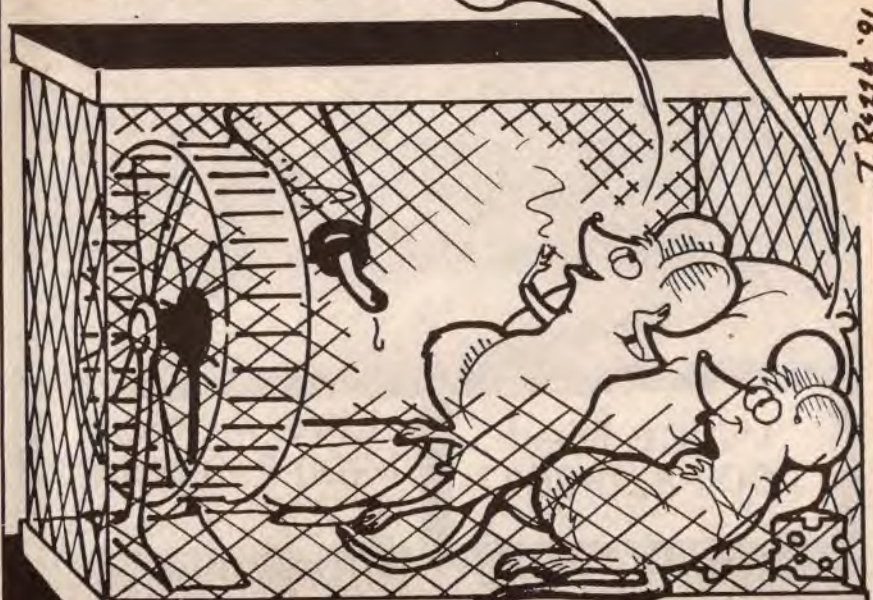
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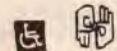
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## Pentagon: sexuality not 'neutral' issue

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — The Pentagon on May 8 issued an official response to a congressional letter calling for the reversal of the Department of Defense's policy of excluding Gays and Lesbians from military service, saying that it has no plans to reassess the policy, insisting that homosexuality is not a 'neutral characteristic' such as skin color.

"it has long been Department of Defense policy that homosexuality is incompatible with military service," wrote Capt. T.D. Keating, Pentagon director of legal policy. "There are numerous reasons for this policy, including the necessity to maintain good order, morale and discipline; foster mutual trust and confidence among Service members; recruit and retain members of the Military Services; and maintain the public acceptability of military service."

Keating added that the Pentagon "does not plan to reassess" its policy on Gay and Lesbian service personnel.

The official Pentagon response marks one of the rare occasions in which — outside of a courtroom defense of its policy — any DoD official has ever made a public attempt to defend its anti-Gay position. Historically, military officials have declined all media requests for comment or interviews on the Gay military issue, beyond restating its long-standing policy.

In the letter to Rep. Gerry Studds (D-Mass.), who is openly Gay and a leader in the Gay military movement, Keating argued that there is a "fundamental difference" between the anti-Gay policy and the Pentagon's now-discarded stance against a racially segregated military.

"Racial discrimination is unlawful because it is based upon the color of their skin," he wrote. "Societal attitudes about homosexuals, however, derive from

conduct that defines the class, not from a neutral characteristic such as skin color."

The Pentagon official wrote the May 8 letter in response to an earlier dispatch from Rep. Studds and 39 of his House colleagues who had written the White House to demand an end to the DoD policy which has been used to separate Gay men and Lesbians from the military.

Studds answered the Pentagon's letter with a blistering statement of his own, which called Keating's response "insulting to Gays and Lesbians, to blacks and to other minorities, and to all people of good will."

Clearly taken back by the rare incidence of such a clear rebuke of a coalition of members of Congress, Studds fired away at the Pentagon's policy with fervor.

"The Pentagon is essentially saying that it has the obligation to mirror the worst of society's prejudices," he said in a prepared statement. "That is ignorant and that is wrong."

Gay and Lesbian military activists also reacted angrily to the response, expressing surprise that Keating would give a group of federal lawmakers the same treatment it gave them.

Calling the Pentagon letter "arrogance at its worst," Tim Drake, director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's Military Freedom Project, said the missive was "just one more example of the department's official policy of stonewalling on this issue."

"Since they cannot defend their policy," he said, "they refuse to even discuss it."

"It's one thing for the Pentagon to stonewall a Gay organization, they do it all the time," added Drake. "But I'm astounded by their arrogance in stonewalling a letter from 40 members of Congress."



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Former DoD official: end anti-gay policy

By Cliff O'Neill

Arlington, VA — One of the nation's most widely respected defense policy experts and a former Pentagon official under President Reagan spoke out publicly at a Gay and Lesbian leadership conference here May 5, calling for an end to the Defense Department's policy of excluding homosexuals from military service.

Dr. Lawrence Korb, assistant Secretary of Defense during the Reagan Administration, voiced his opinions as part of the Human Rights Campaign Fund's annual leadership conference, held here over the May 4-6 weekend.

"What people can't seem to get through their heads," said Korb, "is that (they) are not keeping Lesbians and Gay men out of the military. They're already there. The question really is, 'Do you allow them to live normal lives and express themselves... and make things better?'"

Korb spoke out against the longstanding Pentagon policy which declares that "homosexuality is incompatible with military service," calling it "grossly unfair."

Citing the results of a recent HRCF-subsidized national poll which found that 81 percent of Americans disagree with the Pentagon's policy of kicking Gay men and Lesbians out of the service, Korb predicted that the policy will ultimately fall.

"I think that eventually, because of polls like this, and the changing attitudes of Americans that the Pentagon policy will

be reversed," he said. "The only question is when."

Korb, who from 1981 to 1985 was in charge of manpower and reserve affairs at the Pentagon, suggested that, if outside forces had not over the years elicited changes in Pentagon policy, the military today would be made up exclusively of "draftees who are heterosexual, single males who are white."

It was external influences that changed policies and attitudes in the military towards African-Americans and women, he noted, acknowledging that there are still many ways in which sexism is institutionalized in the armed forces.

Korb also answered questions regarding a bill sponsored by Rep. Gerald B. Solomon (R-N.Y.), which could bar federal funds from going to schools that bar military recruiting or kick Reserve Officers Training Corps programs off their campuses.

Despite the bill, which he doubted would pass Congress, Korb urged schools to continue their efforts to kick ROTC off their campuses for violating their anti-discrimination statutes, saying that, on principle, schools should be willing to take the risk of losing federal funds in order to achieve their larger ends.

Suggesting that Gay and Lesbian military activists use the models of blacks and women in the military to effect a reversal of the anti-Gay policy, Korb predicted that the courts or the Administration eventually will move to rescind the policy.

Lesbian vet testifies

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — A representative from a national group for Gay, Lesbian and bisexual veterans testified before a key House subcommittee here May 8, calling for the reversal of a disputed Pentagon policy which bars homosexuals from serving in the military.

Testifying as part of a series of

panelists speaking on concerns of Vietnam Era veterans, Kit R. Kling, co-president of the Capitol Region Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Veterans of America, spoke on the contested policy before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

"We are here," said Kling. "Our numbers are legion, and it's time we were afforded the same respect, privilege and responsibilities afforded all other

citizens."

Kling, who joined the Army in 1972 during the Vietnam Conflict, testified how she was moved to marry a male friend in order to allay suspicions that she was a Lesbian, explaining that in the armed forces, single women were looked upon as "either sluts or Lesbians."

Eventually, Kling said, a male senior officer had her written up for a psychiatric evaluation, which led her to seek an honorable discharge and leave the armed forces.

Because of the continued existence and enforcement of the Department of Defense statute which declares that "homosexuality is incompatible with military service," the military, Kling said, is wasting "millions" of dollars in training qualified Lesbian and Gay personnel and then kicking them out once they discover their sexuality.

It is estimated that 2,000 Gay, Lesbian and bisexual service men and women are separated from the armed forces each year, based on the Pentagon policy.

Kling's testimony marks the third time that Gay and Lesbian veterans have testified before the subcommittee and have participated in a weekend conference on issues facing Vietnam veterans. Unlike last year's prepared statements which, in keeping with the panel's larger focus on health care issues, centered on veterans with AIDS, this year's testimony was confined to a denunciation of the anti-Gay military policy.

Members of the Gay and Lesbian veterans group, which gathered in Washington over the May 4-6 weekend for the William Joiner Center conference on Vietnam veterans, spent the following week lobbying their senators and representatives to reverse the Pentagon policy. Conferring with a variety of Gay/Lesbian, civil liberties and women's groups, the Gay military activists are specifically targeting members of the House and Senate Armed Services Committees to have them hold hearings on the policy, possibly as soon as next year.

Attacking the policy from the courtroom angle, the Gay veterans' group is now

soliciting stories from Gay and Lesbian servicemen and women returning from the Persian Gulf. Although they are in contact with a number of servicemen and women who served in the Gulf and are in the process of being separated from the service, presently they are focusing on other Gay military men and women to devise a legal challenge to the DoD policy.

## Elton John to donate all single profits

By Rex Wockner

Bisexual singer Elton John announced in mid-April that he will donate all United Kingdom royalties from his future 'singles' to AIDS/HIV charities. Singles are album cuts that record companies choose for radio air play in hopes that they will become hits.

John said he will uphold the agreement for the rest of his life. He made the announcement during a 45-minute visit to the Gay-community-based Body Positive Centre in London's Earls Court.

"it's a privilege to be here," John told centre staffers, before cutting a thank you cake and singing his new single, *Sacrifice*, accompanying himself on a keyboard.

In addition to Body Positive, record profits will fund London Lighthouse, the Terrence Higgins Trust and the Jefferiss research wing of St. Mary's hospital. All but the hospital wing were founded by the Gay community.

John's London press officer, Simon Prytherch, said the beneficiaries may change from year-to-year and some money has already been targeted on AIDS efforts in Romania, where thousands of children have been infected with HIV through unsterile hospital procedures.

The singer has donated more than \$650,000 to AIDS organizations to date, Prytherch said.

John's U.S. publicist, Sara McMullen, said John has no plans to make similar donations in the U.S.

The singer has, however, signed on as official celebrity spokesman for this year's AIDS walkathon in Atlanta, where, according to reports, he recently bought a home.

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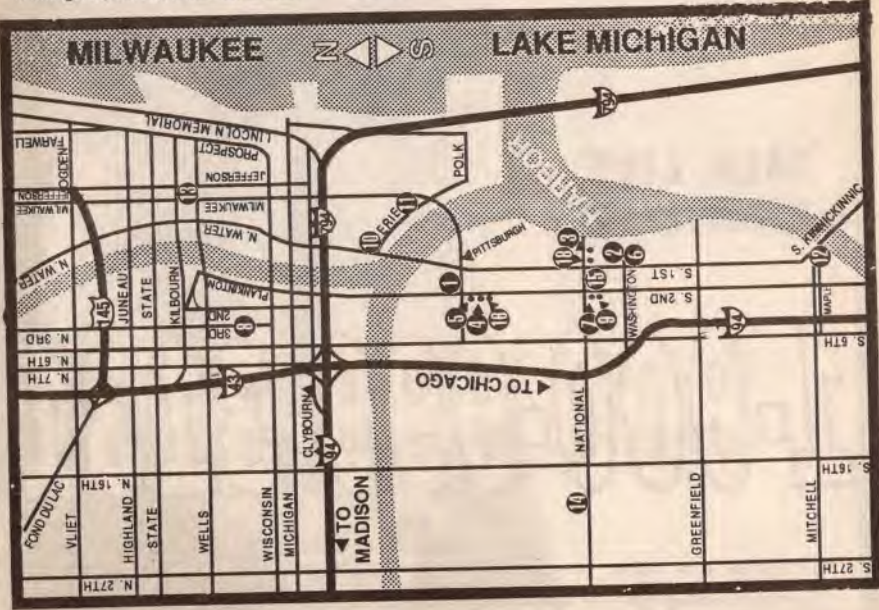
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## MLGPC finalizing plans for June 15 parade

**Milwaukee** — The Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC) is finalizing plans for this year's Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade and Rally, which will be held concurrently on Saturday, June 15.

This year the Parade and Rally will kick-off Pride Week, which follows until June 23. Events for Pride Week so far include everything from a Pancake Breakfast, concerts, elected officials reception, an inter-faith service, an Edelweiss Boat Cruise and workshops. The official Pride Guide will be distributed state wide May 30 listing all associated activities.

The parade will line up beginning at 10am in the parking lot at the corner of Jefferson and Ogden. Parade participants are requested to report to the official check in stand at that corner upon arrival. Application deadline is June 1. To receive an application, call (414) 32-PRIDE, now.

Parade step-off time is 11am, with the route going east on Ogden from Jefferson to Marshall, south on Marshall to Mason, west on Mason to Jackson, south on Jackson to Wisconsin, west on Wisconsin to Water Street, then north on Water past city hall to Kilbourn, east on Kilbourn to Juneau Park. The rally will begin in Juneau Park at noon.

Confirmed to speak at the rally are Peri Jude Radecic, David Clarenbach, Perry Watkins, and Rev. Renee McCoy. Performers include the Cream City Chorus 'Creamettes', Fest City Singers, Rufus and his singing machine, the band Red, Hot and Twisted, the 219 Girls, Mr. and Miss Gay Wisconsin, Mr. and Miss Black Gay Wisconsin, and others.

