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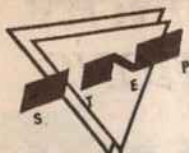
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Because of a computer system failure the night of Sept. 3, 'Steppin' Out' & numerous other articles planned for this issue were lost. Because of Labor Day weekend & time constraints, we had no choice but to put out this abbreviated issue instead of a planned 96 page issue. On top of computer problems, the morning of Friday, Sept. 4, one of our 6 X 9 foot plate glass windows was smashed by bricks. It was not a good day.

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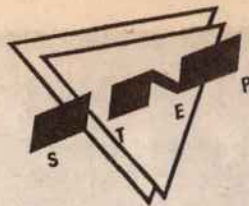
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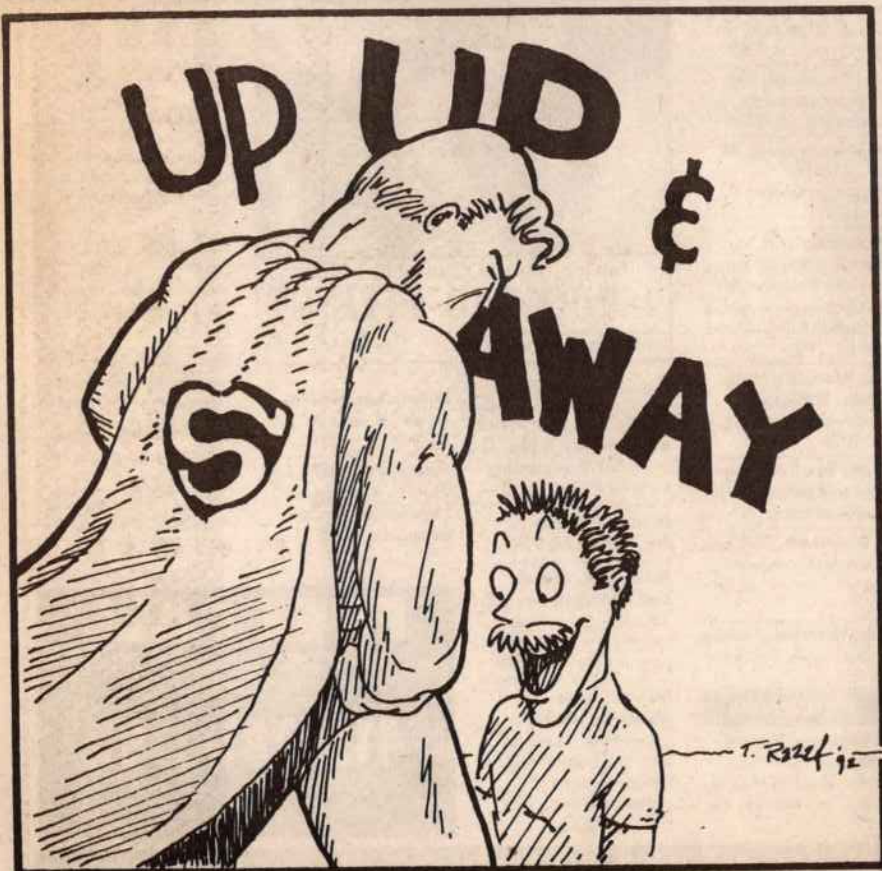
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Milwaukee — On Sunday, September 20, honorary Co-chairs Paul and Linda Molitor will lead approximately 4,000 walkers in the 3rd Annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk with the goal of raising more than \$300,000 to benefit vital AIDS care and education service agencies throughout the state.

Registration brochures and pledge forms are available to join the benefit at convenient locations throughout Wisconsin, including all Kohl's Food Stores and Bally's Vic Tanny. Walkers are asked to return the pre-addressed registration form attached to Walk brochures, and then to solicit pledges from co-workers, family members, neighbors and friends.

"The response has been overwhelming," Tim Kennedy, Director of Communications for the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW), which produces the Wisconsin AIDS Walk. "From corporate support and sponsors, in-kind donations, volunteers, individual walkers and teams, we are witnessing the kind of participation and support that is imperative if we as service agencies are to continue to keep pace with the AIDS epidemic."

Businesses, community groups, other organizations or groups of friends may also register as 'Teams,' challenging other groups in friendly competition to raise the most funds. Team and individual prizes, donated by numerous Wisconsin businesses and individuals, will be awarded based on the amount of pledges raised and brought to the Walk.

"Team participation continues to grow every year because it gives businesses and organizations a chance to become unified against a devastating illness that touches more and more individuals and families every day," Kennedy said. "We're also seeing more team challenges, and teams identifying themselves in the Walk with colors, hats,

or banners."

Walk organizers will need three hundred volunteers on the day of the Walk to perform a variety of tasks. For more information, to volunteer, or to obtain a Wisconsin AIDS Walk registration brochure and pledge sheet, call the Milwaukee AIDS Project at (414) 273-1991.

Suspect charged in East Town shooting

Milwaukee [In Step] — At a preliminary hearing August 26, Tony Darnell Fuller pleaded not guilty to charges of reckless endangerment and shooting a firearm within city limits. Fuller was apprehended for an August 18 incident in which he allegedly shot a patron who was walking home from the This Is It bar on Milwaukee's east side.

The "not guilty" plea means that Fuller will face a jury trial in November. If found guilty of the two felonies, he could be sentenced to ten years in prison on each charge. Fuller, who has a previous police record, is currently in jail. His bail is set at \$2,000.

The shooting victim, who asked to remain anonymous, is recovering from a bullet wound to the foot. She, along with several witnesses to the incident, will be subpoenaed to testify at the trial. The Victim/Witness Support Unit of the District Attorney's Office is guiding her through the judicial process.

The victim and a friend were walking east on Kilbourn Avenue after leaving This Is It just after midnight August 18. The assailant hailed them from his position on the median strip and, without provocation, began shooting. An accomplice has not been apprehended.

It is still not yet clear whether the crime was motivated by anti-Gay hatred. The

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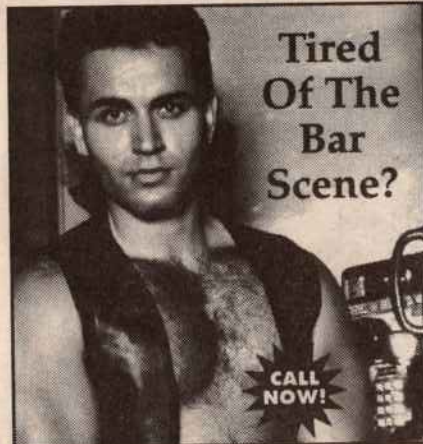
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Plane drops condoms over Waupun prison

Waupun, WI [In Step] — A low flying plane dropped a "care package" of thousands of condoms into the prison yard at Waupun Correctional Facility August 30 in an apparent attempt to provide prisoners there with safe sex materials.

Prison officials dismissed the air drop as "ineffective," and the Associated Press reported that most of the condoms missed their mark, falling into the yards of nearby residents.

In Step has learned that most of the condoms did indeed fall into the prison yard but were then quickly confiscated as "contraband" by prison authorities. Although they acknowledge that sex between inmates occurs at Waupun, the distribution of condoms is, according to authorities, "against the rules."

It is unlikely that prisoners benefited from the drop. Waupun was in the midst of a "lockdown" brought on by an inmate protest against a new policy prohibiting the amount of personal possessions each inmate may have in his cell. Limitations have been placed on books, magazines and other personal materials. Inmates feel the restrictions are arbitrary and unfair.

The condom drop has been linked to

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assailant did not make any overt anti-Gay slurs. However, just two weeks prior to the shooting, a Gay man, Robert Keirse, was brutally attacked outside the Nantucket Shores restaurant in that same area by a suspect fitting the same general description. No one has been arrested for that crime and police could not say for sure whether the two incidents are related. The victims of both attacks told In Step that patrons leaving This Is It should be very careful walking in the East Town neighborhood.

The recent shooting victim is availing herself of the state's Crime Victim Compensation Act. This law provides crime victims with financial support for hospital bills, lost wages, and damaged property. The number for the state program is 800-446-6564.

ACT UP/Madison, which has been campaigning for reforms in the treatment of prisoners with HIV/AIDS in Wisconsin's prisons. On September 9 (after our press deadline) ACT UP/Madison and ACT UP/Milwaukee planned to demonstrate at the State Capitol and the Department of Corrections against current prison policies which forbid the distribution of condoms and clean needle technology. Both could help prevent the spread of HIV among inmates.

(Canada has distributed condoms and dental dams to inmates in federal penitentiaries since January of this year. The National Commission on AIDS in the U.S. has recommended the distribution of both safe sex and needle technology in American prisons. The state of New York currently provides inmates with condoms.)

Two years ago, Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson's Task Force on Prisoners and AIDS issued dozens of recommendations for the prevention of HIV and the humane treatment of inmates with HIV/AIDS in the state's prisons. Condom and needle distribution are among the provisions which have not been implemented. The ACT UP protest was intended to "keep the pressure on" the Department of Corrections. A review of the Task Force's recommendations is expected to be released this month.

The scheduled September 9 protest also marked the second anniversary of the death of Donald Woods, an HIV-positive inmate who died of asphyxiation while being restrained and gagged with a towel by guards at Waupun. A special prosecutor exonerated the guards.

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GOPs 'family values' attacked; Republicans 'outed'

In Step — The "Family Values" and fundamentalist rhetoric which dominated the Republican National Convention in August is being attacked from all quarters. A new campaign of "outing" has been launched by the Gay press. Religious leaders have condemned the blurring of church and state, and the entertainment industry and even conservative commentators have expressed disgust with the tone of the GOP campaign.

NEW WAVE OF OUTINGS

In response to the vitriolic Gay-bashing that occurred throughout the convention, **The Advocate** and **QW** (a Gay magazine out of New York City) have recently outed prominent figures in the Republican Party.

In its August 30 issue, **QW** outed Ray Price, a long-time Republican speechwriter who penned President Bush's acceptance speech at the convention. Price, 62, a lifelong bachelor, formerly served as a speechwriter for Richard Nixon and was responsible for Nixon's resignation address back in 1974. Several sources confirmed to **QW** that Price has been active for years in Gay circles within the Republican Party.

In its September 6 issue, under a headline reading "Phyllis Schlafly's Deep, Dark Secret," **QW** outed Schlafly's 40-year-old son, John.

Phyllis Schlafly has been active for decades in the right wing movement, beginning in the 1950's as a supporter of Sen. Joseph McCarthy in his vicious anti-communist campaign. She led the effort to defeat the Equal Rights Amendment, is a leader in the anti-abortion movement and, throughout all her campaigns, has distinguished herself as one of America's all-time Gay bashers.

An attorney, John Schlafly lives with his mother in Alton, Illinois and serves as her "financial advisor." **QW** interviewed at least 12 people who confirmed that John Schlafly is Gay and has, in fact, attended

Gay events such as film festivals.

Schlafly himself refused to comment on his sexuality but told **QW** he did not feel it was a contradiction for him to support his mother's anti-Gay crusade. He said he advised her only on money matters, not on policy positions.

In perhaps the biggest outing to date, **The Advocate** used the cover of its September 22 issue to out Congressman Jim McCrery, 42, a Louisiana Republican. In an editorial, publisher Niles Merton called McCrery "A liar. A hypocrite. An opportunistic exponent of what the Republican Party dares to call 'family values.'"

In its article, headlined "The Outing of a Family Values Congressman," **The Advocate** quoted at least three men who had been lovers of Rep. McCrery as recently as 1987. Gary Cathey, who met McCrery when they attended Louisiana Tech University, went on record with his intimate knowledge of the Congressman. Two other men, who wished to remain anonymous, supplied **The Advocate** with sworn affidavits attesting to McCrery's sexuality.

The Advocate outed McCrery because of his voting record, which earned a 0% approval rating from the Human Rights Campaign Fund last year. McCrery voted to retain the government's ban on the immigration of Gays and Lesbians. He voted to exempt religious groups from the District of Columbia's law against anti-Gay discrimination.

McCrery has joined the Right's attack on the National Endowment for the Arts, voting against funds for controversial art works. He opposed research into the sexual behavior of American teens — research aimed at developing strategies to prevent the spread of HIV. He tried to suppress the dissemination in his district of the surgeon general's AIDS prevention brochure. He supports the Pentagon's ban on homosexuals.

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McCreary is seeking his third term in the House of Representatives and has jumped on the family values bandwagon and moved ever further to the right. For these reasons, **The Advocate** felt justified in exposing his dishonesty and hypocrisy.

**CHURCH LEADERS
CONDEMN "ARROGANCE"**

In an unprecedented move, 23 church leaders, including officers of the National Council of Churches, sent a letter to President Bush criticizing the religious rhetoric employed by the Republican Party.

