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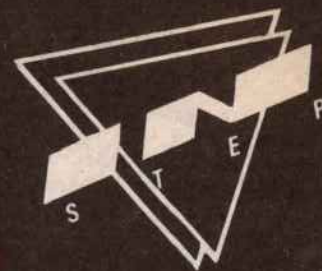
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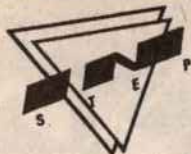
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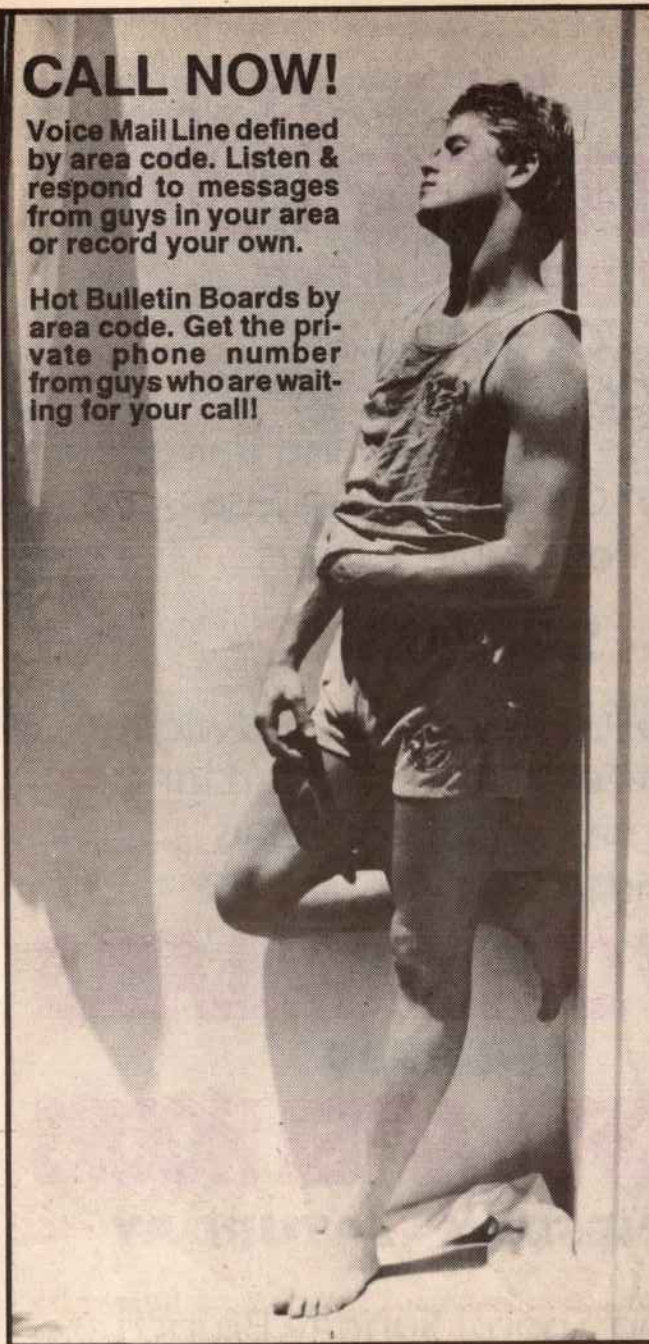
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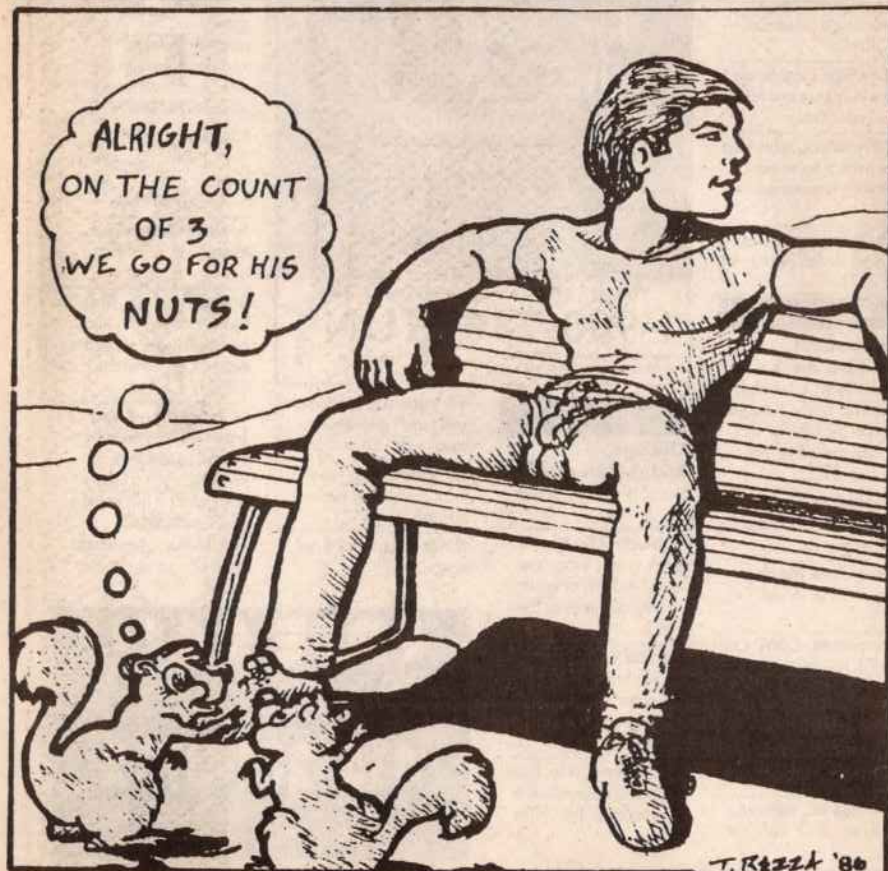
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WI to appeal hate crime law to U.S. Supreme Court

In Step — Wisconsin Attorney General James E. Doyle announced July 31 the state would appeal the Wisconsin Hate Crimes law to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down Wisconsin's law on June 23, the day after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled a St. Paul, Minnesota hate crime ordinance "an unconstitutional abridgment of freedom of speech." The unanimous U.S. court vote decried the "selectivity" of the St. Paul ordinance and declared it an infringement of First Amendment free speech rights, saying "It has proscribed fighting words of whatever manner that communicate messages of racial, gender or religious intolerance. Selectivity of this sort creates the possibility that the city is seeking to handicap the expression of particular ideas."

The now invalid St. Paul ordinance was more broadly phrased than most such measures, including Wisconsin's.

Wisconsin's state-wide law enhances penalties for crimes against people and property which were motivated by bigotry based on race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry. The Wisconsin law was recently altered to provide clearer standards for judges & juries to use in deliberating over hate crimes cases.

The state court's June 23 decision was split 5-2. Chief Justice Nathan Heffernan expressed some "regret" in rendering the decision: "Because we wholeheartedly agree with the motivation of the Legislature in its desires to suppress hate crimes, it is with great regret that we hold the hate crime statute unconstitutional — and only because we believe that the greater evil is the suppression of freedom of speech for all of us."

State Justices Shirley Abrahamson and William Bablitch dissented. Abrahamson

wrote: "I believe the Wisconsin statute ties discriminatory selection of a victim to conduct already punishable by state law in a manner sufficient to prevent erosion of First Amendment protection of bigoted speech and ideas."

Doyle, who will appeal with the support of several other states, thinks the Wisconsin court erred, because the state law does not punish thoughts, but increases the penalties for people who select their victims because of bias. The appeal to the U.S. court should come by mid- August.

Gay community responds to stepped-up vice arrests

Milwaukee [In Step] — Concerned members of the Gay and Lesbian community are working on a number of fronts to respond constructively to the massive increase in vice squad activity taking place throughout the metropolitan Milwaukee area.

The Vice Squad of the Milwaukee Police Department, the campus police at UW-Milwaukee and suburban police departments in Wauwatosa and Cudahy as well as the Village of Shorewood have intensified their crackdown on sexual activity in parks and restrooms in the last four months, raising concerns about possible entrapment and allegations of inconsistent enforcement of the law.

Ralph Navarro of the city's Gay Information Service, criticized police sting operations, saying they were "creating crime, not solving crime." He said: "I have heard too many stories over too many years that indicate it is the police who are initiating the activity."

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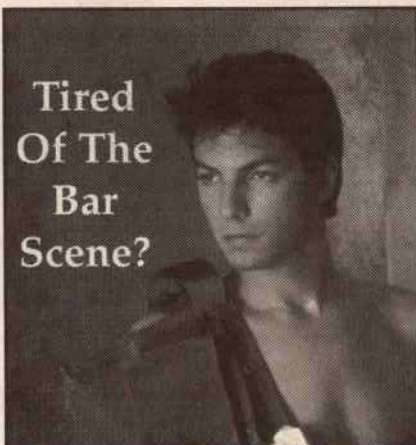
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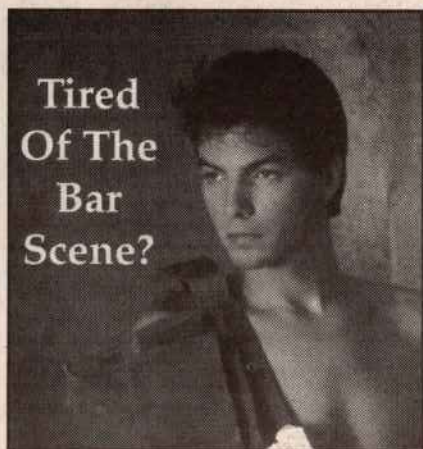
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Attorney Thomas E. Martin, who is representing several men who have been arrested, told *In Step* that the controversial use of undercover police decoys in parks and public washrooms was "awful but lawful" in most cases.

INCONSISTENT ENFORCEMENT?

Martin is particularly concerned about the disparity of treatment different authorities dole out to the men arrested. Some men are charged with municipal citations, which simply carry a fine. Others have been charged with criminal misdemeanors, which carry more serious penalties. He called this inconsistent enforcement of the law "arbitrary and capricious."

Martin also noted that in most cases, at the charging stage, no distinctions are being made between first offenders and repeat offenders. In the case of repeat offenders, no referrals are currently being made to the mental health system.

This concerns Gary Hollander, a psychologist who also worked on the Blue Ribbon Commission on police reforms. Hollander feels the underlying behavioral issues cannot be addressed solely through criminal prosecutions. He is also concerned about the "high risk behavior" involved in such anonymous sexual encounters and cites the need for greater education.

Terry Boughner, editor of *Wisconsin Light*, believes internalized homophobia may be one of the factors leading some men to seek anonymous sex in public places. He thinks that the Gay community as a whole needs to do some soul searching and statizing regarding the increase in promiscuity among some of its members. "We have to encourage people to be more responsible," he said.

Kitty Barber of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee joined in the consensus of opinion. She told *In Step*: "Criminal prosecution is using an atomic weapon for killing flies. With all of the serious crime in Milwaukee County this summer, this seems to be a very poor use of limited police resources, when there are constructive alternatives that we are proposing that would reduce this problem."

PROPOSING SOLUTIONS

Attorney Martin has helped organize an ad hoc committee to address current law enforcement practices as they relate to vice arrests and their effect on the Gay community. Navarro, Hollander, Barber and other concerned people have proposed several avenues to tackle the problem.

First of all, Martin has written to First Assistant District Attorney Robert Donohoo requesting that the D.A.'s charging policies be clarified, made consistent and be implemented in a uniform manner. Donohoo is expected to respond to Martin's request sometime in August. *In Step* will inform readers of the result.

Other committee members have contacted security personnel and merchants at the Grand Avenue Mall (where a number of arrests have been made) to suggest a more visible uniformed presence of security rather than the use of plainclothes decoys. The posting of signs indicating that the restrooms are heavily patrolled and the redesign of restrooms to reduce the likelihood of sexual contacts were also suggested.

The idea that more publicity about the prosecutions appear in the mainstream press and Gay newspapers in an effort to deter the sexual activity met with a negative response. Merchants and police indicate that whenever publicity about the location of public sexual activity appears in the press, it actually leads to increased activity.

Martin said that one of the toughest challenges to get across to law enforcement authorities was that aggressively ridding one particular location of sexual activity would not end the problem. Often the activity is merely transferred to another place, in what one activist described as "precinct roulette."

UPDATE ON UWM

On August 5, Shane Reister, co-president of the Gay and Lesbian Community (GLC) at UWM, met with UWM Chancellor John Schroeder, Campus Police Chief Phillip Clark and

other university officials about the vice arrests at UWM. At least 83 men have been arrested in the last three months for sexual activity in the school's restrooms.

Reister expressed concern about the alleged methods of entrapment being used by campus police. Unfortunately, none of those arrested has been willing to file a complaint, so Reister came away with the impression that the police there will continue using undercover decoy methods until their methods are formally challenged or proved illegal. Chief Clark reportedly said that the tactics employed were legal and effective.

Reister submitted to Chief Clark a list of hypothetical situations (compiled by GLC members) that might occur in restrooms. Clark promised to read them and then clarify how the police would respond.