A final meeting for all Rally volunteers and performers is scheduled for 7pm at Club 219 on Thursday, June 13.

Applications are still being accepted for Rally space and table reservations for informational purposes, merchandise sales, food and drink. Those wishing a table should also call for an application as soon as possible.

Part of this year's Rally is the first



annual Pride Art Festival featuring the works of several local artists who will be judged and awarded prizes.

MLGPC is looking for two members from each community organization to march in an Honorary Color Guard at the start of the parade, as part of the theme, "Together In Pride." Volunteers are also sought to assist in all areas with the Parade and Rally. They are especially needed for security positions at the Rally site, marshaling for the Parade and float building.

### FUND-RAISERS

Get your tickets now for the Pride Raffle which offers great prizes including a grand prize of a 4 day/ 3 night trip for two to New Orleans to include accommodations, air fare and \$100 cash. Another \$500 in cash prizes will be awarded to the next five winners. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5, and are available throughout the community.

MLGPC Pride Merchandise including mugs, T-shirts, sweat-shirts and sweat pants will be available throughout the community in advance of the parade, as well as at the Rally.

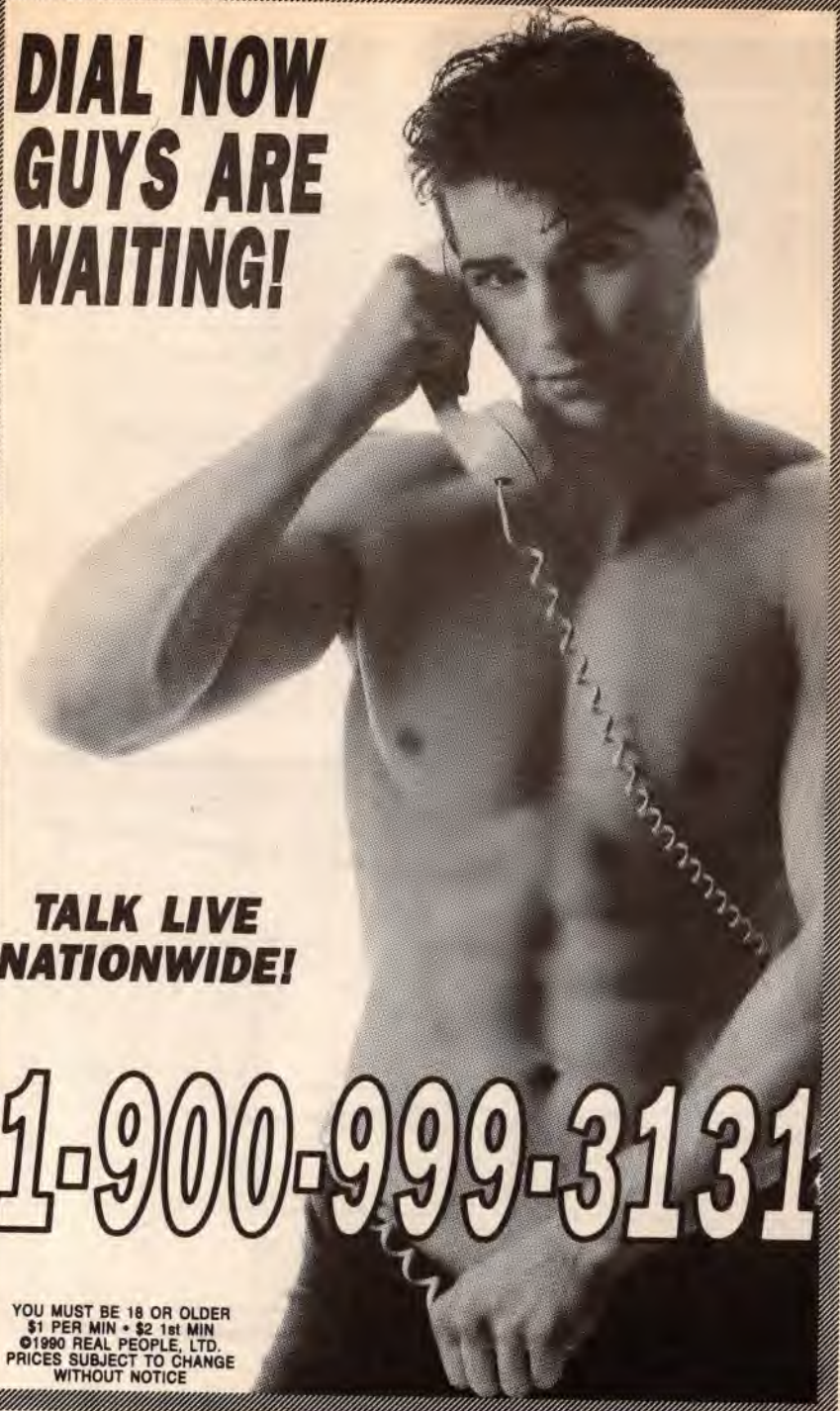
Gay Bucks are available, as well. For \$10 in cash, you can get \$11 in Gay Dollars through June 14. Gay Bucks are good for food, drinks and merchandise at the Rally, or during the week following for MLGPC Pride Week Events.

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<b>G/L Parents Coalition of Milw.</b>	
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<b>Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Veterans of America</b>	
Milwaukee Chapter	342-6543
<b>Greater Milw. Maritime Assoc.</b>	256-2802
<b>Holiday Invitational Tournament</b> (G/L bowling event)	
P.O. Box 899, 53201	672-8960
<b>H.O.P.E.</b> (Support for PW AIDS/HIV)	383-1512
<b>Lambda Rights Network</b> (political action, legal defense)	
Box 93252, 53203	871-4839
<b>Lesbian Alliance Metro Milwaukee (LAMB)</b>	
P.O. Box 93323, 53203	264-2600
<b>MLGPC (Pride Week Committee)</b>	
P.O. Box 93852, 53203	32-PRIDE
<b>MGALA</b> (MU Graduates), P.O. Box 92722, 53202	
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P.O. Box 93203, Milwaukee 53203	423-0379
<b>Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable Network</b>	
P.O. Box 204, 53201	265-0880
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315 W. Court, 53212	273-1991
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<b>Queer Nation</b> (Queer Action)	
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<b>Gay/Lesbian Community at UWM</b>	
Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201	229-6555
<b>Sexual Compulsives Anonymous</b>	276-6936

### RELIGIOUS

<b>Dignity</b> (G/L Catholic Church) P.O. Box 597, 53201	444-7177
<b>Lutherans Concerned</b> 1144 N. 44 St., 53208	344-0690
<b>New Hope MCC</b> (G/L Interdenominational Church)	
P.O. Box 93913, 53202	442-7300
<b>Village Church</b> (Reconciled in Christ)	
130 E. Juneau Ave.	273-7617
<b>Cross Lutheran Church</b> (Reconciled in Christ)	
1821 N. 16th St.	344-1746
<b>UCCL/GC</b> (United Church of Christ)	
P.O. Box 07168, 53207	645-2678
<b>MAP Spiritual Care</b>	
P.O. Box 92505, 53202	273-1991
<b>Affirming Light Agape Church</b>	
P.O. Box 23135, 53223	354-3979
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## ACT UP confronts HHS Secty. Sullivan

**Milwaukee** — Four chapters of The AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP) "greeted" US Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis Sullivan in a Saturday, May 18 demonstration and informational picketing session outside the MECCA Auditorium in downtown Milwaukee. Sullivan was in town to receive an honorary degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) and speak to graduates from MCW. Two ACT UP/Milwaukee members were arrested for trespassing and held for an hour and a half.

ACT UP distributed an ACT UP Honorary Degree to Sullivan that said "Sullivan has failed to fulfill his duties as U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services and has been cited with this certificate in testimony of his inefficiencies in action and the contempt in which we hold him for allowing thousands to die from lack of adequate health care and services.

**ACT UP  
MILWAUKEE**

In a release prior to the action, ACT UP/Milwaukee stated: "Louis Sullivan must fight a conservative administration's Office of Management and Budget and the reactionary right's moral agenda for America. As a respected physician who has worked his way up to this office, he is now allowing U.S. medicine to be run by number crunchers and bigots."

ACT UP gathered on the corner of 6th and Kilbourn an hour prior to the start of the ceremonies, in order to capture the attention of the new doctors, their families and friends, as well as Sullivan. Their

presence created mixed reactions.

ACT UP also stated, "Last May, in relation to demands of AIDS activists, he said, 'we have matched their rhetoric with actions.' However, last year he failed to remove HIV from the list of immigration restrictions, causing a world boycott of the Sixth Intl. AIDS Conference; he opposed the passage of the Ryan White CARE Act; and he refused to make the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) change its definition of AIDS to better include the women and minorities affected. This year, as we increase our cries for equal and adequate health care for all, he refers to options that almost all other industrialized nations have taken as 'unproven remedies.'"

Other points raised by ACT UP include the following:

- Insurance companies are afraid of the burden of HIV/AIDS. They will discontinue coverage, claim pre-existing condition exemptions or whatever it takes to avoid paying for treatments, which will put all the burden on Public Health;
- Drug companies are charging outrageous prices for new drugs or not allowing development of hopeful drugs;
- Health care in our large cities is collapsing under the weight of the AIDS pandemic. What will happen when 1,500,000 presently HIV positive, become ill?
- The CDC refuses to expand its definition of AIDS beyond those illnesses that Gay white males develop. The CDC is ignoring HIV-infected women, children and people of color;
- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has been funding studies of white Gay males for ten years. It is time to start including more of the communities affected in more of the studies before it is too late to help them;
- The Social Security Administration chooses to follow the CDC definition of AIDS to determine who is eligible for disability benefits. A man with thrush can get benefits from SSA, but a woman with vaginal candida is not eligible for those same benefits;

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W	Prefer Women Only
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6 Pivot Club (MW, DJ, V) 4815 W. Prospect (Hwy BB) Appleton	730-0440
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## ORGANIZATIONS

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PFLAG Fox Cities Appleton	749-1629
Box 75, Little Chute, 54140 Green Bay	499-7080
Fox Valley AIDS Project 120 N. Morrison, #201, Appleton 54911	
Center Project, Inc. Fox Valley Ext. UW-Oshkosh 10% Society 207 Reeve Union, UW-O, 54901	733-2067
Gay/Lesbian Support Group UW-O Counseling Center	424-2061
Northern Womyn, Inc. (Lesbian Support/Social Group) Box 10102, Green Bay 54307-0102	
Synergy (AIDS Support Network) P.O. Box 2137, Fond du Lac 54935	235-5100
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2 Java's (MW) 720 Bodart (rear)	435-5476
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Angel of Hope (MCC Church) P.O. Box 672, 54305	437-3816
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## MADISON [608]

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3 Shamrock Bar (GS, MW, F, D) 117 W. Main St.	255-5029
2 Wings 3054 (MW, L/L) 3054 E. Washington	244-8870

## MEDICAL

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

## ORGANIZATIONS

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Gay/Lesbian Information Recording (Ask for tape #3333)	263-3100
Gay/Lesbian Resource Center P.O. Box 1722, 53701	
Nothing to Hide (gay cable)	241-2500
Gay Alcoholics Anonymous	257-7575
Badgerland Narcotics Anonymous	257-1747
Frontiers Gay Men's Outreach (Men's Umbrella Organ.) P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8675
G/L Educational Employees c/o MTL, 821 Williamson St., 53707	255-8582
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Madison Wrestling Club P.O. Box 8234, 53708	244-8675
New Harvest Foundation (G/L Foundation) P.O. Box 1786, 53701	
10% Society (student organization) Box 614, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706	262-7365
United (education, counseling, advocacy) 310 E. Wilson, 53715	255-8582
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## RELIGIOUS

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## MILWAUKEE [414]

## ORGANIZATIONS

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Alcoholics Anonymous (reg. gay mtgs)	272-3081
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Bi-Sexual Support Group P.O. Box 14061, West Allis, 53214	271-3067
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## March on Washington '93

By Cliff O'Neill

**Washington** — A group of Gay and Lesbian activists gathered here from 22 states and the District of Columbia over the May 11-12 weekend voted to stage the third National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights in April of 1993. Also agreed upon was an August 3-4 1991 date for a meeting in Chicago to formulate a steering committee and map out an agenda for the event.

At the end of the two-day meeting, a loud cheer went up from the crowd, people rose to their feet and a few even attempted to start a group "wave," knowing that — after 13 hours of seemingly endless discussion — the decision to stage a 1993 march had been made, and by a near-unanimous margin at that.

"There's just something about consensus," quipped Albany Lesbian activist Michelle Crone, who facilitated much of the meeting. "When you wait for the end, you reach consensus by endurance."

And endure they did. For after several collective deep breaths, occasional outbursts, hours of debate over an

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- The never-ending testing of ddI and other promising drugs;
- skyrocketing health care costs, projected to bankrupt Medicare by 2003;
- 37,000,000 Americans did not have health insurance last year, and another 50,000,000 had less than adequate coverage.

