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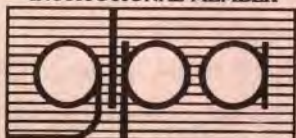
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Note

Steve Polifka, of Milwaukee, has a piece of his art on the cover of **In Step** for the first time this issue, entitled "The Bodybuilder." We think you'll find the tonal quality and shading/lighting as interesting as we do.

The dark background also reflects our collective mood on the day we selected cover art. We chose the piece last Friday, the day before the Madison March — remember how gray and cool and rainy it was that Friday?

Inside

DEADLINE

For the next issue
which will cover Oct. 24-Nov. 6
is 7pm, Wed., Oct. 16

That issue will cover Halloween and The Pageant, so please cooperate and get your ads and articles in as soon as possible to insure inclusion [it'll be a big issue!].

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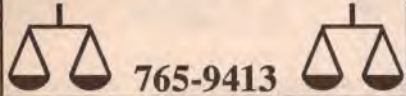
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Gay Side

by Tom Rezza



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News

Madison March NEWS FLASH

Over 4,000 Rally and March

Milwaukee — Over 4,000 Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals, their friends, families, and supporters participated in the Saturday October 5 Madison Gay and Lesbian Rights & Pride March. The weekend of events was organized by the Gay And Lesbian Visibility Alliance (GALVANize). As part of the festivities, the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt made its second Madison appearance — this one three times larger than the one in '89. Concerts, workshops, a dance, and videos rounded out action.

It dawned as a rainy, cold, dimly gray day. Scant hours before the 1pm March kick-off Rally, the sun came out, and the rain clouds disappeared.

The vast crowd overflowed the Capitol State Street quadrant as they warmed to the cause listening to pride inspiring speeches. Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) representative Joe Elder and Urvashi Vaid of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) spoke forcefully on our issues. Charged up, the crowd marched, joined by several dozen decorated cars and trucks, up highly visible State Street. The route wound through the University area then down fraternity house row. The crowd gathered in Celebration afterwards in James Madison Park on the shores of Lake Mendota.

Gusty winds, and temperatures in the low to mid 40's made things a bit brisk. Winds from the west made the normally serene lake choppy and white-capped. However, most of the hardy crowd stayed for the Celebration that provided entertainment, a few short speeches and announcements.

Jan Wheaton and The Harris Lemberg Trio, On the Verge, and Linda Finn provided lively music. The nationally-known a cappella singing group, 'The Flirtations' and fumerist

Kate Clinton did mini "teasers" for their concerts later that evening. Openly Gay Councilperson Ricardo Gonzalez was the able emcee for both the Rally and Celebration.

Speakers included openly Lesbian Dane County Supervisor Tammy Baldwin, and Wisconsin Representative David Clarenbach. Clarenbach is running for the U.S. House seat presently held by Scott Klug. Baldwin will then run for Clarenbach's seat in the legislature.

(Editor' Note: In Step Magazine was the only March entry from Milwaukee. That's a sad comment considering the support Madison organizations and businesses have given to Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian parades the last three years. Perhaps the weather can be blamed — it had rained nearly continuously for the previous 36 hours. When In Step left Milwaukee at 10:30am it was raining and things didn't look too promising.)

(Please see the next issue of In Step for more thorough coverage of the rousing speeches and full photo coverage. This article was written at our last-chance deadline without enough time to do it properly.)IS

Congratulations to GALVANize and to all those who turned out — it was a Hell of a good time!

Correction

Due to our mistake we typeset mis-information in Wings 3054 Full page ad that appeared in our last issue.

The correct information should have read "Mr. & Ms. Madison Leather '92 has been set for Saturday, August 22, 1991."

We apologize for any inconvenience our error may have caused.

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Quilt coming to Milwaukee!

Milwaukee to Commemorate Dec. 1 World AIDS Day with AIDS Quilt Display

Milwaukee — Milwaukee received final approval October 2 to observe AIDS Day with a display of the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at the UW-Milwaukee Student Union from November 30, to December 2, 1991. The Quilt's first trip to Milwaukee comes on the heels of the second Quilt display in Madison October 4-6.

The Quilt display is sponsored by the Milwaukee Host Committee, which is comprised of volunteers from various businesses, organizations, and community groups from Wisconsin and the NAMES Project of San Francisco. World AIDS Day is commemorated on December 1st, and the Host Committee scheduled the display with that as a focus.

The section of the Quilt to be displayed in Milwaukee will include 640, 6 foot by 6 foot panels. Viewing hours will be Saturday, November 30 from 10am to 10pm; Sunday, December 1, from 10am to 10pm; and Monday, December 2 from 8am to 4pm. The emotional Opening Ceremonies are scheduled for 7:30pm on Saturday. The display will be free & open to the public.

The Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt is taken care of and housed by the NAMES Project in San Francisco. Founded in 1987, the Quilt began as a response to the seemingly endless tragedy of the AIDS epidemic. The Quilt was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize in 1988.

In 1990, **Common Threads**, a documentary film about the Quilt, won an Oscar. Since the NAMES Project's first display in Washington, D.C., two million visitors have seen the Quilt, and more than \$1,000,000 has been raised for AIDS service organizations throughout North America.

Today the Quilt stands as a powerful international symbol of the health crisis in our midst. More than 14,000 individual panels, each one remembering the life of

someone who died of AIDS, have been sewn together as a visible reminder of the tragedy we continue to face.

MAKE A QUILT PANEL

Although the NAMES Project Foundation is an international organization, the Quilt is very much a community-based art project. Milwaukeeans are invited to create panels, just as friends, lovers, and families of those who have died of AIDS have done across the United States. Recently completed, locally made panels will be displayed with the rest of the Quilt in Milwaukee and then shipped to San Francisco to be sewn into the larger Quilt. If interested in making a panel, call Gloria Wright at (414) 562-0229. Panel making workshops are scheduled for Oct. 12 & 23. Call for time/ location.

Any donations collected at the Quilt display will be given to the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP), United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS) and AIDS America.

The Milwaukee Host Committee is comprised of AIDS America, American Red Cross, Coalition for Community Health Care, Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation, Greenfield Avenue Presbyterian Church, Lee Public Relations, Lutheran Human Relations, Association Interfaith Conference, Medical Society of Milwaukee, Milwaukee AIDS Project, Milwaukee County Medical Complex, New Concept Self Development Center, OIC, Planned Parenthood, Price Waterhouse, Renaissance Place, SET Ministry, STD Specialties, UMOS, UW-Milwaukee Center for Women's Studies, UW-Milwaukee Union Services, Wisconsin Correctional Services, and interested volunteers throughout the city and state.

For more information, or to volunteer please call Milwaukee's STD Specialties Clinic at (414) 264-8800; Dennis Thomka (414) 332-8423; or Diane Link (414) 271-3111.

AIDS Walk: largest AIDS fundraiser in state history

Milwaukee — An estimated 3,200 people took to the streets September 22 along Milwaukee's lakefront in a generous show of support for AIDS care and education at the 2nd Annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk. Participants raised \$286,186 for organizations throughout Wisconsin that provide AIDS services, a 50% increase over the first AIDS Walk held in 1990.

Doug Nelson, executive director of the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the organization that produced the Walk, said "the Wisconsin AIDS/Walk is the largest event in Wisconsin's history dedicated to raising funds for AIDS care and education and promoting AIDS awareness among citizens throughout the state." The Walk surpassed its goal of \$285,000 and 3,000 walkers. It was estimated over 30,000 people made donations.

Leonard Goldstein, chairman and CEO of Miller Brewing Company, made the following remarks at the Wisconsin AIDS Walk Leadership Breakfast held the morning of the Walk:

"This AIDS Walk is not just a statement that something must be done about AIDS. It is a declaration of war on AIDS. We're going to marshal our resources against this enemy. We're going to fight it, and we're going to conquer it — as we've conquered other diseases in the past. This AIDS Walk expresses our determination that mankind will not continue to be the victim of AIDS, but will be the victor over AIDS."

Nelson added that "today, through this Walk, we put an end once and for all to the stigma of AIDS by affirming that in Wisconsin, we will no longer accept prejudice and discrimination on any front against people who are touched by AIDS."

In addition to the Milwaukee AIDS Project and its affiliate, Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project, the following organizations will receive a portion of the proceeds raised at the Wisconsin AIDS

Walk: Madison AIDS Support Network; Center Project, Green Bay; Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation; Midwest AIDS Training and Education Center, Madison; Milwaukee Center for Independence; Opportunity Industrialization Center of Racine County; STD Specialties Clinic, Inc., Milwaukee; Visiting Nurse Association, Milwaukee; Waukesha County Council on AODA; and the Wisconsin Community- Based Research Consortium.

AIDS drug trials group receives \$50,000 AmFar grant

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Community- Based Research Consortium (WCRC), an AIDS drug trial organization based in Milwaukee, was notified recently of a \$50,000 grant received from the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFar).

"This grant is essential to our ability to provide clinical drug trials for people with HIV infection and AIDS throughout Wisconsin," said Paul Milakovich, WCRC's administrator. "The AmFar grant will support the Consortium's operations through August, 1992.

AmFar provided a \$25,000 so called "Madonna" start-up grant to WCRC in late 1990 and early 1991.

AmFar was created in 1985 to meet an urgent need for biomedical research on AIDS and the conditions related to it. To this end, AmFar awards research grants for laboratory and clinical investigations nationwide.

According to the guidelines supplies by AmFar, Community- based Clinical Trials Grants allow the expansion of AIDS clinical research efforts.

Currently, WCRC maintains a database of more than 450 individuals with AIDS and HIV infection in Wisconsin. The Operational Database will be used to track the progress of the disease as well as to determine which individuals meet the

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Gays riot after California Governor veto

By Rex Wockner

California Gov. Pete Wilson Sept. 29 vetoed the Gay- rights bill passed by the legislature, saying it would be bad for business and arguing that Gays and Lesbians are already protected from discrimination by existing laws.

In response, 3,000 angry protesters rioted at the state office building in San Francisco and several hundred took to the streets of Los Angeles and West Hollywood. Protests continued across the state for the next several days. The protests received extensive mainstream media coverage.

Assembly Bill 101 would have banned employment discrimination based on sexual orientation statewide. It passed the Assembly 42-30 and the Senate 25-10.

"My decision.. will cause profound disappointment to men and women of this state whose good will I value and I genuinely regret that," Wilson, a Republican, said in his four- page veto message.

"I regret even more any false comfort that may be derived from it by the tiny minority of mean- spirited, Gay- bashing bigots... The excesses of such bigots strongly tempt me to sign the bill, but their abhorrent conduct cannot be the basis for my decision."

Wilson said he feared that enactment of AB101 could lead to a flood of lawsuits that could hurt small businesses.

Wilson said Gays and Lesbians are

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criteria for particular drug trial programs.