The letter read, in part: "We need to be very clear that God belongs to no one side, for we believe we all belong to God... Any partisan use of God's name tends to breed intolerance and to divide," creating a sort of "religious arrogance." The letter was signed by the leader of Bush's own denomination, Episcopal Bishop Edmond Browning.

The National Conference of Christians and Jews drafted a similar statement which reminded Republicans of the constitutional separation of church and state.

HOLLYWOOD STRIKES BACK

The Emmy Awards telecast on August 30 served as a vehicle for liberal-minded members of the entertainment industry, who have been attacked by Vice President Quayle as the "cultural elite," to strike back.

On the show, co-host Dennis Miller and other presenters repeatedly skewered Quayle. But the sharpest barbs were delivered by **Murphy Brown** producer Diane English while accepting the Emmy for Best Comedy series.

Referring to Quayle's well publicized attack on the fictional Murphy Brown's single parenthood, English declared to the international audience of millions: "I would like to thank in particular all the single parents out there who, either by choice or by necessity, are raising their kids alone. Don't let anybody tell you you're not a family."

English then went on to quip: "As

Murphy herself said: 'I couldn't possibly do a worse job raising my kid alone than the Reagans did with theirs.'"

Criticism of Republican rhetoric has also come from the conservative camp itself. In the week following the Republican convention, such noted conservatives as George Will, James J. Kilpatrick and William Safire all wrote columns disapproving of the party's tilt to the fundamentalist fringe. The two commentaries published in **Newsweek** immediately after the convention were headlined: "A Feast of Hate and Fear" and "Little Lies and Big Whoppers."

The Gay bashing and family values rhetoric of the GOP have created a backlash of sorts that could help the Democratic ticket in November. The initial rise in the polls for George Bush after the convention faded within days, and most polls in early September still gave the Clinton-Gore ticket a comfortable lead.

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- Gay People's Union P.O. Box 208, 53201 562-7010
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- R/L Parent's Coalition of Milw P.O. Box 93503, 53203

- Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Veterans of America Milwaukee Chapter 342-6543
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- Greater Milw. Maritime Assn. (GMMMA)(Social, boating/sailing) 258-2802
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- Lambda Rights Network (political action, legal defense) Box 93252, 53203 871-4839
- Lesbian Alliance Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) P.O. Box 93323, 53203 264-2600
- MLBPC (Pride Week Committee) P.O. Box 93052, 53203 263-7187
- MIGALA (MU Graduates), P.O. Box 92722, 53202 256-1347
- Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable Network P.O. Box 204, 53201 265-0880
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- People Living With AIDS Coalition 315 W. Court, 53212 273-1991
- Overans (L/L social grp.) Box 07423, 53207
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| 7 Dance, Dance, Dance (Mw, DJ) 801 S. 2nd | 383-8330 |
| 6 1100 Club (Mw, L/L, DJ, F) 1100 S. 1st Street | 647-9950 |
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| Loose Ends (GS, MW, F) 4322 W. Fond du Lac | 442-8469 |
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| 6 Cafe Melange (MW, G/S, F) 720 N. Old World 3rd | 291-9889 |
| 14 Nitongales (Wm, DJ, V, F) 2022 W. National | 645-1830 |
| 15 Partners (Mw, D) 813 S. 1st | 647-0130 |
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| 17 Triangle (M, V) 135 E. National | 383-9412 |
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Queers to meet with United Way over Boy Scout funding

Milwaukee [In Step] — Members of Queer Nation/Milwaukee were scheduled to meet with top officials of the United Way of Greater Milwaukee on September 10 to discuss the charity's funding of local Boy Scout programs.

The meeting was set for 2:30pm in the offices of the United Way at 225 W. Vine Street. Among those attending will be Henry Monaco, President of the local United Way, and Steve Lundeen, Chairman of its Planning and Allocations Division.

Queer Nation has sought the meeting with United Way for several months. The group wants to quiz United Way officials about local funding of the Boy Scouts in light of the recent statement by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) that it will not allow homosexuals to be Scouts or Scout leaders.

In the June policy statement, the BSA declared: "We believe that homosexual conduct is inconsistent with the requirements in the Scout oath that a Scout be morally straight and in the Scout law that Scouts be clean in word and deed, and that homosexuals do not provide a desirable role model for Scouts. Because of this, the Boy Scouts of America does not accept homosexuals as members or as leaders, whether in a volunteer or in a professional capacity."

PART OF NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

The Milwaukee meeting is part of a national campaign by Gay groups to pressure United Way chapters into withdrawing funds from the Boy Scouts because of its discriminatory policy. The Boy Scouts in the San Francisco area were denied several hundred thousand dollars from United Way's Bay Area chapter earlier this year. And the Boy Scouts have been prevented from recruiting members in the public school systems of San Jose, Berkeley and San Francisco because of their discriminatory policy.

On the national level, the United Way last year contributed \$90 million to the

Boy Scouts — that's one third of the Boy Scouts' annual budget. Queer Nation reports that last year the United Way of Greater Milwaukee gave a total of \$760,000 to the Boy Scouts' Milwaukee Council, the Bay Lakes Council (based in Menasha) and the Potawatomi Area Council.

Queer Nation is urging all Milwaukee area residents to withhold donations to the United Way until they "1) defund the Boy Scouts or force the Boy Scouts to sign a binding agreement not to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in membership, selection of volunteers and hiring, and 2) institute an ongoing policy of not funding organizations that discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation."

Queer Nation also suggests that people who want to donate to youth groups contribute to the 4H Clubs, the YMCA and YWCA, the Girl Scouts of America, the Boys and Girls Club, and Big Brothers and Big Sisters — all organizations that have pledged not to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

In Wisconsin, the BSA policy is in violation of state statutes which prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation. Queer Nation also notes that the Congressional Act incorporating the Boy Scouts in 1916 empowered the Scouts to "make and adopt by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of the United States of America, or any state thereof..."

(In Step will report on the results of the September 10 meeting. To get involved in the "Queer Scouts" campaign, call Queer Nation at [414] 964-8423 or 643-5833.)

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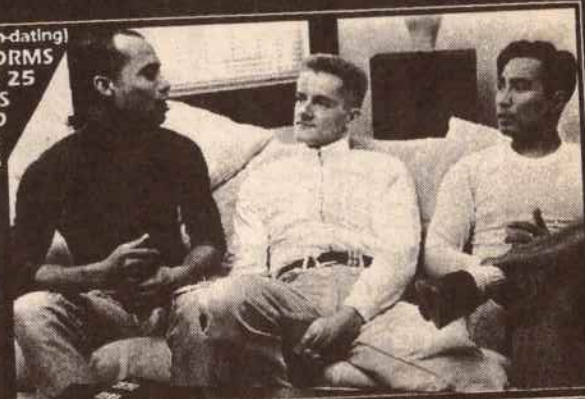
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Gay AA (Meeting Weekly) 824 S. Broadway, 54304 469-2897
Bay City Chorus P. O. Box 1901, Green Bay 54305 437-7400
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Army Times denounces military Gay ban

Washington, D.C. [In Step] — In yet another challenge to the Pentagon's ban on Gay and Lesbian soldiers, the August 24 issues of both the **Army Times** and the **Air Force Times** carried editorials denouncing the military's anti-Gay policy.

Both newspapers are published independently of the Pentagon, but they have a combined readership in the tens of thousands, ranging from average foot soldiers to top Pentagon officials. Because they are not subject to Pentagon control, they are looked on by many as independent and accurate sources of information on military matters.

The joint editorial in the **Army Times** and **Air Force Times** read, in part: "No one can deny that despite the ban, many Gay service members secretly have served honorably and well. Their ability to excel at military duties is beyond question. Why then should their sexual orientation be a factor in their careers?"

"Any man or woman who meets legitimate criteria should be allowed to serve in any specialty in the armed forces. Discrimination based on sexual preference is no more legitimate than that based on race, gender or religion."

"It must end," the editorial concluded.

MARINE CHAPLAIN STRIKES BACK

Just days after the editorials appeared, the chaplain of the Marine Corps released a position paper saying that homosexuals are "a physical and psychological threat" to the armed services. It reiterated the Pentagon's traditional line that repealing the ban would undermine morale and hurt recruiting. It also warned that allowing Gays into the services would increase the spread of AIDS:

"In the unique, intensely close environment of the military, homosexual conduct can threaten the lives, including the physical (e.g. AIDS) and psychological well-being of others."

The paper also stated: "Legislators and military leaders have a legitimate role to play in checking the spread of

homosexual behavior, especially among young people whose minds and characters are in formative stages, thus preventing physical and/or psychological harm that could injure many innocent people."

The Marine Corps chaplain, a Southern Baptist minister named Captain Larry H. Ellis, said he distributed the position paper to senior chaplains in each of the service branches.

At least one Navy chaplain, who spoke anonymously to the **New York Times**, dismissed the report: "Any clergy person at all aware of any sensitivity toward God's children would never, ever paint such a monstrous picture of negative fears and stereotypes."

Gay observers noted that the report by the military chaplain would be used by the Pentagon to further justify its position. One activist said it was a measure of the Pentagon's concern over growing pressure against the ban that it would resort to using the chaplaincy as a surrogate to defend its anti-Gay position.

MORE SOLDIERS COME OUT

In the wake of the highly publicized discharges of honored soldiers like Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer and Lt. Tracy Thorne this summer, more soldiers continue to "come out" and vow to fight the Pentagon's ban in court.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Tom Paniccia, who came out on ABC's **Good Morning America** program July 23, was subsequently recommended for discharge. Paniccia, an 11 year veteran, promises to take his case to the courts.

Pamela Mindt, a decorated captain in the Minnesota Army National Guard, also came out last month and vows to fight the ban. Mindt, a 15 year veteran of the reserves, has received ten commendations. She is part of a medical battalion and provides mental health counseling to guard units in three states.

Her commanding officer said of Capt. Mindt: "Pam has provided just outstanding social work support to the National Guard. I've had no questions

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Graffiti

Vicky: Happy Birthday! **Love, Cindi**

Bruce & Steve: Happy 11th Anniversary together. Thank you for letting me share in your happiness. Love to you both. **Henry**

Everyone: All Gone! **Rick**

Ray: Thank you for the BBQ, had great fun. **Bob**

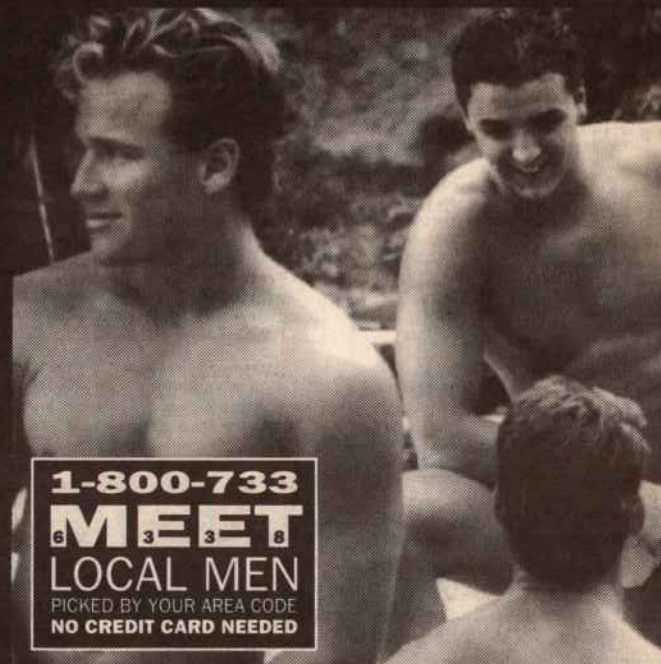
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about her abilities to perform for the military or her commitment to provide mental health support to the National Guard."

Increased publicity about the discharge

World's first known bottom

By Rex Wockner and Bliss Frings

The mainstream media reported widely on 'Otzi,' the 5,477 year-old Stone Age man found mummified in a melting glacier high in the Italian Tyrolean Alps. The U.S. media did not, however, share a gripping detail that was reported in Italy, Austria, Switzerland and elsewhere: There was sperm in Otzi's anal canal.

"The Tyrolean scholars have not given this little detail any special significance," according to *Lambda Nachrichten*, the magazine of Homosexual Initiative Vienna, Austria's leading Gay organization, "but there can only be one explanation: Otzi had sex with another man in the Alps!

"The tight-assed Tyrolean scholars were very uncomfortable even having to acknowledge it," *Lambda* said, "but Otzi is the first known homosexual man that enjoyed being bottom. ... Otzi was the passive partner — of this there is absolutely no doubt. ... The sperm has been carbon-dated."