ACT UP said "With AIDS as an example, the need for the national leadership on issues of health and human services cannot be ignored. American lacks someone to fight for its needs. Louis Sullivan must be reminded that science, not politics, medicine not discrimination, education not ignorance should govern U.S. policy."

As Secretary of HHS, Sullivan oversees as those government bodies mentioned in this article, plus others. Together HHS compromises approximately 35% of the U.S. government.

equitable voting process and at least one vaginal diagram, the gathering of nearly 100 activists from over two dozen national and local AIDS and Gay and Lesbian rights organizations had settled on a month in which to organize a third Gay and Lesbian rights march.

At the oftentimes lighthearted and occasionally tense meeting at D.C.'s Omni-Shorham Hotel, the activists answered a call from a similar Washington gathering last March to discuss the possibility of another national action to promote Gay and Lesbian civil rights and settled on the April 1993 date after eliminating a string of competing proposals.

In pushing for another march, many conference attendees brushed aside suggestions that, unlike previous marches in 1979 and 1987, there was no overwhelming mandate for a third national event.

Citing the continued existence of anti-Gay violence and discrimination, state sodomy laws and the AIDS epidemic, many argued that activists outside the country's major urban areas are crying for another march. These activists returned from the 1987 march to form an unprecedented number of AIDS and Gay rights groups, march proponents noted. But nearly four years later, these same local activists are still running their groups alone and are facing the possibility of burn-out unless they get another infusion of newly invigorated activists.

Initially, nearly half of those gathered had appeared to back the concept of a D.C. march in the fall of 1992, largely to influence the presidential and senatorial elections. But by the end of the tumultuous weekend, the overwhelming majority was ready to abandon that date in deference to a number of concerns.

Primary among those was the overweening worry that a 1992 march then would alienate Native Americans and people of color who throughout the year — and particularly in the fall — plan on protesting the 500th anniversary of the

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**Green Bay:** It has been an honor to be your Miss Emerald City. Thank you again for your continued support and encouragement. **Katrina Kaye**

**DFW:** Welcome to Miller country! The refrig is stocked. No A-B products this weekend! **MKE**

**Mz** **Burn's:**  
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plucked! **Slut Sister**

**Mrs. Simpson:** Roses are red, drag queen's are blue. The fuse's are gone & UR2. **Mothers Daughter**

**Steve:** You're a good coach. Keep the good work up. Don't forget the bats. Ha-Ha **Your player, Gene S.**

**Keith:** I hope you settle down with one guy before you get something. Someone that cares. **Eugene S.**

**Jim G.:** Please write me, I lost your address and phone number, so that's why I haven't been able to get ahold of you. **Jim**

**Jim J. [Sheboygan]:** Thank you for the wonderful message in this magazine, it just proves that I'm still in your thoughts, sorry I can't say the same for you. **Jimmy K. [Milw.]**

**Bob:** You took something from me that I'll never forgive you for. **Your worst Nightmare**

**Darin:** You're really cute and a super nice guy. **Bob K.**

**Warren [Waukesha]:** When is the cookout going to happen? **Your friend, Bob**

**Jim & Danny:** Loved the postcard you sent, hope you had a fun trip. **Love, Bob**

**Fred, Dean, Doug, Scott, Orlie [Kenosha]:** Believe it or not Green Bay Lakewood & Appleton is coming down June 1, 1991. **Bob, T.J., & Jim**

**Chris:** I finally realized what you're all about. It makes me sick to think about it. **Your ex [Waukesha]**

**To All My Friends** that helped me get through the hard times, thanx. **Love Billy [Waukesha]**

**Homey:** "I promise there will always be a little space no one will see - a tiny part deep in my heart, that stays in love with you." All the crap from the recent past aside, all I really want is your love and friendship. **Love, Babycakes**

**Columbus:** We support our troops - come home soon! **Milwaukee**

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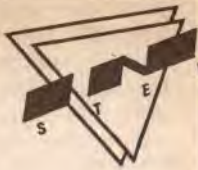


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arrival of Christopher Columbus in the Western Hemisphere and the "50th anniversary of colonialism and imperialism."

"Nineteen ninety-two is about oppression," said black Lesbian activist Sabrina Sojourner in arguing against the date. "It's about 500 years of imperialism. The whole thing about Columbus 'discovering' America is the very root of oppression. Join us in our agenda. Do not force us to compromise our agenda for you."

Also working against the proposed '92 date was the complaint that such an event would not be able to draw much-needed mainstream media attention in the middle of a presidential election campaign which man — although not all — were already willing to concede to President George Bush.

Likewise, postponing the march until 1994 was promptly eliminated because New York City activists are already planning for a national event there on June 26, 1994 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, widely regarded as the birth of the American Gay and Lesbian civil rights movement. The already planned event will coincide with the staging of the fourth Gay Games and the 15th World Conference of the International Lesbian and Gay Association in New York City.

In the last hour of the two-day gathering, the concept of holding the march in April was agreed upon so as to hold the march while Congress is in session and not to upstage New York's June '94 plans.

But by the end of the weekend, the group voted to officially endorse the 1992 Columbus Day protests by Native Americans as well as the 1994 Stonewall 25 Celebration, bringing about pledges of support for a 1993 march by many of those who had opposed it.

Also voted down at the meeting were competing proposals for a national march in a city other than Washington; a centrally coordinated series of marches on the capitals of the 50 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia; and another

option calling for a handful of regional actions across the nation.

Seeking to curry the backing of the activists backing those plans, the larger gathering of activists informally voted to endorse any and all state and regional actions prior to the 1993 march which would seek to forward the cause of Lesbian and Gay rights, including a spring 1992 Washington march for national health care and a proposed 1992 return of the complete Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt to Washington.

### UW-Madison opens housing

Madison — On May 2, University of Wisconsin officials announced their decision to open campus family housing to Gay and Lesbian couples. Student couples who apply must be registered as domestic partners by the City of Madison.

"I think that this is the only decision which the university could have made on this decision," said Beverly Jenkins, Minority Affairs Director of the United Council of UW Student Governments. She continued, "I've been lobbying various officials on this issue for over a year, and I always stressed that it had nothing to do with one's sentiment towards the legitimacy of a Gay or Lesbian couple, it's clearly an issue of whether or not the University will live up to its own policy of non-discrimination."

Norm Sunstad, University Housing Director, said that he did not expect many such couples to apply immediately for housing, because relatively few couples have registered as domestic partners with the city of Madison. "I expect this to change, now that the university has shown that they support alternative families," said Jenkins.

Madison is currently the only school in the UW system to have such a policy. UW-Superior is the only other campus operating non-traditional student residence facilities. A university brochure explicitly states that housing is open to "single parent families, traditional families, and married students."



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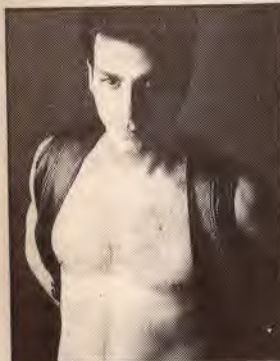
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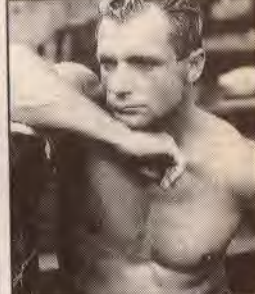
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The price of the dinner and dance is \$25, the dance is \$10; proceeds benefit ACT UP MILWAUKEE. It will be held Monday, May 27, at Cafe Melange, 720 N. Old World 3rd St.

For more information or reservations call 769-8708 (ACT UP) or 291-9889 (Cafe Melange). Please specify if your reservation is for dinner and dance or just dance. Make checks payable to ACT-UP Milwaukee, P.O. Box 1707, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1707.

## Biking benefit for MLGPC

Milwaukee GAMMA will sponsor an Eastside bicycle ride to benefit the Milwaukee Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee at noon on Sunday, June 2. Participants will meet at corner of Farwell and Bradford for either a 15 mile or 30 mile ride. Set your own pace for all skill levels are encouraged to join.

A Q-Sheet and refreshments will be provided by GAMMA. A donation of \$5 is requested, all proceeds will go to the Pride Committee. If you have questions concerning the weather, call GAMMA at 963-9833.

## Student retreat slated

The United Council of UW Student Governments and United States Student Association which is based in Washington, D.C. are co-sponsoring a retreat to be held on the campus of UW-Milwaukee on August 9 & 10. Goals of the retreat are to build an umbrella group for all of the Gay and Lesbian Student organizations on campuses throughout Wisconsin.

The retreat will focus on empowerment of students through various workshops focusing on issues such as coming out to room mates, confronting homophobia in the classroom, and National Day of action against discrimination in R.O.T.C. All students who are Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or allies are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

For information and registration materials contact: Beverly Jenkins, (608)263-3422.

## Miss Gay WI-USA at-large

King Productions is proud to announce that the 2nd Annual Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA At-Large Pageant will be held at The Pivot Club on Sunday, June 23.

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## Spiritual retreat for PWA/HIV's

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"As often happens with any serious illness, a person with HIV or AIDS may reach out to other people," said Ken Scott, a member of the Madison Interfaith Committee on AIDs/HIV Ministries. "Relationships become very important, but the reality of the disease can seriously affect how a person interacts with friends, family and community."

"Relationships" is the theme of a three-day ecumenical retreat June 28-30 where participants will be able to explore their own spirituality as it relates to relationships.

People affected by HIV or AIDS, regardless of their religious or spiritual traditions, are encouraged to attend. Caretakers, close family members and friends are also welcome.



Miss USA At-Large 1990, Denise Russel.

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## Intl. Mr. Leather in Chicago

The annual International Mr. Leather contest will be held in Chicago over Memorial Day Weekend. For those of you who haven't yet gotten weekend packages, the actual contest and show is sold out. However, the cocktail reception is not, and tickets are \$10 at the door. The Leather Market/Leather Cafe in the host hotel, Executive House (located on the River), is open to all at no charge. Tickets are also still available for the wrap-up Black and Blue Ball, \$10 at the door. The many related bar events are also open to the public. Any other questions, contact organizers during package pick-up times listed below. A list of daily official IML events follows:

• **Thursday, May 23** — IML Weekend package pick-up from 4-10, Executive House Hotel, Chagall Room, 7th floor.

Roscoe's — Leather Dating Game, featuring contestants from this year's contest, starts 10pm, a benefit for the Dan DiLeo PWA Fund.

• **Friday, May 24** — Leather Market/Cafe from Noon-10pm, Executive House Hotel, Penthouse Ballroom, 39th floor.

IML Weekend Package Pick-up, 2-10pm, Executive House Hotel, Chagall Room, 7th floor.

AA Meat Market — Chicago Clubs welcome party, bondage buffet 3-8pm, Chicago Brigade Club Night 8-11pm.

Manhole — Intl. Ms. Leather reception, special guest Kay Hallanger, IMsL '91, exhibition of leather fantasy gear, 10pm.

Loading Dock — IML Welcoming party featuring Colt coverman, Mike Timber and his Menergy revue, doors open 9pm.

• **Saturday, May 25** — Leather Market/Cafe, noon to 6pm, Executive House Hotel penthouse ballroom, 39th floor.

National Leather Assn. Reception — 1-3pm, Hotel Miro Room, 7th floor, meet Mr. and Ms. NLA (cash bar).

IML Weekend Package Pick-up — Host hotel Chagall Room, 7th floor, 2-10pm.

Bulldog Road — Male Entertainment Network video lunch, special interest and past IML contest videos, BBQ lunch

noon-3pm.

Manhole — Leather workshop with Kay Hallanger IMLs '91 in conjunction with Lesbians in Leather, begins 4pm.

IML Contestant Cocktail Reception — 7-10pm, Top of the Plaza, 40th floor, Doral Plaza Hotel, introduction of contestants and drawing for position at 8:30pm.

Touche — Salute to Mr. Drummer magazine, special guest, Ron Brewer Mr. N/A Drummer '90-91, Drummer prizes, midnight to 5am.

• **Sunday, May 26** — Leather Market/Cafe, noon to 4pm, hotel penthouse ballroom, 39th floor.

Buddies — Leather and Friends Brunch Buffet, 10am to 3pm.

Bulldog Road — Women in Leather lunch, BBQ lunch, entertainment by Shan Carr IMsL '88, noon-3pm.

Sidetracks — Intl. Leather Video Picture Show, a unique presentation by Chicago's premiere video bar and a classic assortment of Chicago sausages from 1-4pm.

Berlin — Pre-contest cocktail party 5-8pm.

Ann Sather Restaurant — Pre-contest leather smorgasbord, 5:30-7:30pm, all you can eat \$10.

Intl. Mr. Leather Contest and Show — Vic Theatre, Doors open 7pm, contest begins 8pm.

Carol's — Post Contest winners celebration until 4am.

• **Monday, May 27** — Leather Market/Cafe, noon to 6pm, host hotel Penthouse Ballroom, 39th floor.

Buddies — Leather and Friends buffet brunch, 10am-3pm.

Manhole — Meet The Hun, sale of posters and prints and original artwork 4-7pm.

IML Black and Blue Ball — At Bistro Too, a high energy leather night featuring guest artist Paul Parker, doors open at 9pm.

