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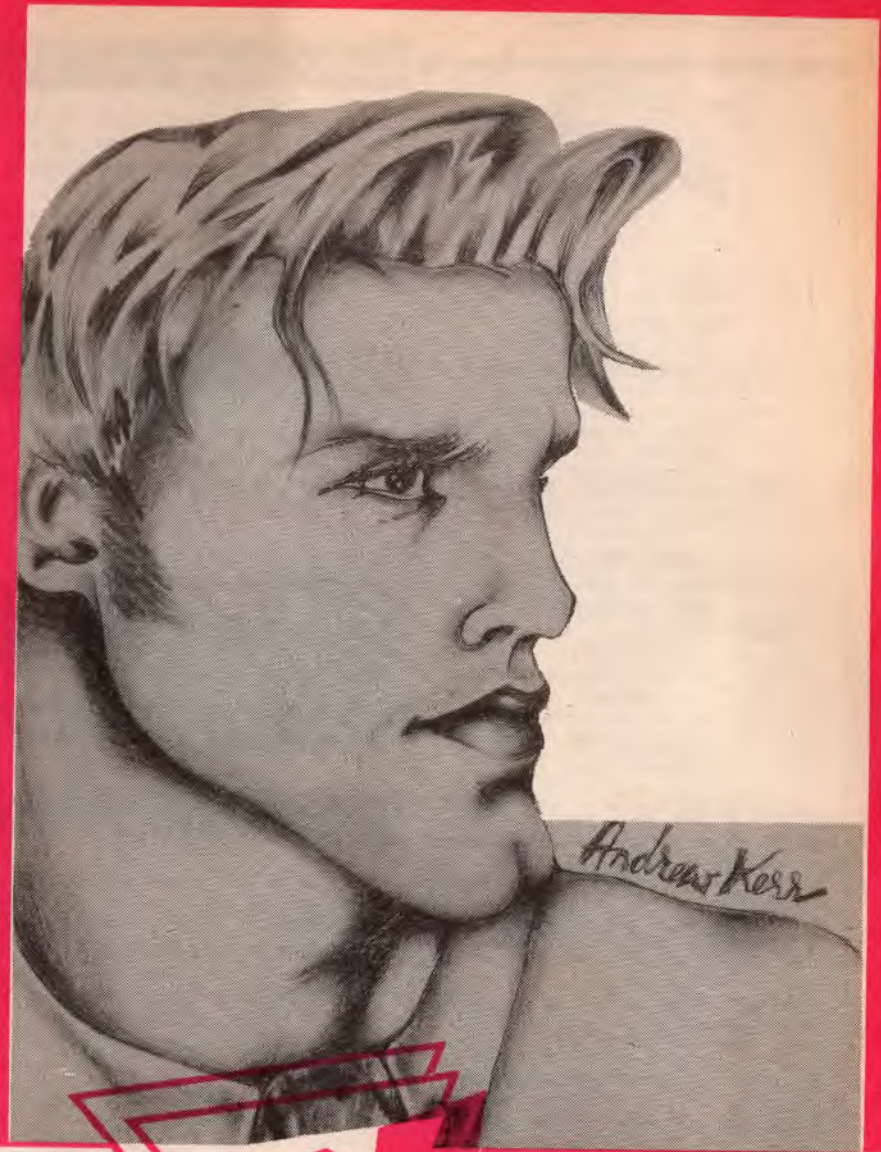
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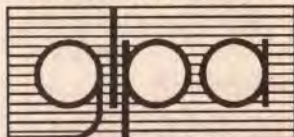
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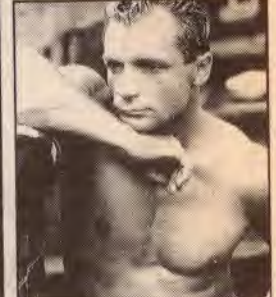
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News

Anti-violence action group forms in Milw

Milwaukee — The second in a series of meetings called by Queer Nation and the Lambda Rights Network to form a Block Watch Action Committee met to "stop the violence," that appears to be on the increase in areas around Gay and Lesbian bars. Gay bashing — verbal and physical has been on a recent upswing; coupled with an overall increase in crimes and vandalism that are not directed at Gays.

Members of QN and LRN, concerned community members, and representatives from Nitengales, Ballgame, Boot Camp, Club 219 and La Cage were present at the June 23 meeting. An attempt was made to include straight area bars in that meeting, but all declined to attend due to a block party in their area that evening. They will be contacted again and invited to the next meeting scheduled for Monday, July 8, 7pm, main downtown Library, 1st floor conference room.

The first meeting of the group was attended by the police district crime prevention officer, who pledged his efforts, and encouraged self-awareness training for the community. The officer also stressed that incidents **MUST** be reported to the police so officers can be made aware of problem areas. To date, the vast majority of verbal and physical Gay bashings have not been reported to the police. The officer promised cooperation, saying the police were here to work with us, and asked for phone calls if patrol officers were not cooperative.

Attention was focused on the Anti-Gay violence - issue when Kurt Zarling received a full concussion, broken ribs, busted teeth and nose, nerve damage, and cuts bound by 120 stitches to his face and head according to the Shepard Express, which ran an extensive story on the assault.

Five young, white straight men reportedly beat him with a baseball bat, bottle, bricks, fists and feet. The men have not been found by police.

Bystanders, including Gays, witnessed the beating but did not get involved. A door man from Steny's, a 2nd and National straight bar, broke up the attack, administered aid to the victim and contacted authorities.

Zarling's companion, who was with him at the start of the attack after leaving an area Gay bar, fled the scene.

Ideas bantered about at the meeting included inter-bar communication of problem customers; human resource canvassing to gather information and teach crime prevention techniques; a walking patrol; mass media attention to the issue; better gathering of statistics; walkie talkie equipped and or scooter patrols; and self awareness training.

IMMEDIATE ACTION BY BARS

Bar owners at the meeting decided to take the immediate step of increased patrolling of their immediate area, with maximum surveillance at closing time. Each bar said they would send staffers to cover alley's and street corners of their block, to keep an eye out for potential trouble. Calls would be made to police if perceived troublemakers seemed to be lingering, effectively stopping problems before they got started.

Not all the blame on Gay bashing was placed on straights. Many of the assaults are Gay on Gay, and often involve crimes of passion between couples who are breaking up or who have already split. Some Gays were also accused of provoking straights by taunting them with verbal sexual come-ons.

In his recent book, **Violence Against Lesbians and Gay Men** author Gay David Comstock collected, compared, surveyed and summarized the very disturbing statistics on homophobic violence. Those statistics show that Gays and Lesbians are the victims of violent attacks at a disproportionately higher rate than the general population (up to 4 times higher in

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The fledgling Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian anti-violence group held its second meeting at Club 219.

one survey) and the number of hate crimes grows higher each year. Often, police are cited for their general indifference to homophobic incidents, as well.

His statistics show that Gays and Lesbians of color are more frequently victims and that most attacks happen within the vicinity of a Gay bar. Surprisingly, the second most frequent setting for violence is in the safety of one's own home, according to a review of the book in Outweek by Eric Brandt.

A profile of the generic Gay basher emerges from the book according to Brandt: A white male stranger under the age of 21. Although most attacks are one on one, violent gang attacks on Gays occur at a much higher frequency than gang attacks on lone victims in general. Comstock uses this in his argument that anti-Gay/ Lesbian violence is a "group specific behavior" a manifestation of the "insecurity" of adolescent males who have "nothing better to do on a Saturday night." We are seen as a "threat" to the power and authority of straight adolescent males.

Whether one agrees with Comstock or not, there is no denying the book is an important resource packed with information that may help our community deal with increased homophobic violence.

SOME SAFETY TIPS

No crime victim is to blame for the crime committed against them. Even though you can't be sure you won't become a victim of crime these tips may be helpful:

- Identify local "Danger zones" in areas you frequent. Avoid them if alone, and stay aware of your surroundings;
- Plot out 'safe' routes from the bus stop or parking lot to your home or other places you frequent. Use well lit streets, and be aware of late night stores where you could run for safety;
- If you feel unsafe, trust your instincts, and remove yourself from the area. Make noise, blow a whistle, scream "FIRE!" Call 911 for police assistance.
- If you go home with strangers, make sure you introduce that person to a friend or to the bartender. Make people aware you are leaving together, so if a problem

ACT-UPpers busted at Chicago AMA demo

Two members of ACT-UP Milwaukee, Christopher Fons and Gregory (Jay) Hanson, were among 25 members of various ACT-UP chapters arrested June 24 during a protest march outside a Chicago hotel which hosted the American Medical Association's House of Delegates meeting. The AMA considered various AIDS-related policies during the week-long meeting, but rejected mandatory AIDS testing of patients and health care workers.

Fons, when questioned about his arrest, claimed to be standing off to the side speaking to a reporter when arrested. Fons said Hanson was standing on the sidewalk with a group of protesters when he also was arrested. All were charged with mob action. Fons said "Chicago police acted like it was the '68 Democratic Convention all over again."

The Milwaukee Sentinel reported several of the 250 to 300 protesters were "beaten, shoved or verbally assaulted by police. At least one protester was tackled to the ground and kicked. A number of police officers removed their badges in an apparent attempt to avoid being identified for their conduct."

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arises later, they can help identify the perpetrator;

- Lesbians should be cautious of men they meet in Lesbian bars who claim to be Gay and invite women to their homes to party;

- Leave bars with a group of people you know. Assailants often lurk outside Gay identified establishments waiting for their next victim;

- Always carry a whistle, consider taking a self defense class. (Self-Awareness is often more important than Self-Defense);

- Be alert and aware of your surroundings. Don't take short cuts through unlit areas;

- Get license plate numbers of cars with suspicious occupants, or whose occupants shout out anti-Gay verbiage... then report it to police.

The Sentinel also reported "One protester bit an officer, and several protesters pushed police and assaulted them."

ACT-UP had arranged in advance for 4 to 5 video cameras to record the action on their behalf for use in potential court cases.

The nearly 1,000 delegates and alternates set policy for the 300,000 member AMA. The final measure passed would streamline the consent form for patients given an AIDS test. Present forms sometimes run from 3 to 12 pages long and require counseling before the test is administered. The new procedures would entail a form similar to those used for less controversial tests, and oral consent would do in some cases. The delegates said they would work with local legislators to scale back paperwork and counseling requirements.

They repeatedly and overwhelmingly rejected mandatory AIDS testing for health care workers and patients. The group stressed that medical personnel ensure that they don't infect patients, no matter how small that risk ma

They called for AIDS testing of health care workers "when appropriate" leaving it up to the board to come up with detailed guidelines by their December meeting. However, they also called for more routine health worker AIDS testing, on par with testing done for other infectious diseases. The debate continues because of the social implications of testing HIV positive and the impact a positive result could have on insurance, employment and individuals rights to participate in society. Some doctors criticized the AMA's actions as setting up a climate for mandatory testing.

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House allocates \$1,878 B for AIDS

By Cliff O' Neill

Washington — The U.S. House on June 26 approved the multi-billion dollar money bill funding the Departments of Labor, Education and Health and Human Services, approving a record \$1.878 billion in spending for the federal AIDS efforts under its jurisdiction. AIDS activists, while relieved that their programs did receive an increase over last year's spending, still bemoaned the levels as inadequate.

"These are not numbers that reflect the response to an epidemic," said Jeff Levi, lobbyist for the AIDS Action Council. "I think this comes from a feeling on the part of the (Labor HHS) subcommittee members that (AIDS) is not an issue that affects their constituents. And we need to do a better job at making them see this as a national problem rather than a problem of marginalized constituencies."

But noting that AIDS programs did receive a \$60 million increase over last year's levels, lobbyists point out that AIDS was one of the few health issues that did get ANY more money this year. Much of the blame for the modest increase in spending, they said, lies with last year's budget agreement which for three years ties any growth in domestic spending to the rate of inflation, not the spread of the epidemic.