Otzi, named for the Otztal Valley on the Italian/Austrian border, was found intact from the day he probably froze to death in a flash snowstorm, in 3485 B.C. He was discovered by hikers.

Aged 25-35, Otzi was probably a herdsman from a nearby valley settlement. He was carrying a copper ax, a quiver and arrows, a dagger with a flint blade, a woven grass sheath, and a wooden backpack frame, among other things.

He had tattoos on his back. His only jewelry was a small stone disk with thin leather strips pulled through it, knotted at the top and free at the bottom.

His clothes were leather.

of capable and honored soldiers is causing more and more service people to come out and challenge the ban. ProGay lobbyists believe the sheer volume of cases challenging the policy in court may eventually weaken the Pentagon's resolve.

Vandals strike; computer fails

Milwaukee [In Step] — The early morning hours of Friday, September 4 were interrupted with the sounds of shrill alarms set off when bricks were tossed through approximately 16 large windows of various businesses. Affected businesses were in the Downtown, third ward and Walker's Point Areas. Gay businesses such as M&M Club, Wreck Room, In Step and Miss M's Cafe were hit, along with Marshal Fields, Timers and several other locations.

The 'Gay Grapevine' kicked in by 9am & many wondered if it was an Anti-Gay motivated crime — however, once all reports were in, that hypothesis was discounted.

Most incidents occurred between the hours of 3 and 6am according to victimized businesses contacted. Two bricks were used on In Step's 6 X 9 foot window, and glass was scattered throughout the office — at the peak of our deadline rush. As a result of the broken window, gritty dust had settled over the entire office by the time the window was repaired, necessitating a halt in magazine production while the office was cleaned.

Separately from the window incident, In Step's main computer 'died' the previous evening erasing 60 percent of the articles that had already been input for this issue. After spending 6 hours checking all possible software problems, we were informed it was a hardware problem and the machine had to go in for repair.

Because of a lack of time, and the impending Labor Day Weekend, a decision was made to re-enter only a percentage of articles lost, and cut back from a planned 96 page issue to this 80 page size.

IT was NOT a good prelude to the holiday.

PEOPLE Men/Men

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Healthy 32 yr. urban professional Br/Gr. 5'11", runners build, would like to know individual born & raised/ living in rural/ farm. 25-35 yr. I'll show you the cities. You show me the country. I'm also an adventurer who wants to share the rush of doing something new. Interested serious calls only. Leave message at (312) 248-7921.

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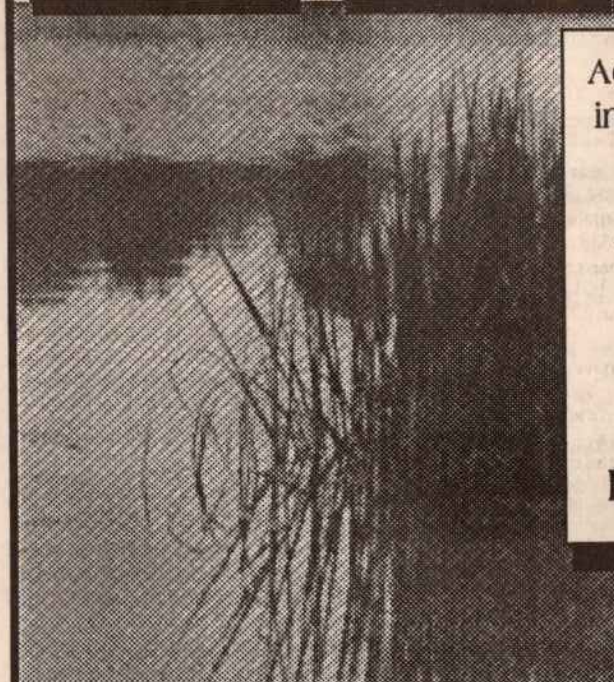
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Wisconsin gears up for '93 March on D.C.

Madison - The Gay Rights State finally has several official contact people who will be coordinating volunteers and organizing Wisconsinites to attend the March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation. The march is set for April 25, 1993.

The contact people are:

In Madison: Maria Hanson at the United, (608) 255-8582;

In Milwaukee: Patrick Flaherty at (414) 789-1636 and Miriam Ben-Shalom at (414) 933-6233 (Ben-Shalom will do special outreach to veterans);

In Northern Wisconsin: Bob Jansen at the Main Club in Superior, (715) 392-1756.

The overall organizer for Region 12, which includes Wisconsin, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota is Steven Anderson, 1415 University Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55104. (612) 645-4028.

A meeting for the Region 12 delegation to the March on Washington will be held in St. Paul on September 12. Those wanting to attend should call the contact person nearest their home to arrange travel and accommodations. Because organizing is getting started a little late in this region, new volunteers and energy are most welcome.

At the September 12 meeting, four delegates will be chosen to attend the next meeting of the National March Committee which will be held October 3-4 in Denver Colorado. Committees to coordinate outreach, fundraising and travel accommodations for the region must also be established.

The March on Washington has a comprehensive platform which calls for: equal civil rights for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual people; an end to discrimination against people of color; universal health care and access to alternative therapies for all people; the individual's right to complete reproductive freedom; and legal recognition and protection for all groups who identify themselves as families.

The March on Washington next April will only be successful with the grass

roots support of all Gay and Bisexual people and their supporters. Organizers hope that attendance will top that of the 1987 Gay Rights March — the largest civil rights demonstration in U.S. history — which brought 750,000 people to the nation's capital.

Major rights victory in Canada

Ottawa, Ontario — A Canadian court has ruled that the country's Human Rights Act is unconstitutional because it does not extend its legal protections against discrimination to Gay men and Lesbians.

The Court of Appeal for the province of Ontario ordered that until a new law is passed or the current law is revised, discrimination based on sexual orientation should be treated as a violation of federal law.

The ruling may have far-reaching consequences for all Canadians who work in the federal government, in the military and in federally regulated industries, such as airlines, banks and railways. However, the Justice Department may appeal the decision to Canada's Supreme Court.

Efforts have been underway for several years to amend the Human Rights Act to include the category of sexual orientation. But the proposal has been stymied by conservatives in the provincial legislatures and in the national government in Ottawa. If the Canadian Supreme Court sustains the recent decision, the painstaking lobbying to amend the law will be unnecessary.

ABA recognizes Gay attorneys

San Francisco, CA — After years of debate, the House of Delegates, the governing body of the American Bar Association (ABA), has finally granted the National Gay and Lesbian Law Association official status as an ABA affiliate.

The affiliation was affirmed by a

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Wanted: GWM, 35-45 — 150-185 lb., approx. 6', dark well-groomed hair, hung, barrel-chested, sensitive, financially okay, truthful, willing to share openly & honestly — Who enjoys 5'10", blond, swimmer's build, 40s, 138 lbs. Call Ron at (H) (414) 783-4131 or (O) (414)792-1690.

Wanted: G/BI WM — companion/ friend, lover — Healthy; attractive to very attractive; 18-30, long hair if possible, smooth if possible, clean shaven a must. For good times, dinner in/out. Long term relationship also possible. For more info call George at 1- (800) 339-2978 (S.E.WI.).

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GWM, older, good looking. Looking for younger Gay to age 39 for friendship and possibly more. Not a Sugar Daddy. Please write Boxholder 320, 1700 Fouroaks Rd., Eagan, MN 55121.

Trucker & Trucker — 38, blond, beard. Looking for OTR experience & anything else that might happen. Team for awhile? Chuck (715) 834-6599, Western WI.

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Caring & Trustworthy — GWM 45, 5'10", 165 lbs. Tired of bar scene. Looking for another caring/ trustworthy individual for friendship & strong monogamous relationship potential. Interests include: boating, water skiing, travel, romantic dinners, parties with friends, & many quiet times together. You should be Oriental, Spanish, Black 18-35 with similar interests. Fox Valley Area preferred. Picture appreciated! No fats/ fems/ drugs! Write: Don, P.O. Box 265, Hortonville, WI 54944.

Attractive GWC, 20's — Looking to meet other G/BI WM for hot safe sex, and friendship. HIV neg. Prefer smooth, muscular, hung. Not into bar scene. Call (414) 761-3076.

GWM, 25, 6', 175 lbs., seeks strong intimate type 25-40. I'm blond, attractive, professional and very sexual. I like holidays, music, quiet and bizarre times. Box 24162, Green Bay, WI 54324.

Attractive, Professional, 26. Looking for other straight acting, stable, attractive men 21-35. Not into playing games. Mr. Right must be out there somewhere. Send photo/ phone to: Boxholder, P.O. Box 340283, Milw., WI 53234.

New To Area — GWM looking for new friends. I like Lawrence Block, coffee, Masterpiece Theatre, antiques, Aaron Copland, Lincolns, and Sunday breakfast. Write P.O. Box 919, Milwaukee, WI 53201- 0919.

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318-123 vote at the ABA's annual convention in San Francisco in August. That was 24 votes more than the required two thirds majority.

The association of Gay and Lesbian attorneys has sought recognition from the the ABA for many years. Affiliate status gives the group a seat in the House of Delegates and a voice in formulating ABA policies. Other affiliated groups include women attorneys, African-American attorneys, etc.

Attorney Mark Agrast said the vote was a recognition of the increasing presence and influence of Gays and Gay rights issues within the ABA.

"In the Life" on WMVS Sept. 21

Milwaukee — After a three month delay, WMVS Channel 10, the PBS affiliate in Milwaukee, has scheduled the Gay/Lesbian variety show, *In the Life* for Monday night, September 21 at 11pm.

The one hour program is hosted by comedian Kate Clinton and features the New York City Gay Men's Chorus, the Lavender Light Gospel Choir, dancer Amy Pivar, the reggae duo of Casselberry-Dupree and a group called Five Lesbian Brothers.

The pilot episode, of what is expected to be an ongoing monthly show, was telecast *contd. on page 18*



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by most PBS affiliates in June as a celebration of Gay/Lesbian Pride Month. WMVS officials claimed not to have received word of the program at the time, a claim disputed by the show's producer in New York who told In Step that a video of the show and accompanying publicity was sent to all PBS affiliates. While some PBS stations will begin broadcasting new fall episodes, Milwaukee viewers on September 21 will get their first chance to see the June pilot.

In the Life is produced by Emmy winner John Scagliotti (Before Stonewall). Although it was denounced in the Senate as an example of "liberal" taxpayer-funded programming on PBS, In the Life was actually financed independently of PBS but is being made available to PBS affiliates.

(WMVS welcomes viewer feedback about its programming and needs encouragement to present more Gay-oriented material. If the show were to be picked up on a regular basis, WMVS would also need an individual or corporate sponsor to underwrite it. Please contact WMVS General Manager Bryce Combs or Manager of Program Operations Thomas Dvorak with your comments or funding suggestions. Their number is (414) 271-1036. Or write to them at Channels 10/36, 700 W. State Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233.)

Festival funds may be eliminated

Milwaukee — The Division of Budget and Management for the City of Milwaukee has recommended eliminating funding for the Festival Fund Board from the city's 1993 budget.

If endorsed by Mayor John Norquist and passed by the Common Council, funding for events like the Veterans Day Parade, the Riverwest Art Walk, the St. Patrick's Day Parade and the city's annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony could be cut. This year's Festival Fund budget was \$200,000. Its purpose is to help fund neighborhood celebrations and cultural events.

The Festival Fund Board came under attack early this year when it recommended that the Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee, which applied for funding, should receive \$5,000 for its June parade and rally. After heated debate, the Common Council approved the allocation in January, but Mayor Norquist then shocked the Gay community by vetoing the funds. Some Council members at that time began to question the value of the funding for any groups, especially in light of the city's budget crisis.

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ACLU

Seeks To Free Prisoner With AIDS

Seeking to reverse what legal experts say is the country's most extreme and irrational AIDS related prosecution, the American Civil Liberties Union's national AIDS Project recently asked the highest criminal court of Texas to overturn the attempted murder conviction of a man who spit on a prison guard.

The ACLU action was filed on behalf of Curtis Weeks, a person with AIDS who was convicted by a Texas jury in November 1989 and sentenced to a draconian punishment of 99 years or life, whichever is longer. A mid-level appeals court affirmed the conviction and sentence on July 9, 1992.

In its petition to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, the ACLU argues four points: that the Texas courts have misconstrued the offense of attempted murder; that the evidence in the case cannot support a guilty verdict; that false testimony was improperly used at the trial by the prosecution, and, most

fundamentally, that Weeks was denied his constitutional right to a fair trial.