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Taking place on 650 acres of country land, this event offers 300 workshops, a women's crafts fair with 125 artisan booths, sports, dances, nature walks, and more than 40 performances held on three stages featuring women musicians playing all styles of music, as well as

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## Lavender Hill August 18

**Milwaukee** — The Lavender Hill Planning Committee (LHPC) is proud to announce the 8th Annual Lavender Hill. This year the theme is Lavender Mardi Gras, and will be held on Sunday, August 18, at The Renaissance Place. LHPC seeks to celebrate life and raise over \$20,000 for the Milwaukee AIDS Project! The continued support of Lavender Hill has raised thousands of dollars for the Milwaukee AIDS Project since its inception.

In a release LHPC said "It is with a sense of nostalgic sadness and optimistic excitement that Lavender Hill is moving to a new location. Prior to this year Steven Steinhauer's back yard has been the 'intimate' setting for this event. Unfortunately the event has outgrown its original boundaries. The number of guests able to attend had reached its limit; the fundraising capacity had also reached its limit. Lavender Hill has grown into its own 'entity.' It needs to be nurtured and encouraged to grow, realizing its full fundraising capacity. Lavender Hill, due to increased attendance, popularity and support, will be held this year at The Renaissance Place."

Renaissance Place, located at 1451 North Prospect Avenue, Milwaukee, is a beautifully restored historic building on Milwaukee's East Side. This magnificent hall includes free parking, air conditioning, a dance floor and is handicap accessible. Within this elegant space there is ample room, on three levels, for over 600 guests to mingle, dance and share in this premier fundraising event!

As in the past, guests are encouraged to attend the event in costume. Past themes have proven to be the catalyst for a variety of elaborate and distinguished costumes. Those attending 'Lavender Wizard of Oz' (1988) included Glinda, the Wicked Witch of the North, the Tin Woodsman, the Governor of Munchkinville, and several other characters from the movie. 'A Roman Holiday' (1989) was attended by a variety

of Roman statesmen and gladiators. Cowboy's, Cowgirl's and several Indian's visited the corral at 'Lavender Wild, Wild West' (1990).

The suggested donation of \$30 per person includes catered hors d'oeuvres, beer, soda and entertainment. There will also be a cash bar. Limited edition 'Lavender Mardi Gras' T-Shirt's, each signed by the five participating artists, will be sold for only \$10 each. Also available this year will be a screened, limited edition poster. Signed posters are \$25; unsigned posters \$15. These items will be available on a "first come, first serve" basis.

All funds raised at Lavender Hill go to support the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP). MAP coordinates the activities of government and private agencies providing direct services to people living with AIDS and HIV infection in the Milwaukee area. The Milwaukee AIDS Project provides a variety of Education, Training and Life Care Services including:

- The Milwaukee House — A home fully owned by the Milwaukee AIDS Project for people living with AIDS;
- Support Groups for — Those living with AIDS and HIV infection; and Women, Families, Friends & Spouses;
- A Medical Advisory Committee;
- Professional Education & Training;
- Prevention Education;
- A Statewide Resource Center;
- Financial Assistance;
- Street Outreach;
- Legal Services; and
- A Food Pantry.

If you would like to receive an invitation to Lavender Mardi Gras, or ordering information for T-Shirts and posters, please contact: Steve Steinhauer, Host, c/o MAP, P.O. Box 92505, Milwaukee, WI 53202; or call 265-6188. You may wish to send your donation and reserve your place now. LHPC said "The community's support and enthusiasm will continue to make Lavender Hill a success!"

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## GMYC becomes GMMA

A new social organization was formed in April of 1990 known as the Greater Milwaukee Yacht Club (GMYC), exclusively involved in activities with a maritime theme. As of May of '91, the group changed its name to the Greater Milwaukee Maritime Association (GMMA). GMMA plans on offering more functions that involve summer time fun, meeting new people, and arts and entertainment related events.

GMMA is based on the ideas, creativeness and goals of its members. Founder Brian A. Giovanni said, "In a

sense, GMMA can be a club within a club. GMMA can be all that you want it to be. I hope people realize the many alternative ways a club can benefit members in not only networking within the community in a business or social aspect but to create meaningful friendships to last a lifetime."

For more information and a membership application, please send a S.A.S.E. to: Fort'e Service Group, c/o Brian A. Giovanni-GMMA, 819 S. 5th St., Milwaukee, WI 53204.

[Editor's Note: So there is no confusion, there is already a well-established social/sports group in Milwaukee called GAMMA (one additional 'A'). They also offer biking, volleyball and group events.]

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## Women vets network formed

Throughout the history of our nation, women have served in our Armed Forces. In the early years, women primarily followed units of male soldiers, acting as cooks, laundresses, nurses and helpers for the soldiers. Occasionally, women dressed as men to take part in the action of combat.

During World War I, a unit of Women Marines was formed to assist with clerical work in Defense offices; when the war ended, the women were immediately discharged. During World War II women were accepted for service by all branches of the Armed Forces and for the first time, women served in a wide variety of job fields in the military. By the end of World War II women were accepted for service by all branches of the Armed Forces and for the first time, women served in a wide variety of job fields in the military. By the end of World War II, the women's contributions and proven ability to work well under adverse conditions led to the continuation of women's branches of each service.

To date, approximately 1.2 million American women have served in our Armed Forces. For as many reasons as there are individuals, these women have donned military uniforms and survived the rigors of training designed to mold individual personalities into soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines, each a part of a much larger team with the common goal of providing defense for our nation. While immersed in the military sub-culture women have served proudly and with distinction in peace time and in times of conflict.

No matter what era, branch of service, or the length of time spent in the service, every woman who has served in the military has been changed by the experience. When women veterans re-enter the main stream they are thrust from a highly structured environment into a world of endless possibilities and options.

As women veterans, we are aware of a lack of resources specifically designed for women veterans. To help fill the void, we

have created the Pallas Athena Network, named after the Greek Goddess of Wisdom, Craft and War whose likeness served as the branch insignia for the Women's Army Corps.

Through our publication, **Pallas Athena**, we plan to provide an open, supportive network environment through which women veterans can discuss issues and thoughts with other women who share the common experience of military service. We will provide articles of interest to women veterans and resource information as well as fiction and creative works by women veterans. We are currently seeking comments and suggestions for our first issue to be published no later than May 30, 1991.

We encourage ALL women veterans to participate, regardless of race, creed, religion or sexual orientation. A special, discreet supplement will be published for Lesbian veterans. For further information, contact: The Pallas Athena Network, P.O. Box 1171, New Market, VA 22844.

## Group seeks Gays on Star Trek

**Boston, MA** — The Gaylactic Network, an international organization for Gay science fiction fans and their friends, has announced the start of a letter-writing campaign to have openly Gay characters appear in **Star Trek: The Next Generation**.

One of the most important aspects of these series has been a vision of the future in which humanity has put aside its differences to work and live in peace together. Star Trek has shown male and female characters, both young and old, of a variety of races and ethnic backgrounds and representing many minorities. It has also presented non-human characters such as the pointed-eared Vulcans and blue-skinned Andorians.

However, in twenty-five years, Star Trek has never shown an openly Gay male or Lesbian character.

The Gaylactic Network and its local "Gaylaxian" chapters believes the

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**Iowa GWM, Top, Hairy.** Will be in Milwaukee June 14-17. 40, 5'11"; 175 lbs; seeks hairy men 35-55. Write with photo/phone: SJB; P.O. Box 8202; Des Moines, Iowa 50301.

**What A Catch!** Masculine, good-looking, GWM, 5'10", 158 lbs, smooth, swimmers build, 40+ and very youthful, professional, adventurous, highly romantic and sensual. If you are similar, 33-48, and looking for warm friendship and a long-term relationship, contact me soon with honest letter and revealing photo. Let's build a future together. P.O. Box 8022, Oshkosh, WI 54901-8022.

**Looking For Fun?** 25 years old, white, 5'10", blond/blue, 168 lbs, enjoys sports, music and travel. Looking for young white guys under 21 for friendship and fun. Steve, P.O. Box 763, Island Lake, IL 60042. Your photo & phone get mine.

**Want To See Guns & Roses or Poison?** I have an extra ticket for both concerts. Me; 5'10", blond/blue, 25 yrs old. You; under 23, tall, thin, smooth. Your phone and picture gets mine. Boxholder, 3 Golf Center, #342, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195.

**BM seeks athletic friends.** Interests are golf, tennis, fishing, conversation, music and art. Relocating to Wisconsin. Send letter and photo: D.C. Blake, 1242 Monroe St. N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017.

**GWM 32, Brown hair/eyes, 5' 11" 170 lbs** seeks 22-34, no drugs, fats, or heavy drinkers. Looking for a permanent relationship. Please call (414) 225-0491. Uncut a plus.

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**I'm 32/173 Polish Man** looking for male — 18-35 years old — contacts worldwide, for correspondence/friendship and meeting. Please write with photo. Please write in English, Polish or French. Mr. Slawek Gorkowski, Box 81, 90001 LODZ 1 Poland.

**GWM 33 seeking friendship** with professional men 30-40. I'm 6'1" black hair/brown eyes. I enjoy talking, writing, music and some sports. Must be honest and sincere. Send response with photo to: Box Holder, P.O. Box 141 Jefferson, WI 53549.

**GWM 41, 5' 11", 175, non-smoker.** Would like to meet GWM 35 or younger who has his head on straight, but enjoys having a good time! Call Bill (414) 438-0478.

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## NOTICES

**UWM Graduate Student** is seeking Black individuals who have HIV infection, ARC, AIDS, for a study. Cash award is available. Contact P.O. Box 12160, Milwaukee, WI 53212 or 963-4842.

## PEOPLE

**GWM 24, 5'10"**, 150 lbs. Br. Hair, bl. eyes, mustache, thin build, good-looking, straight acting. Looking for an attractive, masculine (straight acting) man 21-40 for relationship/friendship, preferably from central WI area. Mustache a plus. I like swimming, biking, outdoors/wildlife, long walks, movies, monogamous sex. I'm an affectionate, trustworthy, 'nice guy,' but I'm hopelessly rebellious. No heavy drinkers/druggies, heavy set or feminine men. Send letter w/photo to Boxholder: P.O. Box 1231, WI Rapids, WI 54495-1231.

**Middle Aged**, over weight ugly duckling would like overnight companion on weekends at my house. Write: George, 6209 25 Ave., Kenosha, WI 53143.

**Seeking GWM stocky** or husky bear, professional, top man who likes to be in control Me: GBM 25, 160 lbs, bottom looking for you. Sex or relationship possible. Send photo to P.O. Box 23078, Milwaukee, WI 53223.

**Karl, 44, 150 lbs w/beard** from No. Suburban Il., Yeah glad you answered, no you're not too late. Fishing trip & Bears game is alright with me. But you didn't give an address or phone. Box 2252, Chicago 60690.

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**Tired of flakes & bars? GWM, 49, 5'8"**, 165 lbs, stable. Good-looking, horny, caring. Wants to meet young man under 43, good-looking & clean. P.O. 83173, Milwaukee 53223. All replies answered.

**GWM, 21 Is Looking** for young men for companionship with possible relationship. Bi/GWM 18-25 to spend quiet evenings and have fun times with reply to Greg, 2428 Springdale Road #201, Waukesha, WI 53186. Reply assured.

**GWM Artist - 31, 5'10"**, 140 lbs, good-looking, affectionate, talented lover of nature, jazz, quiet cuddling. Seeking one attractive male of integrity, warmth and spirit. Essays (photo welcome) to: Boxholder. P.O. Box 546. Oconomowoc 53066.

**GWM, HIV Positive, 41**, wishes to meet top men only. Sex or relationship OK. Reply with photo to P.O. Box 1830, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

**GWM, 5'11" 165 lbs, 40 years**, non-smoker would like to spend time with GWM 18-25 on weekends. Enjoy sports, movies and travel to Chicago and St. Paul. Reply to Boxholder, Box 945, Waukesha, WI 53187.

**Bi/WM - Seeks slim, smooth Black, Hispanic or Oriental TV in Milw. area** to be my lover. I'm 41, 180 lbs and very affectionate. Will answer all. Photo and phone number appreciated. 501 W. Mitchell, Box 414, Milw., WI 53204.

**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.

**Sexually Compulsive?** The only requirement for membership in Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA) is a desire to stop having compulsive sex. For SCA meeting info. call 276-6936.

**Steer 'rastl'n turn you on?** The Tiger turned his stripes to horns - try to grab the protruding one! GWM, 160 lbs seek GM opponent, 140-170 lbs. Rough house match. Write John at 2409 N. Maryland, Unit 427; Milwaukee, WI 53211. Reply promised.

continued absence of Gay characters in Star Trek: The Next Generation reflects a failure of its theme of acceptance and respect of others. After five years of requests without results, these Gay science fiction fans have concluded the only way Gay characters will be included is by a demonstration of support through letters written by fans to Gene Roddenberry, the series' creator and Executive Producer, and to Brandon Tartikoff, Chairman of the Board of Paramount Pictures, the studio which produces Star Trek.

Those who want to write letters in support for the appearance of openly Gay characters in Star Trek: The Next Generation should send them to: Gene Roddenberry, 5555 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90038 USA, and to Brandon Tartikoff at the same address.