"WCRC is the only organization in the country that will provide a state-wide network for drug trials," said Milakovich, who is also deputy director for the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. "The agency's network includes physicians, hospitals and medical clinics from all corners of the state."

By year end, the agency anticipates coordinating one to three state-wide drug trials.

presently protected from discrimination at the hands of government by equal-protection provisions of the state constitution and that the state Labor Code bans job discrimination in the private sector.

But Matt Coles, a spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Union, called these claims "complete nonsense," pointing out that the staff Personnel Board recently said it was powerless to prevent discrimination against homosexuals and that a 1986 opinion by former Attorney General John Van de Kamp that the labor Code bans discrimination against Gays in the private sector has not been adopted by any court.

Wilson's office received more than 115,000 calls and letters concerning AB101. Most urged him to veto the bill, a spokesman said. The opposition was organized by fundamentalist Christian and right- wing Republican groups.

Wilson acted on the measure 16 days before he had to. Administration sources said he wanted to beat the Oct. 1 release of a California Poll on AB101 so that Californians would not think he had been swayed by it.

Poll director Mervyn Field said, after the veto, that the poll had found voters in support of AB101 by a margin of 62 percent to 29 percent (4 percent error margin).

AB101 author Assemblyman Terry Friedman called the veto "a victory for bigotry and a cave-in to right- wing extremists and fundamentalist religious fringe groups." He said the Chamber of Commerce and the California Manufacturers Association were neutral on the bill and that "if the businesses in those two (major) organizations believed AB101 would burden them, they would have opposed it."

About 200 Gays and Lesbians rallied in San Francisco's Gay Castro neighborhood shortly after Wilson's veto. Activist Ken McPherson told the crowd: "(On Gay

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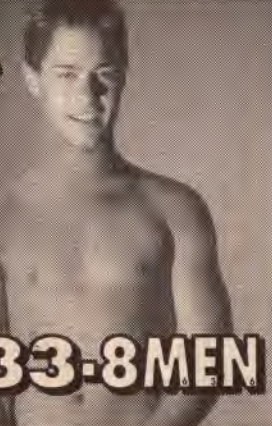
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MLGPC (Pride Week Committee) P. O. Box 93852, 53203	32-PRIDE
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Metro Milw. Friendship Group (MMFG) P. O. Box 93203, Milwaukee 53203	423-0379
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Pride) day, we collected 40,000 signatures to send to the governor urging him to sign AB101. Evidently, we have a governor who can't read."

The next evening, 3,000 protesters rioted at the state office building downtown. They smashed windows, burned the state flag, and attempted to torch the building. A CNN report noted that police standing inside the building "remained remarkably restrained."

Protest organizers said they may work to put a referendum before voters in the next election that would nullify Wilson's veto.

In Los Angeles, 50 demonstrators marched on the Ronald Reagan State Building the night of the veto, splashing red dye on it and breaking the glass in the front door. Riot police arrested two protesters, one for disturbing the peace and the other for vandalism, said Capt. Howard Hughie.

Later, in West Hollywood, 400 people marched across the city and burned the

state flag. The demonstration was led by 60 members of Queer Nation who had been staging an outdoor hunger strike for several days at Crescent Heights and Santa Monica Blvd., awaiting Wilson's action.

(As this paper went to press, numerous protests & actions continued across the state, days after the veto was announced.)

In media frenzy, Bergalis testifies before Congress

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — Kimberly Bergalis, the young Florida woman who became infected with HIV by her dentist, testified before a House panel here Sept. 26, calling for mandatory HIV testing of health care workers and hospital patients. Though largely lost in the media frenzy surrounding around Bergalis's testimony, two panels of HIV infected individuals later opposed those moves.

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and still cameras in a wheelchair, the gaunt Bergalis made her brief statement to the House health subcommittee though guarded breaths.

"I'd like to say that AIDS is a terrible disease," said Bergalis from her wheelchair. "I did nothing wrong, and I'm being made to suffer like this. My life has been taken from me. Please enact legislation so no other patient or health care provider will have to go through the hell that I have. Thank you."

George Bergalis, Kimberly's father, expounded on his daughter's comments with a blistering condemnation of Congress, federal health agents and AIDS activists for treating AIDS as "a civil rights issue" and a "protection of privacy issue" not a disease for ten years.

Although not scheduled for formal committee action, much of the debate centered on a bill named for Ms. Bergalis, sponsored by Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.), which would mandate HIV testing of all health care workers who conduct invasive procedures on their patients.

Noting the substantial anger in Mr. Bergalis' testimony, Rep. Gerry Studds (D-Mass.) cautioned against letting emotions blind people from approaching the controversial issue with reason.

"To paraphrase Mark Twain," said Studds, "For every problem there is a solution that is simple, obvious and wrong."

Despite many federal studies into HIV infected health care workers, the Bergalis and the four other patients of the Florida dentist are the only confirmed cases of dentist-patient transmission of HIV to date. No cases of transmission from physician or surgeon to patient have ever been confirmed.

MOST TESTIFY AGAINST TESTING

Although committee staffers attempted to keep reporters who had come for Bergalis' testimony in the hearing room for the second panel of HIV infected witnesses, all of which opposed the mandatory testing proposal, most reporters and cameras cleared out of the

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room at the conclusion of Mr. Bergalis' statements.

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Of those was Barbara Fassbeinder, a nurse who contracted HIV through her treatment of an HIV infected man in an Iowa emergency room in 1986, before universal infection control procedures were implemented. Asked repeatedly what she would have done differently if she could turn back the clock to when she was infected, rather than request an HIV test of the infected patient, she insisted she would have done no more than practice standard infection control procedures and wear gloves.

Henry Nicols, an 18-year old Cooperstown, New York Eagle Scout who is a hemophiliac also called for voluntary, rather than mandatory testing to curb the epidemic.

"The Bible tells us that you will reap what you sow," said Nicols. "Love and compassion makes us all stronger. Suspicion and accusations will only breed more of the same."

The most vocal member of the panel, however, was David Barr, an HIV infected Gay activist who works with New York City's Gay Men's Health Crisis.

Directing most of his comments at Bergalis, who had already left the room, Barr angrily explained that his anger, unlike hers, was aimed at the government for not doing enough to fund AIDS research, education and care and not for their failure to mandate testing of health care providers.

"Over the past year," Barr testified, "no other AIDS-related issue has received more attention than the one we are discussing today. No other case of AIDS has received more attention than that of Kimberly Bergalis. You have already heard overwhelming evidence that shows that the risk of transmission of HIV from an infected health care worker to a patient is negligible with the use of proper infection control procedures. Yet, despite this evidence, the Congress, the Centers for Disease Control, the media and the

nation have chosen to focus their attention on this negligible risk and once again ignore the real risks that the United States and the world face in this pandemic."

KOOP COMMENT

Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and a panel of public health experts also denounced federal efforts to impose mandatory HIV testing on health care workers and patients during a tense and spirited congressional hearing here Sept. 19.

The former surgeon general outlined his proposals on the issue of HIV transmission in the health care setting and lambasted citizens and politicians who he charged are trying to make political hay out of the controversy.

"The emotional outcry (on the issue of HIV transmission in the health care setting) is fed by the ignorance of some, and the personal interest of others," said Koop. "It is time to separate statesmanlike behavior from political behavior. To separate those who serve the patient from those who use the patient. Those who throw water on the fire from those who throw gasoline."

The Senate during the summer gave preliminary approval to two much more far-reaching proposals sponsored by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.). One amendment would impose criminal penalties on HIV infected health care workers who do not inform their patients of their status before they perform invasive procedures. The second would allow doctors and dentists to tests their patients for HIV with or without their consent.

During his testimony, Koop cautioned against using the Florida dentist's case to formulate public policy, saying that it is "too bizarre to be helpful" in creating sound policy.

Koop stated that any moves to impose mandatory testing on patients or health care workers would only give individuals a false sense of security, saying that a negative HIV test is 'worthless,' as an HIV infected person is most infectious in the six months between their initial exposure and the time they would show up as positive on an HIV antibody test.

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Saying that those that propose such measures want to bring back the 'dark ages' of the epidemic, he said, "The day will come when those that propose this restriction, this kind of a witch hunt, will be ashamed that they did."

The risk of being exposed to the virus by one's health care provider, he argued, is 'so remote as it may never be measured.'

125 ACT UPers arrested in D.C. protests

By Rex Wockner

About 85 ACT UP members were arrested after they chained themselves to the White House gates Sept. 30 to demand leadership from President Bush against the AIDS crisis.

Forty more demonstrators were arrested Oct. 1 at the U.S. Capitol, where they demanded that Congress nationalize the health-care system.

Hundreds of activists took part in both demonstrations.

The White House protesters said Bush should immediately appoint a "national AIDS czar" to coordinate the fight against the disease.

Bush was in Florida at a Disney World anniversary celebration.

"We ask (Bush) to recognize this disease," said Jeanne White, the mother of the late Ryan White, the Indiana teen-ager who focused the nation's attention on the disease last year. "People are so busy pointing fingers (that) we are not fighting the disease, we're fighting the people. And that's got to stop.

"I'm here," Mrs. White said, "to represent moms all across America who are losing their sons and their daughters to AIDS. If you want to call these (protesters) radical, then you can call me radical too."

The demonstrators marched outside the White House for about 30 minutes before U.S. Park Police ordered the area cleared. At that point, protesters began locking themselves to the fence.

To resolve the dilemma, Koop suggested a multi-faceted plan which included better and more widely enforced infection control for health care workers, improved medical and dental equipment design, and public education about the low risk of infection from one's health care provider. He also called for additional studies into HIV infection in the health care setting and in-depth studies into any confirmed cases of transmission.

At the Capitol demonstration, activists blocked entrances, staged a 'die-in' on Independence Avenue, and disrupted the U.S. Senate.

"No business as usual," they chanted.

The protesters charged that South Africa is the only other industrialized nation that leaves its citizens' health care in the hands of private, for-profit businesses.

It is impossible, they pointed out, to pay U.S. doctor and hospital bills without private health insurance, which about 40 million Americans lack. And even the insured sometimes find themselves bankrupted by required co-payments (often 20 percent of the total bill), 'deductibles' that apply before insurance kicks in, and charges that are exempt — for a variety of reasons — from an insurance policy's parameters.

Activists also detonated a 'stink bomb' in A Capitol hallway and dyed the fountains at the Supreme Court red.

Many of ACT UP's complaints were recently legitimized by Bush's National Commission on AIDS, which, in its fourth report, issued Sept. 25, harshly criticized the government's handling of the epidemic and joined the call for nationalized health care.

The report said the nation's response to the HIV epidemic is 'crippled' by lack of resources, 'government inertia,' and 'societal attitudes.' Among the commission's 25 recommendations: A

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national AIDS plan, government purchase and distribution of HIV related drugs, lifting of Congressional restrictions on safe-sex education, and more money for AIDS research, treatment and care.