Chief Clark said he would provide the GLC with "incident reports" of the arrests and demographics about the people arrested. Reister said these could help his group to evaluate police behavior. The administrators also told Reister they would consider remodeling the restrooms in ways to deter such behavior, but gave him no timeline for doing so.

Reister told **In Step**: "I'm disappointed they don't seem to want to deal with the underlying issues. They just want to clean up the problem at UWM, and they're not very sensitive to the issue of entrapment." He said that the Chancellor and Police Chief promised to continue communicating with the GLC, however.

Most of those activists interviewed by **In Step** said that the merchants, police and prosecutors they have spoken to show little understanding of why men engage in public sex and seem convinced the only way it can be stamped out is through criminal prosecution. While members of the ad hoc group pledge to work diligently through the proper channels to see that some procedural reforms are instituted, they believe the process of changing attitudes may be much more difficult.

Editor's Note: In our next issue, Attorney Martin will describe, in detail, an arrest under the circumstances above and offer his advice.

Local suit against Eliason ejected; federal suit pending

Milwaukee [In Step] — Circuit Court Judge John McCormick has dismissed a lawsuit filed by Julie Brienza who claims that the Rev. Vic Eliason and United Press International conspired to unlawfully fire her from her job because she is a Lesbian.

Judge McCormick dismissed the local case because a similar lawsuit has been filed by Brienza in federal court in the District of Columbia. The federal case, seeking \$12.5 million in damages, will proceed.

Brienza was fired from her job as a reporter for UPI in April, 1990. At the time, she also did freelance work for the **Washington Blade**, a Gay newspaper. Her suit alleges that after Rev. Eliason discovered that she worked for both news organizations, he orchestrated a campaign to have her fired from UPI. He allegedly used his TV and radio stations (WVCY) and his contacts with other fundamentalist ministers to publicly denounce Brienza's Lesbianism and to pressure UPI to fire her.

Eliason counters that he was only exercising his freedom of speech and that UPI rightfully fired Brienza for using their facilities for non-UPI work.

Brienza's federal suit charges Eliason with malicious interference with her UPI contract, unlawful invasion of privacy and defamation for exposing her as a Lesbian, and violation of Wisconsin's hate crimes law (recently ruled unconstitutional). It also claims that UPI violated the District of Columbia's Human Rights Act by dismissing her because of her sexual orientation. Brienza resides and works in the District.

Brienza is represented by a D.C. law firm and the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund. Said Lambda Legal Director Paula Ettelbrick: "Eliason's witch hunt tactics against this one reporter are a tragic reminder of the power of homophobia."

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Gay man bashed near Astor Hotel

Milwaukee [In Step] — Robert Keirse, 43, was robbed and assaulted in a violent Gay bashing incident outside the Astor Hotel on Milwaukee's east side just before midnight on Friday, July 31.

As Keirse was walking home from the This Is It bar, he was stopped by two black men just outside the Nantucket Shores restaurant, which was closed. The assailants demanded Keirse's money, which he gave them. They then began to taunt him verbally and smashed his face through a window of the restaurant.

Bleeding profusely, Keirse staggered to his home about three blocks away, where he knocked on the window to alert his roommate. His roommate let him in and immediately called 911.

Keirse told **In Step** that before they smashed his face into the window the assailants taunted him in a rap-like rhythm, saying: "Hey, pretty boy, faggot, rich boy, white boy... We're gonna fix your face and make sure no one — man or woman — ever wants you again."

Keirse said he does not dress or act stereotypically Gay, so he speculated that the attackers may have been following him home from the bar.

Keirse was treated at St. Mary's Hospital for facial lacerations and bruises. He received seven stitches above his right cheek bone and, nearly a week after the attack, was still sore from the cuts and bruises.

Keirse's roommate said the response to the 911 call was pretty slow. It took almost a half hour for the police to arrive. But Keirse told **In Step** that once police arrived they were "extremely helpful and thoughtful." He told them what the assailants had said to him and asked the police to record it as a hate crime. A detective called Keirse the following day to let him know that his wallet and brief case had been recovered. No suspects are in custody.

Keirse has a new sense of how vulnerable everyone is on the street. He urged people to be careful when leaving bars and suggested that carrying a

whistle also might help. He said that Gays in San Francisco carried whistles and that they were sometimes effective in frightening potential muggers away and/or in calling for help.

Victims of Gay bashings in Milwaukee, whether verbal or physical or both, are encouraged to call the Gay Bash Hotline at (414) 444-7331, as well as reporting it to the police, making sure they document it as a hate crime.

Ahmuty to head state ACLU

Milwaukee [In Step] — Christopher Ahmuty, well known as a supporter and volunteer in Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community for many years, has been appointed the new Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin.

The choice of Ahmuty caps an extensive national search conducted to find a replacement for retiring Director Eunice Edgar. Ahmuty has been employed by the Wisconsin ACLU for ten years, most recently as Associate Director. His appointment was a popular choice among local Gays and Lesbians.

"Chris is a person who has dedicated his life to the principles of the ACLU, and that includes full civil rights for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual people," said Ralph Navarro, former chairman of the Lambda Rights Network (LRN). Ahmuty was a founding member of LRN and holds a seat on its Board of Directors.

Scott Gunkel of LRN said of Ahmuty's appointment: "It's the best choice they could have made." He noted Ahmuty's work in the "No Retreat on Civil Rights" campaign, in the effort to defeat the anti-Gay Rawhide Amendment and his diligent work to establish police reforms in the wake of the Jeffrey Dahmer case.

"The ACLU has always been a great ally of the Gay community," said Gunkel. "With Chris at the helm, I'm sure that cooperation will continue."

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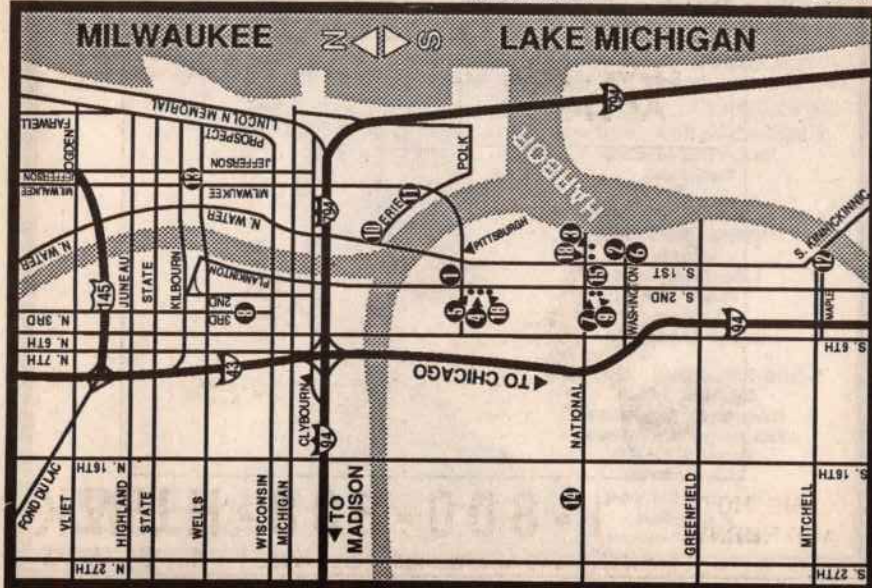
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Senate moves to kill D.C. partners law

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — The U.S. Senate on July 30 approved an amendment which would effectively rescind the District of Columbia's recently enacted domestic partnership ordinance.

The move came when a procedural motion to table an amendment from Sen. Trent Lott (R-Miss.) failed on a 51-41 vote. The Lott amendment was then approved on a voice vote.

The rider, attached to the District's annual budget, would bar the local government from using any of its federal or locally generated tax dollars to implement its domestic partners law.

The D.C. law, formally the Health Care Benefits Expansion Act of 1992, was passed by the District Council and signed by Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly in April. The measure allows unmarried same and opposite-sex couples to register with the city as domestic partners. Partners of District employees are offered coverage under the city's health insurance program. Private companies are also offered tax incentives to offer similar benefits to their employees.

Saying that he has "not only a right but a responsibility" to overturn the local law, Lott argued that, if allowed to stand, the measure would undermine the family by encouraging homosexual unions and heterosexual partnerships outside of marriage.

"We must begin to take a stand for the family," said Lott. "We must make the difficult decisions of right and wrong, and we must reach the conclusion, based on evidence and moral precepts that all lifestyles are not equal. We must decide that the institution of traditional marriage is preferable and superior, and our policies should reflect that conclusion and its moral imperative."

Lott argued that domestic partners law was passed by the council "under pressure" from "special interests" and insisted that it was "fundamentally unfair" in its treatment of traditional married couples.

He also charged that the measure would exacerbate the nation's declining 'family values' which he argued have been responsible from everything from the number of single parent households to the District's record murder rate.

"My name is Lott," said the Mississippi conservative. "And there was a Lot in history whose wife looked back and became a pillar of salt. Do you wonder, or do you recall that she looked back to see? She looked back to see a situation like this law would not only allow, but promote," he concluded, making reference to the biblical story of the condemned cities Sodom and Gomorrah.

Backers of the local law countered that the measure was not an effort to legalize same-sex marriage, but rather a good faith effort to extend health benefits to many uninsured Washington-ians.

"I would hope that before people rush to a conclusion that this (law) is Lot's wife and Sodom and Gomorrah, that they look at what the real facts are here." Said Sen. Brook Adams (D-Wash.). This is not that kind of legislation. This (citizens without adequate health care coverage) is the kind of thing that exists throughout the United States."

District supporters also insisted that Lott's amendment was an intrusion on the city's limited right to govern itself.

The Senate's District appropriations bill now moves to a conference committee where it will be reconciled with the House's version of the bill. Historically, the committee has killed anti-Gay amendments attached in the House and Senate.

Whether attempts are made later in the House or Senate to revive the amendment, lobbyists note, will be a better gauge of support for D.C. home rule and Lesbian and Gay rights in Congress.

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Appointment of Lesbian minister upheld

New York [In Step] — On July 31, the Synod of the Northeast of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) voted 9-1 to uphold the appointment of an openly Lesbian minister, the Rev. Jane Adams Spahr, to a Rochester congregation.

Members of Rochester's Downtown United Presbyterian Church had voted overwhelmingly to appoint Spahr their co-pastor. But members of more conservative congregations petitioned the regional synod to block the appointment.

In 1978, the governing body of the church declared that homosexuality was "incompatible with Christian faith and life," and that Gays and Lesbians could not become ministers. But it exempted from that prohibition homosexual ministers and deacons who had already been ordained. Rev. Spahr was ordained in 1974 and did not come out as a Lesbian until 1979.

In its decision in support of Rev. Spahr, the synod refused to counter the wishes of the Rochester church which had twice voted their approval of her. Blocking her installation would "have the effect of denying to an ordained minister an opportunity to fulfill his or her ministry."

Those who oppose Rev. Spahr will appeal the synod decision to the highest authority in the church, the Permanent Judicial Commission of the General Assembly. A final decision is expected in late October.

Rev. Spahr expressed confidence about the appeal. Referring to the 9-1 synod ruling, she said: "We're going in there with a really strong vote."

More than 300 people packed Milwaukee's Westminster Presbyterian Church in June for a sermon by Rev. Spahr. She vowed that Gays and Lesbians and their supporters would be a positive force in changing the church.

Murders in Mexico, ILGA protests in Paris

By Rex Wockner

A leader of Mexico City's AIDS movement and two other Gay men were murdered in a Mexico City apartment July 12. The killings follow at least four other anti-Gay murders in the city in recent weeks, Gay groups said.

According to Mexican newspapers, Francisco Estrada Valle, founder and president of the AIDS organization Ave de Mexico, and two friends were tied up, tortured, stabbed and strangled.

"The crime was perpetuated with distinct hatred against homosexuals," according to a letter written to Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari by 30 Mexican Gay, Lesbian and AIDS groups.

There are no suspects and Gay groups charge that police "are... more interested in the particulars of the victims' sexual lifestyles than in clarifying the facts of the crime," as one activist put it.

PARIS POLICE ATTACK PROTESTERS

The murders happened as the 14th annual conference of the International Lesbian and Gay Association opened in Paris.

Two hundred ILGA delegates quickly protested at the Mexican embassy and reported they were "brutally" attacked by 1,200 officers of the French riot police, CRS. Nine demonstrators were injured, according to an ILGA press bulletin.

Police reportedly barricaded the street with squad cars and began beating protesters without asking them to disperse or leaving an opening through which they could depart.

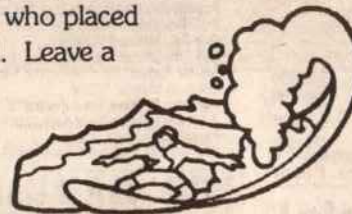
ILGA lodged a protest with the Minister of the Interior, who is responsible for the police. Paris police have attacked Gay protesters two other times this year, during ACT UP demonstrations, according to reports in *Gai Pied*.