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St. Benedict Center, the Wisconsin Conference of Churches AIDS Task Force, Integrity/Dignity of Madison, the American Red Cross, the Madison AIDS Support Network and Damien Ministries are working together as the Madison Interfaith Committee on AIDS/HIV Ministries in planning this retreat.

The retreat will cost \$150 per person, but sponsorships will permit HIV-positive retreatants to attend without charge. Checks to register for the retreat or sponsor someone who has the HIV

infection should be made out to 'St. Benedict Center/AIDS Retreat.' For more information, please write to the Madison Interfaith Committee on AIDS/HIV Ministries, Box 741, Madison, 53701, or call Ray Gau at Dale Heights Presbyterian Church, (608) 233-0134, Marge Sutinen at the Red Cross (608) 233-9300 or George Hinger at the St. Benedict Center (608) 836-1631.



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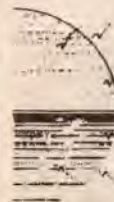
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Bil, a native of Milwaukee's East Side, had worked at the Wreck Room for many years before moving west a block to the M&M club and daytime shifts in 1982. He is survived by his father, brothers, nieces and nephews, as well as a large family of close friends.

The body was cremated. Memorial Services will be held Thursday, May 23 at Lohman Funeral Home (804 W. Greenfield). The Wednesday, May 22 issues of the Milwaukee Sentinel and Journal will carry the time and more details. After the service, friends are encouraged to gather at the M&M Club to party in his honor, just as Bil wanted it. ▽



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## Letters

To the Editor:

On March 13, 1991, someone in our family was hurt. Paul 'Cricket' Jacob was stabbed outside Napalese Lounge, a Gay bar in Green Bay. Jacob, the manager of Napalese, said he believes he was attacked because he is Gay.

This is the second time in recent months that a Gay person in Northeastern Wisconsin has had the courage to say that his sexual orientation was the reason he was victimized.

The stabbing of Jacob and the beating of Brian Rochon, a Fox Valley man, are disturbing evidence of the increasing violence against homosexuals nationwide. Violence against Gay and Lesbian people in the United States has increased 42% in the last year, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

As a Lesbian organization based in Green Bay, Northern Womyn, Inc. feels it is time to speak out. We believe violence against anyone is unacceptable. But we also believe, as does the State of Wisconsin, that violence is particularly outrageous when perpetrated against

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To The Editor:

I recently had the pleasure of spending 4 days and 3 nights in Milwaukee, April 24-27 and would like to take a moment to thank the staff and management of Cest La Vie for their hospitality.

During the course of my stay I did enjoy some good times with a few locals, but John, Rodney, Craig, James, Pony & Dustin were always there with something nice to say or do and a cold beer when I needed one. Hats off to them.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff of Walker's Point for a memorable time. Over the years I have lived in several major metropolitan areas & visited many others, but very rare it is to find such caring & hospitable people.

I thoroughly enjoyed my vacation this year & will recommend your fair city to my friends here and all over the U.S.

Those of you with my address, please drop me a line, I'd love to hear from you all!

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- Sun., June 2 - GAMMA Biking Benefit. Call 963-9833 for more information.
- Sat., June 22 - Edelweiss Cruise. 10:30 pm. \$20 person/\$35 couple.

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# The Arts

## Chorus' spring pride concert

The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Limited will help kick off Milwaukee's Lesbian and Gay Pride Week with their spring concert entitled, "Together Wherever We Go!" An appropriate title to coincide with this year's national theme for Pride Week, "Together In Pride."

The music for "together Wherever We Go!" will consist of prideful tunes to inspire you and showtunes relevant to our community. The Cream City Chorus takes great pleasure in sharing the stage that evening with their special guests, The Minnesota Freedom Band.

The concert will be held at Centennial Hall (733 N. 8th St.). Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door, with special group rates available. The concert will be interpreted for the hearing impaired and the theater is wheelchair accessible.

For more information please call (414) 344-WCCC. So if you're looking for some inspiration or just a whole lotta fun come join us Saturday, June 15th at 8pm (after the Pride Parade and Rally) when The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Limited will give new meaning to the words "Together Wherever we Go!"

## ART & AIDS auction preview

**Milwaukee** — As the Milwaukee AIDS Project's first Art for AIDS benefit and brunch approaches, auction goers will have the opportunity to preview selected works of art at Professional Marketing Services, 2071 N. Summit Ave. from May 28 through June 1, 8:00am until 5:00pm daily. A catalogue detailing all art work for auction will be available.

"The quality of art is exceptional and enthusiasm for the auction has been

outstanding," comments Doug Nelson, executive director of the Milwaukee AIDS Project. The Art for AIDS auction will take place at 10:30am, Sunday, June 2 at the Italian Community Center, 631 E. Chicago St.

The event begins with a viewing of the more than 90 works of art which will be available for bid in both a silent and voice auction. A buffet brunch will be served coupled with live entertainment by pianist John Clausen, as well as other local artists and musicians.

Tickets for the buffet brunch and auction are \$20 per person. Please R.S.V.P. by calling the Milwaukee AIDS Project, (414)273-1991 by Saturday, May 25.

## Oak Park cultural fest

**Oak Park, IL** — A star-studded concert featuring Cris Williamson, Tret Fure, the Windy City Slickers, and hosted by John Clark, Secretary General of the International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA), will be presented on Sunday, June 23rd at the Oak Park Arts Center 200 N. Oak Park Ave. Oak Park, IL. Tickets (\$15 in advance, \$17 at the door) are now available. The concert will celebrate ILGA's efforts over the past 7 years in achieving Gay and Lesbian rights at the international level.

The concert is the featured event of the 1st Annual Oak Park Cultural Arts Festival sponsored by the Oak Park

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people simply because they are minorities.

Our statement today is based on a deep sense of caring, commitment, and respect for the Gay community. We strive for the day when Gays, Lesbians and all minorities will be treated with the same sense of caring, commitment, and respect we feel for each other.

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Lesbian and Gay Association (OPLGA) and the Left Bank Culture Club. In keeping with the festival's theme, "Building Bridges to Understanding," the concert is intended to highlight the extraordinary work of ILGA, which was founded by 12 groups in England in 1978, and now has over 200 members in 40 countries.

Advance purchase of tickets is encouraged because the Festival organizers anticipate a sellout. Tickets may be purchased by sending a check (payable to the Oak Park Cultural Arts Festival) to Oak Park Cultural Arts Festival at 104 S. Oak Park Ave. Oak Park, IL 60302.

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Performers (jugglers, poets, musicians, storytellers, mimes, dramatists, etc.) and Artists (painters, sculptors, photographers, craftspeople, etc.) are invited to sell and share their talents in the cultural Arts Festival.

The Festival's theme, "Building Bridges to Understanding," is intended to increase Lesbian and Gay visibility and interaction within society as a whole. performances and artwork will appeal to all age levels, from toddlers to senior citizens.

The Festival is open to all who endorse its theme and goals. Advance registration is required. Prime space will be allocated according to receipt of a registration form and fee. The registration structure is as follows. Performers: Registration form required, no registration fee. Artists: Registration form required, \$35 application fee.

Registration forms may be received by calling or writing the Oak Park Cultural Arts Festival at (708)216-9723.

**Next at Theatre X**

**Milwaukee** — Theatre X's final offering for the 1990-91 season is **The Strength And Indifference Of The Snow: The Writings Of George F. Kennan.** Part of the "Made In Milwaukee" series, this new work by Theatre X opens May 26 and runs through June 23. (There are special

preview performances May 23, 24 and 25.)

George F. Kennan, diplomat, scholar, historian, statesman and one of Milwaukee's most illustrious native sons, is the subject of our final production of the season. Theatre X's newest original play is based, in part, on Mr. Kennan's current best seller, "Sketches from a Life." **The Strength And Indifference Of The Snow** is a glimpse into an extraordinary mind and an astute observer. Mr. Kennan's story recalls, with wisdom and compassion, seven decades of history from the man who helped shape it.

The play incorporates theatrical techniques rarely seen in Milwaukee. The entire cast plays George Kennan during various parts of his life. The style varies from formal, direct address, to mysterious, fugue-like presentation of passages to re-enactment of episodes of his life.

The show opens Sunday, May 26 at 7:30pm and runs Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7:30pm, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00pm and Sundays at 2:00 and 7:30pm through June 23 at Theatre X, 158 N. Broadway, in the Historic Third Ward. (The previews on May 23, 24 and 25 begin at 8:00pm) For Tickets call Theatre X at 278-0555.

**REP roaring affair**

The Milwaukee Repertory Theater's 2nd annual 'Rep Roaring Affair' will feature former MRT acting company members Charles Kimbrough and Marie Mathay in a staged reading of Mark Twain's **The Diary Of Adam And Eve.**

Kimbrough, who currently co-stars in the television series 'Murphy Brown,' acted with the Milwaukee Rep for seven seasons, from 1966-67 to 1972-73, where he appeared in over two dozen plays.

Mathay, who was a member of the MRT's acting company for five seasons, from 1984-85 to 1988-89, will be joined by familiar faces from recent Rep shows when Catherine Lynn Davis, Ric Oquita, Barbara Roberts and Gregory Steres take the stage for musical interludes.

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Illinois' vaguely worded HIV-transmission law may be technically applicable to an offer to perform oral sex. But the woman's attorneys say they will challenge Haine's unscientific use of the law if he moves ahead with a criminal-transmission case based on the alleged oral-sex offer.

Meanwhile, observers of the case are troubled by IDPH's release of confidential information on the woman's alleged HIV status and lifestyle.

The woman's HIV test results, records on IDPH counseling sessions with her, and other documents were turned over when Haine, acting on behalf of IDPH in

Springfield, subpoenaed them from the IDPH-funded anonymous-HIV-testing site in Madison County.

"I want to know if IDPH can disclose that someone is HIV-positive and, if so, were the correct procedures followed in this case," said John Hammell, director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois' AIDS Project. "It's stupid to subpoena something from yourself. It indicates they were concerned about whether disclosure of the test results would be lawful."

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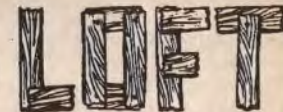


[Center, clockwise] Emcee Ginger Grant; the five contestants in the Miss Continental Wisconsin contest; hostess Ginger Spice; top three Miss Cont. WI 91-91 Dominique Mahon, 1st runner up B.J. Daniels, 2nd r.u. Natasha Edwards; and Miss Continental USA 90 Chanel Dupree.

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Za's held their Mr./Miss/Ms. Emerald City contest recently.

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The *Diary Of Adam And Eve*, which chronicles the relationship between Adam and Eve while in the Garden of Eden, will be presented on June 1, at 8:30pm in the Milwaukee Rep's Powerhouse Theater. For \$150, theatergoers will receive valet parking, cocktails beginning at 5:30pm, with dinner at 6:30pm, followed by the performance and a champagne reception and dancing. For \$75, theatergoers receive the performance and a champagne reception and dancing following the play. A silent auction will also be held where attendees may bid on such prizes as six pairs of roundtrip airline tickets to anywhere in the world that American Airlines flies, dinner/theater packages and a cellular phone.

For more information or tickets to the Milwaukee Repertory Theater's 2nd annual 'Rep Roaring Affair' call the MRT Box Office at (414)224-9490.

### Theatre tour

A tour for Wisconsin theatre goers is being put together by the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre. It will include visits to the world famous Shakespeare Festival at Stratford Ontario and the Shaw Festival at Niagara on the Lake, Ontario. The Tour will be from August 7 to 11, 1991. The host for the tour will be Montgomery Davis, Chamber Theatre's Artistic Director.

The cost of the tour, including airfare and a \$100.00 donation to the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre is \$1099, per person, double occupancy, and \$1314 single occupancy. Some meals are included as is baggage handling, insurance, taxes and gratuities. Travel arrangements are by Travel America.

A \$200 per person deposit made payable to Milwaukee Chamber Theatre is required to make reservations. Final payment is due by June 20. For more information telephone the Chamber Theatre at (414) 276-8842 or Travel America at 258- 4886.

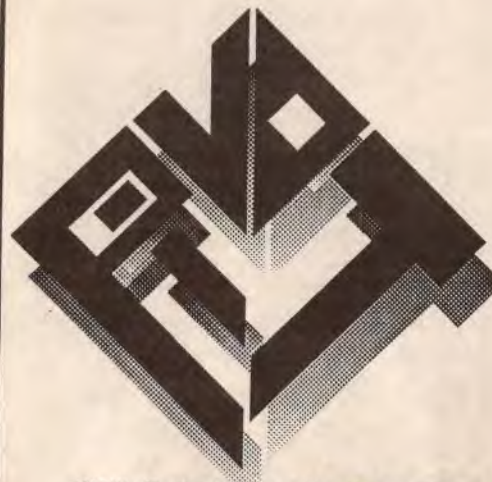


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have any energy to waste in attacking each other."

Petrelis is most well-known for outing eight congressmen on the steps of the Capitol last May; for publishing a newsletter, Piss and Vinegar, that is critical of ACT UP/New York; and for his groundbreaking work with the embassies of countries that violently oppress homosexuals.

### PWA urged to institutionalize self

By Rex Wockner

Despite international media reports to the contrary, a Southern Illinois alleged prostitute and intravenous drug user charged with attempted felony transmission of HIV has not exactly been quarantined.