"In the months to come we must either engage seriously the issues and needs posed by this deadly disease or face relentless, expanding tragedy in the decades ahead," commission Chairman June Osborn wrote to Bush in the letter transmitting the 166 page report.

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Illinois governor signs Gay supportive bills

By Rex Wockner

Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar has signed two domestic-partnership bills and a pro-persons with AIDS bill, and vetoed an anti-Gay bill that targeted campus activists.

Gay and AIDS activists expressed 'surprise,' 'shock' and 'delight' that Edgar, a Republican, sided with them 100 percent, but one key activist termed Edgar's actions 'political pragmatism.' The governor has yet to act on a fifth measure tracked by activists.

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disabled persons and senior citizens who live in government- subsidized housing the right to register a roommate of their choosing with the county clerk. It will allow Gay PWAs and Gay/ Lesbian seniors to live with their lovers with the government's blessing and assistance, which was the intention of the law's authors.

The other partnership measure allows hospitalized persons to name the individuals they consider to be their family. Again, the bill's authors were thinking of Gays and Lesbians — in particular, those who find themselves in intensive- care wards, where, ordinarily, only close, legal family members are allowed to visit.

The campus measure targeted Gays and Lesbians who are trying to remove the Reserve Officers Training Corp from Illinois universities to punish the Department of Defense for its ban on homosexuals. Similar campaigns are underway at more than 100 colleges nationwide.

Lastly, Edgar, signed a bill authorizing the state to pay the private health-insurance premiums of HIV- positives who quit working, in hopes of keeping them off Medicaid.

A final measure tracked by activists, Senate Bill 999, awaits Edgar's action. Tied to the national hysteria over HIV- infected health- care workers, it would require the state health department to launch an investigation any time it learns that a health- care provider and a patient were involved in a medical "invasive procedure" that "may have presented a possible risk of HIV transmission," if such an investigation would be "medically appropriate." It also mandates HIV testing of persons charged with sexual assault

Pink Angels to hit Chicago streets

Chicago — The Pink Angels are an anti-violence project formed to combat hate crimes, and are the first major undertaking by Mr. windy City '91-92 Alyn R. Toler. Alyn has said in a mission statement that it is the intention of The

Pink Angels to act in consort with the Chicago Police Department to protect the lives and property of every citizen of the community, especially the Gay and Lesbian citizens who become the target of hate crimes.

The Pink Angels will undergo self-defense training by Chicago's Guardian Angels and New York's Pink Panthers, for the purpose of self- defense in the event they become the target of a hate-crime. "No team member will ever be allowed to patrol a beat without the companionship of another team member," Alyn said, "our mission is one of peace, and our actions are based on love for our community.

Anyone desiring more information about membership etc., should direct their calls to Alyn R. Toler (312) 549-7215 or (312) 472-1228. The Pink Angels have also voiced a need for funding. If you would be interested in making a private contribution for start-up costs, please contact Alyn at the listed number. They need money, cellular telephones, walkie talkies, and more.

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Group Notes

Gala dinner dance in Madison Nov. 15

Madison — All members of Wisconsin's Lesbian and Gay community are invited to attend the 5th annual dinner and dance of The New Harvest Foundation, scheduled for Friday, November 15 in the Gershwin Ballroom of the Masonic Temple in Madison. The Masonic Temple is located at 301 Wisconsin Avenue.

The theme of the event is "Come Out with the Stars for a Night on Broadway," and will feature a champagne and hors d'oeuvres reception at 7pm, followed at 8pm by a catered dinner with a choice of three entrees and a dessert buffet. After dinner, the American Jazz Express Sextet will entertain with a variety of dance music until midnight.

The annual dinner and dance of The New Harvest Foundation is open to everyone, stresses co-chair of the event Lisa Fusaro. "It's not a fund-raiser. It is an opportunity for our people to get together, wine and dine, sing and dance, and build a sense of community."

Reservations for "Come Out with the Stars for a Night on Broadway," are available now at \$35 per person. This price includes the reception, dinner and wine, dessert buffet and entertainment. Reservations will be accepted through Monday, November 4. A reservation form may be obtained by calling (608) 255-6553.

The New Harvest Foundation, a tax-exempt organization founded in 1984, contributes to groups and projects that benefit the Lesbian and Gay communities of Madison and Dane County. Since its inception, the Foundation has raised and dispersed over \$100,000 and was instrumental in bringing American artist George Segal's sculpture, "Gay Liberation," to Madison where it was installed in Orton Park for four years.

United has new leader

Madison — The United's new Administrative Coordinator, Jane Vanderbosch, is a woman well prepared to lead an "agency for social change." Jane comes to The United with a Ph.D. in Women's studies, and experience as state staffperson for the Wisconsin chapter of the National Organization for Women and the Wisconsin Women's Network.

Jane hopes to "build on the stability that Doug Bauder created and so lovingly maintained" at The United. "I'm also interested in expanding the range of support groups," she says, "strengthening the information and referral aspects of the agency, and widening our educational outreach efforts."

Vanderbosch further hopes to provide workshops on race awareness and internalized homophobia, first to United volunteers and then to the community at large.

One of her first initiatives is to "actively solicit ideas and opinions from members of the various communities that The United serves — Gay men, Lesbians, Bisexuals, People of Color, the Old, Poor, Disabled, Women — on how we can meet the changes and challenges of the Gay 90's."

"Send me your comments, critiques, solutions and agendas," she concludes. "We need your participation."

New Harvest accepting grant applications

The New Harvest Foundation is accepting applications until October 31 for new grants for projects or services to be funded in the first part of 1992.

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materials and resource groups, while many of the contributors to the collection give not only their own reading suggestions but a variety of philosophical, spiritual, and medical paths to explore as well — what is helpful for one woman may not be helpful for another.

Cancer as a Women's Issue is not without its faults, however. It could have, for instance, used more careful proofreading — even some last minute scanning might have eliminated at least one really unfortunate line break. The book would probably have benefited as well from being more tightly edited. When receiving submissions from women across the country on the same topic, a certain amount of repetition is to be expected. But I think the reader would have been better served if some of that had been eliminated by the editor. Also, a historical/ statistical introduction to the overall topic might have been useful and

would have tied the disparate pieces together better as a book. However, this is only volume 1 of the series *Women/ Cancer/ Fear/ Power*, and no doubt any gaps in the material will eventually be filled in.

In any case, these flaws are minor in the face of the message — or rather, messages — that this book brings. Among these messages are that we — women — need to learn from the AIDS model ways of dealing with the government and with the health care system; that we need to politicize cancer, because it is a political issue — in the ways it is and is not funded and researched, in what are the purported and actual causes, and in the way it is taken for granted; and that we don't have to be passive in the face of illness. But if there is one underlying theme to this collection it is this, as Carol Gloor puts it so well in her poem "Fear of Cancer": "my cells whisper, **Listen, /live now.**"



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Children with AIDS benefit

Milwaukee — The Oberons will host their second Beer Bust for the Christmas Club for Children With AIDS on Saturday, October 19 at the Wreck Room. The \$5 beer bust begins at 9pm. The Oberons provide all the beer so that all the proceeds can go towards the Christmas Club. The August bust raised \$169.00.

Prior to the Beer Bust, the Oberon Associates and Friends will gather for the annual Associates Appreciation Dinner. Associates from several states will be attending. The evening promises to be a 'leatherful' event.

leading cause of death in women ages 35 to 54 and with one out of nine women in this country projected to get breast cancer, virtually all of us have known or will know a woman in our lives with cancer. If we are lucky, it won't be us.

You might think that a book about cancer would be depressing. And on some level it is, but it is also infuriating, radicalizing, energizing, hopeful, and triumphant. In short, this book will change the way you think about cancer.

Some of the stories in this anthology detail the personal odyssey of a woman with cancer; others are more politically oriented. But nearly all show us women who have refused to be passive, who have learned to take responsibility for their health and their lives without accepting blame for their illness. We see women who have discovered their own inner strength, women who question authority, women who know what they want and will agree to nothing less. These women are **powerful**. This is **not** the way we have been taught to see women — any women, but especially women who have a life-threatening illness. Particularly moving are the personal stories of Jane Murtaugh, Merida Wexler, Nancy Lanoue, and Rita Arditti. Stirring too, but in another way, were the essays by Jackie Winnow and Sandra Steingarber. Both Winnow and Steingarber call into question generally accepted views of the causes of cancer in women and how the rising epidemic of women with cancer has been handled by everyone from the medical establishment to the Gay and Lesbian community.

In addition to the inspiration garnered from these examples of courage, *Cancer as a Women's Issue* is valuable for the resources it brings to the reader's attention. A list provided by the editor gives the titles of various reading

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The Zuni Man-Woman

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The Zuni Man-Woman

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Every North American Indian tribe knew, accepted, and (in most cases) revered the berdache or the person who assumed the traditional occupations and clothing of the opposite sex. New Mexico's Zuni tribe believed that men skilled in women's crafts (and women skilled in male activities) combined the two sexes and were very special people. These people were valued members of their communities, making the American Indian views of homosexuality and gender identity among the most enlightened in the world.

Will Roscoe's book, **The Zuni Man-Woman**, explores berdache customs in the Zuni tribe. In particular he tells the fascinating story of the famous Zuni berdache We'Wah, who on a visit to Washington, D.C. in 1886, captured the hearts of the sophisticated residents of the nation's Capitol, including that of President Grover Cleveland. Although We'Wah had rather large features and was very tall and strong, no one in Washington doubted that he was a woman. His skills as a weaver, potter and housekeeper as well as his feminine dress and manners charmed and fooled everyone.

We'Wah also enjoyed the trust of his native community who knew that he was a berdache. This trust and respect together with his vast knowledge of tribal ceremony made him, dress and all, a community leader. He was also the first Zuni to make pottery and baskets for tourist sale. When other tribe members wanted to participate in this lucrative occupation he trained them, including several men, although pottery making was

traditionally a woman's occupation. In 1892, when federal troops tried to intervene in a tribal 'witch trial' it was We'Wah who bodily threw the soldiers out of the door and slammed it shut, winning the gratitude of his community for his courage.

We'Wah died a few years later when he was only 49 years old and his Zuni friends accused an old woman of witchcraft in his death, causing the federal troops to once again intervene, this time arresting and holding hostage several important Zuni bow priests. Even after the tribe agreed to drop the charges against the old woman, the troops continued to hold the hostages and only released them after the tribe reluctantly agreed to send their children to off-reservation schools. We'Wah was buried in the men's section of the cemetery wearing cotton trousers and a dress. The Indians explained that, after all, "She is a man;" which indicates the Indian perception of the berdache.

The remaining half of the book investigates, in great depth, Zuni concepts of sexuality and gender and the religious nature of each gender, including a full chapter on the berdache tradition. The extensive bibliography of over twenty pages offers invaluable source material for those who wish to pursue various aspects of the Indian views of homosexuality or the berdache, historically, medically, or anthropologically. Mr. Roscoe's written style leans toward academese, but he is still readable for the average person.