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The Helens

Pinky Joe: The verdicts in, the court found you guilty, next time don't forget the rubber.
The Prosecution

Ms. Richards: I was very amused at the show, next to you the other girls are so professional!
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Cityboy/ Travelin' Man: Welcome home from your adventure — now get to work!
Love, Burbs Babe

Donna: I'm sorry I offended you at Xmas — I thought you knew me better than that. Sincerely,
Laurie

Tommy (Club 219): Happy Birthday 21 (I think Not!!)
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Los Angeles [LDEF] — Under a comprehensive settlement approved July 30 by the Los Angeles Superior Court, Los Angeles bathhouses will be allowed to remain open under a set of guidelines developed by a joint consortium of community educators and public health officials. The agreement was reached in settlement of a lawsuit filed by Los Angeles County District Attorney Ira Reiner and the Los Angeles County Department of Health that sought to close two bathhouses as a threat to the public health. Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, with Cooperating Attorney Mickey Wheatley represented the two bathhouses targeted by the county — Hollywood Spa and the Compound.

Wheatley hailed the decision as a breakthrough in public health policy: "The County of Los Angeles has consistently tried to shut down Gay bathhouses without recognizing the very important role bathhouses play in Gay culture and in HIV prevention and education. This settlement will promote the public health, not hurt it, and the county has finally agreed to cooperate with the bathhouses rather than impede their efforts. We are very pleased with this settlement because it ensures the involvement of the HIV infected community in bathhouse regulation. Most importantly, it vigorously promotes condom usage among Gay and Bisexual men."

Lambda Staff Attorney Mary Newcombe, who litigated the case with Wheatley, agreed: "The community participation in negotiating this settlement has been crucial. We are able to demonstrate that the community consensus about the role of the bathhouses is absolutely consistent with good public health policy. Needless to say, of course, we want to stop the transmission of HIV — but HIV and AIDS won't be stopped by closing bathhouses and forcing an entire population that does not identify as Gay or is isolated from peer education out into the parks or other locales where individuals cannot be reached. This settlement is a giant step

forward in understanding and preventing spread of HIV throughout the Gay, Bisexual, and heterosexual communities."

Newcombe and Wheatley praised management of the targeted bathhouses for promotion of safer sex practices in the bathhouses. Hollywood Spa manager John Ferry stated: "We are very excited to have a group of health care advisors to assist us in developing an effective educational program in our clubs. We have consistently tried to work with the county, and this settlement ensures that our efforts to promote safer sex are consistent with county guidelines."

New bill would repeal DoD Gay ban

By Cliff O'Neill

Washington — Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio) on July 28 introduced to the Senate a bill which would rescind by act of Congress the Pentagon's long-standing ban on Lesbians and Gays in the uniformed service.

The measure, sponsored by Metzenbaum and seven of his Senate colleagues, mirrors a pending House proposal sponsored by Rep. Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.). The House bill presently has 70 co-sponsors.

"The Pentagon's prohibition of Gay men and Lesbians serving in the military is as senseless and cruel today as it was when it was first conceived 50 years ago," said Metzenbaum at a Capitol Hill press conference called to announce the measure's introduction.

Flanked by Gay and Lesbian veterans and activists, the veteran lawmaker denounced the Department of Defense policy as a waste of good members of the service and, additionally, a waste of tax dollars.

Pointing to the cases of Navy Lt. Col. Tracy Thorne and Army Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer, two highly commended officers who were recently separated from

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PEOPLE Men/Men

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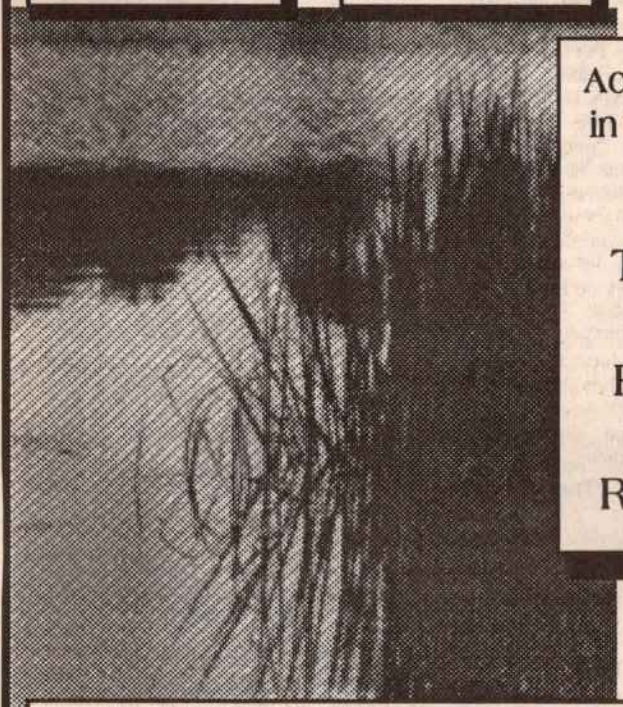
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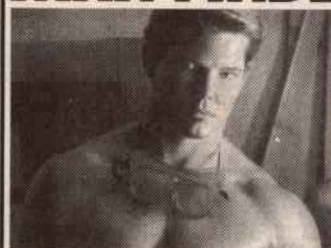
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**Bill Would Repeal DoD Gay Ban
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the service based on their acknowledgment that they are Gay and Lesbian, Metzbaum insisted that the government was throwing away perfectly good people without just cause.

Since the 1940s, the Pentagon has maintained the contested policy which states that homosexuality is "incompatible with military service." While in the past, the Department of Defense has suggested that homosexuals make poor soldiers and that they present unusual security risks, now their defense of the policy is solely grounded on the contention that the presence of openly Gay individuals in the service is detrimental to "good morale and discipline."

Metzbaum seized on that defense and insisted that the government's justification of the policy is not based on evidence.

"Defense officials freely admit that the policy is not based on scientific or empirical data," he said. "They say that it is based on, quote, considered, professional military judgment based on years of experience," end of quote. I call it baseless prejudice founded on fears and ignorance."

A recent study conducted by the General Accounting Office concluded that training and recruiting costs average \$28,226 for each enlisted person and \$28,226 for each officer. Calculating that

the service dismisses an average of 1,000 members of the service a year under the policy, the study reported that the government spent approximately \$491 million over the past ten years to recruit and train service members it would eventually dismiss on grounds of homosexuality.

Those figures did not include the legal and administrative costs involved in investigating and expelling those Lesbians and Gay men.

Related but separate proposals, sponsored by Rep. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.) in the House and Adams in the Senate, would ask that the White House and the Pentagon act to repeal the ban.

**Nelson selected for
AIDS lobby board**

Milwaukee — Wisconsin's progressive response to the AIDS epidemic has received national recognition with the election of Doug Nelson, one of the state's leading AIDS advocates, to the Board of Directors of the AIDS Action Council, a powerful national AIDS lobby dedicated to influencing federal AIDS policy.

Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. and a long-time leader of the Milwaukee AIDS Project, becomes the only member of the national board from the midwest.

In announcing Nelson's appointment, Fred Miller, Chair of the Board of the

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**PEOPLE
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"My election is an acknowledgment by national AIDS leaders that the HIV epidemic is ravaging America's heartland. I will work to assure that our issues are included on the national AIDS agenda," Nelson said. Top priorities for Nelson will be increased federal funding for AIDS care, an aggressive national prevention campaign that boldly addresses risk behaviors, and a strong federal investment in community-based research.

Since 1988, Nelson has directed the ARCW. His long history of health care management and advocacy experience includes work at a Madison health care consulting firm, the Wisconsin Hospital

Rate Review Program, where he served as executive director; and the State Medical Society of Wisconsin, where he held the positions of Legislative Coordinator and Director of Health Services.

Nelson attributed his election to the unique support that state government has given to the AIDS epidemic in Wisconsin and to the strength and success of the AIDS service agencies that he directs.

Because of increasing state support, Nelson said that the ARCW has become the largest private, non-profit AIDS service organization in the midwest. "There is no other single AIDS service agency in the midwest that delivers the comprehensive support and HIV prevention services that we do," Nelson explained.

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. operates on a \$3.1 million annual budget and delivers services through three AIDS service organizations: the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP), Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP) in Kenosha, and Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project (NOWAP), in Eau Claire.



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Scouts sued for expulsion of Gay Eagle Scout

New York [LLDEF] — Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund brought suit July 29 against the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) and the Monmouth, New Jersey Boy Scout Council for discrimination against a young Gay Eagle Scout. The lawsuit, the first to be filed under New Jersey's recently adopted Gay civil rights law, is the latest of several cases across the country challenging the Boy Scouts' anti-Gay discriminatory policy.

Lambda represents 21 year-old James Dale who, while spending more than half his life in the Boy Scouts, achieved its highest rank (Eagle Scout), earned thirty merit badges, and was invited to become an Assistant Scoutmaster in Matawan, New Jersey. Dale's twelve-year involvement with the Scouts came to an abrupt end in 1990, when a local newspaper ran an article picturing him at a seminar on the psychological and health needs of Lesbian and Gay teen-agers. Without any warning, Dale received a letter from the Boy Scouts revoking his membership. The letter gave no reason and did not comply with BSA's own internal procedures for a fair hearing. Under pressure, the BSA admitted that it was expelling Dale, despite his exemplary performance as a Scout, simply because he is Gay.

The case complaint charges the Boy Scouts with illegal discrimination as a public accommodation, as an employer, and as an organization conducting business. Other legal claims challenge the BSA's unfair practices in denying Dale a right to be heard as required by BSA rules, and in misrepresenting itself as a non-discriminatory group open to "all boys."

Boy Scouts of America continues to face growing national pressure to change its discriminatory policy. In addition to other lawsuits around the country, several organizations, including Levi-Strauss, the Bay Area United Way of San Francisco, Wells Fargo Bank, and the Bank of America have pulled their funding of the BSA to protest ban on Gay Scouts. Organizations sponsoring BSA troops, including the Union of American Hebrew

Congregations, a leader in the national Reform Jewish Movement, and the Unitarian Universalist Church have urged the BSA to reverse its policy. Several school boards have begun closing their facilities to the Scouts. The Girl Scouts and many other youth service organizations have no such policy of discriminating against Lesbian and Gay participants.

Judge upholds PWAs insurance

[ACLU] — Issuing a stern rebuke and warning, a New York state judge dismissed an attempt by a life insurance company to rescind the \$50,000 policy of a man who died of AIDS. The judge also forced the company to pay \$127,000 in attorneys' fees to the policy holder's estate.

The judge, Ira Gammerman of the state Supreme Court in New York County, said that New England Mutual Life Insurance Company engaged in improper and discriminatory conduct when it searched its files to invent a reason to rescind a \$50,000 life insurance policy after the policy holder, Jeffrey Duke, began making AIDS related claims under a separate disability insurance policy.

In asking the court to rescind the policy, New England Life argued that Duke had misrepresented himself in applying for the policy by describing his lover and business advisor as his "business partner." In finding that Duke did nothing wrong, Judge Gammerman rebuked New England Life for starting an investigation to find any "bogus basis" for revoking the policy and for treating Duke unfairly because of his disability, his sexual orientation and his marital status.

The American Civil Liberties Union's National AIDS Project filed a friend-of-the court brief on behalf the ACLU and Gay Men's Health Crisis, asking for a "clear signal from the judiciary" that such unfounded, costly misrepresentation claims against policy holders with AIDS are barred by existing legal rules.

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Furniture such as beds, dressers, comfortable chairs, and lamps are needed for the home's six bedrooms. Kitchen supplies such as tables and chairs, dishes, pots and pans, toaster, silverware, microwave oven, coffee pots and utensils are needed.

"We try to make the Milwaukee House as home-like as possible for people living with HIV disease," said Steve Steinhauer, manager of housing and financial services. "Through donations, we are able to furnish bedding, hand and bath towels, tissues, and personal hygiene items for all residents."

Residents of the home are responsible for its maintenance. Donations of mops, brooms and cleaning supplies are needed.

The Milwaukee House has remained at full capacity since August, 1989. In 1992,

the home, which can accommodate six people, was converted from a long term housing facility to a transitional living environment. People are placed in the residence until longer-term housing is secured or during the application process for financial entitlement programs such as Social Security benefits and public assistance.

The Milwaukee AIDS Project is committed to ensuring that no one with HIV disease need be without safe, adequate housing. The Milwaukee House is part of a comprehensive housing program. Each month, approximately 50 individuals in Metropolitan Milwaukee benefit from the agency's rent assistance and roommate referral services.

To donate items, or for more information about the Milwaukee AIDS Project's Housing Services program, call Steve Steinhauer, manager of housing and financial services at (414) 273-1991.

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ACLU handbooks on Gay/ Lesbian rights

[ACLU] — From freedom of speech to family questions, from employment to HIV disease, a new American Civil Liberties Union handbook provides a careful and concise survey of the rights of Lesbians and Gay men under current laws around the country.

The new handbook, **The Rights of Lesbian and Gay Men: The Basic ACLU Guide to a Gay Person's Rights**, is a completely revised and up-to-date version of one of the ACLU's most popular rights handbooks. Published by Southern Illinois University Press, the new guidebook was written by three leaders of the Gay and Lesbian movement: Nan D. Hunter, Sherryl E. Michaelson and Thomas B. Stoddard.