Following closely the spending levels requested by the Bush Administration, the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education came out with its proposed \$1.878 billion in AIDS money mostly by shuffling funding priorities between AIDS programs.

The Labor HHS appropriations bill does not include AIDS related money for the Food and Drug Administration and the Indian Health Service which are funded through different spending bills.

The most closely watched item in the past two years' Labor HHS money bills has been the money given to AIDS care programs, many of which were initiated by the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Emergency (CARE) Act.

The measure, approved by Congress last year, would funnel federal dollars to cities and states disproportionately affected by the epidemic. A number of community health and HIV early intervention programs were also set up by the Ryan White Act.

In the fiscal 1992 Labor HHS appropriations bill, AIDS care programs funded through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) are given \$283 billion, an increase of \$17.1 million over last year's levels and the president's identical request. Ryan White programs are increased by \$26 million.

Nine million dollars of the increase in Ryan White funds were taken from other HRSA AIDS programs.

Testing and counseling programs and pediatric AIDS demonstration projects set up by the Ryan White Act, left unfunded in last year's bill, were again not implemented in this year's proposal. To somewhat make up the difference, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) were again given funds to continue those HIV testing and counseling programs under their control.

The CDC, though, was the biggest loser on the AIDS money front, losing \$15 million in appropriations which went largely to pay for the increase in AIDS care spending.

For the third consecutive year, the House bill has not earmarked dollars going to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for AIDS research, a development that has repeatedly alarmed AIDS activists. For the past two years, funding levels have been, in effect, later targeted by a chart included by the Senate in the final version of the bill.

Although there is not specific funding levels outlined in the bill for AIDS research, the measure suggests that it includes \$851.2 million for these NIH programs, mirroring the Bush proposal. These levels would represent a \$46.6 million increase over last year's levels.

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Army memo: lift gay ban

A US Army internal memorandum released by the the Pentagon to the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund (LLDEF) proposed reversing Army policy that bars Gays and Lesbians from military service. The document was released by the Pentagon in connection with a case involving the expelling of a Gay man from the US Naval Academy on the basis of his avowed sexual orientation.

The Army document may reflect a "broad rethinking of military personnel policy" according to a L.A. Times service story in the Milwaukee Journal. However, Army policy must reflect the Department of Defense's current policy which excludes homosexuals. Until the DoD changes its policy, the Army's regulation will remain unchanged.

The internal memo proposed that the Army accept "persons whose sexual orientation deviates from the customary" as long as they "exercise appropriate restraint and discretion with regard to their sexual behavior."

MAN DISCHARGED AFTER PARADE

Air Force Captain Greg Greeley was honorably discharged by the Air Force June 26 after "creating a stir" by leading Washington D.C.'s Gay Pride Parade June 23. He was quoted in USA Today as

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Also of note in the bill, the House, without comment, killed a \$3 million line-item for a controversial survey of American sexual behavior which had been included in the Bush proposal. The survey, long called for by AIDS and public health advocates, has been stymied for over three years by conservative opponents in Congress.

Unlike other diseases, which are not funded under separate headings, AIDS is one of the few health programs which received any increase this year. The only other health concern which received favorable treatment in the money bill is cancer research which benefited from 40 percent of the increase going to the National Cancer Institute.

saying at the parade "This is our day. We can come out in the daylight and not be in some dim bar." He also gave an interview to the Washington Post. But he didn't feel totally free until the 26th when the last chains were gone.

Greeley was at the end of his term of enlistment when he decided to lead the parade. The Air Force halted his discharge procedure for a full day and began what Greeley called a "witch hunt."

The Air Force claimed it took routine precautionary measures to ensure there had been "no breach of national security," according to Maj. Kathi Blevins in USA Today. Blevins lumped homosexuality in with rape, theft, child molesting and wife swapping as reasons to question for security reasons.

Greeley was a computer systems analyst at the Pentagon with a high security clearance. The 27 year old attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on a military scholarship. USA Today reported he told investigators he was never blackmailed or compromised, and thinks the inquiry was meant for him to disclose the names of Gays in the military.

The DoD has discharged more than 20,000 Gays and Lesbians since 1980 in an attempt to purge Gays from its ranks. During the last three months of '90, 360 service members were booted out, with women three times as likely as men to be dismissed for homosexuality.

A poll taken by the Human Rights Campaign Fund found 65% of Americans favor admission of Gays and Lesbians to the armed forces, and that 81% believe Gays doing a good job in the military should not be discharged.

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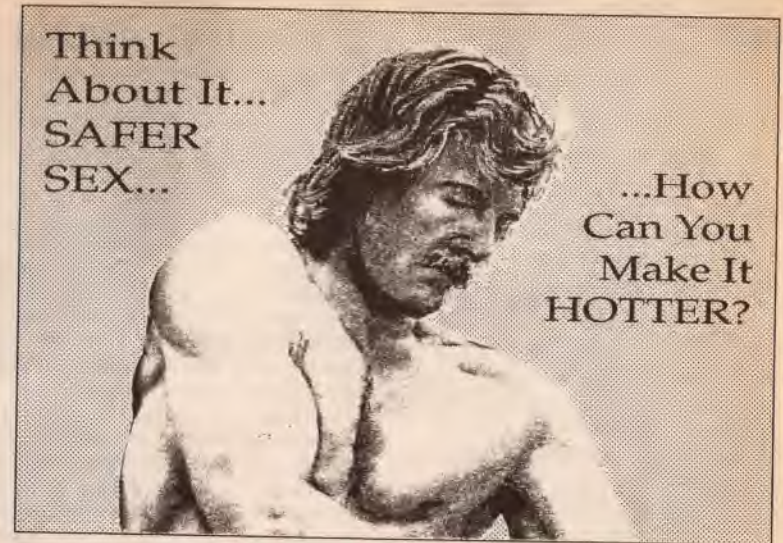
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Milwaukee reception draws 12 politicians

Milwaukee — Over a dozen elected officials from the city, county and state level attended a "meet your constituents during Gay/Lesbian Pride Week" reception on June 17 at the Village Church in downtown Milwaukee.

The reception featured wine, soda, and hors d'oeuvres and was organized by the Lambda Rights Network, the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, and the Milwaukee Lesbian/ Gay Pride Committee. It was endorsed by nearly 100 Gay/ Lesbian organizations and businesses, whose leaders mingled and chatted with the public officials.

Two candidates expected to run for County Executive in '92; County Supervisor Paul F. Matthews, and Co. Board chair Thomas F. Ament, got in some early campaigning, with Ament vowing to issue a Pride Week proclamation if elected Co. Exec.

Other county supervisors attending included: Sheila Aldrich, Elizabeth Coggs- Jones, and Anthony Czaja, with Dorothy Dean sending her regrets.

Representatives from the Milwaukee Mayors office included Steve Jacquart, and Dept. of Administration head Dave Reimer.

Common Council President Tom Donegan and the following council members also made appearances: Paul Henningsen, Lorraine McNamara-McGraw, and Chris Krajniak. Alderperson Mary Anne McNulty also sent her regrets.

In a surprise to many, U.S. Senator Bob Kasten also sent his regrets, saying he would be busy in Washington. (Editor's Note: In reality, he was just blocks away at a fundraiser for himself that was headlined by President Bush.)

The reception for the public officials gave many community members a chance to mingle with the 'power elite' for the first time. With the event declared a tremendous success, more such receptions surely will be scheduled in the future.

Life sentence in Madison slaying

Madison — 25 year old Joseph D. Wills was convicted June 21 in the first degree intentional homicide in a downtown Madison alley Sept. 9 of 21 year old Mark F. Starkey. Wills won't be eligible for parole for at least 24 years.

According to In Step (Sept. 27, 1990) the criminal complaint said Wills had "no remorse for shooting to death" (Starkey) because Starkey made a homosexual proposition. The criminal complaint also quoted Wills as saying "The boy would be alive if he wasn't a fucking faggot, I hate faggots, I just hate 'em."

Starkey's body was found in a downtown parking lot the morning of the 9th. He had been shot in the chest. After the murder, Louisiana drifter Wills, who had just arrived in Madison by bus, stole Starkey's car and drove to Onalaska where he turned himself into police.

Wills said he shot Starkey after he was approached and rejected Starkey's alleged sexual advances. He said he demanded the keys to Wills' car, and after refused, shot him.

'Roseanne' sponsors attacked

By Rex Wockner

The anti-Gay media-watchdog organization American Family Association has launched a campaign against the Kellogg cereal company and Grand Metropolitan Inc. to protest their sponsorship of the April 30 episode of the ABC-TV series *Roseanne* in which Roseanne's boss, Leon, subtly came out of the closet.

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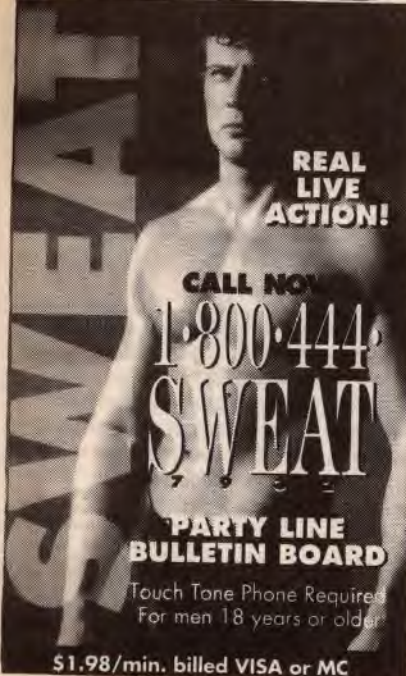


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Members of the Gay/Lesbian community mingle with area elected officials during a Pride Week Reception for Elected Officials, that was supported by over 100 Gay/Lesbian groups and businesses.

More co-sponsors for Gay Rights Bill

By Cliff O' Neill

Washington — With the addition of one new House member to the ever-growing list of co-sponsors of the federal Gay and Lesbian rights bill, the landmark measure is now officially backed by lawmakers from half of the United States.

The umpteenth high water mark for the measure so far this year was reached when freshman Rep. James P. Moran (D-Va.) signed on to the bill June 19. Moran, who last fall upset anti-Gay stalwart Rep. Stan Parris (R), won his seat with a tremendous amount of help from local Gay and Lesbian activists.

Although he had been expected to be a strong pro-Gay vote in his first Congress, he had not been expected to co-sponsor the measure in his first term.

"I think that congressman Moran's decision to co-sponsor is just one more indication that we are moving forward in our effort to pass this legislation," said Gregory King, HRCF communications director. "The Campaign Fund supported Jim Moran against a strong incumbent because we know of his commitment to our community and we're very happy to have him standing with us in the fight for fairness and equality for Lesbian and Gay Americans."

The two measures, if passed, would ban discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in housing, employment, public accommodations and programs receiving federal funds. With the record support for the two bills in the 102nd Congress, Gay activists are pushing for hearings on the measures by the end of the 1992 congressional session.

Hearings were last held on the bill in 1981, shortly before the first reported cases of what came to be known as AIDS surfaced. The bills have been introduced to every Congress since 1975.

In the House, the bill is now officially backed by 91 representatives from 25 states and the district of Columbia. The Senate bill boasts 12 co-sponsors from ten states.

The states which to date have no

co-sponsors of the bill are: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Arizona, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Wisconsin Representative Jim Moody (D- 5th) is still the lone Wisconsin Congressman to have signed on

Another Chicago dancing bias suit

By Rex Wockner

Only a month after Chicago's Baja Beach Club paid two Gay men \$4,500 for having kicked them out of the nightclub for dancing together, a second straight cruise-bar, Mother's, faces identical charges from 20 members of Queer Nation.

The activists say they will all file complaints with the Chicago Commission on Human Relations citing violations of Chicago's Gay-inclusive Human Rights Ordinance.

One activist has also initiated a complaint with the police department's Office of Professional Standards, charging that a police officer sent to the scene mishandled the incident.

Scout Weschler says officer Michael Mondane ordered QN members to leave or face arrest, despite their protestations that city law protects same-sex dancers in public accommodations.