Weeks was serving a short sentence for robbery when the spitting incident occurred. He testified at trial that he was provoked to spit at the guard after being denied the use of bathroom facilities during a long trip between prisons. Had he not been convicted of attempted murder, Weeks would have long ago left prison and returned to his family.

"Weeks may have acted impolitely, but he is no murderer," said Ruth Harlow, staff attorney with the ACLU AIDS Project. "His sentence to die in prison for the crime of spitting leaves the only blood here on the hands of the state of Texas."

During the trial, Texas prosecutors relied on the testimony of two notorious 'expert' witnesses, Paul Drummond Cameron and Dr. Lorraine Day, to win a conviction. Neither a medical doctor nor a research scientist, Cameron has made a career of testifying against litigants who are Gay or who are associated with AIDS. During Week's trial, Cameron erroneously testified that not only could



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Dr. Day likewise routinely exaggerates the transmission risk of HIV in court testimony. When asked during the Weeks trial why the entire medical community disagrees with her conclusions, Dr. Day could only say that Galileo's positions had similarly been rejected by medical literature and his peers.

AIDS care training center at MCW

Milwaukee — The Midwest AIDS Training and Education Center (MATEC) has selected the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) Department of Family and Community Medicine as its Wisconsin site. MATEC is a federally-funded program based at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

MATEC Wisconsin will provide, develop and coordinate HIV/AIDS training programs responsive to the needs of clinicians. The program, initially established at the State Medical Society of Wisconsin, is intended to provide HIV related clinical training for physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, dentists and dental hygienists.

Charles E. Gessert, M.D., associate professor and vice chair of family and community medicine and director of the Division of Community Health Programs at MCW is site director and Terrance G. Brennan, M.P.H., will assume day to day administrative responsibility for the site as program director. The site is funded by an annual grant of \$95,000 from the U.S. Department of Health Resources and Services Administration.

The MATEC-Wisconsin Advisory Planning Group are volunteers from target health professions, key agencies and consumer groups.

For information on MATEC training or continuing education programs to be offered in the coming Fall and Spring, medical, nursing or dental clinicians may call: (414) 778-4226. ▽



Lots of talent turned out for Tiffeny Thomas' [front, center] Miss Gay Continental benefit at Club 94. Tiffeny holds the title of Miss Continental Wisconsin, and was to compete in the national competition in Chicago last weekend.

Classies

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Lena Chavez was recently chosen Miss Club 219 over four other contestants. [Lena is the one in the solo photo.]


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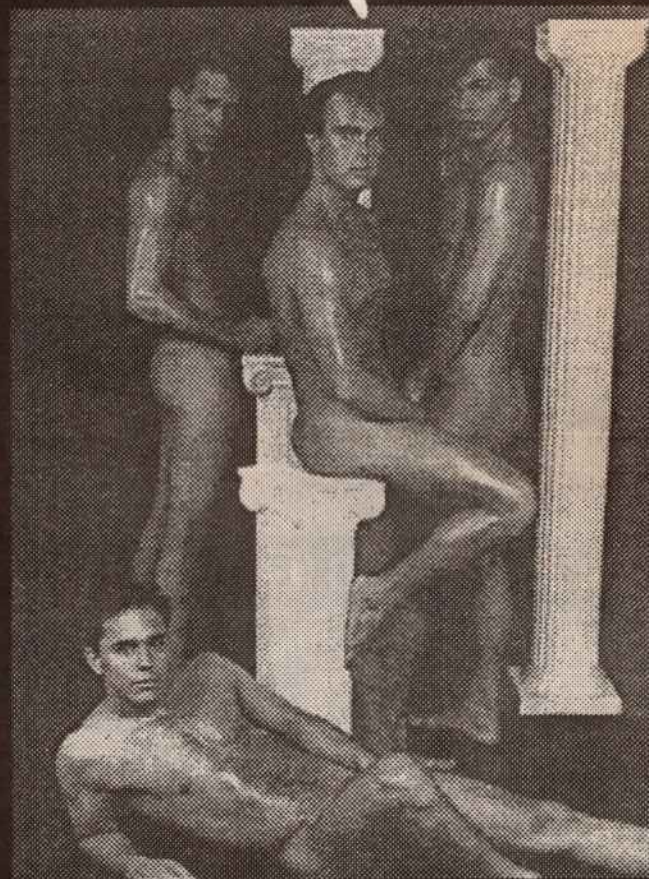
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Campus Gay center opens Sept. 10

Madison — The Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Campus Center will be hosting its grand opening on Thursday, from 4-8pm September 10. The Center, a student service organization, is the first Center for LGB in the University of Wisconsin System. The LGB Campus Center has received funds for Student Segregated Fees (SUFAC) and will provide a variety of services, from support groups to programs. The Center invites you to come visit its facilities. The Center located at 336 West Dayton in Madison, and will encompass an office and lounge space, as well as a resource area. For more information about the Center please contact Alnisa Allgood at (608) 263-3422 or (608) 262-1081.


LGB SCHOLARSHIPS

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Campus Center and the Gay and Lesbian Ethnic Minority Association will be hosting a fund raiser to start a Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual studies scholarship at the University Wisconsin- Madison. The fund-raisers will be on Friday 18 September 1992, on campus at the Great Hall.

The scholarship is being developed to encourage the research of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual lives as well as to encourage the founding of a Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Studies Program. The fund raiser will be a combination dance and fashion show. The fashion show, a mockery of stereotypes about Lesbians, Gays, and Bisexuals, will start at 9:30pm. The dance will go from 8pm to 1pm, cash bar available. Cost is a \$3 donation with tickets purchased before hand, or a \$5 donation at the door. For more information please contact Alnisa Allgood (608) 262-1081 or 263-3422 or Deborah Bey (608) 271-8439 or 262- 1081.

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WHIZ BURGER

THEN MY HUSBAND LEFT ME FOR A YOUNGER WOMAN, AND I HAD TO WORK TWO JOBS BECAUSE THEY DON'T PAY MUCH TO 40 YEAR OLD WOMEN WITH NO JOB EXPERIENCE.

the book engendered in the Gay community of Los Angeles. Vocal members of the Gay/ Lesbian community threatened to demonstrate when Peters read from his book if he did not include a disclaimer to the effect that violence and murder is not characteristic of the Gay personality.

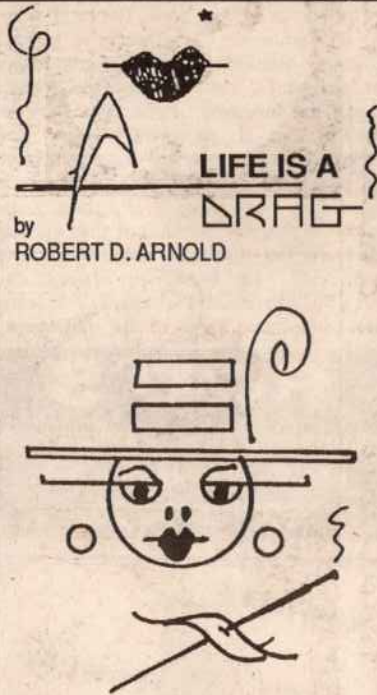
He refused to make the disclaimer, but did include an explanation of his viewpoint in a preface to the book. In this preface, he explains that his fictional killer, who speaks in the first person, is loosely based on Randy Kraft, a Gay serial killer currently on death row in California. Peters attended numerous sessions of Kraft's lengthy trial and was present at the sentencing. He even wrote to Kraft at San Quentin prison, but the letter was returned marked 'Not An Employee.' He also explains that 'his' killer is entirely fictional and not about Kraft at all, but rather a presentation of the 'interior life' of a serial killer.

In a previous work, *The Blood Countess*, consisting of poems and a play about a seventeenth century Lesbian mass murderer, Peters declares that violence is 'the religion' of the late twentieth century. If this is true the 'religion' is simply another altar at which I would refuse to worship. He condemns the labeling of such monsters as Gay or straight and says that his protagonist's idea that "killing is a way of finally loving" is entirely perverse.

The first section of the book, the 'Snapshots,' consists of short prose poems which, far from articulating the psyche of his character, seem to wallow in the sensational and brutal for its own sake. His delineation of the portrait of perversion is incomplete and unsatisfying even when viewed through the narrow lens of senseless madness. He finishes these lurid, voyeuristic obsessions with a coda called 'Scorecard,' which gives a death list of 61 entries, found in the car trunk of the murderer at the time of his arrest.

The play of the same name as the book has only a single character and is, therefore, a monologue. The actor simply repeats whole sections of the prose poems, verbatim. Mr. Peters should know


that writing fiction, even in the poetic form, is entirely different from writing plays. Fiction needs character and character development. Good fiction also requires complexities and a resolution. A good actor can, by interpretation, develop a character visually, but if a play is too complex, the audience will lose contact. The resolution can also be smaller in a play than in a work of fiction and still be satisfying. For these reasons I found the play, which plows the same ground in almost the same words, even to the final death list, to be the more satisfying of the two works emotionally. His morbid fascination with the topic shows through like the tainted bones of a long buried corpse. Look elsewhere for real insight into the psyche of the serial killer.



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Group Notes

MAP: "thanks for the \$\$"

Milwaukee — On August 9th La Cage hosted the Siros 'White Knight Out' Underwear Party which raised \$1,300 for the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

The \$10 cover provided guests with champagne and food for the evening's festivities. Music by D.J.'s Tonya and Tyrone provided the tunes for all to dance and sing along with. The 150 people in attendance were mostly in costume or underwear which was signed and cartooned by Siros.

Special thanks go to George Prentice and Siros for their production of the exciting, and revealing, event.

C.D. RELEASE PARTY— La Cage also recently hosted a Red, Hot and Dance C.D. Release Party which benefitted both the MAP and the American Foundation for AIDS Research, AmFAR.

The entrance fee to the party raised \$500 for MAP and proceeds from the sales of C.D.s and cassettes in music stores will benefit AmFAR.

Proceeds will directly assist MAP in providing support programs for people with HIV disease in the Milwaukee area.

• **'HELENFEST' '92 RAISES \$340 FOR SEWAP** — The Helens annual outdoor benefit on August 15, 'Helenfest '92' raised \$340 for the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP). Held in Mc Henry, IL., there was plenty of free food, beer, volleyball, and music for all to enjoy.

Proceeds from the fest will help SEWAP in providing AIDS/HIV care and education in Racine, Kenosha, and Walworth counties.

• **LAVENDER HILL RAISES OVER \$10,000 FOR MAP** — The 9th Annual Lavender Hill 'Lavender Space Odyssey' celebration to benefit MAP raised over \$10,000 this year.

The event took place at the Renaissance Center on Sunday, August 16 and was attended by approximately 400 people all

dressed in outrageous costumes.

This money will directly help MAP in providing legal assistance, food services, housing services, and support programs offered to people with HIV disease in the Milwaukee area.

Special thanks go to the Lavender Hill Steering Committee for their outstanding job putting together this years extravaganza, and to all the individuals and organizations who participated.

Also thank you to all who attended and made the event a success. We're already looking forward to Lavender Hollywood in 1993!

• **FASHION SHOW TO BENEFIT AIDS A SUCCESS** — The first annual 'Bay Shore Gala Fashion Show Benefit' was presented on Saturday evening, August 22 to a crowd of over 250 people at the Bay Shore Mall's Center Court.

Fashions were flown in from New York and Italy and were presented with an international theme of AIDS awareness entitled 'Our Next Generation.'

• **GENEVA CRUISE FOR AIDS A SUCCESS** — The second annual 'People Who Care' Boat Cruise was a big success. The cruise, attended by approximately 200 people, took place on Sunday, August 25 and was produced by the SEWAP.

The money raised from the event will directly help SEWAP in providing comprehensive AIDS care and education in Racine, Kenosha, and Walworth county.

The cruise included a buffet brunch and a scenic trip around beautiful Lake Geneva. After the cruise, people were treated to the area's Venetian Fest which culminated with a lighted boat parade around the lake.

Thanks to all who participated in all these special events which helped raise much needed funding.

hours while Herve' frets about his manuscript. When Vincent wakes, the pair go for a hike along the rugged coast heading for Trou du Diable, a cliff with a sheer drop into the sea. Will Vincent push him or embrace him? Is Vincent his lover or his assassin?

This chilling little book is obsessed with death, but it is engrossing.