Cancer As A Women's Issue

Reviewed by Yvonne Zipter

Cancer As A Women's Issue: Scratching The Surface

edited by Midge Stocker

Chicago: Third Size Press

paper, \$10.95

If you are a woman, or if anyone you love is a woman, you should buy this book: **Cancer as a Women's Issue: Scratching the Surface**, edited by Midge Stocker. Why? Because with cancer the

'The Pageant' lowers age limit

Milwaukee — pageant Productions has announced that they will officially lower the eligibility age for contestants to 18 years of age. Research done on this subject revealed that lowering the age requirement from 21 to 18 is legal and acceptable. The Pageant competition is still open, and there is room for a few more contestants.

The Pageant will be held Sunday, November 3, 1991 at the Marc Plaza Hotel. Tickets are still available at Walker's Point Cabaret & Cafe, or by calling 645- 7710 or 384-7999 (after 10pm).

On the menu this year will be Filet Mignon with twice baked potato, soup, salad, green beans almandine, with cream puffs filled with ice cream and topped with chocolate syrup for dessert. Tickets are \$35 for dinner & show, or \$20 for show only.

If you'd like to compete in The Pageant, write to Pageant Productions, P.O. Box 75075, Milwaukee, WI 53215. An application also appeared in In Step Magazine, Volume 8, Issue 19.

Volleyball starts Oct. 26

Milwaukee — Saturday Volleyball teams are now being formed for this season's competitive league. An open practice session is scheduled for 2:30pm on October 26 at UWM's Engelmann Gym. Team play will begin on November 2.

Entry fees will be \$200.00 per team plus \$10.00 per player. This fee covers court rentals, equipment, referees, and other related expenses. The season runs through mid-March, 1992. Contact your favorite bar or organization to inquire about team formation. Nate Dawson, 291-0766, is president of the Cowles Volleyball League.

The League takes its name from the late John M. Cowles, founder of Gay and Lesbian Volleyball in Milwaukee.

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Homophobia in religion seminars

The Center for Homophobia Education, a project of Windmills, Inc. of Hyattsville, Maryland, will present day long seminars in five Wisconsin locations from November 12-19 on "Homophobia in Religion and Society."

Homophobia, an unwarranted fear of homosexuality in oneself or others — is usually based on ignorance, stereotyping or other psychological factors. Unfortunately, some religious teachings are often used to justify homophobic reactions. In its mildest form, homophobia can be a general uncomfortability about the topic; its most virulent forms can result in physical violence against persons and property.

This seminar is designed to promote sound education and discussion of these issues based on current scientific information and contemporary church teachings. It will be especially helpful to clergy, pastoral workers, educators, counselors, parents, youth ministers, peace and justice activists and people of all religious denominations who are concerned about homophobia.

The two seminar facilitators, Robert Nugent, SDS and Jeannine Gramick, SSND have been speaking and writing on the topic of homosexuality since 1971.

Seminars will be held in Superior (Nov. 12), La Crosse (Nov. 14), Middleton (Nov. 16), De Pere (Nov. 18), and Milwaukee (Nov. 19).

Registration is \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door, and includes tuition and materials. Coffee and tea will be provided, you are asked to bring your own brown bag lunch. Scholarships are available, please inquire. For more information, or to register, write: Center for Homophobia Education, PO Box 1985, New York, New York, 10159, and refer to the upcoming Wisconsin seminars.

LAMM meeting

Milwaukee — Dinosaur bones, teeth and tendons will be available for fondling

at the Oct. 17 meeting of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM). An adventurous LAMM member spent part of her summer vacation at an archaeological dig, and has returned bearing fossils ranging in age from 10 million to 200 million years. An enticing slideshow featuring activities at the dig will also be presented.

The program begins at 7pm, after the usual 6pm potluck, at the Milwaukee Enterprise Center, 2821 N. 4th St., one block south of Locust. Secure, lit parking is available.

LAMM meetings are held regularly on the third Thursday of each month, and are open to all Lesbians. For more information, call 264-2600.

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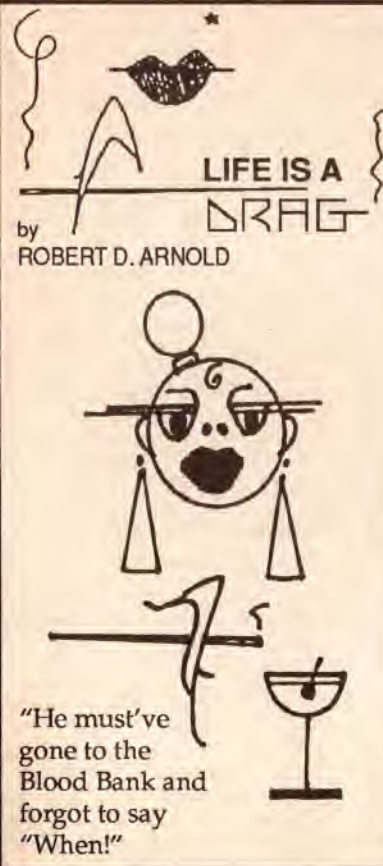
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rights on a national scale.

According to noted attorney Richard Green, "In American Constitutional law, groups that are prejudiced against or stigmatized are given special protection by courts if the feature for which they are discriminated is immutable, innate and unchangeable" (i.e., Gay men's propensity toward weenie-washing and Lesbians' fondness for muff-dusting). Green points out that currently almost every state in the U.S. permits sexual orientation discrimination in employment and housing, and nearly half the states criminalize homo-sex.

If we could prove there are biological as opposed to merely environmental and sociological determinants of

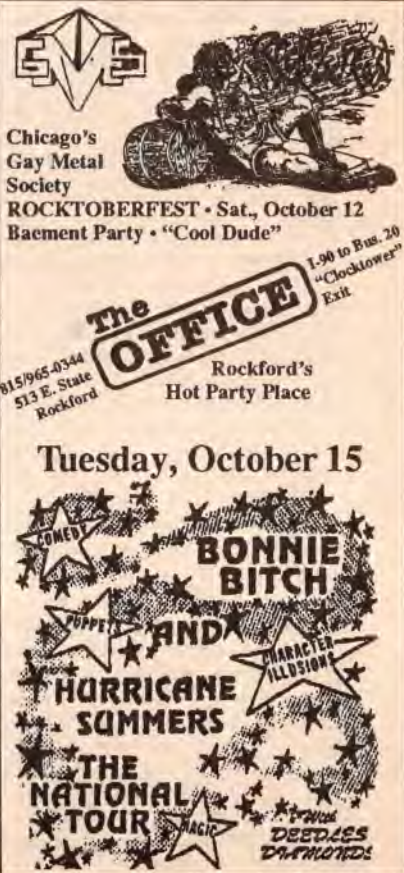
homosexuality, then NCOD would no longer be a political necessity in our ongoing struggle for Lesbian/Gay rights; instead NCOD would be a yearly remembrance we observe to never forget "the bad old days" when queers were discriminated against and deprived of the rights that heteros freely enjoyed. But until that great day comes, we must continue to "take our next step out of the closet," as the NCOD slogan encourages, and be **Gay Gay Gay!!!** Excuse me while I get fitted for my fabulous new rainbow habit & veil for the occasion!



LIFE IS A DRAG

by **ROBERT D. ARNOLD**

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NCOD: Take your queer brains out of the closet

As we all know, October 11 is the annually observed, official day of Gay/Lesbian visibility throughout this nation (Gaymerica the Beautiful) established in 1988 and called National Coming Out Day. "NCOD was designed to be a positive, affirmative, pro-active statement by Lesbians and Gay men everywhere," say NCOD spokespeople in Santa Fe, New Mexico, "and 21 years after Stonewall, one fact remains: we cannot achieve equality from the closet." Apparently, science agrees with NCOD, and is now pulling queer craniums out of lab closets.

Dr. Simon LeVay of the Salk Institute, examining brain structures of Gay people vs. straights, has concluded that there is a marked difference in cell groups between heteros and homos. The good news is that this could underscore the theory that sexuality is determined biologically and not by personal choice; the bad news (at least for size queens) is that the cells in the hypothalamus are BIGGER in heteros than in homos and more scattered in queers (I always **did** feel scattered, and not I have learned scientists backing up my dizziness with their research.)

Studies of the sexuality of laboratory rats (yes, even the **rodents** are coming out of the closet these days) by Dr. Roger Gorski of UCLA med school has shown that the brain is inherently female unless it is exposed to the male sex hormone; so that explains why some of us nelly fellas are running around in dresses and pearls while exposing ourselves to as many sexy men as possible — we're just trying to masculinize our femmy brains!

Dr. Richard Isay (I say!) of Cornell University medical college believes that there is no choice involved in sexuality; I disagree — I almost always choose who I have sex with unless a gun is held to my head or it's closing time in the bar and

only one incredibly dweeby man is left in the joint. Seriously, the doctor has this positive observation for those of us professing Gay pride, that the practice of attempting to change someone's sexual preference through psychiatric means is not only futile but harmful. "We're here, we're queer, get **over** it!" This would include any so-called miraculous intervention by the likes of Jerry Falwell et al. It isn't surprising that the Xtian fundamentalists (as opposed to legitimate followers of Jesus' teachings — you know, the preacher of Love who had **nothing** to say about homosexuality and camped with 12 hunky disciple dudes in robes) refuse to believe these new studies could possibly justify homosexual behavior in men and women. Of course bored, again PTL TVangelist Pat Robertson has his typically bigoted opinions: "I have no intention of giving over the strengths of America to the militant homosexuals." That's okay, Pat, we'll take over **without** your permission, hon. Praise The Lord and pass the condoms.

The National Gay & Lesbian Task Force cautions to be careful about ethics involved here, that such theories should not tempt Straight America to push some kind of chemical fix on us to "straighten us out." But conversely, we fags and dykes could always inject something into the **hets** to "Gay them up" as it were. Still, as NGLTF emphasizes, there is no need for a cure. Besides, we need to support Gay fetuses' rights in the womb. Perhaps the pro-lifers are right after all; we could be unwittingly aborting a future fabulous hairdresser or Gay media maven. Horrors!