In another twist, when QN members went to the 18th District police station to demand the arrest of Mother's manager Warner Ilic, officer Donald Dimberg told them he didn't know what a 'hate crime' is.

QN members charge Ilic struck activist Scott Mendel because of Mendel's sexual orientation.

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Hispanic, 41, 5'9" 160 lbs. Would like to meet Italian or American GWM 20-35 yrs. old for friendship, possible relationship. No fems, smoking, drugs, obesity. Phone 1-900-737-MENN, ext. 4171.

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'92 AIDS confab may be canceled

By Rex Wockner

There will be no Seventh International Conference on AIDS in 1992 if the U.S. doesn't lift its immigration ban on HIV-positives by Aug. 3, organizers of the event said June 21 during the sixth annual meeting in Florence, Italy. The '92 conference is scheduled for Boston.

The threat was issued by 1992 conference chair Max Essex, of Harvard University, on behalf of the World Health Organization and the International AIDS Society, co-organizers of the annual mega-event, which attracts more than 10,000 researchers, social scientists, caregivers and persons with AIDS.

Essex's promise followed a public threat by the AIDS direct-action group ACT UP to disrupt the closing ceremonies of the Florence meeting if Essex, WHO and IAS did not issue the precise statement they wanted issued. But there was no confirmation that the two events were related: WHO and IAS have denounced immigration restrictions on HIV-positives in the past.

U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Dr. Louis Sullivan had promised to end the immigration ban on HIV-positives effective June 1. But he was opposed by several government agencies and President George Bush's office. Presidential spokespersons said Bush received 40,000 letters from Americans who support the ban, many of whom apparently wrote at the urging of fundamentalist Christian leader Rev. Pat Robertson and the Christian Broadcasting Network, a cable-TV service.

On May 29, Sullivan backed down and extended the ban through the end of July (see In Step, Issue 11, June 6 Issue). Government insiders expect that Sullivan may ultimately lift the ban for visitors but keep it in place for immigrants.

ACT UP KEEPS LOWER PROFILE

About 100 members of ACT UP attended the six-day Florence meeting "to remind participants that people with AIDS are the experts in this pandemic."

But unlike at the 1990 conference in San Francisco and the 1989 gathering in

Montreal, they did not routinely disrupt the proceedings.

As the conference opened June 16, about 1,000 persons paraded through the streets of Florence, demanding 'AIDS Global Action Now.'

The demonstrators represented a broad coalition of non-governmental AIDS organizations and Gay groups, as well as the animal-rights movement. The use of monkeys and other animals to study AIDS drugs, vaccines and virus behavior is an emerging issue among some AIDS activists.

As usual, the Florence conference did not produce any startling announcements on breakthroughs in fighting HIV or AIDS opportunistic infections. The annual gathering is primarily an opportunity for scientists to share details on the slow but steady progress against the disease and for AIDS social-service providers to network.

\$5.3 M awarded to Gay man

Gay executive Jeffrey Collins was awarded \$5.3 million in back pay and damages June 17 in a wrongful termination from Shell Oil.

According to USA Today Shell fired Collins in 1985 after his secretary found a private memo he'd written on the office computer about a safe-sex party. The 47 year old Collins worked for Shell for 19 years and was in charge of drug development at Triton Biosciences, a Shell subsidiary, where he earned \$115,000 per year.

Superior Court Judge Jacqueline Taber ruled Shell fired him because he was homosexual, and that Shell had fabricated reasons for the dismissal. His job performance had always been rated 'outstanding' by Shell, but Shell made it hard for Collins to find a comparable job elsewhere.

According to USA Today, Collins' attorney said the computer memo was never intended for workplace distribution and was left on the computer by mistake.

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Kenosha GWM: 36, 5'10", 145 lbs., non-smoker/ drinker. Enjoys movies, biking, outdoor activities. If you live in Kenosha, are similar 20-35 yrs old seeking friendship/relationship call Steve, (414) 652-4829, 6- 9pm.

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GWM 33, looking for friendship/relationship with professional GWM 30-40. I'm 6'1" tall, black hair and brown eyes. I enjoy music, travel, dining out, talking and writing letters. I'm looking for someone with a good sense of humor, someone who's honest, sincere, and discrete. Physically, I enjoy men who have a mustache and a hairy chest, however, I'd like to hear from you even if those traits don't belong to you. Please send your response (and a photo would be nice) to: Brian, P.O. Box 141, Jefferson, WI 53549.

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GWM, 29, 5'10", 140 lbs. Non-smoker, non-drinker, tired of bars. Seeking male 25-36 for companionship/relationship. Serious inquiries only. Send letter to P.O. Box 5113, Appleton, WI 54913.

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By Rex Wockner

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According to the terms of the settlement between Morris, ACT UP/DC, the Dallas Gay Alliance and the Human Rights Campaign Fund, applicants must be tax-exempt not-for-profits based in or directed to the Gay community.

"Successful grant applications may include organizations providing direct services and making innovative efforts that cannot find funding from more traditional sources," said former Dallas Gay Alliance head and current Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund Executive Director William Waybourn.

"Educational efforts to combat AIDS and homophobic discrimination may also be funded," Waybourn said. "All agencies providing these programs to the

Gay and Lesbian community are encouraged to apply."

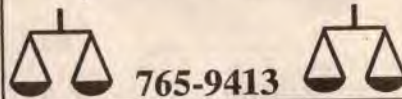
"I encourage (groups) to be creative, concise and community-oriented," he added. "Successful applications will be awarded based upon concept and need."

Grant applications should be directed to Stephanie French, Vice-President for Corporate Giving and Cultural Affairs, Philip Morris Companies, 120 Park Ave., New York NY 10017. Carbon-copy Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, P.O. Box 34715, Washington, DC 20043.

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'93 March on D.C. meeting in Chicago

Washington, D.C. — At a weekend planning meeting held here, more than two hundred Lesbian and Gay politicians and activists called for a National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay civil rights scheduled for April of 1993.

The meeting was an opportunity for community representatives and individuals to discuss a national march in the spirit of the historical 1987 event, which attracted more than a half-million Lesbians and Gay men to our nation's capitol.

Present at the two-day event were many leading figures in the struggle for Lesbian and Gay rights, including principals of The Names Project, Black and White Men Together, National Minority AIDS Council, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, National Organization for Women, National Coalition of Black Lesbians and Gays, Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, National Gay and Lesbian Law Association, Queer Nation, Metropolitan Community Church,

The National Lesbian and Gay Task Force, The Human Rights Campaign Fund, ACT UP, and representatives of groups from 22 states, from Florida to Alaska.

During the meeting, delegates endorsed two upcoming political events: Stonewall 25, international march and festival in New York City on June 26, 1994. This event commemorates the 25th anniversary of the riots that sparked the modern Lesbian and Gay liberation movement. Also endorsed was the October 1992, march on Washington to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Survival of Indigenous Cultures. This event is held to protest Christopher Columbus' 'discovery' of the new world and the subsequent genocide of its Native American peoples.

The next organizational meeting for the March on Washington for Gay/Lesbian Rights will be held in Chicago on August 3-4 at the Allerton Hotel. At that time, the

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P-FLAG seeks 'horror' stories

Tom Sauerman, Executive Director of the Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, used Flag Day on June 14 to kick off a national campaign to collect stories to be used in observance of National Coming Out Day, October 11, 1991.

Members and friends of P-Flag are asked to write a story or keep a journal of approximately one week in which they document the ways that anti-Gay and

Lesbian discrimination affects them and their lives. They can describe overt or subtle affronts to their dignity, the emotional and practical costs of living in the closet, anti-Gay violence, or discrimination in employment and housing services.

"We want people to use this exercise as a way of documenting not only overt and outrageous examples of discrimination, but also the more subtle ways that homophobia daily touches their lives," said Sauerman. "For example, we need stories about the loss of employment or housing caused by the disclosure or suspicion of sexual orientation. Or a parent might write about playing bridge with someone who made homophobic remarks and how they dealt with the situation, about the pain of a daughter's partner being omitted from the guest list of a family wedding by a relative who wasn't accepting of the relationship, or about activities or conversations at work or in the community that they could not participate in because of homophobic discrimination."

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[L to R] John Lehmann [Rod's IML entrant], Ben Tester [Hotel Washington manager] and Ken Erickson enjoy John's rear view.

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Bay View Apt to Share: Upper flat with GWM. Front sitting room, frontroom — dining room, kitchen & bath. 3 bedrooms. Washer/dryer, appliances. Enclosed yard w/gas grill — close to bus lines. Aug. 1st. \$250.00 month plus deposit & 1/2 utilities. Call eves. until 10:00, call Jim 747-1576.

Responsible Person Wanted to share very large Riverwest upper flat with 2 others. Absolutely no smokers, and must love animals (1 dog, 2 cats). Serious calls only! Rent is \$225.00 per month plus 1/3rd utilities (deposit negotiable). Available Aug. 1st. Gary 264- 2740.

the individuals who write them;" Sauerman added, "and P-FLAG will publish some of them as a consciousness-raising device for National Coming Out Day. They will also be used to document discrimination in meetings with public officials and for testifying in favor of legislation such as the 1991 Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill."

Stories and diaries will be accepted in any form, preferably type-written, one or two pages in length. They can be signed or unsigned and should be sent by September 15 to P-FLAG Discrimination Diary Project, Post Office Box 27605, Washington, DC 20038. P-FLAG will contact writers before using stories for media or press purposes.

Readers who wish to receive a packet of information about Parents FLAG may do so by sending \$3 to the Office of Family and Chapter Support, Post Office Box 27605, Washington, DC 20038. ▽

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Group Notes

MLGPC: Pride week a success

MLGPC wishes to thank everyone for making Pride Week 1991 a great a success! Spirits ran high, the weather cooperated, and there was a noticeable lack of protesting from any opposition groups. Here's to the hope that this is the beginning of an ongoing trend.

Merchandise Still Available

If you weren't able to get merchandise before, or if you can't get enough of it, MLGPC is happy to say that we still have more available. Prices are the same as listed before, and will be on sale beginning in July. Call 32-PRIDE for further info or to place your order (Gay Bucks can still be used for merchandise as well as any MLGPC event).

Committee Elections

MLGPC will be holding its' annual meeting and election in September. This meeting is open to the public (and we hope the public will attend). This meeting is also to elect new members to the Pride Committee, and due to the fact that all seats held by men are filled, the vacant seats can be filled by women ONLY. This is in accordance with MLGPC bylaws which strive for parity of representation in the Pride Committee. BUT, if the positions are NOT filled within sixty days of the September elections (which we strongly hope is not the case), then the positions are open to any person interested in serving on the 1992 Pride Committee. If interested, please send a resume listing prior positions with any public or private organizations, or send a letter of interest to MLGPC, P.O. Box 93852, Milwaukee, WI 53203 no later than September 1, 1991.

Flirtations Concert Scheduled

MLGPC is pleased to announce that the Flirtations, an acapella singing group from New York, will be performing on September 19 at Plankinton Hall. Showtime is 8pm, with tickets at a cost of \$15 per person. There will be a limited number of front row tickets available at

\$25 per person, which will include a reception following the concert at the C Club (in the Wisconsin Hotel). Those attending the reception will be able to meet the Flirtations, with munchies and cash bar available as well. They were a hit in Madison in April, so come enjoy a night of great entertainment!

Phone zap July 17

Madison — ACT-UP Madison demands that Wisconsin Governor Tommy Thompson enact the recommendations of his own HIV/ AIDS Technical Advisory Committee on the treatment of HIV positive prisoners. They've called for a telephone protest to Governor Thompson and Dept. of Corrections secretary Patrick Fielder.

- ACT UP listed the following demands:
- education for guards and staff;
 - support services for HIV positive inmates;
 - complete confidentiality of inmates HIV status, a cessation of I-9 coding, single celling, and an end work restrictions;
 - compassionate early release;
 - distribution of condoms.