Snapshots

Snapshots For a Serial Killer: A Fiction And a Play

by Robert Peters,
GLB Publishers, San Francisco,
paperback, 130 pages, \$10.95

Reviewed by Eldon E. Murray

The author of this book, Robert Peters, has written some thirty books of poetry, criticism, memoirs, and short plays and has achieved a certain name for himself among the followers of the 'avant garde' press. Since I personally know and respect some of those who have published and praised his work, and since we, in Milwaukee, have been so absorbed in the Jeffrey Kahmer serial killings that most of us have found objectivity about Dahmer to be difficult, I had hoped for, at least, the poet's insight about the mind of a serial killer. I had also heard of the controversy

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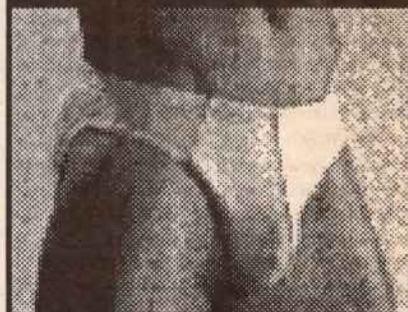
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Books

Receptions for Lesbian author

Green Bay — Northeastern Wisconsin fans of critically acclaimed author Jackie Calhoun won't have to travel far this fall to meet the novelist, whose books feature Midwest settings and Lesbian characters.

Calhoun will make September and October appearances at in-home receptions in Green Bay and Menasha, where she'll read from her third novel, chat with fans about her writing and sign her books, which will be available for sale.

The wine and cheese receptions are being sponsored by Northern Womyn Inc. and the Fox Valley Womyn's Potluck.

Calhoun will read from her third novel, *Sticks and Stones*, at the Thursday, Sept. 17 reception in Green Bay, 2747 Englewood Road, and at the Saturday, Oct. 10 reception in Menasha, 721 Keyes St. Both events begin at 7pm.

Calhoun, who also is the author of *Lifestyles* and *Second Chance*, makes her home in Wisconsin's Fox River Valley and spends as much time as possible at her lake cottage near Wild Rose. Her fourth book, *Friend and Lovers*, will be published in 1993 by Naiad Press, and she currently is at work on her fifth novel.

Calhoun's work has gotten rave reviews from the beginning, and Naiad promises that *Sticks and Stones* delivers just as powerfully.

For information or directions, call Kathy (414) 469-9077.

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The Gangsters

The Gangsters
by Herve' Guibert,
Translated by Iain White,
Serpent's Tail, London and New York,
108 pages, paperback, \$10.99.

Reviewed by Eldon E. Murray

This little 'novella noir' is the work of Harve' Guibert, one of France's most promising young writers who died from AIDS in late 1991. He was a photography critic for *Le Monde*, and his work included the novel *To the Friend Who Did Not Save My Life*, about the last days of Michel Foucault, a close friend, who died of AIDS. This book marks the first translation of Guibert into English and is printed in England by Serpen't Tail, a publishing firm specializing in Gay literature.

The author-narrator, while suffering from a severe case of shingles, visits his two elderly great-aunts whom he discovers are being fleeced of their money in large amounts by a group of extortioners posing as home remodeling workers. One is reminded of the black novels of Jean Genet as the 'gangsters' obviously represent the sinister forces of old age leading up to death, or perhaps, doctors who charge exorbitant fees for ineffective treatments. The police investigation fizzles out and the great-aunts finally accept the fact that their money is gone.

Herve' returns to Paris and tries to contact his lover Vincent. Meanwhile he has mysterious phone calls and a menacing presence dogs him throughout the damp and rainy streets of Paris. He finally contacts Vincent and together they decide to vacation at Croix-de-Vie on the Atlantic coast. They drive non-stop through the foul weather and when they arrive Vincent sleeps for over twenty-four

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Milwaukee P-FLAG 'comes out'

Milwaukee — A chapter of Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) has been meeting for three years in Shorewood and now finds itself ready to open its meetings to others interested in joining them on a monthly basis.

Meetings are held the third Sunday of each month from 7-9pm in a Shorewood church. The group is a confidential place for parents and friends of Gay and Lesbian people to share their stories. They offer support, information and care. They also provide a lending library and share many current news and information pieces with members and friends.

Membership is open to anyone at a cost of \$15 per year; \$5 for the National Federation and \$10 for local expenses.

Up until now, the group has received referrals only from the National Federation of PFLAG when local people called the national office number of the group. The local group is now ready to welcome those local parents and supporters who may not have had the initiative to contact the national number.

PFLAG is made up of about 20,000 families across the country. They have 300 chapters and contacts in the US and 11 foreign countries. They are mostly parents and friends who have educated themselves about homosexuality and are strongly pro-family. The group works to keep families in loving relationships.

Parents-FLAG Federation is the national umbrella organization with offices located in Washington D.C. They coordinate the work of all the chapters, enable new chapters to begin, provide a national media presence, coordinate legislative advocacy initiatives, and develop services and products which the typical local group cannot afford to develop alone.

For more information on the Milwaukee area group, and to find out where they meet on a monthly basis, call Sandy at (414) 962-9320.

Other Chapters of P-FLAG operate throughout Wisconsin — check the Guide in the back of this issue to find the Chapter nearest you.

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New Hope MCC 'Homecoming' Sept. 20

Milwaukee —New Hope Metropolitan Community Church will celebrate their annual homecoming service on Sunday September 20th in a new space and at a new time. The new space is located in the Kenwood United Methodist Church at 2319 E. Kenwood in the first floor Parlor. The new time will be Sunday evenings at 4:30pm. Currently the congregation worships in the upper chapel of Kenwood United Methodist church Sundays at 6:30pm.

It has been difficult for physically challenged participants to mount the three flights of stairs that lead to the upper chapel and for persons living with AIDS and other debilitating illness it has been especially challenging. The new worship time will provide the opportunity to participate in community events that are often scheduled Sunday evenings after 6pm. According to Pastor Chris, it will also be a better time for parents who bring their children to church and are concerned about getting them home at a reasonable hour in order to prepare for the upcoming school week. This move is also a response to the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches mandate requiring all chartered and commissioned churches to worship in a space that is accessible to more people; particularly the physically challenged.

MCC has a history of being an inclusive church providing positive and affirmative ministry to the Gay and

Lesbian community for almost 25 years. Though Kenwood United Methodist is not yet fully handicap accessible the church administration has a plan to be fully accessible in the near future. MCC's move to the Parlor is a first step to providing a more accessible and hospitable space to more people. For further information you may contact Pastor Chris at our church office phone, (414) 332-9995.

GAMMA's Lake front picnic/ roast

All members of Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community are welcome to join GAMMA at its 14th annual corn roast and picnic on Sunday, September 13, from 1pm until dusk. It will be held at Lake Park picnic area 4 — and will feature burgers, brats, beans, beer — and of course, corn-on-the-cob and soda. A special committee will handle outdoor activities which will include volleyball — and the opening of GAMMA's fifteenth season of touch (anywhere) football. The cost is only \$5 per person. Lake Park is located at the far eastern end of E. Newberry Boulevard in Milwaukee.

Other GAMMA events open to the community during September include game night on the eleventh, mountain biking on the twelfth, volleyball on the sixteenth, dining out on the eighteenth, a trip to the Milwaukee Zoo on the nineteenth, and indoor roller-skating on the twenty-second. For more information on any of these events, or for more information about the GAMMA organization, call 963- 9833.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Roller-skating: Meet at 6:30pm at Rollaero, 5200 S. Pennsylvania Ave. in Cudahy. \$2 includes skates. More info call GAMMA 963- 9833.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Ballgame: Dart league starts tonight.

Club 219 Plus: Grant Dixon's 'Victims of Desire' male dance troupe, 11pm showtime.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Bryon Murphy as Pearl Bailey, 10:30, no cover.

Nothing To Hide/WYOU [Madison]: Demo against Calif. Governor Pete Wilson, 9pm, Cable TV 4.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Club 219 Plus: King Productions presents 'Stars on Tour' featuring WI-USA & USA titleholders, 11pm showtime.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

3B's: Line Dance lessons by The Shoreliners, 9pm.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Kings 'Stars on Tour' with USA and WI-USA titleholders, starts 10:30pm.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Miss Gay WI-USA: Preliminaries tonight at Appleton's Pivot Club. Miss Gay WI-USA preliminary winners & first runners-up eligible to participate. Finals tomorrow night. Call King Prod. at (708) 764-6758 for tickets & reservations, 7pm showtime.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Live on stage, Coverboy singing sensation David Burrill, 10:30pm.

Ann Reed & Barb Rymar Concert: Hurricane Productions brings them live to the PAC- Vogel Hall for a 8pm show. (doors open 7:15pm). \$10 advance or \$12 door. Tickets at People's Books & Outpost Exchange. Wheelchair & interpreter provided.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Grant Dixon's 'Victims of Desire' male dancers.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Miss Gay WI-USA '92 Finals: At Appleton's Holiday Inn Banquet Room. Dinner & Pageant \$25; pageant only \$10. Call King Productions at (708) 746-6758 for tickets, reservations & info. Cocktails 5:30pm; dinner 6:30; Pageant 8pm. Finalists plus Special guests: Miss Gay-USA '88, '90, '92; Miss Gay WI-USA '89, '91.

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Walk/Run group forms

FrontRunners/ Walkers, named after The Front Runner, a novel about a Gay track star, is a non-competitive running club for Gay & Lesbian runners/walkers. A club is forming in Milwaukee for the purpose of promoting the sport of walking and running and is open to all ability levels.

FrontRunners/ Walkers is part of an international collective of running organizations. Fun runs/ walks of 1-6 miles will be scheduled weekly and club members will also have the opportunity to attend invitational weekends in Chicago, Minneapolis, and other host cities.

Start thinking about the Gay Games in 1994 now!! New York City FrontRunners/ Walkers has graciously offered to host other active FrontRunners/ Walkers in their homes for this big event.

FrontRunners/ Walkers especially encourages new Lesbian members into their organization. For more information and meeting place/ time call (414) 774-2668.

Gay World Series

Boston, Philadelphia, Atlanta, and San Francisco were the winners in the 16th Annual Gay Softball World Series. The tournament, sponsored by the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance [NAGAAA], was held in Los Angeles August 18th to the 22nd. A new format this year saw an A, B, and C division for men's teams, in addition to the women's division.

Fritz's of Boston defeated the Saloon Devils of Minneapolis to gain the 'A' division title. The Saloon team had just gone 12 innings to gain a victory over Uncle Bert's of San Francisco to get into the title game. Milwaukee's only entry, The Triangle Trojans, had the 'unluck' of the draw and were scheduled to play 3rd place San Francisco and 4th place Griff's of Los Angeles. The Trojans were

defeated in both games.

The 'B' division winner was Woody's of Philadelphia who defeated the Sporting Club of Los Angeles. An Atlanta team defeated Seattle for the 'C' division crown, while the Cafe of San Francisco retained the Women's title.

Next year, the series moves East to Philadelphia, while Nashville was awarded the tournament in 1994.

Several Milwaukee softball teams are still scheduled to play in late season tournamnets. The Wreck Room Spurs will be in Detroit over the Labor Day weekend, and Partners will be in Nashville on September 19th and 20th.



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Annual Pride meeting Sept. 10

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee Lesbian Gay Pride Committee has announced that their annual meeting will be held on Thursday September 10. The meeting will begin promptly at 7pm in the upstairs meeting room of the M&M Club, 124 N. Water Street. All residents of the Milwaukee area are invited to attend.

Items on the agenda include the election of new officers, election of new committee members and presentation of the annual financial report.

Anyone, or any group interested in joining the ePride Committee is urged to submit an application to the Pride Committee. This application should include a brief cover letter detailing qualifications along with reasons explaining why you wish to join the Pride Committee. A resume is also requested.

Applications should be submitted to: MLGPC, P.O. Box 93852, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Or you may present it in person on

the night of the meeting.

MLGPC will also be holding a discussion session to entertain questions, suggestions and comments on the 1992 Pride Fest and on plans for the 1993 Pride Fest.

Oberons Christmas for Kids

Milwaukee — The Oberons announced they are having the second annual Christmas Club for Children With AIDS. The Oberons will be raising money to buy gifts for the kids with a series of Beer/Soda Busts between now and Christmas. The \$5 bust benefits start on September 12 at 10pm at the Wreck Room and will be held the second Saturday of each month through Christmas.

All overhead will be provided by separate donations so that all funds raised in the community can go to the kids. Last year nearly \$1,200 was raised — this year's goal is \$2,000.

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Diocesan healing services

Milwaukee — Three years ago Canon Michael Stolpman asked that a Diocesan Healing Service be established at the Episcopal Cathedral to pray for an end of the AIDS epidemic, for its victims, their loved ones and families — for all concerned people. Since its inception a small group has faithfully maintained these services, but more people are needed.

Help is needed in a variety of ways — sending postcards, making coffee, ushering, providing music for services, reading a lesson — all very easy tasks, or you can simply attend a service.