This biological determinant theory is nothing new; for thirty years, Santa Monica psychologist Evelyn Hooker (love the last name!) has attributed Gayness to scientific reasons. And we queers have every reason to hope this homo-hypothalamus theory is proven true, since it could dramatically effect Gay/Lesbian

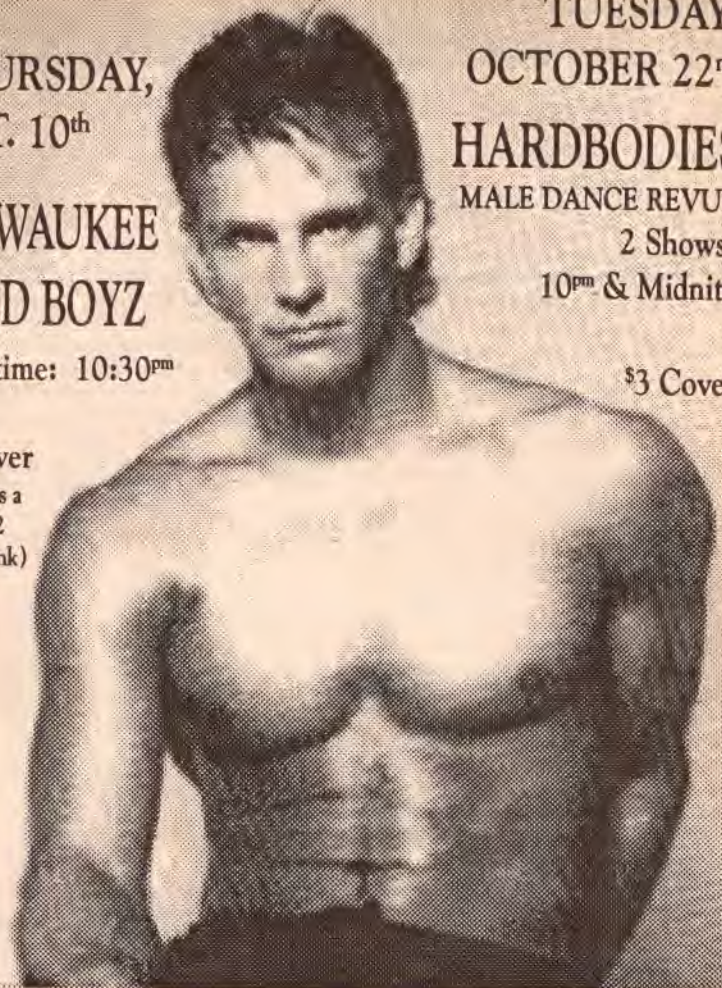
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Health

FACTS about AIDS and education

[GMHC] — Ten years into the AIDS epidemic, HIV infection rates continue to rise while the Centers for Disease Control relies on an ineffective national education campaign of sexual abstinence. Yet, in a recent nationwide Roper Poll commissioned by Gay Men's Health Crisis, 81% of Americans polled said teen-agers may need explicit sex education to prevent AIDS, and 64% supported condom availability in high schools.

With over 187,000 Americans diagnosed with AIDS and 10 times that number estimated to be infected with HIV, the American government has sent out only one national mailing on AIDS. That single mailing lacked explicit information on stopping HIV transmission. Community-based organizations that developed their own safer sex education programs, designed for sexually active adults, have been denied federal funds by a 1987 congressional act designed to punish those who "promote homosexuality." Meanwhile, a study by the San Francisco Department of Health reveals startling high HIV rates in youth as young as 17, indicating that a devastating second wave of the AIDS epidemic, fueled by ignorance and lack of explicit education, is yet to come.

TEEN INFECTION RATES

Ten years into the HIV epidemic, the effects of a lack of explicit education for adolescents are evident as AIDS increasingly becomes a young person's illness:

- As of July, 1991, 715 cases of AIDS were reported in adolescents ages 13-19. Adolescent AIDS cases have more than doubled over the past two years. 70% of these cases were the result of unprotected sex or needle sharing.

- As of July, 1991, 36,999 cases of AIDS, over 20% of the national total, were reported in adults ages 20-29. Since HIV

can take over ten years to develop into AIDS, the vast majority of people with AIDS in their 20's were infected with HIV in their teens.

- A 1991 study by the San Francisco Dept. of Health shows 14.3% of Gay and Bisexual men ages 17-19 are infected with HIV. Nearly every one became infected after it was known how education can help prevent HIV transmission.

- Infection rates in young people are even higher in communities with less available AIDS education. African-American men ages 17-25 are twice as likely to be HIV infected (22.9%) than young white men (10.9%). Young Latino Gay men in the San Francisco study had a 14.3% infection rate.

EDUCATION NEEDS

The 1987 Helms Amendment prohibits organizations receiving Federal funds from explicitly discussing homosexual sex. Yet 66% of people with AIDS in the U.S. are Gay or Bisexual men. GMHC, one of the largest distributors of AIDS education in the world, receives no federal funds for these efforts.

- The Federal Omnibus Drug Act of 1988 forbids federal spending for needle exchange or education to help active IV drug users avoid HIV infection. Yet 29% of new AIDS cases in the U.S. are among IV drug users, as are 46% of new AIDS cases in New York City.

- The national Roper Poll on public attitudes and education needs showed 64% of Americans polled support making condoms available in senior high schools. Despite the popular support, less than a dozen school districts across the United States make condoms available in their AIDS education programs.

GOVERNMENT FOOT DRAGGING

- The current CDC education campaign features a poster for adult women that advises "Don't have sex."

when he is forced to have mini-billboards printed on reservoir tips of condoms. Meanwhile, a scene featuring two Gay characters having lunch at McDonald's was cut from the movie after pressure from anti-Gay groups who found the scene offensive.

Speed Racer — [Cartoon] Speed Racer has Pops install a special break light emblazoned with the words, "Lick Me" on the Mach 5, so he can more easily signal his interest to other Gay men cruising in their cars.

Bonanza — [Western] Little Joe wants to become a Drag Queen and do a show at the Longbranch Saloon, but quickly changes his mind after he learns that Nair won't be invented for another 75 years and he'll have to shave his legs with a hatchet.

Growing Pains — [Comedy] The last show in the series lives up to it's name when cute stud-ette, Mike is accidentally injected with an experimental growth hormone. A gigantic growth spurt kicks in just after he puts on a sexual aid and he is rushed to a hospital when the cockring becomes painfully stuck and is finally removed with a chainsaw.

Club MTV — [Dance] In a format shift designed to attract more Gay viewers, all the lickable young men will dance nude. Unfortunately, the old format will return after several boys sprain their weenies after doing the wild thing to rap music.

Star Trek — [Science Fiction] The crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise mistakes Captain Kirk's butt for a total lunar eclipse when now Hefty Kirk (William Shatner) rips open the seat of his pants when he bends over to pick up his Social Security check. Later, the starship Enterprise explodes when his toupee falls into the Matter/Antimatter Reactor.

Batman — [Adventure] After being 'Outed' by members of Queer Nation, Batman and Robin convert the Bat Cave into a dance bar.

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Juicy Bits

by W.W. Wells III

Fall TV preview

Editor's Note: While attempting to create his world famous guacamole dip (during a break in a 15 hour porno video marathon) an incoherent W.W. Wells accidentally dropped a copy of his latest column along with the TV Guide and the Bijou Video Catalog into his Cuisinart. The following "Fall TV Preview" is the Queer result of that bizarre accident.

Who's The Boss — [Comedy] Two aggressive S&M top men argue over who gets to be on top and later, after stopping for a post orgasmic meal, fight over who gets the seat at the table with the better view.

Dinosaurs — [Documentary] Virtually invisible and thought to be extinct by Gay men under 25, mature Gay men with gold chains, Grecian Formulated hair and scary clothes sit in a cocktail lounge, drool over any man under fifty while exaggerated reminiscences about their sexual prowess

in "The Good Old Days," fly around the bar like beer nuts in a tornado.

MacGyver — [Drama] Ever resourceful MacGyver escapes from another tight jam, when he creates a mirrored sexual romper room for a sex-crazed South American dictator using only a wad of bubble gum, a spool of dental floss and some Reynolds Wrap.

The Wonder Years — [Comedy- Drama] This follows Kevin as a young adult in his "Wonder Years," that hormone-filled time in a Gay man's dating career, when he discovers other men and his sex life most closely resembles the action in a porno movie.

Northern Exposure — [Documentary] Alaskan nudists give new meaning to the phrase "Freezing Your Butt Off."

Thirtysomething — [Movie] This two hour TV movie wraps up loose ends created by the cancellation of the popular series. Disturbed by blatant commercialism, Michael quits the advertising agency

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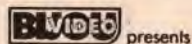
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Yet the Roper Poll revealed that, while 76% agree that abstinence would be effective, only 14% of adults think it is likely to happen as a way to prevent AIDS.

• The CDC campaign offers no educational materials that discuss homosexuality. Yet Americans in the Roper Poll say education about homosexuality should begin at age 11.

• The CDC campaign stresses monogamy as a way to prevent HIV transmission, yet only 2% of Americans

9 AIDS support groups offered

Milwaukee — Every week, more than 100 individuals attend at least one of the nine free support groups offered by the Milwaukee AIDS Project for people living with AIDS and HIV infection, their friends, families and partners.

Many of the groups offered by the Milwaukee AIDS Project are open to the general public, including "AIDS Information Milwaukee," the "Gay Men's HIV Positive Support Group," and "HIV Positive Sobriety Group," and a group for "Family, Friends and Significant Others." Other groups are provided for clients and volunteers of the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

AIDS Information Milwaukee (AIM), is an informational group for men and women who either believe or know that

in the Roper Poll believe this is sure to happen, and 91% of Americans say sexual partners are not always truthful about their sexual histories.

• In July, 1988, the Centers For Disease Control sent Americans the brochure "Understanding AIDS," the only national mailing on AIDS. By the time it was sent, 70,000 Americans had already been diagnosed with AIDS. Since then, 117,000 more AIDS cases have been reported (187,000 total), yet the CDC has never followed up this single mailing.

they are infected with the AIDS virus. Facilitated by Bruce Brewer and Jane Casseus, the group meets every Wednesday from 7pm - 9pm at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, 315 W. Court St., Milwaukee.

AIM features guest speakers at every other meeting. Presentations scheduled for October and November include "Legal Aspects of HIV Disease," on Oct. 16, with Steve Byers, attorney and manager of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin Legal Assistance Service. On Oct. 30, Brenda McClellan-Tilson, R.N.C., M.S.N., will present "What Makes Women Different," and informative program dealing with the medical, psychological and social issues for women with HIV infection. Eileen Henning, R.N.,

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seeing the mole in question, "Oh my God!" At which point, I'm thinking, "Cancer for sure," until she adds, "Boy, that's an ugly one." Then she explained the procedure: she would tie a string tightly around the mole, causing it to fall off on its own in a week or two. Then she added, "I've had this procedure done myself and it hurts like hell." I inquired about one of the miracles of modern medicine — an anesthetic — to which she replied, "Wouldn't do a damn bit of good." Then I lay face down on the examining table, clutching the sides as the doctor had advised, while she and a nurse stood on either side. This left no place for my girlfriend — who had come with me for moral support — but on the chair at my feet, watching my legs move up and down like a pain-o- meter. When the mole much to everyone's surprise, came off in the nurse's hand, the doctor inquired, "Want to see it?" When I demurred, she said, "I wasn't talking to you, I was talking to your friend there."