A flyer distributed by the group said "Donald Woods was murdered by guards. Roger Hillman is being murdered right now. Other PWA's are afraid to come forward to access the treatment they need to survive. Prisoners who test positive have their HIV status revealed to the entire prison population in direct violation of state law."

ACT UP continued, "The recommendations have been ignored. The Department of Corrections is killing people with the approval of the Governor."

Call Governor Tommy Thompson at (608) 266-1212; and Corrections Secretary Fielder at (608) 266-2471.



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SSBL Schedule

SSBL SCHEDULE
JULY 6- No games, out-of-town tournaments.
JULY 13 Upper Diamond
 11:00 Triangle 2 vs. Partners
 12:00 M&M Peanuts vs. Triangle 2
JULY 13 Lower Diamond
 11:00 Wreck Room vs. M&M Peanuts
 12:00 Partners vs. Wreck Room
 1:00 Nitengales vs. M&M Bad Girls
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 3:00 Nitengales vs. Fannies
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Organizational Meeting Schedule

SUNDAYS

Galano- Afternoon card tournament at the Clubroom, 2408 N. Farwell.

Dignity- Mass & Friendship, 6pm. St. Pius X Church, 76th & Wright, Tower Entrance

New Hope MCC- Worship Service, 6:30 pm, Kenwood Methodist Church, 2319 E. Kenwood

MAP Support Group- For PWA's & PWARC's, 7pm, 273-2437

Bisexual Women's Group [Madison]- 7:30 to 9:00pm at Ada James, 710 University Ave., Rm. 202.

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays [Madison]- Meets the second Sunday of each month, 1:30-3:30 pm at the Friends Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Ct. f.m.i. Jane at 271-0270 or the United at 255-8582

Affirming Light Agape Church- Services every Sunday at 1 p.m., Call 354-3979 for location

HIV Positive Support [Green Bay]- Meets bi-weekly at Center Project, f.m.i. 437-7400.

Bi-Sexual Support- Meeting, call 271-3067 for location and info.

Lutherans Concerned- 3rd Sunday every month, Village Church, 130 E. Juneau, 5 pm

Gay Men's Discussion Group- Every 4th Sunday from 6-8 \$2 donation. Call Tim at The Counseling Center 271-2565 for info.

MAP Worship Service- 4th Sun. of the month, 5 pm, Village Church, 130 E. Juneau

Touch Football- Every Sunday during season, 2pm, Lincoln Memorial Drive Soccer Field, call Bob 963-9833.

MONDAYS

BESTD- HIV testing and Hepatitis screening, 6-9 pm, by apptmt. only, BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St 272-2144

HIV+ Support Group- for Racine, Walworth & Kenosha Co.'s location alternates, call SEWAP 657-6644 or 1-800-924-6601 for more info.

Gay AA Meeting [Racine]- 8 pm, 625 College Ave. Racine

Lawrence - Univ. Gay/Lesbian Awareness [Appleton]- Mondays, 6:30pm, Colman Hall, Room 107 (414) 832-7103.

Queer Nation/Milwaukee- Meets first & third Mondays, 7 p.m., Milw. Public Library (8th & Wise) 1st floor meeting room.

TUESDAYS

Christian Gay OK- Support group gathering, 7:30 pm, All Saint Guild Hall, 818 E. Juneau Ave. (west entrance).

Family, Friends of PWA's Support [Oshkosh]- 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm Holy Family Rm., East Frontage Rd., Oshkosh, Place 2B

Fox Valley Gay/Lesbian Parents- Meet first Tues. of month at 7:30, Universalist Church, 800 N. Superior, Appleton 727-1975.

PFLAG/Lakeshore [Sheboygan]- Meets 2nd Tues. of even months. For info write: P.O. Box 1396, Sheboygan 53082

BI-STD- STD testing 6-9 pm, walk-in, BEST Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. (272-2144).

ACT UP Milwaukee- Meetings 7:30 every Tuesday, All Sts. Cathedral Guild Hall, 818 E. Juneau Ave., call 769-8708 for info.

MAP- Support Group for family, friends of Persons with AIDS [PWA's]: Alternate Tues., f.m.i. call 273-2437

HIV-Positive Support Group [Madison]- 7-9 pm, call 255-1711 for time and location.

Gay Men's Chorale [Madison]- Rehearsal in Memorial Union, see TITU for room, 6-9 pm

Evangelicals Concerned [Madison]- Bible study at 7:30 pm, f.m.i. Duane at 244-5010.

MASN Support Group [Madison]- For people with AIDS or ARC, f.m.i. 255-1711.

WEDNESDAYS

BESTD- HIV and Hepatitis screening, 6-9 pm, by appointment only, BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. 272-2144

Cream City Chorus- weekly rehearsal, men and women singers and accompanists welcome; 7-10 pm, New Hope United Church of Christ, 1424 W. Greenfield

Fest City Singers- weekly rehearsal, 7-10 pm, War Memorial Center, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., men and women singers and instrumentalists welcome

Galano- DePaul Lifestyle Support Group- Last Wed. only, 4:30 pm, De Paul Rehab Hospital, Room 2123.

MAP Support Group- Info & education regarding HIV infection & treatments, 7 pm, 273-2437.

The Ten Percent Society [Madison]- Meets during the semester at 8 pm in Memorial Union; check TITU for room.

G/L Support Group [UW-Green Bay]- Meets every Wed. at 4 p.m. 463-2343

Men's Coming Out Support Group [Madison]- Meets, f.m.i. 255-8582

MASN Support Group [Madison]- For HIV-positive individuals and friends, lovers and family of persons with AIDS, f.m.i. 255-1711.

THURSDAYS

G/L Parents Coalition of Milw.- Meeting 1st Thursday, pot luck, 3rd Thurs. only; call 962-0861 for location.

P-FLAG Lakeshore [Sheboygan]- Meets 2nd Thursday of odd months. For info write: P.O. Box 1396, Sheboygan 53052.

Lesbian Drop-In Group [Madison]- 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm, The United

Support Group for Family, Friends [Madison]- Of people with AIDS, 7:30-9:30 pm, call 255-1711 for time and place

Men's "Phase II" [Madison]- (Post Coming Out) support group, meets 8pm, 1127 University Ave., B103, f.m.i. David at 241-2500.

Gay/Lesbian Support Group [Appleton]- 8 pm, 1st Congregational Church, 724 E. South River Rd.

Social Volleyball- 8:30pm, UWM's Engelmann Gym (2033 E. Hartford), cost is \$2, includes lockers & showers, all skill levels welcome. Call Bob 963-9833.

G/L Comm. at U.W.M.- Every Thursday, 1:30, seeing posting by UW Union (2200 E. Kenwood) elevators for room number, 229-6555.

Lesbian Alliance Metro Milw. [LAMM]- Monthly meeting, 3rd Thursday, open to all Lesbians. Call 264-2600 for more info.

FRIDAYS

Bi-Sexual Support [Milw.]- meeting, call 271-3067 for location and info.

SATURDAYS

BESTD Women's Alternative Health Clinic- GYN exams, STD testing and more; 10am-12 noon, walk-in, BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St., 272-2144

Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee- Meets 2nd Sat. of every month, 10 p.m. social; 3B's Bar

Galano- Movie night; 9pm, 2408 N. Farwell

BWMT- 3rd Sat., 8 pm, 265-8500 for more info

Gay Youth Milw.- Discussion group- 1st & 3rd Sat. only 1-3 pm, Main Public Library (9th & Wis.), 1st floor meeting room (18 yrs. & under)- 265-8500 for info.

Gay AA [Appleton]- 8 pm, 1st Congregational Church, 724 E. South River Rd

Metro. Milw. Friendship Grp.- 2nd Sat. For details/info call Dave 423-0379.

Stonewall Network [Madison]- Discussion & support for Lesbian/Gay/ Bi youth under 22, every Sat. from 1-3, UW Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St., Madison f.m.i. (608) 246-4297

Cowles Volleyball League- Play begins at 3 p.m. at UWM's Engelmann Gym.

ORGANIZATIONS: Send us info and we'll include you. If there are errors, send corrections.

Wisconsin AIDS Walk needs helpers

With the anticipation of well over 3,000 walkers, hundreds of volunteers are needed prior to and during the Wisconsin AIDS Walk, set for September 22, 1991. In addition to volunteers for the day of the Walk, people are needed now to help distribute registration brochures and posters.

Bud and Sue Selig of the Milwaukee Brewers will lead the 2nd Annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk on Milwaukee's Lakefront. The Walk will promote state-wide awareness of AIDS and raise essential funds to address the challenges of the AIDS epidemic.

The Wisconsin AIDS Walk is the largest fundraiser and educational event for AIDS produced in Wisconsin. This year's goal is to raise \$285,000 through the support of 3,000 walkers and 30,000 pledgers.

The Milwaukee AIDS Project will receive 75 percent of the Walk proceeds to support AIDS prevention education programs, volunteer resources, and support services provided to people living with AIDS. The remainder of the proceeds will be disbursed to the Madison AIDS Support Network and the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project, who will co-sponsor the 1991 Walk.

Individuals interested in volunteering should call the Wisconsin AIDS Walk headquarters at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, (414) 273-1991.

Madison group

Madison — Madison's Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance (GALVANize), in preparation of their October 5 March in Madison, announced a series of fundraisers to occur during the month of July, prior to their general meeting on July 26 at the Memorial Union at 7:30pm.

July 13 will see a benefit dance for women at Apple Island (849 E Washington Street), 8pm. On July 20,

GALVANize invites everyone to participate in the annual MAGIC Picnic, in Brittingham Park from noon to 8pm. GALVANize is one of the many groups that benefit from the popular annual picnic.

As mentioned in the last issue of In Step, GALVANize is looking for new ideas and time commitments to make this year's march related events a huge success. Contact them at P.O. Box 1403, Madison, 53701-1403; or call (608) 255- 8061.

Sit and reflect...

Madison — The Madison Park Commission has accepted a New Harvest Foundation offer to install two park benches in Orton Park as a token remembrance of the George Segal 'Gay Liberation' sculpture that was removed and re-installed in New York City in February, according to the New Harvest Gleaner newsletter.

The benches will be placed at the same location where the statue stood for over four years. A base relief tablet will call attention to the previously displayed work.

The sculpture which had been on loan to the Madison Art Center since 1986, was reclaimed this year by its N.Y. owners so it could be permanently placed in Manhattan's Christopher Park. The life-sized work depicts two same-sex couples, one male and one female, holding hands. The object was of considerable controversy when first displayed in Madison, but soon became a focus of local Gay/Lesbian pride.

The New Harvest Foundation in all contributed over \$10,000 during the four year stay of the statue in Madison. Placing the commemorative benches in the park is expected to run about \$3,000, reports New Harvest co-chair Mark Porter. About \$1,000 remains in the statue fund and a plan for additional funding is being devised and will be announced soon. Porter said "The park benches seem to be a practical way to remember 'Gay Liberation' and to keep alive the idea of some day finding a suitable and affordable piece of public art to replace it."

The only Gay national indoor tennis tournament in the Midwest, the competition draws players from all over the country for a weekend full of tennis, new friends and special activities.

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- Men's Singles — Open, 35+, B and C
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- Women's Singles
- Women's Doubles
- Mixed Doubles.

The tournament will be headquartered at Chicago's Midtown Tennis Center, one of the largest tennis facilities in the Midwest. Entry fees are \$45 for one event and \$65 for two or more events. Housing for the tournament is available in private homes (on a limited basis) and in a variety of hotels in the Chicago area with special tournament rates.