"The ACLU has more lawyers working on Gay rights issues than any other organization in the country," said William B. Rubenstein, the Director of the ACLU's national Lesbian and Gay Rights Project. "This educational handbook is a crucial part of our legal and legislative strategy to change public and government attitudes around the country."

Written in an easy to comprehend question-and-answer format, the handbook includes critical and basic information on a broad variety of rights: from the right of Lesbian and Gay groups to incorporate and gain tax-free status to whether an HIV infected parent can be denied custody or visitation with his or her children because of the disease.

In addition to appendixes on laws criminalizing homosexual conduct to those that offer protection for Lesbians and Gay men, the new handbook includes chapters on:

- Freedom of Speech and Association: The Right to Organize and Speak Out;
- Employment, the Armed Services and Security Clearances;
- Housing and Public Accommodation;
- The Lesbian and Gay Family;
- Criminal Law;
- Rights of People with HIV Disease.

The new handbook costs \$7.95, plus \$1.50 postage and handling. Checks can

be made payable to the American Civil Liberties Union and sent to: ACLU Department L, P.O. Box 794, Medford, NY 11763.

Scholarships for 'Creating Change'

Washington, D.C. [NGLTF] — Scholarship assistance is available for people of color, activists with disabilities and activists with limited incomes who would like to attend the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute Creating Change Conference. The conference, to be held in Los Angeles this November 13-16, is the pre-eminent skills-building gathering for Gay and Lesbian activists.

This year's Creating Change Conference will feature more than 90 workshops plus provocative plenary speakers, networking sessions, an 'agit-prop' swap shop, and social events. Pre-conference institutes include a Campus Organizing Institute on Wednesday, November 11, and the People of Color and Diversity Training Institutes on Thursday November 12. Scholarships may be used to attend the institutes.

To apply for a scholarship, individuals must obtain a Scholarship Application Form from the NGLTF Policy Institute. Applications must be completed and returned to NGLTF Policy Institute by Monday, September 7, 1992. Applications received after deadline will be considered depending on availability of scholarship funds.

To get an application form or to submit a completed application, write Creating Change 1992/ Scholarships, NGLTF Policy Institute, 1734 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20009. Call Catherine Carter at NGLTF Policy Institute, (202) 332-6483, TTY (202) 332-6219, for more information.

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Festival. Gay Games IV is expected to generate \$111 million in economic activity for the City of New York, according to the City's Office of the Deputy Mayor for Finance and Economic Development.

The Gay Games were founded by the late Tom Waddell, M.D. — who competed in the decathlon for the United States at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City — as a celebration of Lesbians and Gay men and as a 'peoples olympics' open to everybody regardless of sexual orientation. The Gay Games IV theme, Unity '94, is an expression of the founder's dream that inclusion be a cornerstone of the Games.

As usual, IN STEP welcomes letters from our readers. Letters should be submitted with a signature, a printed name, with verifiable address and phone number.

We will no longer publish letters that attack an individual, group or business without the author's full name. Letters submitted anonymously will be thrown in the trash.

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Responsible GWM Roommate Only — 21-40 to share furnished (except own room) upper flat near Sherman Park, with GWM couple. \$190 plus phone, \$150 security deposit. Leave message at 873-1250.

Wanted: GWM Roommate — 25-40, neat, clean, responsible, and dependable. No fats, fems or druggies. Me: GWM 49 years young. Share 3 bedroom apt. 30th & National, with laundry facilities; own room, gas & elec. included. \$275 mo. plus security. Phone included. Call Dennis 383-1512.

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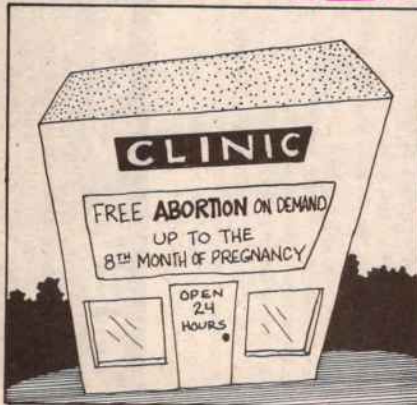
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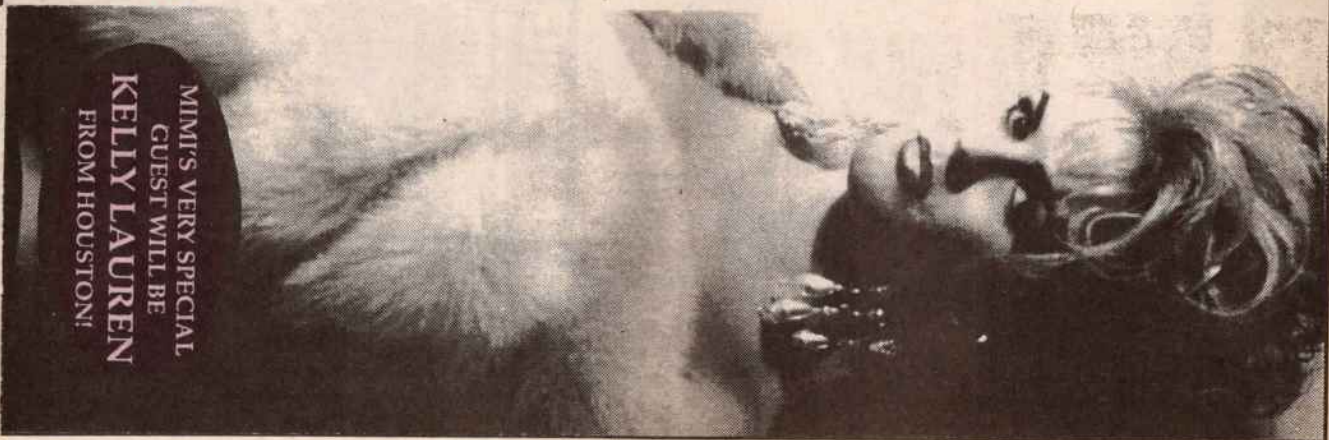
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Group Notes

WI NOW '92 conference

Madison — Wisconsin's National Organization for Women (NOW) announced their 1992 State Conference will be held September 18-20 in Eau Claire.

Under the theme, "Feminists United Will Never Be Defeated" NOW will host the conference at the Best Western Midway Motor Lodge.

Workshops include: Welfare 'reform' or control; ecofeminism; gender equity in education; hate crimes; elections '92; The Awakening of Women's Inner Power; Days of Anger, Days of Action; and Columbus Myth's and Ms's.

Saturday luncheon keynote speaker will be Georgianna Ignace, director of the Indian Community School. Saturday night entertainment will be feminist comedian Angie Flynn.

Sunday morning, a continental breakfast session will highlight 'Women Wielding Empowering Wisdom.' Others topics for later include Now Herstory,

women and education, the ERA, and the feminization of poverty.

Caucus' will be held for the following: Young Feminists; Lesbian Rights; Reproductive Rights; Disability Rights; Older Women's Rights; Mothers, Women's Health... and more. There will also be networking, crafts, and exhibits.

For registration, exhibit, and other information, contact: Wisconsin NOW, 122 State Street #403, Madison, WI 53704; call (608) 255-3911, or contact your local NOW chapter.

Pro-Choice student seminar

Milwaukee — The Campus Organizing Project of the **National Abortion Rights Action League** of Wisconsin will be sponsoring an **Statewide Pro-Choice Student Seminar** on Saturday, August 15. The seminar is taking place at the NARAL-WI office (301 North Water

to the Games each time a booking is made for travel to the Games. Through this designation, Kennedy Travel will be able to offer special air and rail discounts to groups and teams traveling to New York for the Games. In addition to organizing standard air and hotel arrangements, the agency will soon be announcing exciting tour packages consisting of cultural events, Broadway shows, sightseeing excursions, admission to the Games and transportation between the Games' various venues. In business since 1965, Kennedy Travel has assembled a staff of professional agents who average 18 years of experience in the travel industry.

The official tour product of the Gay Games IV will be sold ONLY through travel professionals that are members of IGTA. Agencies not presently members of IGTA but who wish to sell the tour packages may do so by joining IGTA. The tour packages will be developed by Kennedy Travel.

• Ann Northrop, co-president of New York in '94, was one of the 108 Gay and Lesbian delegates to the 1992 Democratic National Convention. The Clinton campaign chose Northrop largely because of her involvement in Gay Games IV. "As a delegate to the convention, I had the opportunity to talk about Gay Games with delegates from all over the country and learn that they share my enthusiasm for the Games. From now until November, we will be working hard to ensure that President Bill Clinton will preside over the opening ceremonies of Gay Games IV in June of 1994," she said.


• On May 13, 1992, the Board of Directors of New York in '94, the organizing body of Gay Games IV, voted to adopt new dates for Gay Games IV. The Games will begin on Friday, June 17, 1994 and will end with closing ceremonies on Saturday, June 25, 1994. The Games were originally scheduled to take place from June 25 through July 4, 1994.

"The Stonewall 25 weekend is the climax of an international celebration of Lesbian and Gay pride. To encourage maximum participation of Gay Games IV athletes and artists in this celebration, the Board voted to schedule the Games in the week preceding Pride Weekend (June 25-26, 1994). By holding the world's largest amateur sporting event one week earlier, we will free athletes and artists to give one hundred percent to both the Games and the Stonewall 25 Pride Celebration," said Ann Northrop, Co-President of New York in '94.

Gay Games IV is an Olympic-style event featuring 15,000 athletes from 40 countries participating in over 25 individual and team competitions, ranging from track & field, swimming, diving, basketball, softball and cycling to triathlon, volleyball and wrestling. Five hundred thousand spectators are expected to view the Games, which will be held in various facilities throughout New York City from June 17th through June 25th. 'Unity '94' is the theme for Gay Games IV, which will also feature 5,000 artists in a simultaneous Cultural

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games, and to hear bids for the location of the 1994 World Series. The 1993 event will be in Philadelphia, PA.

The LA Series will begin with opening ceremonies on Tuesday, August 18, and the games will start immediately thereafter. Games will be played on Saturday, August 22. A closing banquet will follow for all participants at which trophies will be presented.

In the Women's Division, the format adopted in 1991 will be used again. The games begin with round robin play leading to a double elimination tournament to determine the Division champion. Women's Division teams use an 11 inch softball in their games.

The Open Division (primarily men's teams but can also include women's teams or mixed teams) will have a new format this year made up of three subdivisions. The first sub-group will consist of the championship team from each league; the second sub-group, any league team (other than the champion) with a .500 or better record; and the third sub-group, any league team with a record under .500. This group is a special effort to recognize and include purely recreational teams in the World Series. Open division teams use a 12 inch softball in their games.

On Thursday evening, August 20, a variety show will be held featuring skits performed by those participating in the World Series. The proceeds of this event will go to NAGAAA for the design and creation of a special promotional book. This will be used by NAGAAA officials in their efforts to secure a long-term national corporate sponsor.

"Securing a corporate sponsor of such stature will provide sustaining funds not only to NAGAAA itself, but also for each team in the Alliance, Pribich said. This is extremely important for the long-term future of NAGAAA."

Gay Games '94 update

The Board of Directors of New York in '94 has appointed Steve Donato to the position of Director of Development. In this capacity, Mr. Donato will be responsible for raising private donations from individuals and corporations to underwrite the costs of presenting Gay Games IV.

• On July 14th, the second day of the 1992 Democratic National Convention, a coalition of more than 300 organizations massed in Times Square in New York City to call for greater attention to the AIDS epidemic. Members of the New York in '94 Board served on the United for AIDS Action organizing committee which planned the highly successful march and rally. More than 10,000 AIDS activists and supporters, including a number of men and women holding Gay Games banners and wearing T-shirts and hats embossed with the logo of the Games, marched in midtown Manhattan. The many marchers who publicly displayed their support of Gay Games were met with great cheers from the crowd as they walked by.

• Kennedy Travel of Floral Park, New York, will be designated as the official travel supplier for Unity '94 - Gay Games IV. As the official travel supplier, Kennedy Travel will make a contribution

Street, 4th Floor SE, Milwaukee). The event will start with a welcome hour, from 1-2pm, and continue with a training seminar/ meeting for pro-choice student activists, from 2-5pm.

This seminar will kick off the 'Get Out the Vote' project for state and national elections. The Wisconsin project is one of many statewide student campaigns sponsored by NARAL to get out the pro-choice student vote. The purpose of the Campus Organizing Project is to increase awareness of abortion issues, establish state and nation-wide networks of pro-choice student activists, provide an information clearinghouse for the pro-choice student movement, encourage student leadership within NARAL, and get out the student vote for pro-choice candidates.

Students participating in the NARAL-WI Cruise for Choice on August 14th and others who are coming into Milwaukee from out of town will be provided with lodging in students' homes the night of August 14th. Refreshments will also be provided at the welcome hour, and there is an optional dinner planned for after the event. For more information call NARAL at (414) 271-4811.

Cream City Squares

The Cream City Squares! - Wisconsin's premier Gay square dance club would like to extend an invitation to the public to come join them for a fun filled evening of festivities; an introduction to square dancing, a free square dance lesson, free refreshments and a demonstration by the Cream City Squares.