The 21 year old woman voluntarily entered a drug-treatment facility in exchange for a promise from the state's attorney and the Illinois Department of Public Health that if she did so, they would not press forward with the HIV-transmission charge and a legal attempt to isolate her.

If she leaves the drug-treatment center prematurely, both legal actions will likely resume.

The woman was charged with attempting to transmit HIV when she allegedly offered to fellate an undercover policeman for \$25.

Although it is all-but-impossible to transmit HIV to someone by performing fellatio on him, Madison County State's

Attorney William Haine said authorities filed the charge and sought an isolation order because they knew she was also engaging in unprotected sexual intercourse, shooting drugs without sterilizing shared needles, and repeatedly threatening to infect others with HIV.

"She cut herself and threw the blood on a male friend and a female friend and a child," Haine said, when pressed for details. "She's resentful and angry. I can understand how she feels, but I cannot allow it to go on."

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# Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

## Welcome Classic Players & fans!

A great big WELCOME goes out to all the out of town softball players here for **The Milwaukee Classic Softball Tournament!** The Classic is the 'grand-daddy' of Gay softball invitational tournaments, and even though every year it seems a new city hosts a Gay/Lesbian softball tourney over Memorial Day Weekend, the Classic still reigns supreme. Guess you can't mess with an event that has such strong support — both from the local Gay/Lesbian community and from the teams from across the country and Canada that make The Classic a part of their Summer kick-off.

The temperatures here were in the 80's from May 10 on through my deadline (May 16), so we can only pray to the Earth Mother that the weather is just as cooperative for the Classic (everyone chant 80's, 80's, 80's!). Games will be played at the Saturday Softball Beer League's (SSBL) home turf at Mitchell Park (behind The Domes) and at the fields at 20th and Oklahoma on Saturday and Sunday, May 25 & 26. All 18 teams competing will play at least 3 games, with the top teams in the Sunday play-offs at Mitchell.

You can read more about it in Jock Shorts, this issue, but do yourself a favor and go out to the parks and cheer on the players. The Classic committee will have food and drink stands set up so all you have to do is get your body out there and enjoy the camaraderie.

As usual, let's take a glance back on events from last issue through deadline...

The **Pivot Club** hosted a 'Turnabout' show on May 3 with the staff putting on the show and the regular entertainers behind the bar. Always confusing — but always fun for both groups, and for the patrons, even if they have to wait a little longer for their cocktails!

Jo'Dee's Intl. hosted King Productions Miss Gay Racine, WI-USA preliminary on May 4. Seven contestants vied for the title which will allow them to enter King's Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA pageant. Winner was Raven Cole, with Kylie West 1st runner up. Congrats to them and best luck in future contests to the other five.

Za's held their 2nd annual Mr./Miss/Ms. Emerald City Contest on May 5 to wrap up their annual Emerald City extravaganza which started off with the Emerald City Ball in April. Winners were Ms. — Kate; Miss — C.C. Rae; and Mr. — Gregory. Three women vied for the title of Ms; four 'girls' for Miss; and three men for Mr. A nice field of entrants.

Ginger Spice presented her annual Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin pageant at **Club 219 Plus** on May 6 featuring special entertainment by Chicago Baton's Mimi Marks, Maya Douglas (Miss Cont. USA '85), Chanel Dupree (Miss Cont. USA '90), and Ginger Grant. Five beauties competed for the title with Dominique Mahon capturing the crown, B.J. Daniels taking 1st runner up and Chicagooan Natasha Thomas named 2nd runner up.

The packed house really enjoyed the talent and fast pace of the evening, and showered hostess Ginger Spice with appreciative tips during her number. Miss Grant is always too much, and Chanel was regally stunning. Great entertainment for your money.

The Male Order Revue male dance troupe traveled their way across the state with shows at **Jo'Dee's, Club 219 Plus, Pivot Club** and **The Napalese**. The dancers, which are based out of Columbus, Ohio, tour the USA. They added former Mr. Gay Wisconsin (and Advocate MEN center-spread) J.J. Newmann to the crew for this tour. He was received very well at his Wisconsin homecoming.

Central Coast Jazz with Andrew Marks performed at **M&M Club** on May 11, presenting something a little different in



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## HRCF confab disrupted

By Rex Wockner

ACT UP member Michael Petrelis zapped the Human Rights Campaign Fund Leadership Conference May 5 in Rosslyn, VA, charging that suit and tie activists in Washington do not communicate with direct-action activists.

The conference brought together HRCF's board of directors, biggest donors and major volunteers — about 150 people — for a long weekend of meetings and congressional lobbying.

Quoting from the Toronto 'queer' 'fanzine' Bimbox, Petrelis called the conferees "misogynist capitalist swine clones and half-baked numbskull granola feminists" who are "directly responsible for segregated bars, sexism, racism, classism, separatism, mass complacency and a complex network of selfish, over-educated, self-appointed rich people overseeing a vast fake-democratic Lesbian and Gay multi-national bureaucracy that dictates how we think, dress, act and fuck."

"This leadership conference is secret, the community is not invited," Petrelis later told reporters. "It's an opportunity for them to massage their egos and massage each other's assholes. When I get my Uzi, I'm not going after Helms and Dannemeyer. I'm going after everyone in that room.

"It's not that I want the Campaign Fund throwing Molotov cocktails in the streets," Petrelis continued. "They'd probably burn themselves. But if they're going to be the good cop and we ACT UPers are going to be the bad cop, then, goddamnit, we've got to coordinate strategies."

HRCF executive director Tim McFeeley said Petrelis "may have a point and it's important that we do strengthen communication." But McFeeley said "flaming rhetoric like that doesn't help in the communication effort. We need to communicate," he said, "but we don't

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the way of music to the M&M crowd. Not many show tunes in their repertoire!

The Oberon's monthly club night at the Wreck Room that night nearly had to be canceled when the 'Maypole' theme of the evening disappeared when someone sat on it. Just kidding... it was another successful evening of leather and beer!

It was another night of the 'Follies' at Club 94 when the staff performed a show as a benefit for the South East Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP) on the same evening.

The 11th was busy for the women, too... Nitengale's had comedian 'Poppy' scheduled for a softball benefit, complete with raffles and drink specials; LOC Womyn of Color sponsored another of their Dirty Dancing parties at Lake Park Pavilion; and Leaded Shade II held a Lost and Found party in a salute to their past. Old music, old prices, and specials for those wearing L&F memorabilia.

Hunter and the Headliners, Milwaukee's favorite male dance troupe was back in town for a show at Club 219 on May 15. Bobby and staff are making sure

the dance troupes they bring in follow Milwaukee city code to the 'T' (T-strap that is). They don't want any more trouble with the police after the hot buns contest fiasco.

JC's Rainbow Bar closed the night of May 10, according to Wade. My best wishes for a speedy recovery and a healthy future to owner Joel.

Jet's Place becomes the 3 B's Bar effective 12:01am June 1. Jet gladly hands over the license to the new owners which include two of her present employees, Bob and Bobby. Stop in and wish them luck!

Welcome to The Back Door, an all new establishment for our community in Eau Claire. Clay and his crew are planning a Grand Opening weekend for Memorial Day Weekend, and the place is already doing well. I've heard rumors that the Wildwood Club was either closing or "turning straight" when I tried calling to confirm, their phone was temporarily disconnected.



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## NY court denies parental rights

Albany, NY [LLDEF] — In a decision that has stunned the Lesbian community, the New York Court of Appeals in early May denied a Lesbian non-biological parent the right to seek visitation with the child she raised for many years with her former partner. In *Alison D. vs. Virginia M.*, New York's highest court ruled that Alison D. is not a parent within the meaning of the law because "she is not the biological mother of the child nor is she a legal parent by virtue of an adoption." The Court rejected the argument that 'parent' should be defined according to who functions as a parent, not just by biology. Only Judge Judith Kaye, the only woman on the seven member court, dissented from the majority's opinion, stating that the court must look to 'modern-day realities in giving definition to statutory concepts.'

Virginia and Alison were committed Lesbian partners when they decided to have children together. Virginia was inseminated and their son was born in 1981. In 1983, Alison was inseminated and gave birth to a daughter. Several months later, the two women separated but agreed that they would maintain visitation rights and relationships with the children, which they did for several years. Four years later, when Alison accepted a one-year position in Dublin, Ireland, Virginia severed all contact between Alison and their son, refusing to accept the phone calls, cards and gifts that Alison sent from Ireland, and refusing to allow Alison to see him on her visits home.

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund filed a petition for visitation in state court, one of the first attempts in the country to define the term 'parent' to include non-biological mothers like Alison. The lower court dismissed the petition because Alison was not a biological parent. That decision was upheld by the Appellate Division over the passionate dissent of Judge Sybil Hart Kooper. The recent decision by the Court of Appeals is the first in the country to come from the highest court of any state.



The Club 94 Follies raised \$700 for SEWAP.



The Pivot Club staff performed during the bars recent 'Turnabout.'



The second bi-weekly Sunday night Giggles Galore show at La Cage.



'The Flirtations' performed in Madison, an after stopped in Rod's for an autograph session. [L-R] Greg [Rod's brother], Arturo, Jimmy, ?, George, Pam, Mark, ?, Peaches, and Sherry [Rod's sister].

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## Soviet Gay pride celebrations

By Rex Wockner

The Soviet Union's first Gay/Lesbian pride celebrations this July and August in Leningrad and Moscow will include visits by the NAMES Project Quilt and film festivals staged by Frameline, which produces San Francisco's film fest.

If the precarious political situation allows, there will also be Gay-pride parades in both cities.

The centerpieces of the two weeks of events are major Gay/Lesbian symposiums in Leningrad (July 24-27) and Moscow (July 29-Aug. 1).

Workshops will explore sodomy-law repeal, the creation of Gay culture, Lesbian and Gay parenting, political strategies, and the treatment of Gay prisoners.

"The conference plans are incredibly exciting," said co-organizer Julie Dorf of the San Francisco-based International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission.

"Having just returned from three

weeks of organizing in Moscow and Leningrad, I am totally inspired. We're planning visits with officials, school visits, meetings with AIDS activists and medical professionals, tours of AIDS clinics. There'll be a poetry reading and excursions to the Gay beach and the Russian saunas."

Dorf is taking 40 North Americans to participate in the groundbreaking events, including this reporter. She is particularly pleased that openly Gay Canadian Member of Parliament Svend Robinson will be making the trip. Other openly Gay politicians in the U.S., England and Europe are also being specially invited.

In the midst of the volatile political situation, Soviet co-organizers "are more than ever awaiting our arrival and are confident our visit is important for the future of their movement," Dorf assured.

To join the North American delegation, write Dorf, c/o IGLHRC, 2978 Folsom St., San Francisco, CA 94110. Phone/Fax: (415) 647-0453. Total cost is \$2,300 from New York.

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**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.

**Nothing To Hide [Madison]:** Cable Channel 4, 9pm. The AIDS Quilt at UW-Madison's Fieldhouse.

**Pivot Club [Appleton]:** Live performances by Jim Dekoch, Zoomie, & Jeff J.

**Club 219 Plus:** Pride Rally talent search, begins 11pm, hosted by Tiffany Thomas.

## THURSDAY, MAY 23

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

## FRIDAY, MAY 24

**Milw. Classic Softball Tournament:** See Jock Shorts for details. Team receptions at sponsor bars.

**Nitengales:** \$3 beer bash, all you can drink, all night.

**ZA's [Green Bay]:** Mary Richards hosts Lip Sync.

**Leaded Shade II:** Memorial Weekend Raffle.

**Station II:** Open 5, free tap beer 8-midnight, rail drinks \$1.25 till 10pm.

## SATURDAY, MAY 25

**Milw. Classic Softball Tournament:** Games begin at 8am & are played through 5:15 at Mitchell Park (24th & Pierce, behind Domes); and at Kinnickinnic Sports Center (20th & Oklahoma). See Jock Shorts for details. Opening ceremonies at 1:30 at Mitchell lower diamond.

**GAMMA:** Weekend Canoeing/camping trip.

**Galano Club:** BESTD Clinic offers free anonymous HIV testing from 6:30-10pm.

**Leaded Shade II:** Memorial Weekend, 50 cent tappers, 25 cents off 1st drink to anyone in softball uniform.

**Club 219 Plus:** Open 3pm, \$1 rail & 50 cent tappers from 3-10pm.



Jimmy King and the newly crowned Miss Gay Racine WI-USA, Raven Cole. The contest was held at Jo'Dee's Intl.

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# SATURDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>

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Endowment is "totally out of touch with the vast majority of American taxpayers" and its "supporting with tax dollars homosexual films indicates that the agency has no intention of stopping the misuse and abuse of tax dollars."

"My response is two-prong," Frohnmayer answered. "One; The Endowment does not blacklist nor does it refuse grants on the basis of sexual orientation.

"Two," he continued, "The law, as passed by Congress in 1990 requires that I, as Chairperson, shall ensure that 'artistic excellence and artistic merit are the criteria by which applications are judged, taking into consideration general standards of decency and respect for the diverse beliefs and values of the American public.' That is precisely what we are doing."

Last February, Frameline was informed that it was to receive a \$12,000 NEA grant this year for general and administrative support of its International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival. The 1991 grant marks the fourth annual reward the agency has received from the NEA and a 33 percent increase over last year's NEA award of \$9,000.