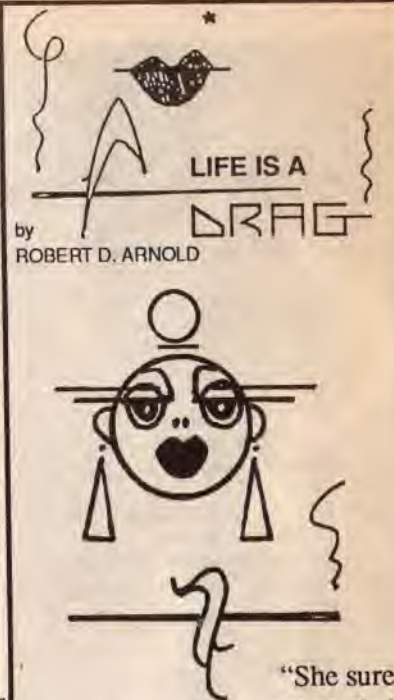
To find out more about the tournament and request an application, contact Tim at (312) 248-1795, be sure to leave your name, phone number and address. All entries must be postmarked by July 22.

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- Lesbian Science Fiction/Fantasy: **Gossamer Axe** by Gael Baudino
- Gay Men's Mystery: **Howtown** by Michael Nava
- Lesbian Mystery (tie): **Gaudi Afternoon** by Barbara Wilson, **Ninth Life** by Lauren Wright Douglas
- Lesbian and Gay Humor: **New, Improved Dykes to Watch Out For** by Allen Becheel
- Lesbian Nonfiction: **The Safe Sea of Women** by Bonnie Zimmerman
- Gay Men's Nonfiction: **Coming Out Under Fire** by Allan Berube
- Gay Men's Anthologies: **Men on Men 3** edited by George Stambolian
- Lesbian Anthologies: **Women on Women** edited by Joan Nestle and Naomi Holoch
- Gay Men's Fiction: **Body and Its Dangers** by Allen Barnett
- Lesbian Fiction: **Out of Time** by Paula Marinac.

Women: call for submissions

Venus Press is seeking single-panel cartoons, strips, and cartoon stories for **New Dyke**, a book anthology of cartoons by, for and about Lesbians. Cartoons can be fantasy, soap opera, humor, sci fi, feminist satire/ politics, explicit sex, stories about growing up, coming out, romance, aging, etc. Deadline 12/1/91. Send submissions and SASE to Venus Press, 7100 Blvd. East, Guttenberg NJ 07093.



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Mitchell Park Gay picnic July 13

Milwaukee — The Saturday Softball Beer League has designated Saturday, July 13 for a Community Softball Picnic. All the picnic tables in Mitchell Park area 3 (top of the hill overlooking the lower softball diamonds) have been reserved for interested Gay/Lesbian community members.

Each team will bring their own food, and the community is welcome to pack a picnic and join in. Beer and soda left over from the Classic will be available for purchase. Games begin at 11am and continue through the afternoon. Everyone is invited to join in the fun in the sun, and to cheer on your favorite teams.

Canoe weekend

GAMMA's second canoe trip of the season will be held the weekend of July 27-29, 1991. Campers will drive to Melrose, WI and cruise down the Black River to the Mississippi at La Crosse.

The current is steady; the pace is leisurely. It's a great first trip for beginners! The river bottom is sandy and the water is just right for swimming. Beaver, muskrat, (lions, and tigers and bears, Oh My!) are common along this secluded stretch of the river. Camp out on Saturday and Sunday night on sandbars.

Cost for three days — including canoe rental, breakfast and dinners will be \$50; deposit of \$25 (payable to GAMMA) is due on Monday, July 8, 1991. All are welcome; call GAMMA at 963-9833 for more information.

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Lambda Literary awards

New York, NY — More than 400 people turned out May 31st to witness the Third Annual Lambda Literary Awards. The 'Lammys,' recognizing excellence in Gay and Lesbian writing and publishing, were presented at a gala banquet at the Grand Hyatt on the eve of the American Booksellers Association Convention.

Award presenters included George Slowik, Jr., publisher of Publishers Weekly, Congressman Barney Frank, best-selling Lesbian author Katherine Forrester, and Joan Nestle, writer and founder of the Lesbian Herstory Archives. Author James Purdy addressed the crowd as winner of the Third Annual Bill Whitehead Award for Lifetime Achievement in Gay and Lesbian Publishing and Writing.

The big winners of the night were Allen Barnett for **The Body and Its Dangers** (St. Martin's Press) and Cherry Muhanji for **Her** (Aunt Lute Foundation), receiving Ferro-Grumley Awards, as well as Lammys for Gay Men's and Lesbian Fiction, respectively.

- Lambda Literary Awards Winners:
- Gay Men's Small Press Book Award: **Daddy's Roommate** by Michael Willhoite
 - Lesbian Small Press Book Award: (tie) **Different Mothers** edited by Louise Raffkin, and **Making Face/Making Soul** by Gloria Anzaldua
 - Lesbian Debut Award: **Her** by Cherry Muhanji
 - Gay Men's Debut Award: **Body and Its Dangers** by Allen Barnett
 - AIDS: **The Way We Live Now** edited by Elizabeth Osbourn
 - Gay Men's Poetry: **Decade Dance** by Michael Lassell
 - Lesbian Poetry: **Going Back to the River** by Marilyn Hacker
 - Gay Men's Science Fiction/Fantasy: (tie) **Magic's Price** by Mercedes Lackey, **Secret Matter** by Toby Johnson.
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MG/LRC brunch & concert

Madison — The Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center (MG/LRC) will hold their second annual Brunch and Concert July 21 at the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center from 10am to 1pm.

The concert portion will feature Womansong along with other local performers (singers, pianists and poets). The brunch will also feature a raffle of prizes donated by various supportive businesses in the Madison area.

The proceeds from the brunch and raffle will benefit many services that MG/LRC provides. Those services include: the Earl Greely Memorial Library; the Rodney Scheel Memorial Video Library (both libraries located at The United); workshops on issues of interest to the Gay/Lesbian community; social activities group for 18 to 21 year old Gays/Lesbians, Bisexuals and their friends; a monthly events calendar and guide; and The Directory, a 64 page guide to the organizations serving Madison's Gay/ Lesbian/ Bisexual community.

AA Round-Up in Chicago July 19-21

Chicago '91, will take place on July 19, 20, and 21 in Chicago, Illinois. This conference is sponsored by the Chicago Gay and Lesbian Members of Alcoholics Anonymous.

This is the sixth annual conference, and promises to be the best yet. Features of this year's event include a new location, the Congress Hotel (on fashionable Michigan Avenue) along with the usual array of speakers, workshops, festive dance and banquet, and recovering camaraderie. As is our tradition, on Friday night we will have an original musical written especially for the event and performed by our members.

The registration price for Chicago '91 is \$35.00.

For more information write to: Chicago '91, 606 West Barry #196, Chicago, Illinois 60657. No prior registration is needed to attend.

Milwaukee AA Round-Up Sept. 6- 8

Milwaukee — Commitment '91, Milwaukee's sixth annual round-up for Gay and Lesbian members of AA, Al-Anon, N.A., and other 12-Step groups, has set September 6, 7, & 8th, 1991, as the dates for the event to be held at the Milwaukee County War Memorial.

'Steps to Freedom' has been chosen as this year's theme. The schedule of events includes numerous recovery-oriented workshops and speakers, Saturday night's banquet and dance, Sunday morning's spiritual breakfast, and, new this year, Friday night's play entitled "Snow White and the Seven Drunks."

An early registration price of \$30 (before August 29th) has been set. Registration includes all workshops, general sessions, the dance, and Sunday's breakfast. The banquet is available for an additional charge of \$18.

For more information or registration forms, write to: Commitment '91, P.O. Box 92794, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Chicago films

Film Fest Design Competition

The 11th Chicago Lesbian and Gay International Film Festival, organized and sponsored by Chicago Film makers, announces a design competition for the design to be used on this year's festival poster, program and T-shirt. The winner will receive \$200 and a full pass to the festival. Designs must be vertical in format and include the following information:

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Also available from Milwaukee's Lesbian Gay Pride Committee (call (414) 32-PRIDE) is the 24X26 Keith Haring National Coming Out Day poster, the gallery quality classic image donated to National Coming Out Day in 1988. Proceeds from the cards and posters, as well as the T-shirts, buttons, and stickers, go toward the effort to increase the visibility of the Gay and Lesbian community. "It's the most positive campaign our community has ever waged" said Lynn Sheppard, Executive Director of National Coming Out Day, "in part because of the Keith Haring image that says so much about how it feels to tell the truth."

For ordering information on items other than poster, contact NCOD at : Post Office Box 8349, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87504. Phone (800) 445-NCOD, FAX (505) 982-1341.

Gay philatelists club

Hartford, CT. — The Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps Club (GLHSC) is celebrating the June 8 release of a US postage stamp commemorating Cole Porter on his 100th birth anniversary.

GLHSC is a topical stamp club founded in mid fall of 1981 with the objectives of promoting and fostering an interest in the study, collection and dissemination of knowledge of worldwide philatelic material depicting men and women (and their works) for whom historical evidence exists of Gay or Bisexual behavior or orientation. They also support ideas, mythology and historical events significant to the history of Gays and Lesbians.

Presently membership totals approximately 200 in seventeen countries. It is the largest and oldest Gay stamp club in the world, and "is the best source of information, fellowship and inspiration in the topical field of Gay collecting and worldwide philatelists," according to their brochure.

Topical collecting, their forte, is the specialization of worldwide postal stamp and other philatelic material with emphasis to the subject, rather than the country of issuance. They have reviewed and cataloged over 300 philatelic items in their quarterly journal and handbook.

The group publishes the Lambda Philatelic Journal, holds an annual convention, publishes a handbook, has a research library, holds special events, and offers free ads to members. For more information or to join, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: GLHSC, c/o Secretary, PO Box 3940, Hartford, CT 06103. Membership dues are \$6 per year.



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Other fast food outlets will jump on the hunk food sex wagon. Kentucky Fried Chicken and at Taco Bell you can really ring your chimes, Louise. Be sure to order their special sixty-nine cent deal.

Well, I suppose my critics will accuse me of being totally cock-eyed this time... and they'd be right. Maybe I am going off half-cocked in insisting upon public restaurant sex. Still I will defend my right to defend a mother's right to nurse in public. After all, I'm only trying to keep a breast of the times, even if I do feel like a boob!

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No Nonsense by Sister Dana Van Iquity (Dennis McMillan)

Thanks for the mammaries

Recent News Item: A civil law suit is being brought up again after 7 years of inaction, originally filed in Los Angeles and now in San Francisco (only in California, right??!) demanding nursing mothers be given the right to breast feed their babies in restaurants. Famed feminist attorney Gloria Allred in the Nicole Kaufman case had attempted to sue an L.A. bistro for refusing to allow Mama Kaufman to nurse her infant (I guess mother's milk wasn't on the cafe's recommended beverage list).

The problem was that infamous attorney Sister Dana of Equity, Iquity and Van Iquity law firm was never consulted. I fully intend to handle the current case with my renowned legal expertise (and if you believe that, I've got a bridge in San Francisco I'd like to sell you).

The prosecutors are arguing that people simply do not want to see this sort of thing in public places, and that mothers should nurse their young in the rest rooms. Well, Sister Dana says that this is an utterly (udderly?) natural act and should therefore be openly encouraged in front of such intolerant, unenlightened people. In fact, let's take this law suit one giant step forward and demand not only nursing in restaurants but public sex there as well. They're **both** natural acts. That's right, so take that, American Bar Association. "Out of the rest rooms and into the restaurants" will be the chant for the American **Gay Bar** Association.

Just think of the precedent-setting implications if my case for sex in restaurants is legalized. Especially for us horny homos and liberated Lesbians. No more cruising in drafty, smelly toilets. Let's bring it out in the open, where we can find sexual satisfaction and have a nourishing meal at the same time. We can

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Letters

On Pride

Dear Ron:

On behalf of the MLGPC, I would like to extend a most heartfelt thank you for the time, energy, and support that you always show not only to the MLGPC, but to the Gay and Lesbian communities throughout Wisconsin.

It is because of caring, generous community members such as yourself that we have been able to accomplish so much as The Gay Rights State. It is without question our community has benefited tremendously because of yourself and others, and we would be at a great loss without your efforts.