What a summer! I could've been sunning my buns at P-town or soaking up some gynergy at the women's fests, like everyone else, but no, I hadda go and get

rehabed! Maybe next year, instead of *This Old Girlfriend*, I'll shoot for something less PBS and more sitcom, like *The Lesbian Love Boat* or *Leave It To Lesbians*, and just hope the old structure holds out that long...
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Letters

Breitlow resigns

The expression is referred to as 'burn out,' and having served as an officer and board member of the Cream City Foundation for nine years, the malady has caught up with me. Therefore it is my intention to retire from the board of the Cream City Foundation in October.

Having been at the very first meeting of the board of Cream City Foundation in October of 1982, it is an honor to have had the privilege to participate and work with a group of dedicated, loyal, diligent, and untiring volunteers for these many years, and observe the remarkable steady growth of CCF. How interesting to look back at the humble beginning of The Foundation with \$500.00 in seed money, to this time, nine years later, as Cream City Foundation now annually gives over \$12,000.00 in grants to support organizations, programs and projects to better our Gay/Lesbian Community.

Who knows — sometime in the future I may wish to become involved with CCF again (if they will have me back). In the meantime, I'll enjoy many fond memories and a feeling of great satisfaction.

—Sincerely,
Warren E. Breitlow

Will match donations

America's Lesbian and Gay community has recently been dealt several defeats at the hands of the Federal government. Like you, I have watched in dismay and disgust as Congressman William Dannemeyer helped ban HIV positive travelers and immigrants, as Jesse Helms championed mandatory testing of doctors and nurses, and as the Defense Department continued to harass Gay men and Lesbians in the military. We have taken a beating at the hands of homophobes in Congress and the White House, and its time to fight back.

Who defends us against this political Gay bashing in the Capital? Who speaks for you in Washington? The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. NGLTF has served you well by lobbying congress members to sponsor the Federal Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill, collecting and publicizing statistics on anti-Gay violence,

and mentoring grassroots activists through their Creating Change conference.

As a long-time supporter and a recently elected board member of the Task Force, I strongly believe in the need to help the group that represents our interests to the nation. There are over 20 million Gay Americans, and only one in one thousand is currently a member of the Task Force. I urge you to back NGLTF with as generous a contribution as you can possibly give (send to NGLTF, 1734 14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009-4309).

I am so confident that the Task Force deserves our support that I pledge to match any contribution you make to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force dollar for dollar. Just write or call me and tell me how much you have donated, and I will send a check for the same amount to the Task Force offices. I can be reached at the following address: Drew Siegel, 1420 Clayton Street, Apt. 203, San Francisco, CA 94114, phone (415) 552-8382.

— Warmly,
Drew Siegel

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Connie Newman, R.N., Charlene Schultz, R.N. and Julie Reeder, medical assistant from the Milwaukee County Medical Complex will discuss the institution's HIV/AIDS Research Protocol on Nov. 18.

In an effort to provide a vehicle for Gay men to discuss common issues surrounding HIV disease, the Milwaukee AIDS Project has begun a "Gay Men's HIV Positive Support Group." The group, facilitated by David Huibregtse, a trained group facilitator, meets Thursday's from 7pm-9pm at the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Often, those who care for people with AIDS and HIV infection require an established support system. The Milwaukee AIDS Project provides a support group entitled "Family, Friends and Significant Others" to meet this need. The group, facilitated by Kate Zbella, a psychotherapist in private practice, and Nels Deloria meets on alternating Tuesdays at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

For more information on any of these programs, contact Joan Lawrence at the Milwaukee AIDS Project (414) 273-1991.

there was still the biannual mammogram.

For those of you who had never had one, let me briefly describe what it's like. Imagine wearing nothing but a little paper jacket on the top half of your torso. Then imagine some woman, who is not your lover, asking you to take the jacket off of one side — why do they do that? What's the point of covering up one breast when the other is completely exposed? Is having one breast hanging out there somehow less humiliating than having both of them naked? In any case, once you've revealed the breast, be prepared; she will grab your breast — no hand shake, no kiss, no foreplay of any kind — and place it carefully, like some sort of nouvelle cuisine, on a cold glass plate, rearranging it and your arm in a way that I'm guessing is not for artistic considerations. Then she lowers some other cold, hard thing down onto the top of your breast, squishing it flatter than you ever thought something that small — or that large — could be squished. Then she says, "Don't breathe" — like you could, clenching your teeth against the pain! Imagine having this done twice to each breast.

And then imagine, if you will, that this woman whose hands are roaming all over your breasts is not a complete stranger — someone you will never have to see again — not, as I said, your lover (who presumably frequently sees and touches your breasts), but someone you know slightly, someone you see around in the community, at concerts and things. That is exactly what happened to me this year! What was merely a routine, somewhat uncomfortable medical procedure instantly becomes an awkward social situation. Just what do you talk about when an acquaintance is squishing your breasts?

Well, you would think that was enough for one summer, but no: I also had an ugly mole on my back that I needed to have removed. I didn't expect this to be a pleasant experience, but the doctor's bedside manner — she seemed to have studied under Torquemada, the medieval dude who headed up the Inquisition — make the whole thing even more hair-raising. She began by exclaiming, on

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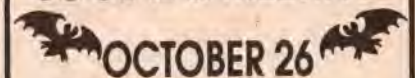


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Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipfer

This old girlfriend

Normally, my various annual and semi-annual check-ups are routine and boring. And, I've gotta say, that's pretty much the way I like it — an exciting Pap smear is something I can do without. In fact, I think if I ever do find a Pap smear exciting, it would be a good idea to take some time and examine the quality of my life...

But unlike the usual course of events with these things, this summer I ended up having a confluence of appointments that each yielded the need for "a little something extra" — a phrase you might want to hear in conjunction with desserts or bonuses, but not from people in the medical profession. Anyway, as the weeks went on and I dutifully made my way from one procedure to the next, I began to feel like somebody's rehab project.

"We could do a TV show," I commented to my younger and less rickety girlfriend, "called **This Old Girlfriend.**"

This week on This Old Girlfriend, We'll be looking at this fine old example of a medium frame girlfriend. You don't see

and again. Laughing at it's language — enjoying the subtlety. Learning things about someone just by how they write, or sharing things you might never be able to say.

Is this a tradition we really want to lose? Have we lost it already? Can we get it back?

So, the next time you want to call or send a card, sit down and write a letter. I bet both you and the recipient will enjoy it more.

Who knows, we might even bring back the perfumed love letter. Stationery without silly sayings or pictures. The ability to express ourselves in a clear, concise, cogent manner. Hallmark will survive. More importantly, the love of our language and the ability to use it well might also!



too many like that anymore. Why, did you know that this old girlfriend once had cleats, knee pads, and flat abs?

I started off the summer with a trip to the dentist, a lovely, wacky woman who must, like all dentists, have a very secure sense of self — how would you feel if no one ever wanted to come see you? But see her I did: I had to get a new crown. My girlfriend suggested it might be easier to just eat some Imperial margarine, but I tend to go with more traditional methods. Anyway, the worst of it was getting the old crown off, which she did using something called, whether unofficially or officially I'm not sure, "the clunker" — a big metal thing which looked more like a tool for prying fenders off than something you would put in your mouth. (Although in a way, I guess the prying-a-fender-off analogy is an apt one!) Even though the whole thing was less than torturous, I felt like I should have had a bunch of those orange signs tacked to me, announcing that I was under construction.

Then came the annual gynie check-up, the humiliating experience we women all love to hate. Actually, I don't mind it that much. My doctor is quite gentle and sensitive, and as long as we use the child-size speculum, I'm alright. This year however, she threw me a curve; "How about a cholesterol test? And while we're at it, why don't we see if you're anemic — your skin color is a little sallow." For the average grown-up, drawing a little blood is no big deal. Unfortunately, I am only masquerading as a grown-up. The truth is, I'm terribly phobic about needles. But, like the dental work, that went rather better than I had expected. However,

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Those of us who loved you and took you to your rest the other day will be forever grateful for the brief time we had you with us. You were something of a wonder. Despite the deck that life had dealt you, you refused to be a 'whiner.' You had a childlike, exuberant delight in life, a gleeful laugh and a wicked sense of humor.

You were a fighter and your deep faith in Christ gave you strength in the battle you fought. You showed your Christian commitment in so many ways; singing in the choir and teaching Sunday School at Sherman Park Lutheran Church, staffing Vacation Bible Camps and giving Literacy tutoring at the S.O.S. Center. When you left us Sunday morning you knew you were off to a better place.

I know a piece of my soul went with you and I hope a piece of yours remains with those you left behind.

Rest well, Googie, you were a good and decent servant of the Lord, a gentle lover, loyal friend and a loving son and brother. We will miss you sweetie, and we carry on in the knowledge that we will see you again someday.

— Gordon's Funeral was Wednesday, Oct. 2nd at Sherman Park Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. He was buried the next day in Appleton. Anyone wishing to make memorial contributions in his name should send them to the S.O.S. Center, 3614 W. North Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53210.



Gordon Drootman

Dom Orejudos Artist, Etienne

Erotic artist, choreographer and dancer, Dom Orejudos, yielding to a long battle with AIDS, passed from this world on September 24th, at his home in Boulder, Colorado. He was 58 years old.

As the artist Etienne, Dom's sexual fantasy art is known throughout the world and has been featured in posters and magazines over four decades. With his lifelong associate and partner, Chuck Renslow, Dom created Chicago's infamous Gold Coast Leather Bar and International Mr. Leather, promoting both

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seem to require cards. Halloween, Thanksgiving and New Years Day seem to be almost as important as Christmas — at least in the world of greeting cards.

Am I crazy, or is all of this just a bit overwhelming to others as well?

In the last quarter of 1991, we still have Halloween, Bosses Day, Sweetest Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas. Can you imagine how many cards one might have to purchase in the course of a year? And that's not counting all the additional times cards now seem to be necessary.

Divorce. Yes, divorce now seems to require a joyful or comforting card. Then there's 'Congratulations on quitting smoking.' 'On getting your driver's license.' 'On your retirement/ promotion' (I looked for one 'on having your first sexual experience,' but none seemed to be available — yet).

There are funny cards, sexually explicit cards, cards with just pictures, the good old-fashioned sentimental card, cards which play music, cards with pictures of famous people. The choices are endless. Which to send/ What is the etiquette? If I only send my sweetheart a Valentine and a Sweetest Day card, will she feel rejected because I didn't send 'I Love You,' 'Missing You' and 'Just Thinking of You?'

Seriously, other than making companies like Hallmark wealthy, is this proliferation of greeting cards really good for our culture? Or is it another example of our increasing illiteracy? Of America's convenience store mentality? Or it's shallow sincerity? Have we become a nation of people who can't simply state what they feel?

Maybe I'm over reacting, but think about it. When was the last time you wrote or received a letter? Or did you send a card instead, or put it on your Sprint, MCI or ATT card — another new American convenience which means we can now call our mother on Mother's Day from any pay phone any where in the world!