Festivities will reside at the 3B's Bar, 1753 S. Kinnickinnic, in Milwaukee, on August 26th from 8-11pm. Bring a friend or just yourselves, partners are optional.

Enrollment for square dancing classes will be accepted Sept. 9th thru Sept. 23rd. Classes will be held at the 3B's Bar every Wednesday evening from 8-10pm starting Sept. 9th.

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Mall presents fashion benefit for MAP

On August 22, Bay Shore Mall will proudly present a Fall Fashion Event benefiting the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

In an elegant evening dedicated to raising dollars for AIDS research and education, eight Bay Shore Mall merchants will showcase the latest in fall fashions direct from New York. These benefit dollars will be directed by the Milwaukee AIDS Project to programs specifically impacting greater Milwaukee communities.

Participating merchants include: Aversa, Craigs, Fox's Menswear, Goldi, D.O.C. Optique, Ma Jolie/ Garcon, Mr. Roberts and Lise and Kato's. The benefit will combine fashion, international cuisine, music, entertainment and fun for an exciting formal evening. Starting the evening at 7pm music will be provided by the Jeff Hamann Trio while cocktails and hors d'oeuvres are passed. At 8pm the Fall Fashion Event will entertain the expected 400 guests. Following the Fashion Event, Shully's Catering and Cafe will entice guests with international

cuisine and deserts. Following dinner, Mrs. Fun will move the guests to their feet with her blend of avant-garde music and personality.

This gala benefit is being produced by Bay Shore Mall and coordinated by the alexander group with Bay Shore's newest tenant, Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, contributing a percentage of the cash bar directly to the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

The \$50 per person tickets may be purchased by calling Bay Shore Mall at 332-8136 or the alexander group at 289-9124.

HIT tailgate party

On August 22th, the **Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT)** will be sponsoring a Brewer's tailgate party. Enjoy a Saturday evening by having a cookout and watching the Brewers play (and win!) against the Detroit Tigers. A donation to HIT of \$15 includes a bus ride to the Stadium, food and beverages, and an upper grandstand ticket.

which the majority in this country all at once defines biologic truth, social necessity, and personal essence, our work will be difficult and frustrating. Because we are asserting our own worth and our special perspective, the work can be joyful." Duberman had come a long way over a long and difficult road, but he had found himself at last!

I met Mr. Duberman, briefly, the following November at the second annual conference of GAU. As editor of GPU News, a monthly Gay publication emanating from Milwaukee at that time, I was looking for good writers on liberation

topics. I spotted Duberman across a crowded room as being the 'hunkiest' man in the room. I asked who he was and wangled an introduction, giving him a sample copy of the publication together with my card and asked him to submit an article on any topic he chose. He thanked me and gave me a smile that melted my heart, but he never sent an article for publication.

I urge you to read this book. It is an inspiring trip through some of the difficulties of being Gay in pre-movement years.



Jock Shorts

All Star game

The SSBL will hold an All star game on Saturday, August 15th 3pm, at Mitchell Park. The Triangle Trojans, champions of the SSBL, will play against a team of All Stars, with 4 players selected from the other 4 teams in the league.

The Trojans will use the game as a warm-up for their Gay Softball World Series appearance the following week in Los Angeles. The team will hold a fundraiser following the game at the Triangle.

'Oinks' vs. 'Moos'

Two teams from the Saturday Softball Beer League, the Ces't La Vie 'Oinks' and the Wreck Room 'Moos' held the first annual Farm Classic on Saturday, July 25th. The Ces't La Vie team was dressed in pink and black pig shirts and boxer shorts, while the Wreck Room team wore white and black cow shirts and shorts.

A light rain threatened to cancel the festivities, but the game began, and the rain stopped. Each player had to stop at second base for a sip of beer or shot on every hit, so it cut down on the home runs. Although umpire 'Farmer Dan' didn't give out a final score, he indicated the 'Moos' had edged the Oinks. The Wreck Room team probably paid him 'moo-re'.

Following the game, the players met for a chicken dinner at Ces't La Vie, and then

boarded a double-decker open air bus for a tour of Milwaukee bars. The bus took the players to Partners and Triangle, and having picked up several fans at each bar, the tour continued over the 6th street viaduct to Wisconsin Avenue, and then on to the M&M. Upon leaving the M&M, the bus went past Germanfest grounds, with all the players 'oom-pah-pahing' as they went by. Then it was on to the Wreck Room for a couple more drinks. With a little time left, the bus took the players on one last tour of Wisconsin Avenue before ending the bus crawl at the Ball Game.

Everyone who joined the bus trip agreed that a great time was had by all.

'92 Gay World Series in L.A.

Pittsburgh — The 1992 Gay Softball World Series takes place from August 18-22, in Los Angeles, California. The games are held under the auspices of the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance (NAGAAA) and hosted by the Greater Los Angeles Sports Association of NAGAAA. The host hotel is the Airtel Plaza.

According to Nancy Pribich, NAGAAA Publicity Chair, prior to the start of the series, a NAGAAA delegates meeting will be held. The purpose of the sessions set for August 16 and 17 is to set the rules for the series, to form a committee to run the

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Books

Cures

Cures: A Gay Man's Odyssey

by Martin Duberman,
Dutton, Plume, New York,
305 pages, paperback, \$11.

Reviewed by Eldon E. Murray

Martin Duberman has led and still leads a very productive life. He has been a noted historian, teaching at Princeton, and later a Distinguished Professor of History at Lehman College, CUNY and he has written more than a dozen books that have received critical acclaim, as well as several plays.

However, one wonders just how prolific he would have been had he not had the dubious benefit of a long period of psychoanalysis in the hands of some downright cruel and unfeeling psychotherapists.

Duberman had bought and internalized the negative psychoanalytic model of homosexuality as a 'sickness' that did not allow a full and happy life. His doctors encouraged him to work for change with a goal of 'curing' himself of his homosexual orientation and becoming heterosexual in fantasy and in fact.

He struggled, desperately, for more than twenty years, reviling himself (at the urging of his doctors) as intrinsically evil and doomed to live the life of an abnormal freak, incapable of anything other than brief, lustful same sex sexual encounters that were degrading in nature.

Of course, he was deep in the closet during that time and his self image — because of the abuse heaped upon him by his doctors and fellow group therapy patients — was one of confused agony as he tried to prove his self worth. He even tried celibacy and his attempts to relate to women sexually were all dismal failures, leaving him with a sense of profound frustration. In an effort to prove himself he threw himself into his work. So, it is actually possible that he would not have produced so much highly praised work if he had not been so driven to find self

affirmation.

Duberman has never lacked courage, and in this book he courageously and candidly admits that he had a penchant for casual sex with pick ups from bath houses and hustler bars. He had one difficult and rocky love affair with a basically straight hustler-type, who was almost as confused as he was at the time.

Finally in the late sixties, the first stirrings of the Gay liberation movement began and after the uprising at Stonewall in 1969, the movement quickly grew in strength and numbers. At first Duberman remained on the sidelines, participating in all sorts of left-wing actions, except the Gay movement, the one actually closest to his personality. Then in late 1970 when he had just about decided not to return to therapy sessions, his doctor abruptly announced his retirement. Duberman, wisely, did not seek another therapist, having decided that even if he did control his sexual contact with members of the same sex, he could not control his fantasies so he would, therefore, still be a 'non-practicing' homosexual.

He attended a few meetings of the relatively new **Gay Liberation Front** and the even newer **Gay Activists Alliance**, but he still was not ready to make the plunge into activism. At last, in 1972, he publicly announced his homosexuality in the pages of his book **Black Mountain: An Exploration in Community**. Such an announcement from such a distinguished writer created a whirlwind of reactions, both good and bad, but the deed was done and there was no turning back.

Much to his surprise, now that he was no longer fighting himself, his psyche began to heal and his self-image began to improve. Even as a publicly known 'Gay man' he had not formed any relationships with Gay organizations. Then, in April of 1973, he was invited to help in the formation of a new group of Gay academics. He jumped at the chance, becoming one of the founders of **Gay Academic Union**. The book ends shortly after the first national conference of this group in New York in November of 1973, with Duberman giving the keynote address, saying, "Because we challenge the exclusive heterosexual lifestyle by

Tailgaters should meet at the Ballgame (the bar) between 4-5pm. Bus will promptly depart at 5pm. Anyone interested in attending this event can contact Tim at 223-3139 or Glenn at 744-1131. (This event is limited to 42 people, so respond quickly for your tickets.)

Helenfest '92

Mc Henry, IL — The infamous 'Helens' invite all to their annual fest to benefit SEWAP (South East Wisconsin AIDS Project) on Saturday, August 15 from 2-10pm.

The festival includes free beer, free food, volleyball, music and dancing to some of South East Wisconsin's best deejays.

Helenfest '92 will be held at Helen Headquarters North, 3610 W Freund Avenue in McHenry. Directions: 194 south (actually east over the state line to Illinois Rt. 120 exit. Take 120 west past Rt. 31 North exit (past the fire department) to Freund street, turn right (north) to 3610 W Freund.

Gay Rights & legal fights

Milwaukee — Disturbing messages continue to come from powerful institutions. Influential political leaders speak about 'family values' and the Gay community as if they were on opposite ends of a spectrum. The Vatican recently issued a statement on homosexuals which legitimizes discrimination in employment, adoption and military recruitment. There are vocal individuals in our own local community that see Gay rights as an example of moral decay in modern society.

What exactly are our rights and responsibilities as Gay men here in Wisconsin? Are we really protected at our workplaces, in our restaurants, and in our bedrooms? What might it take for Gay couples to legally marry in the state of Wisconsin? Our discussion will be facilitated by Steve Byers, an attorney at the Milwaukee AIDS Project involved in legal issues pertaining to the Gay community. The evening is scheduled for

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Halloween weekend for men

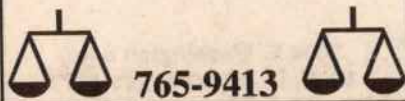
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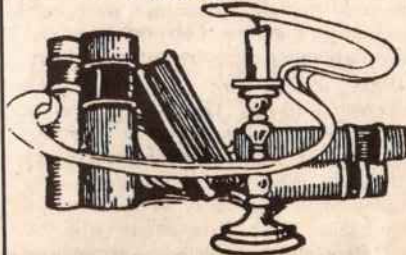
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example, Bishop Joseph Ferrario, head of the Catholic church in Hawaii, who strongly advocates for Gay rights. But then there's Cardinal Hickey (Well-named, since I imagine he gets illicit love bites from his perverted priests after hours in the confessionals) of Washington, who opposed the D.C. council's domestic partners health insurance policy for city employees' unmarried partners. I guess it's a sin to be sick and single.

Should we be somehow comforted in Gallup poll statistics finding that U.S. Catholics support equal employment rights for Lesbians and Gays? Or that 46% find Gay relationships as morally acceptable? Personally, as a fully

recovered Catholic and proud Gay male nun of the order of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, I say the Church can kiss my rosy red rosary if it thinks I care a damn about its egregious edicts, but I must think of my queer Catholic-catechized brethren and sistern who still gingerly genuflect before the puerile papacy and find spiritual guidance within this dastardly diocese.

So I confess: "Mea culpa, mea maxima culpa; and, hey, since Christ died for my sins, I sure don't want to disappoint him! SINCerely, Sister Dana."



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ROBERT D. ARNOLD

I'll believe in political asylum as soon as Bush is put in one . . ."

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No Nonsense by Sister Dana Van Iquity (Dennis McMillan)

'The VATican, but the HOMOCan't'

Well I am just sooooo shocked to hear that the Catholic Church, under the auspices of the Vatican, has taken a stand against queers. Golly gee, jeepers & holy smoke, and here I thought the Pope was one of our best pals! Duhhhh.

Okay, no big surprise, right? But still it gives us all cause to pause and fret that maybe the ol' pontiff is gearing up to bed down with our other good buddies, the right-wing fundies. I refer to the recent letter (epistle?) signed and sealed from the Vatican to its bishops demanding they oppose any legislation protecting Lesbians/ Gays from discrimination in employment, parenting, military service, and stuff like that there. 'The church has the responsibility to promote the public morality of the entire civil society (no small task there) on the basis of fundamental (yikes! there's that word!) moral (and that word!!) values (and that whole phrase!!!)' dictates the letter from the Vatican.

Now please don't get the Big V wrong in any way, because those 'sainted bigots' are not INTENTIONALLY asking for violence towards us nor DIRECTLY discriminating against us (of course, neither did the Third Reich AT FIRST), but merely for protection of the "common good" (the Vat's words, not mine; you may want to substitute that well-worn fundie- phrase, 'Traditional Family Values' here).

It seems that not only are we an "intrinsic evil" according to previous papal pap, but now we're a "disorder" as well: "Although the particular inclination of the homosexual person is not a sin (gee, thanks for that), it is a more or less strong tendency ordered toward an intrinsic moral evil and thus the inclination itself must be seen as an objective disorder," says the Vatican rag.