Here's to continued success, and to many happy and productive years of working together. Again, thank you from the bottom of the heart.

—Sincerely,

Brian Kipp, Chairperson PR, MLGPC

Editor:

I would like to express my disappointment of the crowd at the Pride Rally. It was an excellent parade and rally. The Pride Committee has to be complimented for a well-organized event with fantastic speakers and acts. A lot of work must have gone into making the event turn out so well.

But I was disappointed at the crowd's response. Some people didn't even bother to applaud! The music groups and choruses and comedian all gave very good performances. The speakers couldn't have been better, and the content of their speeches was excellent. Yet the crowd just didn't seem responsive. I'm not saying people have to yell, but at least they could show appreciation by clapping. What's wrong, Wisconsin, the first Gay Rights State?

—Sincerely,
Tom Mielke



skirts on **Saturday Night Live** built around the concept of political correctness ('Frank Gannon, P.I. P.I.'). Even the latest Webster's has added 'womyn,' 'herstory,' and 'outing,' for cryin' out loud!

6. Them Lesbian singers. Once they stared out at all of our bare bobbing breasts as they crooned... and now, according to their PR, they got their starts "in tiny smoke-filled nightclubs." I'm not sure if we can press charges on this one, though, gals — it's hard to say exactly who stole what from whom here...

7. The Lesbian label. Apparently, we are even more popular than I had at first suspected: women who sleep with men are now calling themselves Lesbians. While I truly believe that people have a right to identify themselves however they choose, "Lesbians who sleep with men" seems pretty clearly to be a contradiction in terms. Besides, a perfectly good word already exists for that state of being: bisexual.

A bad attitude about all of this? Who me? I should be flattered, you say, that it is cool to call oneself a Lesbian? Imitation is, you say, after all, the sincerest form of flattery. OK. Well, actually, I guess I am kind of flattered. In fact, all of this 'popularity' just feeds right into my Lesbian chauvinism. All of the foregoing laments were made, I confess, with not only my own tongue planted in cheek but someone else's as well. I mean, acceptance is, finally, what most of us have been seeking all along anyway, right?

And yet, in spite of my levity, I do find myself a little sad — sad, first of all, that our contributions aren't acknowledged. No one points out, for instance, where they got those boyishly trendy haircuts or morally trendy words and phrases. Second, although I am pleased at the impact that Lesbians have had on hetero culture, I'm sad to see our uniqueness somewhat diluted. For the first time in my life I think I really have some sense of what immigrants must feel as they see their offspring blend more and more into the dominant culture: pride mingled with a sense of loss, the loss of an era, of

traditions that can never quite be gotten back.

But hey, don't let me depress you. Cheer up: in spite of the mainstream's occasional flirtations, we're still pretty much outcasts — we must be doing something right if Jesse Helms finds us objectionable!

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Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipter

Petty about 'Theft'

Remember when Lesbians were Lesbians and straight women weren't?

Ah, the good ol'days, when everyone knew their place and was in it. Their place was in the kitchen and in curlers; ours was in the closet and in cleats.

The lines of demarcation were never quite that clear, of course. But it seems that ever since Stonewall and the women's movement, the line has grown increasingly more fuzzy. In fact, if it weren't for our highly developed individual 'Gaydar,' it would be hard to tell who was who. Oh sure, some of it is our own fault — Lesbians (re)discovering their feminine side — but much of it is 'them' stealing all our best stuff. As your mother might say, "We can't keep anything nice around here."

Gay men, of course, were targets of this sort of theft well before Lesbians were. Who do you think first breached the pastel clothing barrier for men? But this experience, until recently, had not been shared by us heretofore less trendsetting Lesbians. The tide has turned, however, and formerly decidedly Lesbian 'stuff' has been finding its way into mainstream culture.

So, in case we decide to file a police report concerning this larceny, I thought I'd best start compiling a list.

1. **Butch hair cuts.** You see a woman walking down the street who looks like she just came from the barber (not beauty) shop. In the old days, on passing one another, you might have exchanged knowing glances. These days, chances are, only one of you will be knowing.

2. **Uneven numbers of earrings.** What can I say? You'd think Melissa on *Thirtysomething*, a misdirected hetero if ever there was one, had invented this fashion statement.

3. **Sensible shoes.** It used to be that the women in the sneakers and Birkenstocks

were the dykes, and the ones wobbling around in gravity-defying footwear were the heteros. But walk through the business district of any city today, and women of all persuasions have their little white anklets over their bestockinged feet, all laced snugly into a pair of no-nonsense Nikes. And then, even at their place of business when they don their 'real' shoes, those shoes are frequently flats or very low-heeled — in any case substantially more sensible than the incredible calf-shrinking numbers I was forced to wear several years ago when I was still trying to 'pass.' I used to say that I felt like a transvestite in that dress-for-success get up, but hell, transvestites are better at doing those shoes than I ever was!

4. **Fanny packs.** I'm not a fashion expert so I might be mistaken about this, but I think fanny packs were originally conceived as biking gear. It was Lesbians — those gals on the go — who first adapted the fanny pack as a sort of butch purse. Or maybe it was Gay men first, with Lesbians a close second. Anyway, this perception of the fanny pack as an item of Gay apparel is not just the product of my own warped mind: the mother of someone I know once inquired whether that was how you could tell who was Gay. Well, no, Mrs. McGillicutty, not anymore: everybody is now adorned — festooned, if you will — with fanny packs of every size, material, and color imaginable. Accessories may still make the outfit but they don't make the queer.

5. **Various phrases.** We Lesbians are a creative lot — who else would think of bringing together thousands of naked women in the woods and playing music to them? We have even created our own phrases — phrases like women of color, differently abled, politically correct, and so on. Used to be that you heard these phrases, you were hearing them from a Lesbian. Not in the nineties. Now you'll hear the likes of college administrators and humorist Ian Shoales bandying about the phrase 'people of color' and see whole

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Wisconsin HIV + 's needed for study

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium (WCRC) is seeking HIV-positive individuals to participate in the establishment of an Observational Data Base (ODB). The ODB is a research project that allows doctors to gather information about HIV illnesses and how they affect HIV-positive individuals. This project will aid in providing access to new experimental drugs and in setting a standard of care for all HIV-positive people in Wisconsin.

The ODB is absolutely confidential. Relevant HIV/AIDS information will be gathered during routine check-ups by each participant's primary caregiver. The caregiver will then submit to the WCRC this information in a coded format — no names will be received by the WCRC. Broad, statewide participation in the ODB will allow for best possible results in learning more about persons with HIV infection and in providing them with the best available quality of care.

Persons Living With AIDS or who are HIV positive should contact their physicians and request to be enrolled in the ODB. Physicians may request enrollment forms and further information by contacting Cliff Steele, WCRC Administrator, 315 West Court Street, Milwaukee, 53212; phone (414) 273-1991. As of June 25, over 400 persons have been registered, according to Steele, who continued, "while it is a good start, an increased number can only improve the opportunities for physicians to new an innovative drugs."

WCRC is one of over 40 community-based clinical trials (CBCT) groups set up across the USA. Up until now, Wisconsin residents with HIV/AIDS had to travel to Chicago or Minneapolis for treatment protocols involving drugs still in the testing stage.

WCRC was born late in '89 when health care providers working with people with

AIDS and HIV wanted to establish research programs on the cutting edge of the battle against AIDS. WCRC is the only CBCT's group in the country that is set up on a state-wide level. By pooling all Wisconsin HIV patients, WCRC should be very competitive in obtaining clinical trials and garnering the attention of pharmaceutical companies looking to conduct those trials. The goal is to shorten the time needed for new drugs to go from test tube to market.

With WCRC, Wisconsin patients will have the opportunity to receive the most promising of therapies in their own community under the care of their own physicians. WCRC looks to humanize clinical research, and to save time, money and lives.

Early in 1990, the Wisconsin legislature set aside \$150,000 in a matching funds grant to WCRC to get the program started (Another \$150,000 has been placed in the next fiscal year budget but is not 'carved in stone'). In August of '90, WCRC received a so-called "Madonna Grant" in the amount of \$25,000 from the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR). AmFAR Founding Co-Chair Dr. Mathilde Krim presented the grant in a well-publicized local appearance in October.

Since then, WCRC has been setting up office space (within the MAP complex on Court Street), purchasing equipment and computers, and organizing the electronic communications network required to carry out the drug trials and track the results. The Observational Data Base referred to above, and those HIV+ positives who register, need to be in place before drug companies will provide access to the clinical trials needed to produce quality data on drug therapies that are in the investigational pipeline.

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Safe: Staying late at work, tidying up your work area and going through your files.

Possibly Safe: Tidying up your work area and going through your co-workers files, making special note of performance evaluations.

Unsafe: It's midnight, you're naked, humping the security guard on a bed of files hastily strewn on the floor. You're too embarrassed to come to work the next day, so you call in sick, telling your boss you won't be in because you can't decide what to wear.

Safe: Dating your dentist.

Possibly Safe: Dating your dentist in hopes of getting free dental work and possibly helping you work on improving your gag reflex.

Unsafe: Dating your dentist because he's so damn butch. In fact, he's so butch, he's the only man in town who uses leather dental floss.

Safe: Reading aloud to your favorite nephew from the book, 'Charlotte's Web.'

Possibly Safe: Reading your favorite nephew the book, 'Loving Someone Gay.'

Unsafe: Reading your nephew passages from your new book, 'Charlie's Web of Desire.'

Safe: "Not tonight, honey. I have a headache."

Possibly Safe: "Have sex and then what?"

There's no ice cream in the freezer."

Unsafe: "Please, I just ate."

Safe: Answering a personal ad.

Possibly Safe: Becoming a prison pen pal.

Unsafe: Falling in love with a man you've been corresponding with who wants you to come and live with him, even though he lives in Alaska and your favorite show is Northern Exposure.

Safe: Sleeping with a man who had only one glass of wine with dinner.

Possibly Safe: Sleeping with a man who regularly attends AA meetings, but introduces himself to everyone by saying, "Hi, my name is Bob and I'm an alcoholic."

Unsafe: Sleeping with a man who is so drunk you are forced to put emergency road flares on the headboard to guide him into bed.

Safe: Dating a man who volunteers time down at the AIDS Clinic.

Possibly Safe: Dating a man who claims to be a Gay rights activist, and constantly announces, "Oh, he's Gay" when any celebrity's name is brought up in conversation.

Unsafe: Dating a guy whose idea of "a thousand points of light" are those reflected off the sequins of his night gown.

Safe: Drive right by a hitchhiker, even though his cute butt reminds you of your ex-lover's.

Possibly Safe: Give a hitchhiker a ride to the next town.

Unsafe: Bring home a hitchhiker and loan him your car.

Safe: The teen-age boy next door writes the word 'fag' on your dirty car, you make him sponge it off.

Possibly Safe: Make him lick it off.

Unsafe: Make him write it on his butt, and you lick it off.

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Women with AIDS to double by 2000

[Public Health Reports] — By the end of the 1990s, the number of women infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), which causes AIDS, may well double as heterosexual transmission becomes the predominant mode of spread of the virus in most parts of the world, the World Health Organization (WHO) says.

In an analysis of the impact of AIDS and HIV infection on women, WHO and HIV infection on women, WHO estimates that worldwide, some 3 million women are already infected with HIV. Since the start of the pandemic, about one-third of the estimated total of 1.3 million cases of AIDS have been in women. Moreover, WHO says these are probably conservative estimates.

The WHO analysis indicates that by 1992, a cumulative total of 600,000 women will probably have developed AIDS around the world. In addition, WHO estimates that AIDS will kill at least 2 million women

during the 1990s, most of them in sub-Saharan Africa.

The new WHO analysis marks the culmination of a year of intensified efforts, both at WHO and around the world, to focus attention on the worsening impact of AIDS and HIV infection on women.