“Add your voice in prayer to pray for healing, to encourage introspection, comfort grief for strength for caregivers and most importantly, to pray for an end of the AIDS crisis. Join us for the next service on 20 September at 4pm at All Saints’ Cathedral, 818 East Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee. If you would like prayers made on behalf of a friend or a loved one, for someone who has been taken by AIDS, for a caregiver or for any concern call the Cathedral Office at 271-7719.”

‘The Pageant’ slated for Nov. 8

Milwaukee — Pageant Productions again promises an evening filled with fine dining, talent and glamour as they present “The Event of the Year.” The ‘92-93 Pageant will be held Sunday November 8th at the Marc Plaza Crystal Billroom. The annual contest will be held to name a new Mr. and Miss Gay Wisconsin.

Cocktail hour will start at 5pm with dinner at 6:30pm and the pageant will be \$40, with fillet mignon as the main entree

with soup, salad and dessert. If last years dinner is any indication, we are in for a truly scrumptious dinner.

All contestants will display their talents in a musical number of their choice, as well as being judged in the following areas: interview, fantasy walk, evening gown (Miss) and swimsuit (Mr.).

Join them as the tradition continues. Ticket information can be obtained by calling (414) 645-7710. A contestant application appears in this issue of *In Step Magazine*. Watch future issues for more information.

LAMM annual meeting

Milwaukee — To celebrate the successes of its third year, the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) will hold its annual meeting at the Park East Hotel Ballroom on Thursday, September 17. The Park East Hotel is located at 916 E. State Street.

The evening will begin at 5:30pm with a cash bar, including plenty of non-alcoholic beverages. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm and the program, including the 1992 Annual Report, the adoption of the ‘92-’93 budget and recognition of volunteers, will begin at 7:30. The new Board of Managers will be elected that night as well.

The entire evening costs \$20 and reservations should be made by September 12 by sending a check to the LAMM Education Fund Inc., P.O. Box 93323, Milwaukee, WI 53203. For further information on the annual meeting or other LAMM activities, call LAMM at (414) 264-2600.

Romance addiction?

“How’s your love life?” This simple question is often followed by lengthy conversations about the perils of dating and the anxiety that can accompany the exhilarating, yet often painful, experience of establishing intimacy with another man. When we’re in the middle of this process it can be easy to lose perspective regarding our wants and needs.

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you don’t feel worthy enough to share this intimate part of yourself. Do not allow yourself to be diminished. Be proud of the person you are, HIV and all.

4. You’ll Decrease Stress On Your Immune System. Being dishonest (which is the same as avoiding the truth) will stress your precious immune system. Take care of yourself; by opening up, you are contributing to your well being.

5. You’ll Make New Friends (And/ or Lovers). There are plenty of individuals out there more than willing to befriend you. Honesty is a personal virtue. People will be attracted to you because of your openness; being candid can be alluring, even sexy.

6. You’ll Get More Hugs. Physical connections are comforting, warming, energizing. You probably have no idea how lovable you are, how huggable.

7. You’ll Sleep Better. Restlessness and sleeplessness are often the result of withholding. Once you’ve said it out loud, your ability to shut out those nagging voices keeping you awake, will improve. Sweet dreams await you.

8. You’ll Have More Energy To Do

Important Things. Being deceptive takes considerable time, robbing you of valuable hours to pamper yourself, improve yourself, share yourself. No more time for bullshit - increase your stamina to pursue what’s really important.

9. You’ll Set Yourself Free. If you’re hiding, you are probably bound to the constraints of a secret life, a double life. When you come out, you’ll no longer have to lie, make excuses, avoid certain topics. You’ll discover a new found freedom.

10. You’ll Be More Of Who You Really Are. If you are HIV positive, it is part of your true self, like the color of your hair, your sense of humor, your ethnicity. It’s certainly not all you are but to deny it is to deny an important part of yourself.

Be brave, take a deep breath, and come out — wherever, whenever, and whatever you are — including HIV positive.

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Viewpoint

Coming Out HIV

Santa Fe, NM — The following article by openly Gay, openly HIV positive, critically acclaimed actor/ writer Michael Kearns is part of an ongoing series of **National Coming Out Day** articles that address some of the many issues around coming out. An avid supporter of the **National Coming Out Campaign** from the beginning, Kearns has contributed his words here to encourage people with HIV to take their next step.

Coming Out HIV

By Michael Kearns

It took me more than two years to screw up my courage but after I did it, I experienced profound freedom; I felt overwhelmingly empowered; I became fearless. After I did it, I re-connected, as if I'd been emotionally dangling, oddly disengaged. After I did it, I knew independence, indeed, but was far less alone.

After I did what, you ask? After walking on hot coals? Parachuting? Bungee jumping?

None of the above. After Coming Out publicly as a person who has tested positive for the HIV virus, I feel better. Better than I could have possibly have imagined.

"You're only as sick as your secrets," is one of my favorite expressions, lifted from a popular twelve step program. All lives comprise a dramatic series of coming outs; I came out Gay, came out as a recovering alcoholic, came out as a person with HIV. Each of these events ultimately enhanced the quality of my life — no matter how traumatic it may have seemed experiencing them in the moment.

Since revealing my seropositive status, I've visited the temples and tombs of Egypt, performed my theatre work in Sydney, Australia, and acted on a segment of ABC's *Life Goes On*. More importantly, I have been energized by the depth of human spirit on a daily basis — whether through a long-time friendship or

through a story I read about an anonymous stranger in the newspaper.

Here are ten reasons to come out as HIV positive:

- 1. You'll Stand Tall.** Being HIV positive is nothing to be ashamed of, period. But you won't be able to alleviate a sense of shame until you stand up for yourself. If you're crouching in the closet, you're confirming to yourself the negative publicity about being a person with HIV. When you come out, you are saying "I deserve to be counted; I deserve to be treated with respect; I deserve to be heard." Be part of the solution.
- 2. You'll Know Where You Stand.** If you are afraid of being rejected, you must ask yourself: Do you really want someone in your life who is incapable of loving you for who you are? If you're looking for acceptance, look to yourself first. Then find out who your true friends really are.
- 3. You'll Increase Your Self Esteem.** You are jeopardizing feelings of self worth if



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Boundaries and convictions can be sacrificed in an attempt to 'hang on' to a relationship.

What is a healthy relationship? How do you know you've crossed the line between healthy desire for intimacy and desparation for a partner? How can you stop basing self-esteem on whether or not you are romantically involved with someone?

This weeks Gay Men's Discussion Group will be facilitated by Gary Hollander, Ph.D., a psychologist at the Sinai-Samaritan Medical Center and activist for the Gay community. The evening is scheduled for Sunday, September 27 from 6 to 8pm and will be

Letters

'Offensive' cover

Editor:

The cover of In Step volume 9, issue 16, dated August 13-26 was, in our opinion, highly offensive and in bad taste. It not only offended the women in our group of friends but it also offended the men. We feel that as editor you owe your readers an apology for this garbage you called a "stunning high contrast ink piece."

The artist, Tom Pawzun, could have shown his dislike of the male body in a less suggestive and offensive manner. This cover belongs on a pornographic mazagine not on yours.

We, as a group, look forward to each edition of In Step. However, from now on we will be a little more cautious in our recommendations.

Hopefully, this matter will be dealt with promptly and in an appropriate manner.

—Sincerely,
Kathy Peterson and 10 Co-Signers

Editor's Note: Oh, puh- leeze!

held at The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 North Bartlett Ave.

The GMDG is designed to be a safe and supportive place for us to share with one another what our diversity of experiences as Gay men is and can be. Preregistration is not required, and the cost is a \$2 donation. If you'd like more information, please call Bill Hanel at 271- 2565. ▽

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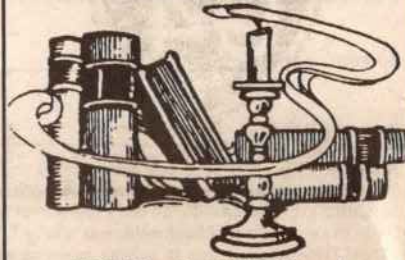
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plunges, and lots of chaise lounges for Laying Out 101 class with a mid term of a near perfect tan and a final of no visible tan line.

Instead of taking metal and wood shops, Gay coeds would learn much more useful skills, like how to hot-glue jewelry, comb out wigs, sew leather chaps, and tie really effective bondage knots. In home-ec class (for the drags) they would design and sew their prom outfits, learn to properly accessorize, cook and serve a flawless five-course meal, and do fabulous beauty makeovers on each other. In auto shop (for the diesel duchesses) the wimmyn would be able to tear down a '56 Chevy and rebuild it to stock car excellence. Driver Training class would train up future dykes on bikes. Instructors would show students the proper methods of car cruising and how to pick up babes afterhours (but never on a school night, of course).

The English Lit curriculum would heavily emphasize those works written by Gays and Lesbians. Science class would teach kids how to make their own poppers and designer drugs. Art class would only pass those students who turned out a project that could cause Jesse Helms to have a major coronary. Math class would turn out a bunch of size queens who could do it with a square root and dykes running around in nothing but their algebras. History class would hail our homo heroes, like Michaelangelo, Alexander the Great, and Sappho, and would certainly teach the meaning of the Stonewall riots. The Life and Times of Harvey Milk would be required reading. Health class would not only distribute condoms and ental dams but demonstrate how to apply them on real live models. And those sex ed classes would show some very hot same-gender how to films. marriage and Family Living class would instruct that the Ozzie & Harriet nuclear family was a thing of the past (we're talking dinosaurs) and that today we are ALL family and our true family values are to love one another and get over our pretty prejudices and phobias (take THAT, Danforth Q and Geo. Bush baby).

Of course Gay High would have its closet straights who everyone would poke fun at and no one would sit next to during lunchtime in the cafeteria. Speaking of which, our Gay school would not serve that institutional ration, chipped beef on toast, sh-t-on-a-shingle stuff; Gay students would order a la carte from Cordon Bleu menus at elegant tables set with candlesticks and silverware and gorgeous floral arrangements made by students in Floristry 101 class. Student waiters, hoping to one day become real waiters, would serve the meals.

And can you just picture the faaaaaab-u-lous graduation ceremony, with all the Gay grads decked out in rainbow robes and pink triangle mortarboards with leather and chain tassels? Pomp and sir-come-stance! Of course the whole event will climax in one gigantic COMING OUT party where everyone bursts through a hugh closet and marches down the streets in the biggest, Gayest, proudest parade ever!!!

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Wisconsin's new 'Early Intervention' program for PWAs

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee AIDS Project, in collaboration with STD Specialties Clinic, has implemented a new program for individuals who recently tested positive for HIV. The program is called **Positive Approaches To Health, or [PATH]**.

"We have spent the past two years planning what has become Wisconsin's first early intervention program for people with HIV disease," said Doug Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW). ARCW operates three Wisconsin AIDS service organizations including the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Nelson said that as many as 6,500 people infected with HIV in Milwaukee are not receiving information on how to live with the disease, or how to stop its spread.

According to Nelson, early intervention is a strategy to encourage newly-infected people with HIV to access health and social service systems so that life prolonging interventions can be quickly implemented.

PATH is a collaborative effort integrating MAP's health education, case management and risk-reduction expertise with the health assessment practices of STD Specialties Clinic.

"As more is learned about HIV disease, people who are HIV positive and who take good care of themselves can lead longer and healthier lives," said Doug Johnson, director of STD Specialties Clinic. "By providing information and resources, PATH can help people learn to take control of their health.

STD Specialties Clinic is an anonymous HIV counseling and testing site that provides medical and laboratory assessments, and diagnosis and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases.

PATH is designed to serve those who are HIV positive, who do not have a diagnosis of AIDS, and who are not accessing the medical care system.

Available to individuals throughout metropolitan Milwaukee, PATH incorporates the following components: physical and mental health assessments, health status monitoring, health educational, and cooperative therapies.

• Physical and Mental Health Assessments — The physical health assessment includes a complete head-to-toe physical exam, laboratory testing, and a health history review. Each is performed by a qualified nurse clinician under the supervision of a licensed physician.

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Back-To-School could be cool

September is back-to-school month, as we are well aware by the myriads of ads on TV and in magazines reminding us to shop till we drop (as if **WE QUEERS** needed motivation for shopping!) for school supplies and outfits. It could be many different variations on schools: trade school, business school, high school (say little boy, aren't you a little young to be reading this Gay periodical with all the nasty pictures of nearly naked men!), charm school (personally I flunked out), or just the good old school of hard knocks. School days... school daze.

But for most of us, school is still a horrible, nightmarish memory that occasionally haunts us like Freddy Kruger in our dreams. For me, Freddy takes the form of a super-het, steroid-pumped, hyper-homophobic gym coach making me run extra laps for smarting off in line during roll call. Coach was forever yelling, "Okay you little pansy, drop down and give me twenty" Twenty what? Twenty kisses on his protective cup? Twenty licks over his boots?? And he was always calling us a bunch of girls, so is it any wonder some of us are now so at home in pearls and high heels?