Well, isn't it odd that the American Psychiatric Association long ago came out

of the Dark Ages and discovered that homosexuality was not an illness, disorder, or mental problem, but I guess that kooky old Catholic Church is still back in medieval times, huh?; someone should also clue them in that the world is not flat and that Bush is not trustworthy.

When Dignity, the queer Catholic contingent, attempted to deliver their own letter to the Vatican embassy, they were flatly refused. So now they, along with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (may the Force be with you), are approaching the bishops to urge a less homophobic stand from them. Bishops?? Aren't those playing pieces in a chess set? and doesn't that make us fags and dykes mere pawns in he game??? Besides, according to chess rules, doesn't the queen have way more power than the bishop? Then, I say, queens unite: let's jump the bastards - check mate, end of game!!!

It appears to me that in this election year the Pope is merely throwing his hat (miter??) into the ring and breaking down yet another barrier intended by our founding fathers to be established between church and state. So what's the poop on the Pope's poofter poohpoohing? I cannot guess his motive, unless it's his guilt for running around wearing a long white dress and making his altar boys play 'hide the crucifix' with him behind closed doors. This papal bull (double entendre intended!) also smacks of the very same hateful homophobia that sponsored the anti-Gay proposal from Oregon's Citizen's Alliance and Colorado's Family Values Coalition, the omission of anti-Gay violence from Utah's hate-crimes bill, and California Governor Wilson's veto of the Gay rights bill. It's all about denying us our inherent rights, our civil rights as citizens of AmeriKKKa the Bigotful.

But we mustn't throw out the baby with the bath water (or should we say, the bishop with the holy water?), because there are still a few politically correct Roman Catholics (p.c. R.C.'s) around. For

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Northwestern U. seeks AZT users for GLQ223 study

Chicago [In Step] — Northwestern University and Genelabs Inc. is seeking to fill vacancies in its Phase II study of GLQ223 alone and in combination with AZT in symptomatic HIV infected patients.

This study involves GLQ223 administration to patients who have not previously been exposed to it, but who have received at least 9 months of AZT therapy. The study will evaluate the efficacy of GLQ223 on survival, opportunistic infections, T4 cell count and assessments of viral load.

The study will involve the randomization of patients who have 200-500 T4 cells and AIDS or ARC to one of three treatment arms: AZT alone; GLQ223 alone; or GLQ223 plus AZT. Patients who will receive GLQ223 will be given an infusion every three weeks for 45 weeks.

To be considered for the study, patients must be:

- Diagnosed with ARC or AIDS;
- Have a history of AZT therapy at a dose equal to or over 300 mg daily for at least nine consecutive months immediately prior to entry into study;
- A CD 4 count of at least 200 but less than 500;
- Between the ages of 18-65;
- Women can NOT be pregnant or breast feeding. Women must agree to abstinence or to the use of barrier methods of birth control during the study;
- Patients with the following are NOT eligible: an active AIDS-defining opportunistic infection; evidence of AIDS dementia complex or active neurological disease; participation in other clinical studies.

WHAT IS GLQ223?

GLQ223 is a protein-based compound — alpha-trichosanthin — a highly purified derivative of *Trichosanthes kirilowii* —

also known as the "Chinese Cucumber Plant" or Compound Q — which raised much interest several years ago in underground buyers clubs.

It is important to distinguish between GLQ223 and Compound Q. GLQ223 is the only one currently in FDA approved Phase II Trials. Compound Q is a street drug imported from China. While both are based on a naturally occurring compound known as trichosanthin, they are very different.

GLQ223 is highly purified and has been shown in previous trials to be safe and well-tolerated.

Compound Q is of uncertain quality and available through guerrilla buyers clubs. Reports indicate it is of uncertain quality, highly toxic, and sometimes had lethal side effects in underground studies.

Genelabs' development of the synthetic version — GLQ223 — provided the unique opportunity for the government and AIDS activists to cooperate in this vital AIDS research.

Just as the toxicity of Compound Q has no correlation with the reported safety findings of GLQ223 — final results from Phase II trials of GLQ223 will have no predictive power for the efficacy of Compound Q. (In other words, comparing GLQ223 to Compound Q is like comparing apples to oranges.)

In pre-clinical studies, GLQ223 demonstrated the ability to selectively block HIV expression in infected T-lymphocytes and macrophages without harming un-infected cells.

Subsequent Phase 1B trials of GLQ223 demonstrated that the drug was safe and well-tolerated. In addition, administration of the drug in patients with AIDS or ARC was associated with measurable increases in markers of immunologic activity. Positive responses included increase in white blood cells (known as T3 cells), as

apologized and offered them rebuttal space in an upcoming issue of the paper. Boy, I thought, do we so-called grown-ups have a lot to learn from them about integrity and activism and coalition work! Later, though, I realized that while I would never have had the courage to be anywhere near as 'out there' as those folks during my own undergraduate days, much of what they did was made possible, at least in part, by people of my generation and those who came before.

It's a continuum. We are all building on the efforts of someone else; nothing we do is in isolation, whether we realize it or not. I find that really comforting somehow. Because it means, I think, that even when we feel as though we are making no progress, it's a pretty safe bet that we have not actually struggled in vain. And that's what I mean by the thread that connects us: we are all interdependent. At the risk of getting too zen on you (or is it too late for that?), it's that Buddhist thing; even the tiniest pebble causes a ripple effect — 10,000 waves. And it means that even when we feel most alone, we really aren't: our lives are crowded with tiny ripples of other lives, forward and backward. From students at Miami of Ohio to Ann Bannon to some essentially unknown Russian woman in the 1800s to someone from a distant time and place whose life has gone totally unrecorded — all of these people have in some small way affected our lives. And just as a for instance, take my Russian woman. I can't imagine that she ever gave a thought to the impact of her life on the lives of people thousands of miles and a century away, or probably that she even thought of herself as particularly special in any way — odd, perhaps, or unusual in some respects, but no one extraordinary. And yet, she has had an impact on my life, enough so that I have been willing to spend my spare time learning about her culture and hoping to re-create, to some degree, her story in a way that will make it accessible and meaningful to many others: the ripple effect.

What it boils down to is that we're all in this together. And I think that is, in a nutshell, in large part what Gay and lesbian Pride Parades illustrate — that

and the fact that we like a good party! The whole rest of the year, we may be arguing among ourselves about what is politically correct and what is the most effective way to accomplish our goals and even what our goals are. But at least for this one day, we are able to embrace our diversity, to celebrate it along with what is unique and important to each of us personally. Then I find myself thinking, Why can't every day be like that! But it's like Christmas: it only comes once a year, or maybe — if there's some crisis that draws us together or a March on Washington — two or three days a year. And who could sustain that level of intensity on a daily basis anyway?! What Pride Day *does* do for us, though, is recharge our batteries. It gives us a chance to remember who we are, where we came from, what we're about, and that we are all (to borrow from the evil Ma Bell) connected — from the drag queens to the leather boys and gals to the jocks to the political activists and community workers to the regular nothing-out-of-the-ordinary folks. As Holly Near sings, "We may have come here on different ships, but we're all in the same boat now."

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Fact: Partly True. This is only half true, since foreskin is afflicted with more static cling and most uncircumcised men are forced to stuff their underpants with a Cling Free sheet.

Rumor: George Bush will withdraw from the Presidential race due to failing health.
Fact: False. The President will withdraw from the race in order to replace Suzanne Sommers in the thigh Master commercials.

Rumor: This is the end of this column.

Fact: True.

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Inside Out

by Yvonne Zipter

We're all in this together

Off and on for the last year or so, I have been doing research for a historical novel set in late nineteenth-century Russia. The story is based on the actual case history of a Lesbian of that time. She was no one famous, just a woman from a reasonably well-off family, but otherwise unremarkable. In fact, even that she was a member of the land-owning gentry is unremarkable: outside of the peasant classes, that description could apply to most Russians then. What was remarkable was that, in the incredibly patriarchal structure of that society, where men literally controlled just about every aspect of life, she was able to live her life as a Lesbian. And perhaps even more remarkable is the fact her story was ever recorded at all. We have all heard stories and read biographies of famous people throughout history who were purportedly homosexuals, but rarely do we know much about the lives of essentially 'ordinary' people.

But what I have been thinking about in regard to that is, even though she and I have virtually nothing in common — her world is as alien to me as I'm sure mine would be to her — there is still a thread that links us; I am in awe of her life as a Lesbian, and I suspect she would feel similarly about mine. And in so thinking, I realize that I have had this experience before, in a way, except that the other person in question and I were not so far removed from one another in either time or space; there was certainly no more than 20 or 30 years between us and we are both from these here United States. And yet the feelings of awe and unfamiliarity were as decidedly present as if I and my late nineteenth-century Russian were chatting.

The incident I am recalling is when I first met Ann Bannon, author of all of those wonderfully trashy (no offense intended) Beebo Brinker stories from the

late fifties and early sixties. I remember going up to her and thanking her for all she had done, for recording a slice of our history so that I could in some way experience it. I commented on how incredibly courageous I thought she was and had been — I could hardly imagine being a Lesbian in such incredibly repressed times. "No," she said, "it's you young people who are the brave ones." She was amazed at how out many of us are, and how outspoken, and the strides we had taken toward securing some measure of equality and acceptance for Lesbians and Gays. But all her protesting aside, it was clear to me that we would never be where we are today if it hadn't been for her perseverance and that of all those others of her generation, both the famous and those we have never heard of and perhaps never will.

And then again recently, I had that same sort of experience, only from the other side. That is, I got to see things from Ann Bannon's vantage point. This past spring, I went to a couple of college campuses to read from my work. At Miami University of Ohio, I spent several hours with eight or ten undergraduates there, eating dinner, touring the campus and town, schmoozing. And I was impressed. They were so sure of their sexuality, comfortable in it, and they were outspoken on campus, demanding respect and equal treatment, responding to homophobic letters to the editor in the university newspaper, politically articulate and sensitive to issues of race and gender, working together as men and women, Bisexuals and Gays and Lesbians, people of different colors. One minute they would be all giggly and gossipy and campy, and the next they would be relating the story of how, going out for a keg of beer for a party, they realized they were near the editorial offices of a local paper that had recently run an editorial they found offensive and decided to stop in and talk to the man who had written it. Apparently, they made their case so well that the journalist

well as elevations in blood levels of surface proteins found on white blood cells. The elevation in surface proteins are believed to reflect GLQ223's destruction of HIV infected macrophages.

HOW TO ENROLL

Genelabs Inc., of Redwood City, California, is cooperating with eight clinical trials centers in various sections of the country. Its clinical investigation at Chicago's Northwestern (the closest trial to Wisconsin) are seeking patients now for trials that are scheduled to last nearly one year.

Those interested in participating, or in receiving more information on the trial, are asked to contact: Ellen Roth, Northwestern University, Dept. of Hematology/ Oncology, 233 E. Erie Street, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60611. Ms. Roth can also be reached at (312) 908-6999 — ask operator for page number 7990.

WI AIDS summary

According to the Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Update July issue, as of June 30 there were 1,241 cases of AIDS in Wisconsin, an increase of 16 in a one-month period. In a years time, 291 new cases have been reported to the state Division of Health.

In Wisconsin, Gay men now make up 71 percent of the cases in the state. Gay men who also were IV drug users make up an additional 5 percent.

Other Wisconsin exposure categories show 9 percent of cases are heterosexual IV drug users; Heterosexual contact 5 percent; undetermined exposure 5 percent; Hemophiliacs and transfusion cases each make up 2 percent; and 1 percent were transmitted by mothers.

Wisconsin's numbers are quite different than USA figures. (The last available figures are from March 31.) In the USA, Gay men make up 57 percent of cases, and Gay IV drug users make up an additional 6 percent. Non-Gay IV drug users make up 22 percent; and 6 percent are from heterosexual contact

In Wisconsin, males make up 93 percent, and women 7 percent. (In USA figures, males are 89 percent, women 11

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percent.) Racial/ethnic divisions in Wisconsin show whites make up 77 percent, Blacks 17 percent, and Hispanics 6 percent. (USA figures are radically different: 50 percent white; 29 percent Black; 16 percent Hispanic.)

The reported number of AIDS cases per 100,000 population shows Wisconsin has a rate of 4.5 cases per 100,000. The Centers for Disease Control places Wisconsin in the lowest bracket (states with a figure of less than 4.9 per 100,000). In comparison, New York has a rate of 42.9, Florida 42.4, and California is at 28.2 per 100,000.

Condom Reliability

"The individual user, not the condom, is more likely to be responsible for any failure." That is what the Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Update quotes from a well-researched article distributed by the Centers for Disease Control.

"When condoms are used consistently and correctly, they are extremely effective," according to the article. The efficacy of condoms as prevention for sexually transmitted diseases and/or as birth control, have been documented in many laboratory and clinical studies.

Multiple lab studies have clearly demonstrated that an intact latex condom is a "continuous, effective barrier to HIV." Pores in natural membrane ('skins') condoms, however, allow passage of HIV and smaller viruses such as hepatitis B.

Several studies show 100 per cent effectiveness, but others show that some individuals become infected despite self-reported condom use. Those people may have been infected because of inconsistent condom use. Condom failure is due to non-use, inconsistent use, incorrect use, breakage or leakage. Condom effectiveness increases with

experience.