The new WHO analysis presents the following picture of the global epidemic of AIDS among women:

• As of 1990, 60 percent of HIV infections worldwide have resulted from heterosexual intercourse. In developing countries, heterosexual sex is the predominant means of HIV transmission. In industrialized countries, the heterosexual spread of HIV is increasing slowly but steadily, especially in groups with high rates of sexually transmitted diseases and drug injecting.

• An estimated 1 in 40 women in sub-Saharan Africa is already infected with HIV. Elsewhere, for example, 1 in 500 women in Latin America and 1 in 700

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women in North America are infected.

• In some cities in sub-Saharan Africa, up to 40 percent of adults of both sexes may be infected with HIV.

• WHO estimates that approximately 30 percent of infants born to infected mothers will become infected with HIV before, during, or shortly after birth.

• Up to 70 percent of infants born to infected mothers will not be infected. They will not escape the pandemic's impact, however, as their mothers or fathers, or both, die of AIDS.

Study: Pentamidine works, Bacterium doesn't

Florence, Italy (PAAC) — Aerosolized pentamidine, but not TMP/SMX, was associated with prolonged survival in patients with advanced HIV disease, according to results of a study presented by Dr. Richard E. Chaisson at the Seventh International Conference on AIDS. These findings have significant implications for management choices in HIV-positive patients.

Both aerosolized pentamidine (NebuPent), and TMP/SMX (Bactrim and Septra) have been shown effective in preventing Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia (PCP) in previous studies. However, in a study of patients with advanced HIV disease, only aerosolized pentamidine was associated with improved survival.

This information was reported by Dr. Chaisson of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and is based on a two-year study of 1,048 AIDS patients. The study evaluated the impact of PCP prophylaxis on survival of AIDS patients who were also treated with zidovudine (Retrovir).

Among the findings:

• PCP was associated with increased mortality, even when controlling for other factors.

• Both aerosolized pentamidine and TMP/SMX were associated with a decreased risk of PCP development.

• Only PCP prophylaxis with NebuPent was related to improved

survival; prophylaxis with TMP/SMX was not.

• Patients who remained on zidovudine more than 80% of the time also had prolonged survival.

• Aerosolized pentamidine therapy and zidovudine therapy were each independently associated with improved survival.

60% of patients received aerosolized pentamidine, while only 19% received TMP/SMX. The significantly higher percentage of patients on aerosolized pentamidine prophylaxis may be explained by the fact that many patients had low blood cell counts, and thus might not have been able to tolerate TMP/SMX. These data led Dr. Chaisson to conclude that the adverse effects of TMP/SMX "may limit its long-term use."

Results of this study suggest the need for careful consideration of PCP prophylaxis in HIV-positive patients. "These results establish the significant role of aerosolized pentamidine in reducing PCP and, more importantly, prolonging life in patients on zidovudine," according to Dr. Chaisson.

According to Stephen J. Gabin, M.D., a trustee of the Physicians Association for AIDS Care (PAAC), "The clear survival benefit of aerosolized pentamidine, the only FDA approved method for PCP prophylaxis, should be considered by patients and physicians in making therapeutic choices."

Price cut on Pentamidine

By Rex Wockner

The Lyphomed pharmaceutical company, based in suburban Chicago, has cut the price of its monopoly AIDS drug pentamidine by 20 percent.

The announcement came just weeks after the company was denounced by the New York City Office of Consumer Affairs for "gross overcharging" on the drug.

HIV-positives inhale pentamidine to prevent Pneumocystis Carinii pneumonia, the most common infection to kill persons with AIDS.

Chief Executive Officer Brian Tambi said the company was able to lower the

relationships are short-lived? Is it unusual that so many of us are addicted to various substances and behaviors which temporarily ease the pain? Or that we frequently destroy ourselves and our partners with various forms of abuse and dysfunction?

We can hold annual Gay Pride Parades. We can admire groups such as Queer Nation for fighting for our legal rights and drawing attention to so many of the political and personal issues which affect us.

But the bottom line is, until or unless we face our personal toxic shame, we will never be truly free. Until we admit that we believe at least some of the lies that our oppressors have been shoving down our collective throats all these years, we will never know real liberation. Unless we face the reality that we, just like every other oppressed group, have internalized the pain brought on by our oppressors and bought into their beliefs — to at least some extent, we can never be absolutely proud.



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Even if we won all the legal battles tomorrow, we would still have to confront these personal issues. Whether we chose to do so through therapy, support groups or just talking with each other doesn't really matter. The first and most difficult step we all must take is admitting to having these feelings — acknowledging that they exist in each of us. If we do that, we can bring them out of the closet with us. Then and only then will we have a chance at experiencing 'Gay pride' all year long!



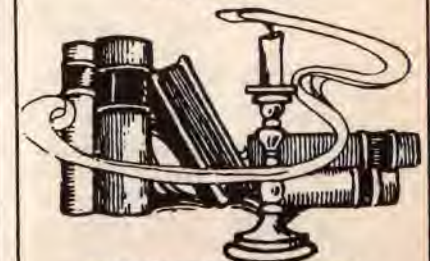
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Reflections from the Joan Zone by Joan Lawrence

Gay/Lesbian shame

As I participated in the Gay Pride Rally, I felt a sense of great joy and liberation. Yet in the days since the rally that joy and pride has been tempered by reality. I'm extremely proud of my Lesbianism, but I feel a great sense of dismay over the obstacles which still befall us as Gays and Lesbians.

I am not talking about the legal issues which confront us. Nor am I talking about Gay bashing or HIV disease or any of the more obvious issues. I am referring to Gay/Lesbian Toxic Shame.

As you read this, you may be thinking, I don't feel any shame about being Gay or Lesbian; I've come out; I'm proud of who I am.

Perhaps some of us truly never do feel shame. By shame I do not mean ashamed. I use the term 'toxic shame' in the psychological sense. You feel flawed as a human being; you believe you are deficient or defective; you often feel worthless or that you are falling short of what you 'should' be. This type of shame can be summed up as feeling inferior because you are different.

In a society that has made us outcasts, how can we not feel shame? When we live in a world that labels us queers, weirdos, freaks from the day we are born to the day we die, how would it be possible for us not to internalize some of this prejudice? When we are taught from childhood that homosexuality is abnormal, unnatural, a sexual perversion, how could these beliefs not have some power over us? When we are told that AIDS is the Wrath of God upon our depraved lifestyle how can we avoid buying into some of that hatred?

How many of us are out 100% of the time? Completely and openly Gay to all our friends, family and co-workers? Even the most liberated and activist among us seldom are totally honest about our sexual preference in every aspect of our life. Most of us lie at least some of the time

about who and what we really are.

Let's face it. We have to lie. It's not safe to do otherwise. It's simply not safe physically, personally or professionally. We'd lose our jobs, our friends, our families. We'd become nothing but pariahs. We'd pay a huge price! How many of us can afford that price financially or psychologically?

Take our relationships. We can't even hold hands with our lovers in public. If we kiss, touch, hug, we are in imminent danger. We must remain hyper-vigilant 100% of the time! Even in a Gay bar or right outside of one, we must be concerned that a Gay Basher lurks in waiting — ready to maim or kill us — just for being who we are.

No aspect of our life is ever completely free. We are never able to forget what we are. We must remember we are different and that society condemns us for it. We must always be careful and keep the secret.

So, why should the psychological trauma that has affected every oppressed group throughout history, not affect us? No wonder we internalize some of the loathing that we experience every day of our lives! No wonder we experience the same feelings as any group that believes it has a shameful secret!

It's truly amazing that we are ever able to pursue warm, loving, monogamous relationships when one considers all the baggage we bring with us to any long-term commitment. Often we have to lie and call our partner, our roommate. When friends or family are coming to visit, we frequently rush around hiding all signs of our lifestyle. We can never really publicly acknowledge or proclaim our love. If we do so with a Ceremony of Holy Union, society considers it meaningless. We don't have to worry about divorce in a country that considers us and our unions invalid.

Is it surprising, therefore, that self-loathing permeates so many of our lives? Is it really shocking that so many of our

price "without adversely affecting our research programs because of capital made available by our parent company... and its strong commitment to being a partner with the AIDS community in the battle against this dreaded disease."

Lymphomed has always claimed that pentamidine's admittedly high price offset research and development costs, but the New York consumer agency charged that Lymphomed had released "inconsistent and incredible" information on its research expenses and that "the original clinical study on aerosolized pentamidine was not even conducted by Lymphomed."

The company raised the price of a dose of pentamidine from \$25 to \$99.45 when the AIDS epidemic began. The new wholesale price of \$79 is still about triple the cost of pentamidine in Europe. Lymphomed continues to refuse to open its books to AIDS activists, the media or consumer agencies.

Lymphomed's government-granted monopoly on aerosol pentamidine runs until 1996 but HIV-positives will be able to buy cheap generic pentamidine starting in October.

Sexual behavior survey

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee AIDS Project is looking for individuals to complete an anonymous sexual behavior survey designed to provide information that will be used in developing HIV risk reduction and prevention education programming to the Gay/Lesbian community.

The survey will determine sexual behaviors the frequency of those behaviors, the belief of risk of those behaviors and the amount of protection used when engaging in those behaviors.

To receive a survey in the mail, contact Michael Lisowski, community educator at the Milwaukee AIDS Project at (414) 273-1991. Although names and addresses will be needed to mail out the surveys, they can be completed anonymously and returned in a self-addressed stamped envelope.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

I just loved the Parade, didn't you? And I'm not talking about Milwaukee's City of Festivals Parade, either (na, na they got rained on and we didn't). I'm speaking of Milwaukee's very successful 3rd annual Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade and follow-up Rally on June 15! Bigger, better and more festive than ever, and not a protesting fundamentalist in sight. (Although WVCY-TV channel 30 did videotape the entire Parade and Rally, and the Parshall's stood quietly on the sidelines during the speakers.)

The floats were stunning this year, and there were at least twice as many of them as in previous years. The weather cooperated fully, and everyone had big smiles on their faces, and brotherly and sisterly love in their hearts. Sure made me feel good!

Comments: eleven on a Saturday morning is just too damn early to have the Parade step off, and I strongly urge the Pride Committee to adopt a 1 or 2pm step-off time next year and perhaps consider moving it to Sunday.

An 11am step off is a burden on Madison, Green Bay and other out-state groups, who have to leave their hometowns by 8:30-9am to get here in time. And, since many of the floats are organized by the bars, their staffers work until 2:30am Saturday morning, and often don't get home to bed before 4am. For them to get up after just a few hours sleep and head down to the line-up site and put together a float, march, then enjoy the rally — it's just too much to ask. I think there would be a much larger turn-out of both out-of-towners and locals if it was held at a more reasonable hour.

A 2pm step-off would also mean the rally would run from approximately 3 to 9, more than enough time. This year the rally dragged on a bit too long. Perhaps some of the speakers could be heard at a new pre-parade rally at the line-up site. Those speakers could get the marchers charged up to chant during the Parade, and would help to boost the number of marchers

participating. The line-up site also needs a vendor selling liquids and porta-potties.

Then, at the Rally itself, feature the keynote speaker, awards, and entertainment... Just some suggestions to make '92 even better!

It was a big time in the old town AFTER the Parade and Rally, too. Wisconsin's Cream City Chorus performed their "Together Wherever We Go" concert before a big crowd at the main library's scenic Centennial Hall. What a great way to end the day before heading out to party. My photographer Doug and his lover David thoroughly enjoyed the concert and the professionalism displayed on stage.

La Cage and Club 219 both were in the Pride spirit providing special reduced or no door charges that night if patrons were wearing Pride-wear or buttons. Station II offered singer/ songwriter Linda Smith in a return engagement for two late night sets that delighted the audience. Linda sure has made a name for herself in Wisconsin... (She performed June 22 at Jo'Dee's in her final appearance in this area during this tour.)

Meanwhile in Racine, Jo'Dee's Intl. hosted Eartha Quakes and friends in "Anything Goes..." presenting talents both old and new.