I have figured out why school was such a 'Nightmare on Elm Street' type torture for us fags and dykes; we would have done just fine had we attended a Gay school, let's say some place like Harvey

Milk High or the Judy Garland Public School of Lip Synch.

Instead of being a drag, school could have been like being in drag - festive, happy, GAY GAY GAY! For instance, homeroom would be where we gathered to catch up on the latest dish, find out where the next activist protest was being held, and work on our costume for the next drag event; which would replace those awful prom dances the non-Gays have to attend. Ours would be same-sex proms with festive couples in dress cowboy gear or formal leather attire. Most of the tuxes would be worn by the dykes, and most of the gowns by the fags. We would elect our homecoming female king and male queen. And none of that tacky crepe paper crap hanging from the basketball hoops either! Students from Interior Design class would redo the gym into a real rave palace with lazer lighting, smoke, fog, and revolving mirrors.

When not having Gay proms, the gym would serve as the general sports area where students would choose their own phy-ed program to suit their needs, be that water sports, nude mud-wrestling, aerobics class (where the emphasis would be on building up a beautiful buffed body to die for, not for dumb old reasons like good health or the President's council on fitness), or just rolling around on thenewly waxed wood floors with your locker buddy. Outdoors, the pool would be swim-suit optional with hot tubs and cold

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treatment providers. Medical care and treatment for HIV disease are not provided by the PATH Program.

• **Health Education & Cooperative Therapies** - The PATH Program assists clients in assuming responsibility for their own health and well being through health promotion therapies and educational activities directed at stimulating the body's own healing process.

Health education sessions include topics of stress management, maintenance of safer behaviors, and proper nutrition.

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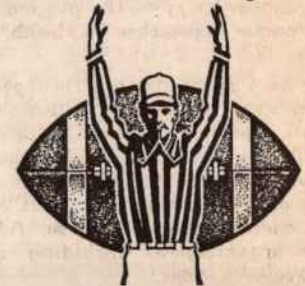
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The Arts

“The Hours & Times” premieres Sept. 10-13

Milwaukee — *The Hours and Times* is an award winning (Berlin, Sundance, and Park City festivals) piece of historical fiction, portraying Beatle John Lennon and Beatles manager Brian Epstein's four-day holiday in Barcelona. A mere hour long, the film deals with the pair's ambiguous and loving friendship, and the story of Epstein's unrequited love for Lennon.

Director Christopher Munch, spent one week on location in beautiful Barcelona to shoot the film, and two years in post production to create this honest and straightforward work of film genius. *The Hours and Times* will be shown at The Union Cinema-Theatre at 8pm, September 10th through he 13th, along with another of Munch's short works, titled *Resonance*.

Says Munch: "The film is a validation of the kind of intimate friendship many people experience but which isn't often represented. The fact that Epstein and Lennon were big public figures suggested that their story would be a perfect expression of this kind of interaction. I had a real emotional connection to Epstein — to the longing in all areas of his life. It was hard for him and he was sad, but in other ways he flew."

The Union Cinema-Theatre is located on the second floor of the UWM Student union, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd.

The film is open to all members of the UWM community and their guests.

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Show to benefit Scheel House

Madison — Potential Mayhem Productions has planned an evening of fun and festivity to benefit the Rodney Scheel House for Persons with AIDS. "When You Wish Upon A Star" takes place on the evening of Sunday, September 13th at the New Bar.

The evening consists of a cocktail buffet from 7-9pm, followed by a cabaret variety show starting at 10pm. The cabaret features special appearances by Ricardo Gonzalez, Madison's 4th District Alderperson, as 'La Ina'; Felicia Melton-Smith, Miss Capital City USA; Dedra Lee, Miss Gay Madison; and direction by Brian Femrite, a leading performer in Madison's theater community.

Tickets for the buffet and show are \$10, while tickets for the show only (sold after 9pm) are \$5. Each admission includes a complimentary drink. For ticket information, contact The New Bar at (608) 256-8765.

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Gay Men: the first 40 years

People are like snowflakes, no two are exactly alike. But, just as there are differences, there are similarities. Shared experiences and life events which experts can predict with uncanny accuracy. The following chronology examines events and milestones typical Gay men share from puberty to the age of forty.

14 Years: First Phy. Ed. shower, the age at which Gay men discover G.I. Joe and Ken are not anatomically correct. This is usually followed by intense anxiety with the possibility of uncontrollable hormone-driven stimulation in shower. Grades plummet as you try not to stare.

15 Years: Unexplained fixation on dead female movie stars begins.

16 Years: First crush on cute English teacher.

17 Years: Begins sleeping in the nude.

18 Years: First sexual encounter lasts a total of 24 seconds.

19 Years: Got drunk, has embarrassing sexual encounter and develops the ability to ignore a previous trick.

20 Years: Year in which the one day, in which you'll never look better, occurs. Brain mysteriously migrates to crotch in what scientists call, "The Slut Phase."

21 Years: You can now legally enter the bars you've been sneaking into for four years.

22 Years: Hair-do fixation progresses; symptoms include: Pony tails, hair highlights approximating any selection from a box of Crayolas and mousse-addiction.

25 Years: Messy end of first long-term relationship, when you dump him for a blond with roller blades and a double digit I.Q.; he bad mouths you all over town. It takes you six months to get the knives out of your back.

26 Years: First credit card, limit reached in thirty days. Most purchased items: cologne, clothes and 1-800 calls billed discretely to your Visa or MasterCard.

27 years: Daily skin care consists of Ivory Soap, PABA-free sunscreen and Clinique Moisturizer.

28 Years: Aunt Betty stops asking when you're going to get married when she stumbles onto your pornography collection during an unannounced visit.

29 Years: The last year in which a bartender will ever card you for looking underage.

30 Years: Begins sleeping in underwear.

31 Years: You reach down to smooth a bulge in your tank top and discover what you thought was your shirt, in fact, is your stomach.

32 Years: Spend most of your free time at the health club trying to lose your belly. As a result, have no free time to stand around bars and show off your new pecs. You stop working out, pecs deflate in a week.

33 Years: First subscriptions to Vanity Fair and Better Homes and Gardens. Track Lighting first appears.

34 Years: Removal of stuffed animals, posters of ballet dancers, and framed centerfolds from Torso magazine from bedroom.

35 Years: A relatively new tendency to put on weight in unattractive places which, if unchecked will leave you looking like Raymond Burr in a year.

36 Years: Realization that if they gave away a Nobel Prize for stereotypes, several of your friends could win the one for Nellie Flamer.

37 Years: Begins sleeping in pajamas.

38 Years: What were crows feet at thirty now make you look like Granny from the Beverly Hillbillies. You try to disguise this phenomenon by wearing clothing totally inappropriate for your age.

39 Years: Daily skin care consists of Ivory Soap, PABA-free sunscreen, Clinique Moisturizer, Emollients, Collagen Injections and an appointment for plastic surgery.

40 Years: Your chances of being sexually devoured by a 20 year old continues to decrease as you plummet down the orgasmic food chain.

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Black women's film fest

Milwaukee — The Community Media Project presents **Sisters: A Festival of Films By, For, and About Black Women** featuring guest artists Carmen Coustaut and Ayoka Chenzira; and two programs of film shorts.

All events are free and open to the public. For those desiring more information, please call (414) 229-6971. The program is co-sponsored by the LOC-Women of Color, and the Black Arts Experience Program produced by Colorlines Foundation for the Arts and Culture Inc. with funding made possible by Milwaukee County and the City of Milwaukee. The Community Media Project is sponsored by the UWM School of Fine Arts Film Department, the Wisconsin Black Historical Society/Museum, and Great Lakes Film and Video.

The following film program will be screened on **Friday, September 18**, at the Wisconsin Black Historical Society/Museum at 2620 West Center Street, at 8pm. The same films will be screened on **Saturday, September 19**, at 8pm — at the UWM Union Cinema, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd. The 1 hour 45 minute screenings feature the following films: **Picking Tribes** — takes a lighthearted look at a daughter of the 40's as she struggles to find an identity between her African American and Native American heritages; **Perfect Image** — explores women's obsession with beauty, acceptance and 'perfect image'; **Hairpiece: A Film for Nappy Headed People** — animated satire offers critical and historical look at Black American's self image; **Extra Change** — story of 12 year old girl coming to terms with the pressures of adolescence; **Praise House** — features dance troupe Urban Bush Women telling the story of a young

black woman's drive to express herself artistically.

The second program of films will be shown on **Saturday, September 19, 8pm** — Also at the UWM Union Cinema, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd. This 2 hour program features the following films: **She Don't Fade** — A Black Lesbian gossips about her sexuality and "new approach" to women; **Water Ritual 1** — A woman invents and carries out her own ritual of purification; **Spin Cycle** — A young Black Lesbian filmmaker ruminates about her craft and relationships; **Dreaming of Passion** — about intimacy and desire between two Black women; **Dreaming Rivers** — explores the thoughts and dreams of a middle aged woman on her deathbed; **Storme: The Lady of the Jewel Box** — documentary of former male impersonator from America's first integrated female impersonation show; **Varnette's World** — documentary explores the art work of Varnette Honeywood.

7th Lesbian Variety Show sets date

Madison — Kissing Girls Productions has chosen November 20-22, 1992 as the dates for its 7th Annual "I Got This Way From Kissing Girls" Variety Show and Weekend.

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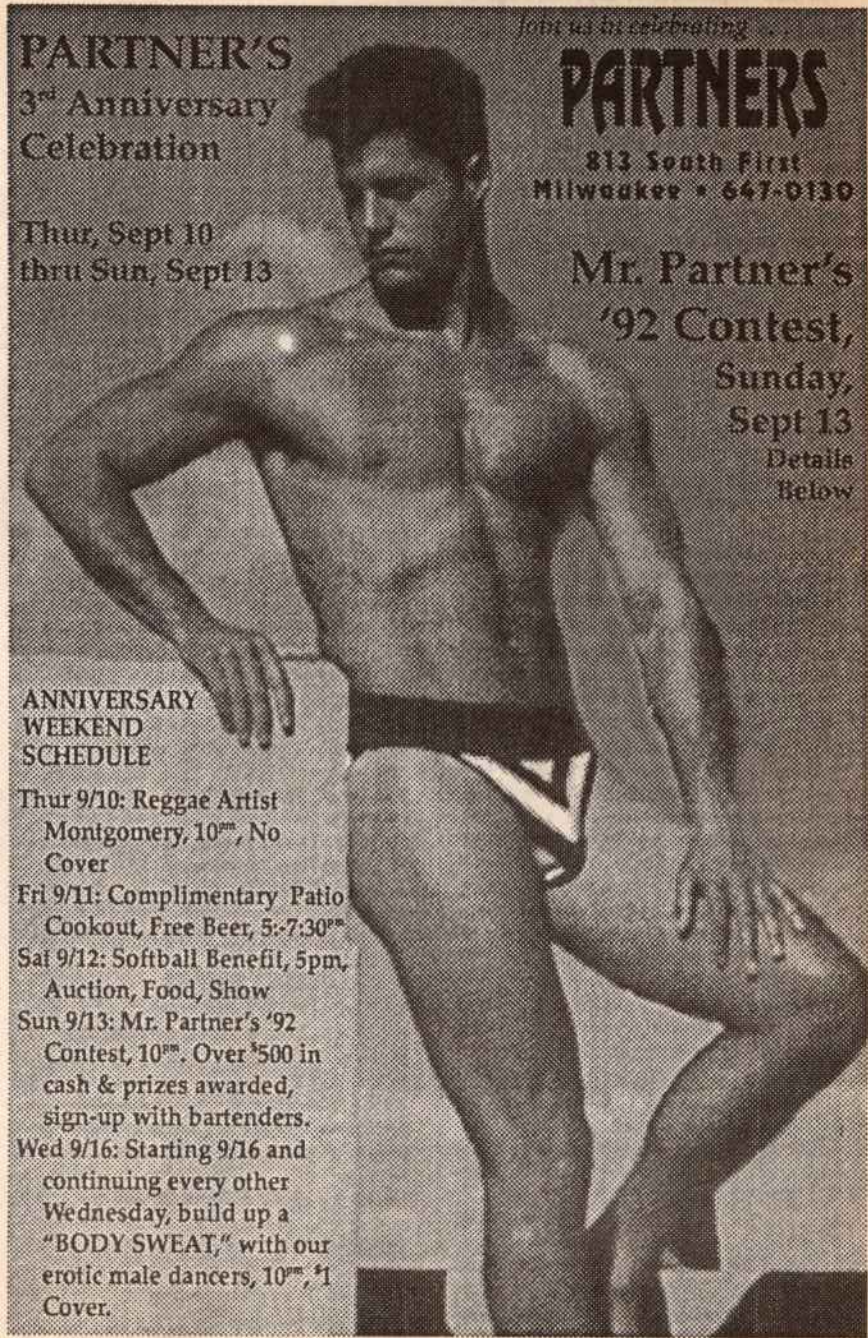
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- Fri 9/11: Complimentary Patio Cookout, Free Beer, 5-7:30^{pm}
- Sat 9/12: Softball Benefit, 5pm, Auction, Food, Show
- Sun 9/13: Mr. Partner's '92 Contest, 10^{pm}. Over \$500 in cash & prizes awarded, sign-up with bartenders.
- Wed 9/16: Starting 9/16 and continuing every other Wednesday, build up a "BODY SWEAT," with our erotic male dancers, 10^{pm}, \$1 Cover.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Nothing To Hide/ WYOU [Madison]: Oct. '91 L.A. demo against Gov. Wilson's veto of Rights bill. 9pm, Cable TV 4.