Incorrect use accounts for some condom failures and breakage. Researchers found some men put on the condom after sexual activity had already begun; others have breakage occur from fingernail tears or use of oil-based lubricants, which weakens the latex. Latex condoms should be used only with water-based lubes, preferably those containing nonoxynol 9.

Manufacturing defects are quite uncommon, since national standards are used, and samples are tested to assure high quality. Each condom is electronically tested for pinholes or areas of thinning as part of the manufacturing quality control in the USA. Also, all domestic and imported batches of condoms are subject to sampling testing by the Food and Drug Administration. Batches which fail are not allowed to be sold in the US.

In one study, more than half of the condom breakage occurred while the condom was being put on or taken off. In another study, all breaks occurred prior to ejaculation.

The article continues, "we regard condom use as 'highly effective' for the following reasons: intact latex condoms are an effective barrier against bacteria and viruses; multiple studies have demonstrated that condom use protects against STD's; several studies have shown that a person exposed to HIV who used condoms, remained free of infection over many months; condoms are manufactured with high standards of quality."

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Rumor control

Most find rumors and gossip to be a harmless diversion never taking into consideration the damage a false one can do. On the other hand, where there's smoke, there's fire. The truth is, most rumors have some kernel of truth. The trick is to find out which rumors are true by going right to the source, which by some strange coincidence is the topic of this column.

Rumor: Democratic Presidential hopeful, Bill Clinton actually DID inhale when he took a couple of hits off a marijuana cigarette.

Fact: False. However, Bill Clinton did attempt to squelch persistent attacks on his experimentation with marijuana, and stated his first order as President would be a command to the Marine Corps Band to abandon the traditional Presidential March in favor of a new song, 'Inhale To The Chief.'

Rumor: Gay men's brains are 34% larger than heterosexual men's brains, which is further proof homosexuality may be genetic in origin.

Fact: True. In fact, scientists speculate Gay men use the extra brain space to store their acute fashion sense, color co-ordination and the words to Madonna songs.

Rumor: The National Gay Task Force released plans to lobby congress into passing a law banning anonymous Gay sex.

Fact: False. The National Gay Task Force issued an advisory aimed at the resurgence of anonymous sex, and recommended that Gay men wear 'Hello My Name Is...' tags while cruising for sex.

Rumor: Cable TV's Olympic Triple Cast was a ratings and financial failure which spells the end for future pay-per-view events.

Fact: False. A major porno producer will launch his own pay-per-view service

called the 'Orgasmic Triple Cast,' which will feature steamy footage of the same 'act' shot from three different angles on three different cable stations.

Rumor: Pop superstar and plastic surgery addict, Michael Jackson's face is melting and falling apart.

Fact: Partly true. While 'The Gloved One's' face is not actually melting, doctors did discover he could magically transfer an image from the Sunday comics right directly on to his silicon-filled cheek. Upon hearing the news, the makers of Silly Putty signed Jackson to a multi-million dollar commercial endorsement.

Rumor: Vice President Dan Quayle will urge Congress to deny funding for the space station and the super collider in order to save US tax payers billions of dollars.

Fact: False. Quayle will urge the vote to deny funding because he believes the Super Collider is designed to smash into things and would probably ram into the Space Station resulting in higher insurance premiums for NASA.

Rumor: Eating green M&M's will make you horny.

Fact: True. M&M's will make you horny. Especially if you empty a bag full into a hunky stripper's G-string and bob for the green one's using only your tongue. In fact, a box of Milk Duds, a bunch of radishes or even handful of gravel would probably work using this method.

Rumor: Country heartthrob, Billy Ray Cyrus is Gay.

Fact: False. While Billy Ray Cyrus is probably not Gay, a jealous lover did give Billy Ray an 'Achy Breaky Part' when she caught him in bed with another woman and delivered a swift kick to his groin.

Rumor: Uncircumcised men have more fun.

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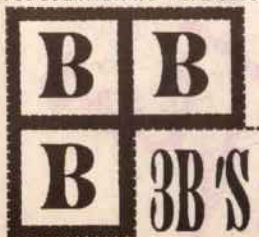
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(See the diagram near this article showing the proper way to put on a condom.)

THE A-B-C-'s OF PUTTING ON A CONDOM

A



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C

... carefully unrolling it all the way down to the base of your penis to the hair.



New Year's Eve in July at Wizard's was complete with midnight champagne and an early morning breakfast buffet.



Gloria Hallaway [right] captured the title of Miss Gay Green Bay, a Wisconsin-USA preliminary title during competition at Za's during the bar's 3rd anniversary. [We regret to inform you the roll of film that was shot the rest of the night was defective. Thank God Jamie shot this picture on a different roll.]



Top — Bobby, Rob and Bruce of 3 B's during their anniversary celebration. Bottom — hats or hankies were given away to the first 100 customers during the evening.



3B's celebrated their first anniversary with a country dance, as you can see from this photo.

The Arts

Call for films & videos

Chicago — Women in the Director's Chair is seeking film and video entries for its 12th Film and Video Festival slated for March, 1993.

With screenings, panels and discussions, this non-competitive festival gives exposure to a broad range of ideas, forms, and representations. A release from the group commented, "As we look back on a year where the mainstream media brought the Clarence Thomas hearings and the trial of William Kennedy Smith into our living rooms, we celebrate alternative realities as told to us by women."

Film and videos directed or produced by women since 1989 are eligible. Preference is given to independent projects in which the applicant has primary creative control. Public Service

Announcements, training material or promotional work will not be considered.

A separate entry fee and application form is needed for each work. The entry fee is \$15 per entered work for WIDC members, and \$25 for non-members. Discounts apply to new members.

For full information and entry applications, contact: Women In The Director's Chair, 3435 N Sheffield, Suite 202, Chicago, IL 60657; or call (312) 281-4988.

Auditions for 'Mame'

Milwaukee — The Bay Players are seeking actors for all roles for the musical **Mame**. The campy, madcap musical with a score by La Cage composer Jerry Herman, will be directed by Ray Bradford.

Auditions are at 7:30pm on August 24, 25, 26 — be prepared to act, sing and dance (bring a song!). August 26 auditions are for dance only (tap and jazz). Auditions will be held at Whitefish Bay H.S. Auditorium, 1200 E Fairmount in Whitefish Bay. For more information call 963-3936.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

With or without the full cooperation of Mother Nature, the full slate of Summer activities in Gay/Lesbian Wisconsin continue unabated. With so much action, lets dive right in to activities from July 24th through my August 5 deadline...

The **Pivot Club** hosted the most infamous Gay male singing duo in the world... Romanovsky & Philips. The recording artists appeal to Lesbians as much as Gay men because of their often political lyrics. They also own their own label — Fresh Fruit Records. Ron Romanovsky had a recent solo release, entitled **Hopeful Romantic**. Much of their joint work makes you want to scream out your sexual orientation to the world.

Wizard's Pub celebrated a weekend's worth of Christmas in July activities with a Friday night Christmas Eve party with live entertainment; a Saturday night party with entertainment featuring gifts and surprises; and a Sunday evening traditional Christmas dinner with video treats. The place was decorated for Christmas to the 'nth' degree with tons of little lights.

The same weekend, **Za's** celebrated their 3rd anniversary celebration (ZA and Ken mark the date from when they took over at the old location). Friday night featured Jason and Company, Saturday was King Production's Miss Gay Green Bay pageant, and Sunday was their annual cookout and lots of drink specials. Gloria Holloway was crowned the winner of Miss Gay Green Bay. Congrats to Ken, Za and their entire staff on another great year!

Tri City Gay Day at Bristol Renaissance Faire started out gloomy and wet, but by 11am, the skies over Bristol stopped leaking and the event was quite

successful. It remained cloudy all day, and here in Milwaukee it continued to rain up until late afternoon. The constant rain in Milwaukee probably stopped many who had planned to attend to cancel out. Four friends and I made that decision ourselves after watching the Weather Channel which showed even more rain along the state line. I guess the Weather Channel isn't a dependable place for accurate conditions.

We missed out, but hundreds of you went anyway from what I hear. Gays and Lesbians obviously made up a good percentage of the crowd according to reports. The grounds were quite muddy, making for slick strolling conditions with numerous faire-goers taking undesired mud baths. Still, everyone had fun and raised money at the same time. Thanks to all of you who clipped the coupons and raised money for MAP and MASN. Final figures were not available in time for this issue.

Wizard's wasn't the only place that celebrated Christmas in July, the **New Leaf** in Janesville also got in on the ho, ho, ho's.

It was a busy weekend... **3 B's Bar** celebrated their 1st anniversary on the 25th. Bob, Bobby, Bruce and Pat — 3B's owners, threw a country party and y'all came! Country dancing, and free western hats or hankies to the first 100 people made the celebration complete. Congratulations guys!

They did everything BUT sing "Edelweiss" when **Partners** took their annual river and Lake Michigan cruise on the deluxe European style Edelweiss touring craft. After, the cruisers went back to the bar for a complimentary

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Yech! Pudding/ jello wrestling at Club 3054 brought a number of brave men and women wrestlers to show their stuff. [Something only Cheri would think up!]



Barbra Jean and her Country Girls, plus Goldie Adams performed 'A Salute To Broadway' as a MAP benefit show in memory of Bill Wood and Bill Meyer.

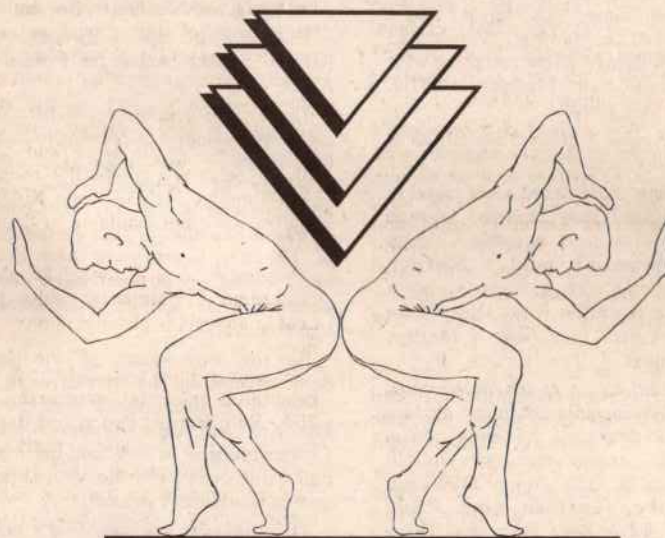


Tony Domenico returns to his hometown after a year touring with the USO. Tony performed at Club 219 Plus.



Mary Richards [left, Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA], Divine [center] and friends from Mad-Town performed a benefit at Club 219 Plus in Milwaukee to help send Miss Gay WI-USA At Large to the national competition.

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munchie fest provided by Jim and his staff.

The following Tuesday, July 28, **Napalese Lounge** premiered 'Shooting Star' with host Jeff Jennings. On Wednesday, the **Pivot** brought back singer/ guitarist Jess Hawk- Oakenstar by popular demand. In Madison, **Wings 3054** hosted another of their infamous **Wet Jock Strap** contests.

Back at the **Pivot** on the 31st, **Bonnie Bitch** and **Miss C.C. Rae** brought their comedy act to the stage. In **Milwaukee, Wizard's Pub** followed up Christmas with a New Year's Eve party complete with midnight champagne, hats, horns, and a breakfast buffet. In Madison, **Wing's** had a 'Mazominee Beach' party complete with sand and shenanigans. Madison is STILL talking about that party!

Saturday, August 1 offered a plethora of events to chose from...

The **Ballgame** coordinated a bar crawl to Chicago's Halsted that departed in time for afternoon and early evening Chicago carousing. **Wizard's** held a Marilyn Monroe Weekend with a Saturday night musical revue featuring Miss Lilly White as Marilyn. Later, they held a Marilyn look-alike contest.

The **New Leaf** had a re-scheduled show by **Stoney**, Wisconsin's infamous female Elvis impersonator. **Stoney** was re-scheduled from the previously advertised date of 7/18. At the **1100 Club** the **Milwaukee Lesbian Gay Pride Committee** held a Beer Bust and Pride Celebration all night long, with raffles and a DJ — all the proceeds went to **MLGPC**.

3 B's hosted a memorial show featuring **Barbra Jean** and her **Country Girls** in a 'Salute to Broadway' cavalcade of hits. The show memorialized **Bill Wood** and **Bill Meyer** and benefited **MAP**.

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It was Leather time in Madison when **Pam Meyer** presented the **Mr. & Ms. Leather Madison '92** contest on **Rod's** patio. Four women and 3 men vied for the titles judged on the categories of streetwear, leather wear, fantasy, and speaking ability. Seventeen title holders from across the country attended the contest, including Intl. Mr. Drummer **Woody Bebout** and Intl. Mr. Leather **Lenny Broberg**. (Lenny is a native Wisconsinite who moved to San Francisco back in the mid- 80's.)