In defending the NEA grant to Frameline, Frohnmayer specifically took Wildmon to task for having lashed out at the 1991 funding of the film festival without even having seen the films.

"Wildmon's complaint," the chairman wrote, "seems to urge adherence only to his 'values,' excluding the diversity which has always been protected in America and indeed has and will always be one of our country's greatest strengths."

Frohnmayer also pointed out that, following a 1990 request from Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), grants made to the film festival over the past three years had been the first to be reviewed by the General Accounting Office to ensure that they did not violate "all applicable standards for receipt of federal funding."

**Nitengales:** \$5 Liquor Bash, 7pm- close, all the rail you can drink. Doors open 2pm, 50 cent tappers 2-7pm.

**GMMA:** Lake Michigan sailing, meet at M&M's at noon.

**Jo'dee's [Racine]:** Sasha Mitchell & Illusions present 'Femme Fatales', 10pm showtime, cover.

**Rod's [Madison]:** Memorial Weekend Beer Bust & Scavenger Hunt.

**Station II:** Open 5, tap beer 50 cents until 1pm.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Beaner's Birthday Bash, free beer & weenies 4pm-?

**New Leaf [Janesville]:** Fantasy Girls, showtime 10pm, \$2 cover. Open 2pm, patio now open - Volleyball.

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

**Milw. Classic Softball Tournament:** Games begin at 8am at Mitchell Park. Recreational division championship game at 3:30; competitive champion game at 5pm. Award Ceremony & Banquet at War memorial Art Center. Cocktails 5:30, dinner at 7:30, awards at 9.

**Pivot Club [Appleton]:** King Prod. Miss Gay Fox Valley, a WI-USA preliminary.

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The cast of 'Outrageous Drag', the New Bar's weekly Sunday show featuring three newly 'deceased' members.

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Congratulations C.C. and Kate!)

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**Green Bay Area Bar Assoc. Memorial Day Customer Appreciation Picnic:** Noon-6pm, Baird Creek, Triangle Hill Chalet, games, food, bring a dish to pass. Bars provide food, beer & soda as long as it lasts. Performance by Bay Area Chorus.

**Nitengales:** \$3 Beer Bash starts at 7pm, DJ at 9. Doors open 2 pm with 50 cent tappers, \$1 Bloody Mary's until 7.

**Jo'dee's [Racine]:** Open 7, Wheel of Fortune at 10:30, prizes.

**Rod's [Madison]:** Memorial Weekend Beer Bust & Scavenger Hunt.

**Leaded Shade II: Memorial Day Party,** open at 4, free cook-out buffet, music by Jodi. 25 cents off 1st drink to anyone in softball uniform, all weekend; 50 cent tappers.

**Club 219 Plus:** open 3pm, \$1 rail & 50 cent tappers from 3-10pm; 219 Girls show at 11:30 (cover for show).

**Station II:** Open noon, drink specials all day. Kristi K & Jeff Stoll, Live 6pm-10pm.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Season's 1st patio cookout & beer bash.

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**MONDAY, MAY 27  
MEMORIAL DAY**

**Cafe Melenge:** Romance, Dinner & Dance to benefit ACT UP. Entertainment by John Schneider Orchestra with Paula Dawey. \$25 for dinner (6-8pm), \$10 dance only (8pm).

**Ballgame:** Drink Specials.

**Nitengales:** Doors open 1pm, 50 cents off any drink. \$2 all you can eat cookout from 1-6pm.

**Jo'dee's [Racine]:** Open 6pm, cookout, bring a dish to pass.

**Rod's [Madison]:** Memorial Day Beer Bust.

**Pivot [Appleton]:** Volleyball & cookout on the deck 12-8.

**Leaded Shade II:** Open at 4pm, 50 cent tappers.

**Club 219 Plus:** Afternoon Cookout 3-5pm on the patio; \$1 rail drinks & 50 cent tappers from 3-10pm.

**Station II:** Open 2pm, 25 cent tap beer until 7pm.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Bring a dish to pass, BBQ & Beer Bash on the patio.

**TUESDAY, MAY 28**

**Club 219:** BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing from 9pm-midnight.

**GMMA:** Lake Michigan sailing, meet at M&M's at 5:30pm.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 29**

**Pivot Club [Appleton]:** Viola Wills & Shelby Live in concert.

**Club 219:** King Prod. presents Miss Gay Ebony, a WI-USA preliminary.

**Nothing To Hide [Madison]:** Cable Channel 4, 9pm, "Against Heterosexual Self-Evidence" presented by Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick at UW Madison.

**In Step Deadline:** Is 7pm tonight for our June 6th Pride Issue. All ads that mention Pride/MLGPC in the ads, we donate 15% of the cost of that ad to the Pride Committee.

**Jo'dee's [Racine]:** Great America Bus Trip (contact bar for details). Julie's Birthday Party follows, open 7pm, free beer.

**GBN:** After work biking. Depart from Lake Park Pavillion at 6, call Bob 963-9833.

**Club 219 Lower Level:** Pride beer bust, \$5 gets you all the beer you can drink & a '90 Pride T- Shirt that must be worn to be eligible for beer.

**THURSDAY, MAY**

**Rod's [Madison]:** Rodney's 40th Birthday Celebration fundraiser for PWA House. 40 cent rail drinks; 40% of sales to PWA House; bartenders auction off 40% of their clothing at midnight.

**FRIDAY, MAY 31**

**ZA's [Green Bay]:** CC Rae, Miss Emerald City as Lip Sync host.

**Wings 3054 [Madison]:** Hunter's birthday party, 8pm, free beer.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1**

**Club 94 [Kenosha]:** King Production's Miss Gay Kenosha Pageant, a Wisconsin-USA preliminary. Applications at bar, showtime 10:30pm.

**3 B's Bar:** Opens noon today (formerly Jet's Place).

**GAMMA:** Hiking trip in Scupperrong Trail in Southern Kettle Moraine. Call 963-9833 for info.

**New Leaf [Janesville]:** Stoney returns, female Elvis impersonator, 10pm showtime, \$5 advance, \$6 door.



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## News

### NEA chief defends film fest funds

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — John Frohnmayer, chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, has issued a strongly worded letter to Congress defending a recent NEA grant made to support a Lesbian and Gay film festival and accused a noted right wing activist of wanting to ban federal funds from going to homosexuals.

Frohnmayer wrote each member of Congress to defend a \$12,000 grant made

last February to Frameline, a San Francisco based agency, for its annual International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival. In supporting the grant, the Endowment chair responded to an April 17 letter to Congress from Donald Wildmon, president of the right wing American Family Association, which took the Endowment to task for funding the festival.

"Mr. Wildmon's complaint," Frohnmayer wrote, "stripped of rhetoric, seems to be that he doesn't believe Federal funds should go to homosexuals."

In his letter, Frohnmayer specifically refutes Wildmon's claims that the

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### SUNDAY, JUNE 2

**Art for AIDS Auction:** MAP benefit, 10:30am viewing, brunch, silent & 11:30 Voice Auction, entertainment. \$20 per person, tickets call 273-1991.

**Partner's:** Mr. Partners Contest, \$1,000 in total prizes to top 3.

**MLGPC:** Benefit bike ride leaves at room from corner of Farwell & Bradford. Rides of 15 or 30 miles, \$5 donation.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Grand opening of the all new patio, free beer 1-3, cookout at 5. Wet T- Shirt & Underwear contest at 7, with cash prizes & bar tabs.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 6

**GMMA:** Restaurant tour night, meet at Partner's at 6:15pm.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 7

**Fest City Singers:** "History, Herstory, Ourstory," a musical review of Gay life. Stackner Cabaret, 7 & 10pm. \$10 per person includes a glass of champagne.

**Pivot Club [Appleton]:** Headliners of Texas female strippers.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Ms. Linda Smith, showtime 10:30, \$3 cover (back by popular demand).

### SATURDAY, JUNE 8

**Leaded Shade II:** Scotch Doubles Tournament.

**Northern Womyn Inc. [Green Bay]:** Rummage sale fundraiser, 2747 Engelwood Rd.

**3B's Bar:** Girth & Mirth meeting, 10pm.

**GMMA:** Go to Riversplash festival downtown, meet at noon at M&M's.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 9

**GAMMA:** Miller bike ride.

**Cest La Vie:** BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing from 4-8.

**Northern Womyn Inc. [Green Bay]:** Rummage sale fundraiser, 3747 Engelwood Rd.

**Club 3054 [Madison]:** Family Day on the patio, beer bash, cookout, volleyball.

**Car Wash:** Cream City Chorus benefit, at M&M Club parking lot, 11am-? Wash & Vac, \$7.

**New Bar Madison:** Benefit beer bash & cookout, 2-8pm, on the patio. Hot dogs, brats sold, \$3 beer bust. Proceeds to WI Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Student Caucus.

**Fest City Singers:** "History, Herstory, Ourstory," a musical review of Gay life. Stackner Cabaret. 7pm. \$10 per person includes a glass of champagne.

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Armory Angels of Atlanta; North End and Sidetrack of Chicago; Brass Rail Bandits, Brass Rail Roadrunners, and Gay 90's Metros Giants of Minneapolis; Buddies and Spike Black Sox of New York; Warehouse Warriors of Nashville; Rangers of St. Louis; and Chaps Chatters of Toronto; will join 7 Milwaukee teams.

Milwaukee entrants include Ball Game, Cest La Vie, M&M Peanuts, Partners, Triangle Bad Boys, Triangle Trojans; and Wreck Room.

Due to lack of entrants, the women's tournament was canceled this year.

The tournament will have a new format this year. Instead of double elimination, all teams will play 3 games on Saturday. The teams will then be 'seeded' according to their record and run differential, and the top 8 seeded teams will compete for the competitive championship on Sunday. Teams seeded 9 thru 16 will play for the recreational championship. Only 2 teams will not play on Sunday.

The games will begin at 8:00 on Saturday morning at 2 sites — Mitchell Park (24th & Pierce, behind the Domes) and Kinnickinnic Sports Center at 20th and Oklahoma. Opening ceremonies will be held at 1:30 at Mitchell Park. Special surprises are planned, so you won't want to miss it.

Games continue at both fields until 4:30 on Saturday. Play resumes at Mitchell Park on Sunday at 8:00. Competitive and recreational games will be played, with the recreational championship game scheduled for 3:30 and the competitive championship at 5:00.



The award ceremonies and banquet will be held at the War Memorial on Sunday evening. Cocktails will be served from 5:30 to 7:30 with dinner at 7:30 and awards at 9:00. A limited number of banquet tickets will be available to the public.

Everyone is invited to this fun-filled weekend. Come out and cheer your favorite team on.

### Teams in '91 Classic

- Armory Angels- Atlanta
- North End-Chicago
- Sidetrack-Chicago
- Brass Rail Bandits-Minneapolis
- Brass Rail Roadrunners- Minneapolis
- Gay 90's Metros Giants-Minneapolis
- Buddies- New York
- Spike Black Sox-New York
- Warehouse Warriors- Nashville
- Rangers-St. Louis
- Chaps Chatters- Toronto
- Ball Game-Milwaukee
- Cest La Vie- Milwaukee
- M&M Peanuts-Milwaukee
- Partners- Milwaukee
- Triangle Bad Boys-Milwaukee
- Triangle Trojans- Milwaukee
- Wreck Room-Milwaukee

**Host Sponsors:** Ball Game hosts Brass Rail Bandits, Minneapolis and Northend, Chicago; Cest la Vie hosts Gay 90's Metros Giants, Minneapolis and Spike Black Sox, New York; M&M hosts Brass Rail Roadrunners, Minneapolis and Warehouse Warriors, Nashville; Partners hosts Sidetrack, Chicago; Triangle hosts Armory Angels, Atlanta and Rangers, St. Louis; and the Wreck Room hosts Buddies, New York and Chaps Chatters, Toronto.

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thought was your friend was canceling your appointments at her tanning salon because she had heard a 'rumor.' I know the hurt that came into your voice when you said your brother thought it would be better if you didn't have dinner at his house on mother's day. I know the hurt in your heart when the girl you went to the junior prom with grabbed her baby away from you. And I know that there are hundreds of things every day, things the rest of us take for granted, that you can no longer do without fear of rejection. We can't take that pain away from you, Frankie. No matter how hard we try, we can't. But that doesn't mean that we can't take on the irrational hatred of those persons who are causing you that pain. And let you know that we will keep fighting that irrational hatred. Maybe we won't be able to change their ignorance. But we will make them understand, person by person, individual business by individual business, that if they insist on treating you like a leper who is no longer welcome in their homes or businesses than we will no longer go to them, either.

So, come on, Frankie. Keep fighting. Keep taking the medication no matter how much of a drag it is. If you don't want to do it for yourself anymore, then do it for us. Because the quality of our lifespans is based on yours. And we no longer think in terms of years, either. We'll be grateful for whatever you can give us, Frankie. For the months or weeks that you make better just by being with us. So come on, Frankie. We need your attitude. We need your light. We need you. And I promise you, Frankie, if you just keep going, just keep believing, the rest of us will keep fighting. We'll keep fighting to get you the medication you need, and the financial support, and the absolutely up to date medical advancements that has been your right from the very first diagnosed case.