The Sunday after the parade I spent the afternoon relaxing before heading down to the office to get the last issue ready for the printer, but the calendar was full of choices for the rest of you...

GAMMA and friends terrorized Great America for the 11th year, all adorned in red t-shirts. The women of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee [LAMM] held their all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast at the Hubbard Park/Shorewood Women's Club. Since it was father's day, LAMM encouraged everyone to bring along the family for a great breakfast.

The C'est La Vie Cruisers softball team got a little moist that afternoon when they

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THURSDAY, JULY 11

Walker's Point Cafe: Encore performance of Cindy Feller.

Rod's [Madison]: Party for Cancers. Free buffet 5-7.

Bastille Days [Milw.]: East town area, through July 14.

La Cage: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing from 10pm-1am.

FRIDAY, JULY 12

Andre's Mother: PBS broadcast of the film about a young man's death from AIDS & how his lover & mother cope with the tragic loss, 9pm.

Club 3054 [Madison]: Blue Bus Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing.

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

Triangle: 3rd Anniv. weekend, Shishkabobs on the patio, \$1 cold schnaaps.

3 B's Bar: "In The Heat of the Night" party, win a boom box & much more.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Mr. Emerald City, Greg hosts Lip sync.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

Community Softball Picnic: All picnic tables in Mitchell Park area 3 (top of hill overlooking softball diamonds) reserved for Gay/Lesbian community. Area provided — bring your own stuff.

3 B's Bar: Girth & Mirth club meets, 10pm, short meeting followed by social time.

Women's Dance [Madison]: To benefit GALVANize. Apple Island, 849 E. Washington St., 8pm.

Rod's/New Bar [Madison]: Blue Bus Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing.

Triangle: 3rd Anniv. Weekend, patio BBQ after softball, drink specials.

Wreck Room: Oberon's Club Night, 10:30pm-on. Raffle drawings every 20 minutes starting at 11pm.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Premiere of Laser Karaoke (sing along) with host Kitty & Jeff.

SUNDAY, JULY 14

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

Great Circus Parade: Downtown Milwaukee.

Triangle: 3rd Anniv. Weekend. Patio BBQ & free beer 3-9.

Wreck Room: Circus Parade drink specials.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

Club 219: The incredible Mark Payne as Liza. Milwaukee area premiere 11pm showtime.

Walkers Point Cafe: "Cindy Feller" encore presentation, \$10 gets you 7:30 dinner & 9pm show. Call 384-7999 for reservations.

Phone Zap: ACT UP Madison & Milwaukee urge phone calls to Madison, on HIV/AIDS in prison, see article in Group Notes for details.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Talent Shop with Danc. Mixa.

THURSDAY, JULY 18

Festa Italiana: Milwaukee's Maier Festival Park at Lakefront, through July 21.

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

Triangle: Open bar 8:30-10:30; dancers at 10:30pm; buffet, \$6 donation proceeds to benefit ACT UP Milwaukee.

FRIDAY, JULY 19

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

ZA's [Green Bay]: Lip Sync grand finals 2nd Anniversary weekend.

SATURDAY, JULY 20

MAGIC Picnic: Volleyball Tourney, Brittingham Park, noon-6.

New Bar [Madison]: "Butts & Guts" workout video host Allen Naparella will sign videos & posters after MAGIC Picnic.

Rod's [Madison]: Post-Magic party, giant parking lot beer garden.

Station II: Dairyland Dog Track trip, bus leaves Station at 5:30. \$15 for bus, drinks.

Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament.

Wreck Room: Beer/wine/soda bust, 10pm-1am for all Castaways guests, during their special club night.

ZA's [Green Bay]: 2nd Anniversary Party, performance by Bay City Chorus, call bar for details.



Calendar

TUESDAY, JULY 2

Club 219 Plus: Ginger Spice presents the Miss Chubby Wisconsin Pageant, 9pm, \$200 cash prize to winner. Contestants see Ginger for details.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Intl. Male Dancers, return engagement, 9:30 showtime. The biggest male dance troupe in the country.

3 B's Bar: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing from 8:30pm-midnight.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

Club 219 Plus: The return of The International Male Dancers, 11:30pm showtime, the 'biggest' male dance troupe in the country.

GMMA: 2nd Annual Anniversary celebration on board boats on Lake Michigan for fireworks display, meet at M&M at 5:30pm.

Milw. Fireworks: Downtown Lakefront sponsored by First Wisconsin bank, 9:15pm.

Pivot Club: Talent Show with Ashley Morgan, Dee Dee McCall.

Summerfest: Maier Festival Park at Lakefront, through July 7.

Station II: Free tap beer 8pm-1am.

THURSDAY, JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

Station II: 25 cent tap beer 5-9; 50 cent tap 9-close, desert storm vets drink free!

Rod's [Madison]: Independence day celebration. T-Dance; beer bash & patio BBQ at 2pm, trip to fireworks at dusk.

Fond du Lac: PRIDE Picnic 11am-11pm, Lakeside Park. Food & beer provided. Bring a dish to pass, B.Y.O. Liquor & Lawn chairs. (see ad last issue for details).

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Cookout & Volleyball all day.

Station II: First 25 customers receive a complimentary flag.

Club 3054 [Madison]: BBQ cookout & beer bust on the patio, bring a dish to pass.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Blow-out contest, at midnight, cash prizes.

La Cage: Now open 8pm nightly with 2 for 1 cocktail hour 8-10.

3 B's Bar: Open noon, free food 2-8pm.

Wreck Room: 4th of July drink specials.

New Leaf [Janessville]: Free 1/2 barrel on the patio, 2pm.

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Pivot Club [Appleton]: First Class male dance revue.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Mr. Gay WI David Pope hosts lip-synch.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

Eau Claire: Unity Picnic.

Back Door [Eau Claire]: Unity Benefit Dance after picnic.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: 9th Annual Miss Gay Southeastern a Wisconsin-USA preliminary presented by King Productions. Special guests include Lorinda Kelly, Vanessa Alexandre, Kellie Green & Rudy DeAngelo.

The Office [Rockford]: Annual Picnic in the park. Food, beer, soda, games, prizes, \$6, noon-6. Later, at the bar: Wet Jockey & Wet T-Shirt contest, cash prizes.

Rod's [Madison]: Madison's new Levi/Leather Club, Unicorns of Madison host a beer bash & grill from 4-7:30, \$5 includes bash & food.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

Eau Claire: Unity Picnic.

Back Door [Eau Claire]: Unity Benefit Show, after picnic.

Rod's [Madison]: 12th Anniversary party - cocktails & hors d'oeuvres at 5 with dancing & entertainment on the patio after.

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

Club 3054 [Madison]: Tan Line Contest on the patio, contest at 7pm.

The Office [Rockford]: Softball game, guys vs. gals, open noon, beer bash.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

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.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Miss Gay USA At-Large benefit show, help send our representatives to Atlanta to compete in the nationals.

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable channel 4, 9pm, "Stealing from the disabled."

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held a car wash benefit to help send the team to play in Minneapolis' 4th of July softball tourney.

New Hope Metropolitan Community Church [MCC] held their Pride Week worship celebration that evening with Rev. Pasinski preaching "Lazarus, Come Out!"

The **Pivot Club** brought back Brain Murphy and Mona Desmond by popular demand and **Rod's** held their annual Father's Day Bachelor Bid, with funds raised going to the Rodney Scheel House for PWA's fund.

The **Pride Week Public Officials Reception** saw a larger than anticipated turn out of politicians including several of those expected to run for County Executive next year.

June 19 saw the **Pride Week Interfaith Service** at Village Church, co-sponsored by Dignity, New Hope MCC, UCCL/GC, Lutheran's Concerned, Village Church and Cross Church. The non-denominational event has become a standard event of Pride Week. It's great to see all the groups put their religious differences, aside and work together for the common good of our community.

The **Pride Committee's** final fundraiser of the week was the **Edelweiss Cruise**, and unfortunately the weather was chilly and turn out was less than expected, turning the event into a losing proposition for MLGPC. Nonetheless those who braved the chill reportedly had a great time in the luxurious European-style river boat. Prior to boarding, ticketed passengers were feted at a party in Club 219's lower level with free beer and food.

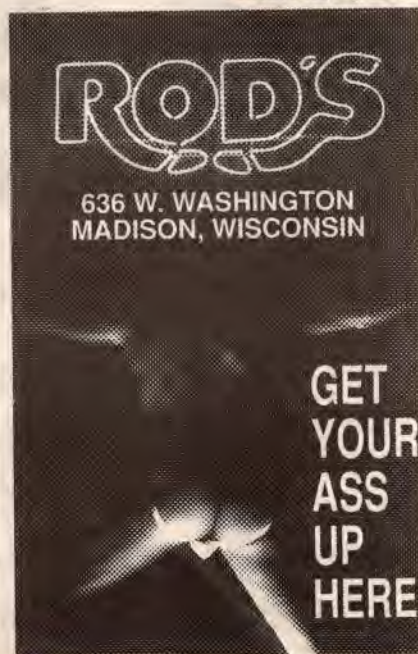
June 23 saw the "Getting the Word Out... Again" how to use the media workshop presented by Wisconsin Light, Havlicek and Associates and In Step. Attendance was less than expected (it WAS a beautiful afternoon) but allowed us to fully answer all the questions the audience presented us with. Schools stress that students learn more if the class size is small, so I guess that could be applied in this case, as well.

The **Lambda Rights Network** in

cooperation with **Queer Nation** held their second meeting that evening to further discuss ways the community and businesses, both Gay and straight in the Walker's Point area, can fight back against violence and crime in the area. You can read more about this in the news section this issue, but you can take the first step in alleviating the problems by just being more aware of what is going on around you when in the neighborhood. And please, people, if assaulted, verbally harassed, robbed, or your car is vandalized, report the incidents to the police and to the Hate Crimes Hotline! Until better statistics are compiled, you are making it difficult to direct action to areas most affected!

June 26 saw the 219 Girls hit the stage at the **Pivot Club** and First Class Male Revue starring Kevin Andrews and his men of reknown take over **Club 3054**. Meanwhile at **Club 219** King Productions held their Miss Gay Cosmopolitan preliminary to the Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA contest slated for August 3-4 at the Marc Plaza. (Tickets now available, see

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their ad this issue for details.) Out of 4 contestants, Vegas Blue was named Miss Cosmo, with Sabrina Allen taking first runner up.

The other King Productions preliminary since last issue was the Miss Gay Green Bay contest at **Za's** on June 22, with Katrina Kaye capturing the crown and Reanna named first runner up.

King's Miss Gay Wisconsin At- Large Pageant, separate from his other pageants, was held at the **Pivot** on June 23. The winner — Sage La Rue of Green Bay, and first runner up — Farrah Michaels of Minneapolis, will represent the state in the Miss Gay USA At- Large Pageant in Atlanta July 18- 21. This pageant is an exclusive for girls who weigh in at the higher end of the weight scale.

NOTE TO PRIDE RAINBOW FLAG THIEF: Please return the Pride Committee's Rainbow flag that you took from the Juneau Park "greeting area" (where Kilbourn hits the park) the day of the Rally. You can drop it off at any bar or

the In Step office no questions asked. Just inform the drop off location that the flag is for the Pride committee, and you'll be forgiven!

Grubb's Pub has closed for the summer for remodeling, and will reopen in the fall with a new menu and new look. Once reopened, the lower level bar will be accessible from both **La Cage** and **Dance Dance Dance**. No longer going outside and down the exterior stairs to get something to eat. **The Loft** in Green Bay has closed, too. Rumor has it that they may move into the Bodart way location that **Za's** will be leaving once their new place on Main Street is ready to go later this Summer.

The **In Step office** will be **CLOSED** from **July 3-7**, while I escort my cousin, Krista, who will be visiting from Pennsylvania, around the area. If you see me out with an attractive, young, tall dark haired woman, don't think I've gone straight! Hope you all have a great 4th of July holiday weekend, and enjoy what Wisconsin has to offer!



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