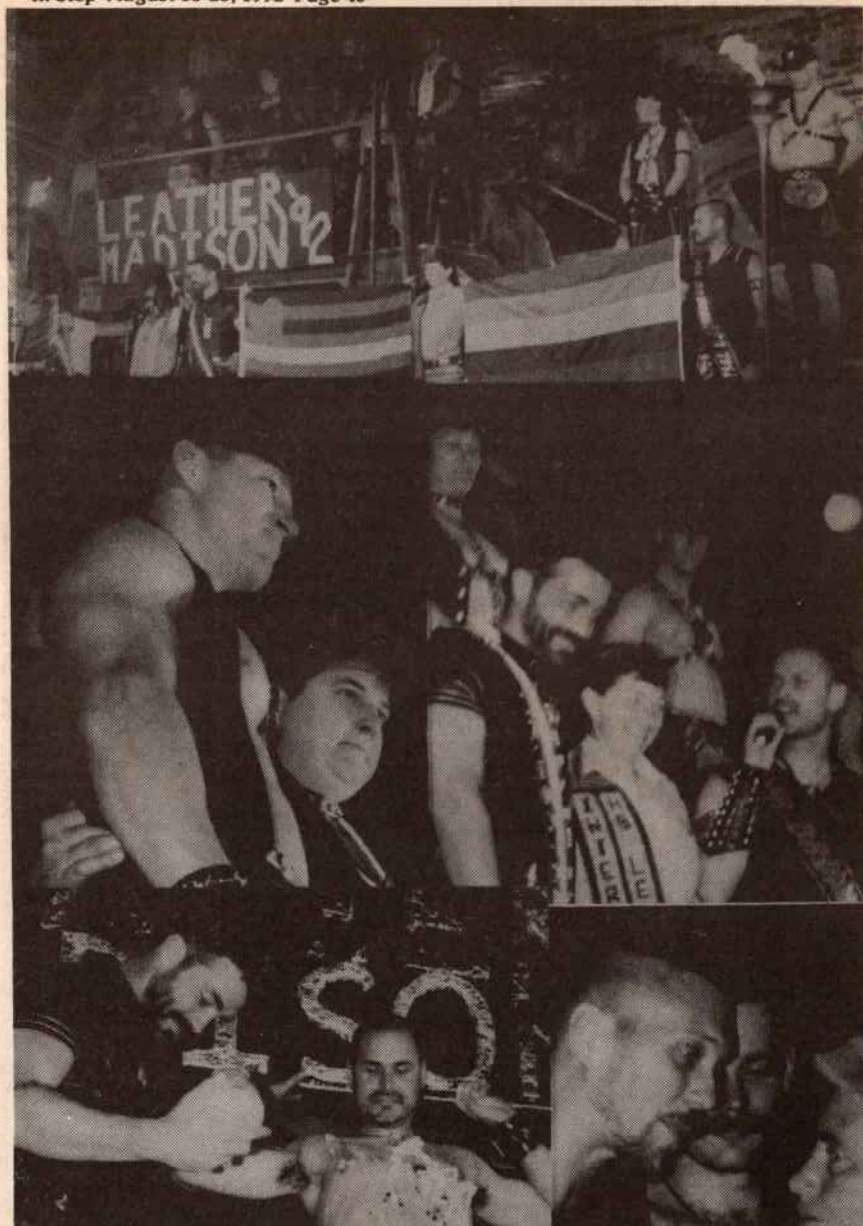
And the winners... 2nd runners up (Mr.) **Philip Cary**, (Ms.) **Tammy Miracle**; 1st runners up (Mr.) **Craig Uhl**, (Ms.) **Vicky Meyer**; and the winners were Mr. **John Wood** and Ms. **Karen Kormelink**.

The contest was a benefit for the **Rodney Scheel House for Persons With AIDS**.

The leather community in Madison has certainly exploded in popularity in the last few years. I was impressed with the numbers of Leather women in the audience and in the contest. Considering Madison has always been in the forefront of Political Correctness and Feminism and other progressive areas, the abundance of leather must have some significance.

By the way, most of the fantasies demonstrated by the women were just as (if not more) exotic erotic then the men's. Hot wax and cat-o'-nine-tails for days! Congratulations to **Pam** and her crew on a damn fine event. (By the way, **Lennie** won everyone's heart & desire!)

The following evening, **Rod's** held their annual **Mr. Rod's Show and Contest**, always an interesting summer evening. **Sass Dubois** (real name **Brian Blied**), former aging Madison debutante — and present **Chi-Town She Devils** member — hosted the evening, and donned her she-devil attire for a quick number.



*Pam Meyers [bottom right] and friends produced the 2nd annual Mr. & Ms. Leather Madison contest held at the Hotel Washington patio. In the top photo the four Ms. and three Mr. contestants and guests. Center left — the newly selected Mr. & Ms. Leather Madison **John Wood** and **Karen Kormelink**; right — Intl. Mr. Leather **Lenny Broberg**; Intl. Ms. Leather **91 Kay Challenger**; Intl. Mr. Drummer **Woody Bebout** were guests for the evening. Bottom left, **Lenny** waxes **Woody** and **Woody** was in heaven.*



Top left — former Madisonian Brian [Sass] Blied entertained as a member of the Chi Town She Devils; right — Garret crooned a few numbers; bottom left — the give Mr. Rod's contestants; right — John K., the newly selected Mr. Rod's '92, was obviously the crowd favorite.

Milwaukee's favorite crooner, Garrett, exercised his vocal cords on a few numbers and wowed the crowd. But the real interest was in the men competing. Five men vied for the title (money, prizes and the studded vest that goes with it). In the end, hunky, dark haired John K. came out on top. 2nd runner up was Gary and Erin was the 1st runner up. John was the audience favorite, and since he is deaf, the audience learned to 'sign' applause. The man will be a great representative for the Rod — in my opinion he earned the title just on his quick thinking response to his question. (I'm sure all the guys in Madison are learning to 'sign' "Will you go home with me, forever?"')

Over at 3054 Cheri, Cindy and crew threw a feast for the many helpers who gave a hand constructing the patio. (Cheri was a little surprised at how many helpers she never knew she had!) After the food, it was time for some rasslin' in a pool of chocolate flavored white pudding mixed with red jello. It was quite a sight, and some of the wrestlers were real serious about their bouts. (I would have offered to lick one of the guys clean, but none of them were my type!)

That brings us up to my August 5 deadline, but I'd like to take this chance to thank the Milwaukee AIDS Project for finally having the gumption to acknowledge the support of our community on one of their printed pieces. The new posters and brochures promoting

MAPFest '92, scheduled for noon to 10pm Sunday, September 6, says "MAPFest honors the Gay and Lesbian Community for its loyal support throughout the AIDS epidemic." (MAPFest was founded in the Gay bar community and started out as a block party.)

Until next issue, play hard, but play safe (and always wear your rubbers!)



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Calendar

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

Frontiers [Madison]: Camp, hike, bike the Porcupine Mountains. 3 to 5 day trip, call (608) 241-8184 for details.

Nothing To Hide/ WYOU [Madison]: Wisconsin's Gay/Lesbian Rights Law & Chicago's Gay/Lesbian Rights Ordinance; 9pm, Cable TV 4.

Club 219 Plus: Canadian Lust Male Revue, 11:30 showtime.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Fox Valley Variety Night, with classic artists performing, 10:30.

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assn.: Sailing/boating on Lake Michigan, 6-10pm weather permitting. Call 258-2802 for info.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Rod's [Madison]: Full Moon madness, video starts are out tonight.

Partners: Reggae artist Montgomery returns with 'Brave New Groove', 9pm, no cover.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Full moon contest, cash prize.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Wreck Room: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 5-8pm.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Lip Service returns.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: First Class Male, 10:30, \$2 cover.

Irish Fest: At Lakefront Summerfest grounds, through 8/16.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

The Experience: Preview the upcoming Experience Weekend (Aug. 28-30). To attend preview call (414) 792-1691.

SSBL All Stars Game: League All-Stars battle it out with top team Triangle Trojans. 3pm Mitchell Park. Fundraiser afterwards at Triangle to help send the Trojans to Gay World Series in Los Angeles.

Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament 4pm.

Club 3054 [Madison]: Memorial service for 'Bucky,' 5pm, bring & share photos & stories.

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assn.: Visit State Fair, meet at noon. R.S.V.P. by 10am 258-2802.

M&M Club: Singational Productions.

Blue Lite [Sheboygan]: Gala grand opening of the state's newest Gay bar! Specials & hors d'oeuvres.

Triangle: Trojans Celebrity Pie Toss, 5pm, to send team to Gay World Series. Raffle, & 50 cent tap beer 5pm-midnight.

Wizard's Pub: "The Very Thought of You" a musical revue featuring the styles of Natalie Cole through the years. Drink specials.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

People of Color & Friends Picnic: 1-6pm, Dineen Park Pavilion, 6901 W. Vienna. Sponsored by Club Muse & BWMT. Food, volleyball, music.

Fannie's: Fabulous Pinata party with games, tacos, Cuervo, Margaritas; 4pm.

Station II: Golf outing, prizes & food; 9am tee-time.

New Bar [Madison]: 1st Class Male Revue Strip Show, 11pm.

Blue Lite [Sheboygan]: Gala grand opening of Sheboygan's new bar, Tea Dance, luncheon, featuring DJ Tom Lewis!

Wizard's Pub: 'Smile' for the Mike & Baby show, 5-9pm. A video salute to Natalie Cole. Buffet, drink specials.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assoc.: Dinner/Movie Night. Meet at M&M's 6pm, R.S.V.P. by 5pm.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

Nothing To Hide/ WYOU [Madison]: "How the census will change our electoral district," 9pm, cable TV 4.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Talent shop at 10:30 with Ashley & Kristina.

Club 219 Plus: Annual Closet Ball. Amateurs only - change from a man to a 'Lady' in one hour. Best transformation wins \$75. Contestants must sign up by 9pm.

La Cage: First Class Male Revue. No. 1 American Male Revue, plus Amanda Fox, USA's no. 1 'Cher' impersonator, 11pm showtime.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

Roller Blading: Meet 6:30pm at skate rental stand in Veteran's Park. Bad weather cancels, for info call GAMMA 963-9833.

Club 219 Plus: Mimi Marks fundraiser as she prepares to compete for the Miss Continental Crown. Special guests: Sherrie Payne, Monica Monro, Ginger Grant, Asia, Maya Douglas, Kelly Lauren. 10pm, tickets \$8.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

Nothing To Hide/ WYOU [Madison]: Clips form GALVANize '91 weekend; 9pm, Cable TV 4.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Wet Jock Strap contest.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Fox Valley Variety Night.

3B's Bar: Cream City Squares get acquainted party 8-11; free dance lesson & refreshments.

Club 219 Plus: Miss 219 Contest, \$100 cash to winner plus sponsorship into the Pageant. Contestants must sign up by 9pm.

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Wet Jock Strap Contest, cash prizes.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

The Experience Weekend — In Chicago, see inside front cover ad

3B's Bar: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing from 8-11pm.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

Club 94 [Kenosha]: 'Continental or Bust' benefit to send Tiffeny Thomas, Miss Gay Continental Wisconsin to the Miss Continental USA finals. 10:30 showtime, \$3 donation. Features the 219 Girls plus Gloria Holloway, Lena Chavez, Samentha DeCarlo & the Diva.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Station II: Kristie K. & Jeff Stoll, 7-11, no cover.



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Baby Jane, Santa and Michael gather for this friendly photo during Wizard's Pub Christmas in July party.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

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

Wings 3054 [Madison]: Infamous Underwear Party.

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assoc.: Sailing/boating on the Lake, 6-10pm weather permitting. Call 258-2802.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

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

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Chicago Comedy Troupe, 'Right To Laughters' 10:30pm.

Mexican Fiesta: Milw. Lakefront Summerfest grounds, through 8/23.

ZA's [Madison]: From Madison, 'Simply Divine & Cassie Malone,' 10:30pm.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

The Experience: Preview the upcoming Experience Weekend (Aug. 28-30). To attend preview call (414) 792-1691.

Bay Shore Mall: Fashion Show for the benefit of the Milw., AIDS Project. Black tie optional. For tickets & more info. 332-8136.

Pivot [Appleton]: Jess Hawk-Oakenstar.

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assoc.: Chicago bar crawl — depart for Chicago at 9pm return 5am. R.S.V.P. by noon to 258-2802.

HIT Tailgate Party: Watch the Brewers play the Detroit Tigers. \$15 includes tailgate party, bus ride & an upper grandstand ticket. Contact Tim at 223-3139 or Glenn at 744-1131 for tickets. See Group Notes for details.

3B's Bar: Hot August Night Country Dance, 9-close.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Techno Rave Dance Night featuring the band 'Eye Opening,' 10:30pm.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Gay Men's Discussion Group: 'Gay Rights & Legal Fights,' with guest Attorney Steve Byers; 6-8pm at The Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave., \$2 donation.

Gr. Milw. Maritime Assoc.: Great America trip, meet at noon, RSVP by 9am to 258-2802.

Mountain Bikers: Meet in 'Tosa at 9am & pool rides to the Southern Kettle Moraine, Carlin Trail. For info call GAMMA 963-9833.

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