We'll be your voice, Frankie, when you get too hoarse to ask for dignity. And we'll be your hands, Frankie, when you get too tired to reach out. And finally, when the time comes, if the time comes, we'll be your eulogy. And as long as we breathe, the world will never forget that you were once among us, and because you

were, life was somehow better, somehow finer. But let's not talk of death. Because death belongs to yesterday. And to darkness.

So, come on, Frankie. Keep making it through. Keep fighting for today. Keep going until tomorrow. And maybe tomorrow, Frankie, maybe tomorrow the lights will come on again. ▽

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# MAY 25-26, 1991



May 25<sup>th</sup>  
& 26<sup>th</sup>

CLASSIC Opening Day Schedule  
Saturday, May 25

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Mitchell Park

24th & Pierce: behind The Domes

Lower Field

8:00 Ball Game-Mil vs. Brass Rail Bandits-MN  
9:15 Triangle Trojans-Mil vs. Sidetrack-Chi  
10:30 Partners-Mil vs. Sidetrack-Chi  
11:45 Ball Game-Mil vs. North End-Chi  
1:30 Opening Ceremonies

2:00 M&M Peanuts-Mil vs. Triangle Bad Boys-Mil  
3:15 Wreck Room-Mil vs. Buddies-NY  
4:30 Rangers-St.Louis vs. Partners-Mil

Upper Field

8:00 North End-Chi vs. Cest La Vie-Mil  
9:15 Rangers-St.Louis vs. Spike Back Sox-NY  
10:30 Brass Rail Bandits-Mn vs. Cest La Vie-Mil  
11:45 Triangle Trojans-Mil vs. Rangers-St.Louis  
2:00 Brass Rail Roadrunners-Minn vs. Warehouse Warriors-Nash  
3:15 Armory Angles-Atl vs. Chaps Chatters-Tor

Kinnickinnic Sports Center

(20th & Oklahoma)

Field 1

8:00 M&M Peanuts-Mil vs. Brass Rail Roadrunners-Mn  
9:15 M&M Peanuts-Mil vs. Warehouse Warriors-Nash  
11:45 Wreck Room-Mil vs. Chaps Chatters-Tor  
1:00 Opening Ceremonies at Mitchell Park  
2:00 Metros Giants-Minn vs. Partners-Mil  
3:15 Ball Game-Mil vs. Cest La Vie-Mil  
4:30 Metro Giants-Minn vs. Spike-NY

Field 2

8:00 Warehouse Warriors-Nash vs. Triangle Bad Boys  
9:15 Chaps Chatters-Tor vs. Buddies-NY  
10:30 Brass Rail Roadrunners-Minn vs. Triangle Bad Boys  
11:45 Armory Angles-Atl vs. Buddies-NY  
2:00 Spike-NY vs. Sidetrack-Chi  
3:15 Brass Rail Bandits-Mn vs. North End-Chi  
4:30 Triangle Trojans-Mil vs. Sidetrack-Chi

Saturday Softball Beer League  
Standings as of May 11

Open Division

Triangle Trojans	6-0
Ball Game	5-1
M&M Peanuts	3-2
Wreck Room	3-3
Triangle Bad Boys	2-3
Cest La Vie	2-4
Partners	1-4

Women's Division

M&M Bad Girls	4-2
Fannies	2-4
Nitengales	0-5

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# View from a Room

by Nancy Lyn Define

## Maybe tomorrow, Frankie

Okay, Frankie. This is it. No time left now for games. You've got to keep going. You've got to keep fighting. Most of all, you've got to keep believing. There will be a cure soon. There will be a chance soon. There will be an uprising of all decent people and their voices will not stop until something is done about this epidemic. Soon. It's coming, Frankie. So you've got to keep holding on. Most of all, you've got to keep believing.

The thing is, Frankie, we love you. And we don't want you to die. Look, I know this sounds selfish. And I know you're the one who's going through the side effects of the AZT. And I know you're the one who has to fall asleep with the fear and wake up with the fear and go through the small things we all have to do everyday with the fear. Sure, it's a bitch. And it's a lot easier to say "the hell with it." But please don't, Frankie. Please don't give up.

You see, Frankie, the rest of us, we need you to be on the other end of the phone when it rings. And we need you to light up the room with your smile. They said on the news today that fifty million persons will be infected with the AIDS virus by the year 2000. But they don't understand. This disease isn't about fifty million people. It's about one.

Why can't we find a way to make them

understand that? Why can't we find a way to show them that this isn't about projections? It isn't about statistics. This is about you. This is about the single one. The one who has left us. The one who will leave us soon. The one who is leaving us while I type these words.

This is about the loss of a lover. Or a brother. Or a friend. This is about each of us who have felt the light go out of our lives. This is about each of us who will never again laugh quite as loudly. This is about each of us who will never again fall asleep without remembering.

But, Frankie, there are a millions of us. And with each day our numbers are growing. And each of us are starting to stand with you and defeat the ignorant legislators, and drown out the phony religions of hate and take on the insurance companies who drop your coverage. There was a time when we told you the day would come when all of us in the Gay community would fight back. I think the day is here, Frankie. I think that it has finally come. The day when we will no longer allow neighborhood bigots to deny you housing. The day when we will no longer patronize businesses that deny you entrance. Finally, the day when we will no longer sit by and allow our ignorant relatives to voice opinions that are helping to let you die.

I know it hasn't been easy for you. I know the hurt that came into your eyes when you realized a woman who you

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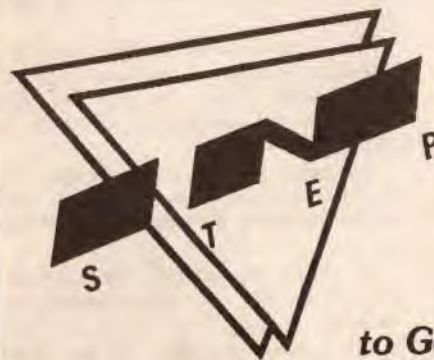
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## Reflections from the Joan Zone

by Joan Lawrence

### Non-custodial step-parents

When I decided to write this column, I realized that I did not exactly know what the title should be, because I really don't know what to call myself. I am a non-custodial, Lesbian 'parent,' who is also a step-parent — that ugly term which society has given to those of us who aren't natural or adoptive parents. Some groups have started to call women like myself co-mothers, but that is not a term with which I am comfortable.

Those of us who become involved with Lesbians with children (the same can be true for Gay males as well) are in an extra-ordinarily difficult position — both during and after the relationship is terminated. We fall in love with another woman and wish to share her life, yet we know the children are always going to be a part of the relationship as well. This is frequently more than we bargained for or planned to deal with back when we were dating.

When I started dating my ex, the fact that she had a three year old son was definitely a troublesome issue for me. Did I want all the responsibilities that came along with this child? All the problems? The financial burdens? The strain on our relationship? Especially I who had never planned or wanted children?

But when I met Marty, I rapidly learned the answer. The first time he placed his little hand in mine, it felt just right. Here was a fatherless child, not particularly trusting, who seemed to trust me immediately and instinctively.

So, then came the months of dating. Marty came with us — everywhere. No bars for us. Fairs, movies, picnics. Family stuff. Finally, I asked, "Can't you get a babysitter occasionally?" So, she did. But then I missed him.

Eighteen months later, we had a Ceremony of Holy Union, bought a little house near a good school system and moved in together. I entered parenthood.

What a shock! He was there — 24 hours a day! Noisy — oh how very noisy! Demanding and expensive!

Who paid for what? What was my role? Was I mother? Father? Friend? What were my responsibilities? More importantly, how much authority did I have?

He was jealous! Suddenly, Joan, his pal, was an authority figure. Someone who could say no. Someone who got Mommy's attention when he wanted it. And, he acted out this jealousy — doing anything and everything he could to separate us!

She, too, had adjustments to make. Suddenly she had to share this child who had been solely hers since he was two months old with another person, and that person had some very different ideas about childrearing!

But we toughed it out. We adjusted and compromised. We became a family.

She went back to school and worked part-time, so for awhile I became the parent who was usually present. I nursed him through illnesses, taught him how to play baseball and ride a bike. Listened when he had been hurt. His mother was incredibly busy and she knew she could trust me.

The rewards were tremendous. The closeness more than I had ever imagined. We bonded. This was my kid and sometimes the similarities between us were frightening.

Ten years passed. He got older. We moved, changed homes, careers, and somewhere along the way our relationship fell apart.

We fought. He suffered. We separated. He suffered. We went back together. He suffered.

Then came the day of the final separation. She moved out. So did he. They changed homes, schools, lives. And I became a non-custodial step-parent with no legal rights whatsoever.

At first he visited on weekends. I became the typical divorced parent — an

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## Dating dictionary

Another in a seemingly endless series of quasi-informational articles designed to furnish Gays with the vital knowledge required to withstand the rigors of the Gay dating scene. **WARNING:** Do Not use the following terms and definitions when discussing your love life with your mother.

**Alone** — An adjective used to describe ideal living arrangements when trying to decide whether to go to his place or yours.  
**Antique** — What a Gay man over thirty-five feels like after spending the night at a dance bar.

**A** — Common word in a Gay man's vocabulary which actually means, 'several' or 'dozens,' as in 'stopping by the bars for a drink,' 'owning a bottle of cologne,' and 'having a boyfriend.'

**A Merv** — A Gay person who pretends to be straight, aka Merv Griffin. For example, "I know Jodie Foster is a big Lesbian, she's such a Merv!"

**Available** — 1. A man who is not involved in a relationship. 2. The marital status suggested by a man in a relationship when flirting with a hot toy boy who is not his lover.

**Celibate** — The degree of sexual activity attributed to priests who are actually practicing Safer Sex.

**Custody** — A term meaning actual ownership, often a point of contention during the break-up of a relationship, when deciding who gets custody of the cat or the porno collection.

**Date** — Loosely defined as planned meeting with another man toward whom you have indecent, obscene intentions.

**Entrepreneur** — A popular occupation of men in Gay bars, usually synonymous with the terms 'unemployed,' or 'full of shit.'

**Geographic Escape** — Hitting Gay bars in another city because everyone in town already knows what a big slut you are.

**Innocence** — That appealing trait of wide-eyed naivete in a 'just out' stud muffin which will be lost forever after spending just a few nights with you.

**Interior Decoration** — In long term relationships, it's the activity couples engage in instead of sex.

**Investment** — Large sum of money spent on a dinner date in order to impress him enough to make him want to sleep with you.

**Low Fat** — Used in personal ads, synonymous with 'No Chubbies.'

**Penis Envy** — 1. A term used to describe the mental state of a slightly-endowed Gay man who has just seen a Jeff Stryker video. 2. A condition of green-eyed, lust-filled jealousy which makes you want to kill your best friend so you can jump inside the underpants of his boyfriend.

**Sober** — The condition in which it would be virtually impossible for to have sex with a drag queen.

**Spanish Inquisition** — A series of probing questions asked by a Hispanic lover after his boyfriend comes home at 4:00 in the morning with several large hickies tattooed on his neck.

**Talking Personals** — A technological breakthrough which allows you to pay money in order to actually hear a Gay man lie about his weight, age, looks and employment status.

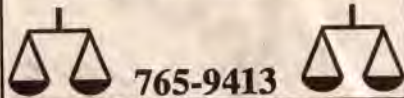
**Tomorrow** — A concept of time often used during dating or after a one night stand. It is synonymous with, 'never' or 'in hundred years,' for example, "I'll call you tomorrow."

**Uncut** — The state of a hair-do obsessed man's hair when he hasn't been to his stylist in a week.

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entertainment committee. But every Sunday evening when he left, my heart was ripped out all over again.

No matter how hard we tried to avoid it, he began to feel that he was caught in the middle. No matter how hard I tried not to let it happen, he and I began to grow apart.

She began to see someone new who started playing 'parent.' Eventually, ten years seemed to evaporate.

Then I decided to move to Milwaukee. They remained in New York. At first I visited frequently, but that, too, was difficult. We talked on the phone. We corresponded.

At several points, he asked to come live with me. I wanted that also, and believed it was best for him. She refused. There was nothing I could do about it.

As time has passed, some of the wounds have healed — for all of us. I've come to realize that he'll always be my son—in every way that counts. I'll always be his parent. The bond we built can not be dissolved by time or by distance.

I've learned to live with the pain and with the loss. It only hurts occasionally now.

But I still want and deserve some legal rights. My contact with him should not depend on the fact that our separation has remained quite amicable. I should have visitation rights, and the ability to pursue joint custody. If our situation deteriorates, I should have legal recourse.

Until our society recognizes Gay and Lesbian marriages and establishes legal procedures for us, and for all step-parents, I and all the others like me

will remain in legal limbo. We will have no rights despite our years of love and commitment to our 'stepchildren.'

Some say we should adopt while we are still a couple. If I had attempted to do so, his natural father would have fought for custody despite his years of total neglect. That was a problem we chose to avoid.

So, it is up to our legislators and our courts to recognize the uniqueness of these situations and to create special legal protection for all step-parents-Gay, Lesbian or heterosexual!

Until or unless that happens we will remain nameless to our children, to our ex-partners, and most importantly, to ourselves.

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