Try and recall the pleasure of receiving a letter from a dear friend or loved one who shared his/her life on every page. Being able to pick it up and read it again



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gave their summer to
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Reflections from the Joan Zone by Joan Lawrence

Greeting cards

I recently went into a local drug store to buy a friend a birthday card. A simple card wishing her well on her special day. A day which only comes once a year.

Sending people cards on birthdays and certain other special occasions is an old American tradition for which I've never learned the derivation. Yet it's a nice tradition. We all like to receive cards on days which are special to us.

But have you been in your local card store, drug store or supermarket card section lately?

We used to know what the basic American holidays requiring recognition were: Christmas, Birthdays, Mother's and Father's Day, and perhaps Easter. We also sent Sympathy, and Get Well cards as well as Anniversaries and Thank You's. Not any more!

Just for the month of October, we have two new holidays: Bosses Day and

Sweetest Day.

I mean Bosses Day? I like my boss; I wouldn't mind sending her a card. But a holiday honoring bosses? And, it's not like the bosses are off the hook, because we now have Secretary's Day as well. Can Coordinator, or Receptionist's or Part-timer's day be far behind?

Sweetest Day really confused me. I thought that's what Valentine's Day was. Is there a difference between your sweetest and your valentine? If so who is what to whom? Do parents qualify — friends?

Last month we had Grandparent's Day. Weren't they considered as parents in the past and placed under Mother's and Father's Day? Does this mean we send them a card twice a year? This is all very confusing. What are the new rules which accompany all these holidays?

As if all the new holidays aren't confusing enough, now other holidays which used to be celebrated in other ways

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to world wide recognition via his artistic talents. An early pioneer in Gay male erotica, Mr. Orejudos (aka Etienne and Stephen) was recognized as one of the great masters of fantasy art.

An accomplished dancer and choreographer, Mr. Orejudos was also well recognized nationally as a master of ballet. The recipient of three separate grants from the National Endowment of the Arts, over a dozen of his works have been presented on PBS television earning three Emmy awards.

For much of the Gay community, and the leather community in particular, Dom will be remembered for his erotica. His exaggerated muscular imagery was easily recognizable and has been featured in dozens of publications, club logos and print advertising over a thirty year period. Dom's murals covered the walls of Chicago's Gold Coast Leather Bar, which earned an international reputation by distributing his work throughout the world's leather community in poster form.

Dom's long association with leather dates to the early 1960's when he and partner, Chuck Renslow, established Kris Studios, one of the earliest 'physique style' photographic studios. Publishers of Mars, Triumph and Rawhide Magazines, Mr. Orejudos began his career in erotic art on those pages. Together with Renslow, Mr. Orejudos established a leather night at the Hi Ho Club in Chicago, and used it as a springboard to the establishment of the Gold Coast, one of the first and longest lasting leather bars in the nation. They subsequently went on to establish a string of clubs in Chicago, including Man's Country Baths, Zolar, Pyramid and Center Stage, as well as clubs in other cities such as Club Baths Kansas City and Club Baths Phoenix. One of the founding members of the 'Renslow Family,' Dom inaugurated Chicago's 'August White Party' now in its eighteenth year.

In 1981, Mr. Orejudos moved to Boulder, Colorado to devote his energies to ballet, art, and his lover of 22 years, Robert Yuhnke, who survives him. From their home in the foothills of the Rocky

Mountains, Dom created a number of erotic fantasy art books including three volumes of 'Meatman.'

A world traveler, Mr. Orejudos was stricken with pneumonia while traveling with a 1987 delegation to China and Tibet.

Mr. Orejudos is survived by his lover, Robert Yhunke of Boulder; two brothers, Frank Lemi and Gil Orejudos, both of Chicago; the Renslow Family; and many, many friends. A memorial service for Mr. Orejudos will be held on October 12 at 2pm, at the Church of the Atonement, 5749 N. Kenmore, Chicago.

Marty Blecman 1956-1991

Marty Blecman, owner of Megatone Records in San Francisco, died September 20 of complications due to AIDS. He was 35 years old.

Blecman was one of the pioneers of the high energy dance music movement that came on the heels of "the death of disco," in 1979. He discovered and nurtured the careers of late dance club legends Patrick Cowley and Sylvester, and always jokingly took credit for adding the 'M' in the title of Cowley and Sylvester's dance classic "Menergy," according to Billboard magazine.

Blecman paved the way for openly Gay and Lesbian people in the music industry by being one of the first to publicly come out of the closet.

Megatone (surely every self respecting Gay man has at least one of this labels records in their collection) will continue under the management of new owner John Hedges, who was previously president of the label, and David Diebold, general manager.

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More.**
- Fri, Oct 18, 11pm-MR. SYD'S SHOW featuring Sydney
Johnson, Mr. Rainbow 1991/92 and many,
many guests.**
- Sun, Oct 20, 10:30pm-Show: BRITTANY MORGAN, Miss
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- Mon, Oct 21, 10:30pm-HARD BODIES, Male Dance Revue,
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The Arts

Milwaukee Gay/ Lesbian theatre

Company Plans December Premier

The Board of Directors & founding members of Milwaukee's first Gay & Lesbian Theatre Company are pleased to announce the formation of **The Different Drummer Theatre Alliance**. The Alliance is dedicated to the presentation of Gay & Lesbian plays by Gay & Lesbian writers to be performed by Gay & Lesbian actors. The plays to be presented will represent our community, our lives and our issues.

The Different Drummer Theatre Alliance has secured the rights to Victor Bumbalo's **Adam And The Experts** for a December 1991 Milwaukee premier. Adam and the Experts is considered "the most important play to deal with the AIDS crisis since **As Is** and **The Normal Heart**."

Anyone interested in auditioning or working behind the scenes should write: The Different Drummer Theatre Alliance, P.O. Box 92756, Milwaukee, WI 53202, or call 347-0673 after 6pm.

Fall Art Confab addresses Gay issues

How and for what do artists become known? Are they heroes?

What about this growing tendency in student preference for violence in film, video, music and visual embellishment?

Designers have played a role in environmental concerns, but are usually limited to a reactive role in the business world rather than 'pro-active.' Are there alternatives?

What will art instruction be like after the fall of the Bauhaus?

Is there a Gay/Lesbian sensibility in the arts?

These are but a few questions that will be addressed at the 55th Mid-America College Art Association Conference on

October 16 to 19, 1991. The event is hosted by the Department of Art and co-sponsored by twenty UW and Madison area arts departments, programs and institutions. The purpose of the conference is to discuss issues that are at the forefront of critical debate in art and art education. In addition to panels and speakers, many workshops, tours and exhibitions are planned.

GAY ISSUES

The Gay/Lesbian Panel is open to the public and scheduled for 3:30pm on Thursday, October 17 in Room 150 Elvehjem Museum of Art, Madison.

Is there a Gay/Lesbian sensibility in the arts? How does the invisibility of Gay and Lesbian students and faculty limit everyone's experience? Are crucial dialogues being excluded from the discussion of contemporary and historical artists and their art? How do Gay and Lesbian students and faculty survive the academy? Panelists will discuss strategies for moving beyond homophobia and heterosexism in the teaching of art and art history.

Moderated by Ann Schaffer, the panel includes artist Robert Tollefson, MaryJoe Schnell of the Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago and Michael Starkman of Southeastern Louisiana University.

A reception will follow in the Fireside Lounge of the University Club from 5:30pm to 7pm.

Conference organizers note that several other sessions are open to the public including a panel session on Frank Lloyd Wright, Public Art and Wisconsin Indian Mounds.

Questions may be phoned to the UW-Madison Department of Art at (608) 262-1660.

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The Napalese Lounge celebrated their 9th Anniversary for three nights, one of which featured a show with C.C. Rae and friends. In the bottom photo, Nap's owner, Mel [center front] is surrounded by staff and friends.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

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.

Station II: Golf at Riversbend, 10am T-Time.

Touch Football: Pickup game at 2pm on Lincoln Drive field, across from Gun Club open to all, sponsored by GAMMA. Call 963-9833.

Square Dancing: Classes begin today at 6pm, at 3B's Bar, cost about \$4, sponsored by GAMMA, call 963-9833.

M&M Club: Faron Evans, live.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Rod's [Madison]: Beginning of underwear alert week, through Oct. 21.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

The Office [Rockford]: Bonnie Bitch & Hurricane Summers National Tour with Deedles Diamonds; comedy, puppets, character illusions, magic.

Rainbow Revue: MAP fundraising show with Ronnie Marks and more, 9:30pm.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Club 219: Miss 219 Contest, winners — \$100 plus sponsored for the upcoming pageant. Entertainment by The 219 Girls, 11pm. Contestants must register by 9:30pm.

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, A Conversation With Sam Day & Friends.

Roller-skating: GAMMA open skating begins 7:30pm, at Rollaero, 2500 S. Pennsylvania Avenue, open to all, call 963-9833.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

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

LAMM Meeting: Member returns from "Dinosaur Dig," with fossils & slide show. Potluck at 6, program at 7, Milw. Enterprise Center, 2821 N. 4th St., for info call 264-2600.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Beer Town Badgers MAP Fund Raiser: At Boot Camp Saloon. Drawings for prizes & drink tickets from 10pm-1:30am. All proceeds & donations for MAP direct patient care

Rainbow Revue: Mr. Syd's Show, 11pm with Mr. Rainbow '91-92 Sydney Johnson & guests.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament, 4pm.

Bike Ride: Cruise Grant Park with GAMMA, meet at Lake Park Pavilion at noon, call 963-9833.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Queen of the 94 Follies contest with special guest emcee, 11pm showtime.

Jo'dee's Intl. [Racine]: Victoria's Variety Revue, 10:30pm, cover.

Wreck Room: Oberons 2nd Beer Bust for the Christmas Club for Children with AIDS. \$5 bust begins 9pm, all proceeds to the Christmas Club.

T.T. Tulip: Don't forget Sweetest Day!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Partner's: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 5-9pm.

Rainbow Revue: The Brittany Morgan Show, with Miss Rainbow '91-92 Brittany & friends, 10:30pm.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Partners: Hard Bodies Male Dance Revue, cover.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Rod's [Madison]: Full Moon party, 8-close, specials all night.

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, tape of GALVANize's '91 March in Madison.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Live comedy with national comedian Holly Farris, 10:30 showtime with guest Zoomie.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Rod's [Madison]: Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest, fun & prizes.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

3B's Bar: Halloween Party Scavenger Hunt (benefit for MAP), sign up now. A MAP fundraiser.

Rod's [Madison]: Rod's official Halloween Party Blow Out — bewitching hour costume contest & party.

Platwood Club [Stevens Point]: Glen & Todd's birthday party, open 2pm, friends invited.

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Milwaukee group to screen PBS censored films

WHOSE P.O.V. IS IT?

Milwaukee — Great Lakes Film and Video will be showing three videotapes originally scheduled as part of Public Broadcasting System's series, but because of their subject matter, were censored by PBS or its affiliates.

The program will be run at 7 and 9pm on October 25 & 26 in the University of Wisconsin Mitchell Hall, B-91. Mitchell Hall is located at the corner of Downer and Kenwood Avenues. Tickets are \$4 at the door, and seating is limited.

The three films scheduled to be shown are:

• **Tongues Untied** by Marlon Riggs. This award winning piece rises above the deeply personal to explore what it means to be Black and Gay.

This summer over 100 PBS affiliates (including Milwaukee's Channel 10) refused to air **Tongues** and others showed it late at night to minimize exposure. Backing away from controversial voices goes against PBS's stated purpose with their Point of View (POV) series: to represent viewpoints in American communities often absent from commercial television.

(Apparently PBS fears offending homophobes more than it values serving the Lesbian and Gay viewing public. The cancellations rightly received major media coverage. A number of PBS supporters dropped their financial contributions to local affiliates in response to the censorship.)

Craig Seligman, in the San Francisco Examiner, called **Tongues** "Angry, funny, erotic and poetic by turns (and sometimes all at once), it jumps from interview to confession, music video to documentary to poem."

• **Stop The Church** by Robert Hilferty

is a documentary that chronicles the massive 1989 ACT UP and WHAM action at New York's St. Patrick's Cathedral in protest over Cardinal O'Connor's opposition to Gay rights and AIDS education.

This film was canceled on a national level by PBS after it also was scheduled as part of the POV series. Again, PBS was accused of censorship, and of giving in to pressures from religious groups and conservative viewers.

• **Son of Sam and Delilah** by Charles Atlas is an AIDS allegory that PBS officials canceled from their experimental 10 part independent video series "New Television." The film is artist Atlas' personal response to the sorrow and bewilderment of the loss of friends and loved ones to AIDS, using a serial killer as a metaphor for the epidemic.

The Advocate quoted PBS national press officer Laura Olds as saying, "we believe **Son of Sam and Delilah** is inappropriate for prime time because it lacks clarity in content and style and contains scenes of excessive violence."

The Advocate also quoted PBS affiliate and the films co-producer, WNET press officer Susan Dowling saying she thought PBS rejected the tape because "it doesn't allow the usual comfortable distance between the television set and the viewer. But that's part of what makes Charlie's piece so powerful. It's very raw and hard-hitting and also very loving and moving. I think it offers a sort of healing vision as well as a desperate one."

Now you can see all three of these films and make up your own mind, thanks to Great Lakes Film and Video. Then, to protest the silencing of these voices, call PBS at (703) 739-5000. You can also write to the head of programming, Jennifer Lawson, PBS, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314 with your comments on their censorship decision. You can also write the man who oversees much of the PBS funding: Donald Marbury, Director TV Program Fund, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 901 E Street, NW, Washington DC 20004.

M&M/Glass Menagerie (dinner wine donated by Chicago's Rodeo Riders). The traditional campy show wrapped up the evening. The show, entitled "This is a test..." was acted by members of the Badgers.

Sunday, September 29 was live music night with Jeff Jennings at **Za's**, Faron Evans at **M&M Club**, and Kristi K and Jeff Stoll performing at **Station II**.

Meanwhile **Partners** was off to the horse races at Arlington Park. The day long event included pre-bus coffee and doughnuts, juice drinks and a box lunch on the bus, race track entry fee, open bar on the bus back, followed by dinner at Balistreri's Ristorante.

I started this column talking about male dancers, and that's the way it will end, too. **Club 219** brought back Gay Milwaukee's favorites — Hunter and the Headliners on October 2nd. Hunter himself is a consistent favorite, and he

brought along two new bodies for us to ogle at. Where does he find these men? At a perfect male specimen factory? Curious minds want to know!

David & Dan of **Masquer's** have gone out of business. But never fear — Ann Brunow has taken over the space in Wausau (320 Washington) and named it **The Mad Hatter**.

If you have a curious mind and want to know what special events will be happening the next two weeks... turn to the Calendar, appearing right after this column. Until next issue, let me leave you with this newly coined 'disease' — Obnoxious Personality Disorder. Julia Duffy as her new character (Allison) on "Designing Women" used the phrase, saying it is very widespread. She certainly hit the nail on the head. I know of scores of people with OPD. The cure? I can't think of anything more appropriate than a snappy reality check!

Calendar

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Nothing To Hide [Madison]: Cable Channel 4, 9pm, Real Eyes Realize Real Lies.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

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

3B's Bar: MAP Pantry food drive starts today — bring in a bag of goodies & get a free rail or domestic beer.

Rainbow Revue: Libra birthday party 8-midnight, free beer & buffet.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

National Coming Out Day: Take Your Next Step On Coming Out At Work, At Home, At Play

Dos Lesbos: A Lesbian musical comedy play, 8pm, Centennial Hall, 733 N. 8th St., Milwaukee. Sponsored by Hurricane Productions. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 door.

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

The Shamrock [Madison]: Blue Bus Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling, 9pm-1am.

3B's Bar: Wacky Friday Party, prizes

given away every half hour, starting 10:30pm.

Platwood Club [Stevens Point]: UW-SP's homecoming, doors open 9pm.

Rainbow Revue: Emerald City Boys, 11pm.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Station II: Octoberfest, free beer, hors d'oeuvres 8-12.

Girth & Mirth Club Meeting: 3 B's Bar, for socializing, 10pm.

Hiking: GAMMA sponsors its 'Fall Color Hike' in Northern Kettle Moraine, open to all, leave here 9am. Call 963-9833 for information.

New Bar/Rods [Madison]: Blue Bus Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling, 9pm-1am.

Jo'dee's Intl. [Racine]: Baby Jane & Company, 10:30pm, cover.

Platwood Club [Stevens Point]: UW-SP's homecoming, doors open 6pm.

The Office [Rockford]: Chicago's Gay Metal Society presents 'Rocktoberfest,' a basement party.

Rainbow Revue: Mark Waldenbergers annual Birthday Benefit for Cream City Chorus, food, show.

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half of the parking lot across the street from the bar effective October 1st. His original plans to install planters there also, have now been put on hold.

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One way to bring back the heat of Summer is by enjoying the provocative moves of 'The Dream Team' male dance troupe. They made appearances at **Club 219** and **The Pivot Club** September 19-20.

September 20-22 was an anniversary weekend for two Gay Wisconsin favorites — **Fannies** celebrated their 8th, and **The Napalese** celebrated their 9th. Fannies provided lots of drink specials, and door prizes all weekend, wrapping things up Sunday with a show with 'nearly' all-women. Congratulations to Sharon and her staff on 8 big years.

The 'Naps' presented live music Saturday night by Jeff Jennings and Zoomie, and a big show Sunday featuring C.C. Rae and entourage, with free food and drink specials. Congratulations to Mel, his manager Cricket and their very able staff who are now in their 10th year of business.

Jo'Dee's International presented regional entertainers when they hosted a 'Stars of Wisconsin' show featuring several King Productions WI-USA titleholders.

The 2nd Annual **Wisconsin AIDS Walk** surpassed their goals with over 3,200 walkers, 30,000 contributors, and over \$286,000 pledged. That's a 50% increase over funds raised in '90. AIDS organizations from across the state will split 25% of those funds, with the remaining 75% going to the Milwaukee AIDS Project. Congratulations and a big public 'Thank You' to the organizers, volunteers, corporate sponsors, marchers, and to each of you who donated!

A good turn out attended the benefit show at **Rainbow Revue** for the families of the Milwaukee /Dahmer tragedy. Members of the Hughes, Miller, Lacy and Sears families attended the show that featured a big line up of entertainers.

Za's opened the doors at their new location, 1106 Main Street, in Green Bay.

The new building is all their own and offers plenty of future potential. I'm sure Mark and Ken had a great time designing the place just the way they wanted it, from scratch. The second floor, complete with balcony overlooking the lower dance floor and a separate bar, won't be open for several more weeks. Once that's ready to go, **Za's** will have their Grand Opening party. Watch **In Step** for details! By the way, the bar is closed on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays through the end of the month to make ongoing construction more feasible.

Happy 40th birthday wishes to Patrick (Triangle) and Dan (CSP Inc.) — 40 is not so lonely now that I have company...

Milwaukee's **Fest City Singers** took their Pride Week "History, Herstory, Ourstory" song and dance show on the road for appearances at **La Cage** on September 27, **Za's** on the 28th, and the **Pivot** October 4.

Club 3054 was busy on the 28th, with a three person birthday blowout in the afternoon, followed by a benefit dance for **GALVANize**, organizers of the Madison March Weekend for Gay and Lesbian Rights, which was slated for October 5-8 (after my deadline).

The **Cream City Foundation** co-sponsored Channel 10's (Milwaukee's Public Broadcasting Service station) telecast of "Longtime Companion" on September 29th. I saw the film when it was released in the theaters (remember the Milwaukee premiere sponsored by Wisconsin Light and In Step as a benefit for the Pride Committee?), but thoroughly enjoyed seeing it again. Laughter and tears are very cathartic...

The **Beer Town Badgers** held their 7th annual anniversary celebration, Bier Stein VII. The day started off with a cocktail party hosted by Leather United/Chicago, followed by a dinner catered by

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

It's definitely Autumn — we went right from shorts and no shirts to long pants with sweaters or jackets. I still have to switch over my closet from summer to fall/winter wear. I keep opening my closet door every morning and realizing I have to hit the spare room's closet to find something appropriate to wear. One of these weekends I'll force myself to make the warm/cool clothing switch but that move makes it all seem so final...

The Allen Bradley/ Rockwell complex, bordered by 1st and 3rd Streets, and Washington and Greenfield, is in the middle of massive exterior renovations. In case you haven't noticed, they are re-painting and installing new windows on the formerly drab and dirty complex. The complex is the biggest structure in the area and their renovations have had a tremendous positive visual impact on the entire neighborhood.

Now all we need to do is corral the vandalism to further improve 'our' area.

Club 219 owner Bobby Lyons, who recently purchased the vacant lot between 225 and 231 South 2nd Street, has attempted to 'spiffy' up his block. However, his attempts have been 'uprooted' so to speak. After purchasing the vacant lot, Bobby had a lot-wide 3 foot high by 8 foot deep planter installed along the sidewalk, and filled it with shrubbery. The greenery improved and softened the look of the entire block. Within the first week, 3 of the shrubs were ripped out and stolen. Two weeks later, a large evergreen — the focal point of the planter — was vandalized with yellow oil-based paint. That same bush was then completely uprooted afterwards. A sticky, syrupy liquid was also drizzled across the front of the planter to prevent people from sitting there. Childish you say? I agree! However, children (rarely seen in this industrial area) probably didn't do it.

By the way, 219 also leased the western
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* Faron Evans *



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