Partners: Starting tonight (and every other Wednesday) build up a 'Body Sweat' with our erotic male dancers, 10pm, \$1 cover.

Pivot [Appleton]: Talent shop with Bonnie Bitch, 10:30pm, no cover.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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

3B's: Dart league starts at 7pm.

LAMM Annual Meeting: Park East Hotel Ballroom, 5:30 cash bar, 6:30 dinner, 7:30 program. \$20 per person — reservations by Sept. 12, phone (414) 264-2600.

Club 219 Plus: Benefit Show to help send Dominique & DuWanna to King Production's Miss Gay WI-USA pageant in Appleton 9/26 & 27. 11pm showtime. (See ad for details.)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

3B's Bar: Line Dance Lessons by the Shoreliners, 9pm.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Lecia Sams presents 'Cold Vinyl & Warm Honey,' 10:30pm.

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

Gay/Lesbian/ Bi Studies Scholarship Fundraiser [Madison]: UW Great Hall, Dance/ Fashion Show. Fashion show at 9:30pm, Dance from 8pm-1am (cash bar). \$3 donation in advance or \$5 at the door. For more info. call (608) 265-3344.

Pivot Club [Appleton]: Bonnie Bitch is back, 10:30pm, no cover.

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament.

MLGPC: 1100 Club hosts a Pride Committee Beer Bust, 6pm-2am, prizes, raffles.

Jo'dee's [Racine]: Tippie's 'Taste of Country' With a Kick, 11pm showtime, \$2 cover.

Napalese Lounge [Green Bay]: 10th Anniversary celebration. Show featuring C.C. Rae, \$2 cover, 25 cents off all drink prices, food.

3B's: Barbra Jean & The Country Girls present 'Take Me Back To The Country' showtime 10:30. \$3 donation benefits BESTD Clinic.

BJ's: Birthday bash for Dennis & Ken, 9-?, free keg of beer, food.

Zoo Tour: Meet at Penguin exhibit at County Zoo at 1pm & tour with the GAMMA gang. Admission is \$6 per person. Some people will bike from East Side. Call 963-9833.

Club 94 [Kenosha]: Lola's 'Full Moon Madness' show featuring 94 Follies Girls & Friends. 10:30 showtime. Donations go to SEWAP.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

WI AIDS Walk: Milw's. Lakefront Urban Park (just north of Summerfest and south of Art Center) a pledge Walk to benefit AIDS Care & Education in Wisconsin. Registration/Pledge forms available at all Kohl's Food Stores. Call (414) 273-1991 or (608) 238-6276 for more info. 10am- refreshments open, 10:30- registration opens, noon opening ceremonies, 2:30- Walk begins, 3:30 closing ceremonies.

Club 3054 [Madison]: 2nd Annual pet Show.

Napalese Lounge [Green Bay]: 10th Anniversary Show featuring Bonnie Bitch. \$2 cover, 25 cents off all drink prices; food.

Milw. PFLAG Chapter Meeting: 7-9pm at a church in Shorewood. A place for parents & friends of Gays & Lesbians to support, inform & care. More information & location call Sandy at (414) 962-9320.

New Hope MCC Homecoming: New Hope Metropolitan Community Church annual homecoming service in a new space & at a new time, 4:30pm, Kenwood United Methodist Church, first floor Parlor (2319 E. Kenwood). More info call Pastor Chris at MCC Church office phone (414) 332-9995.

Wizards: 'Fried Green Tomatoes,' serving up the movie & the delicacies, 5pm.

Touch Football: 4pm after AIDS Walk at soccer field on West Side of north end of Lincoln Memorial Drive — open to all. Call 963-9833 for more info.

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November 20 with the theme "Love and Lust Songs: Torch by Local Lesbians."

The annual Lesbian Art Show and the main event, the Variety Show, will be held on Saturday, November 21. The Art Show will continue on Sunday morning and will be followed by a reception and an afternoon Poetry Showcase. Specific times, locations and ticket information will be announced in upcoming weeks.

Kissing Girls productions is also hosting a "Design the Lesbian Variety Show T-Shirt Contest." Rough design entries should use no more than three colors. Amateur artists, non-artists and professionals are all encouraged to apply. T-shirt designs should be submitted by September 14 to: KGP, P.O. Box 6091, Madison, WI 53716.

The contest winner will get a pair of tickets to the Variety Show, Poetry Showcase and Cabaret Night along with a free t-shirt.

Double feature benefits MAP

Milwaukee — The Paradise Theatre, located at 62nd and Greenfield, has just announced plans to hold a special event to benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

The Paradise will present a double feature of the films **Longtime Companion** and **Cabaret** the weekend of September 25, 26 & 27. Showtime will be 7pm each night, with a 15 minute intermission between the films. Admission is \$5 with \$2 from each ticket sold going to the Milwaukee AIDS Project. For those interested in seeing only the second film of the double feature, admission is \$2.50; showtime is 9:15pm.

Longtime Companion was the 1990 Audience Award Winner at the United States Film Festival; it tells the story of a close-knit group of Gay men and the effects that AIDS has upon them. The story starts in the early 1980's with the first reports of the disease and continues through the decade when AIDS becomes a fact of life among many Gay men. The film was written by Craig Lucas, and stars

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Stephen Caffrey, Patrick Cassidy, and Bruce Davison who received an Academy Award nomination for his performance.

Cabaret will follow **Longtime Companion** and is Bob Fosse's hit musical from 1972. It is set in pre-World War II Berlin, and stars Liza Minnelli as a singer in a sleazy nightclub called The Kit Kat Klub.

According to Charles Tennesen, president of the Cream City Theatre Corporation which manages The Paradise, "We thought a double-feature benefit for the Milwaukee AIDS Project would be appropriate because societies awareness of the magnitude of AIDS is increasing. Also several Hollywood stars have played a major role in bringing the issue into the spotlight; this event is a very suitable way to raise funds for research and relief for patients."

Representatives from the Milwaukee AIDS Project will be present each evening to speak prior to the films and to answer questions; brochures will also be available.

For further information regarding this event, please call (414) 259-5122.

Boulevard Ensemble '92 season

Milwaukee — The **Boulevard Ensemble** is kicking off its 92-93 season with a benefit on September 11, 12, 18 and 19 (Fridays & Saturdays) at the Boulevard Theatre, 2250 S. Kinnickinnic. Each night, the Ensemble will feature selected scenes from its Summer Acting Workshop. The Benefit presentations will include a broad range of selections ranging from comedy to drama, and selections change each weekend.

All performances begin at 8pm, and each night's performance will be preceded by an open house from 7-8pm.

The Ensemble will present scenes from such respected authors as Oscar Wilde, Anton Chekhov, David Mamet, and Richard Brinsley Sheridan. Also, the Ensemble will present monologues written by the celebrated writer Eric Bogosian and monologues by Milwaukeean Peter Ernst; a writer now working in New York City.

For ticket information or to reserve

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Oberons: The Oberons host their annual 'Christmas Club for Kids With AIDS' fundraiser at the Wreck Room, 10pm. \$5 beer/ soda bust. 1st in a series of monthly events held the second Saturday of each month.

M&M Club: 'A Blast From The Past' Randy (Evileen) Franks birthday party, 8pm.

Partners: 3rd Anniversary Celebration, softball benefit 5pm; auction, food, show.

Mountain Biking: Meet in 'Tosa at 9am & car pool to the Southern Kettle Morraine's Carlin Trail, call 963-9833 for more info.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Bike Tour (Madison): Join Frontiers on a 55 mile round trip bike ride. Leave northeast entrance (at bridge) of the UW Arboretum at 9am. Follow Military Ridge State bicycle Trail to Mt. Hores, then to Black Earth Creek Valley.

Queer TV: '92 Pridfest, Milw. Cable Channel 14, 10:30pm.

I/D Madison: Eucharist, St. Francis House, 1001 University Ave., Madison, 7:30pm.

Station II: Cribbage tournament; 4pm.

GAMMA Picnic: 14th Annual Corn Roast & Picnic, open to all members of Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian community. Lake Park Area 4, volleyball, touch football. \$5 per person includes food, beer & soda.

Partners: 3rd Anniv. Celebration, Mr. Partners Contest, 10pm over \$500 in cash & prizes awarded.

3 B's Bar: Bob Schicker's Birthday Party, 3pm-?

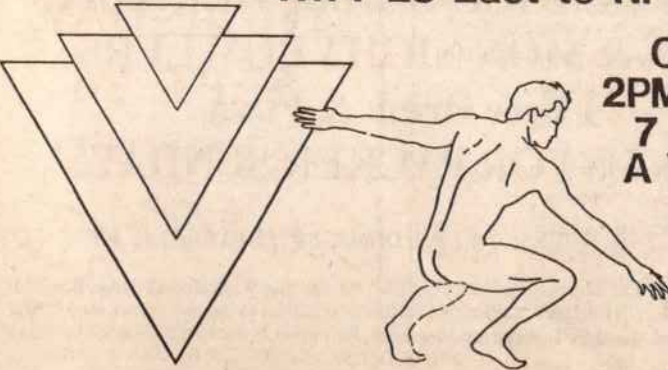
Wizards: Baby Jane's annual 29th birthday party, 3-9pm, buffet, cocktails.

La Cage: 'The Sunday Party' premieres tonight & every Sunday. Brunch in Grubb's Pub noon-5, dance to 'Trash Disco' 3 until?

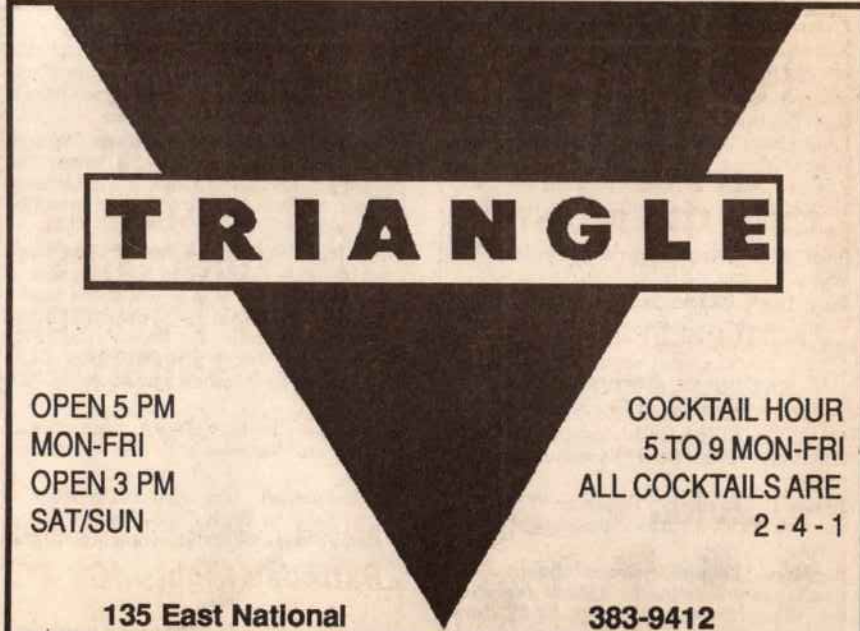
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Teen Connection: 60 minute re-broadcast of 'Sexual Orientation: Issues facing Gay & Lesbian Youth' on Statewide Wisconsin Public Television, at 8pm. Gay/Lesbian counselors will take phone calls on a statewide toll free number (1) 800-999-TEEN. (Calls will not be on the air — TV will show a re-broadcast of the program).

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Volleyball: Social volleyball continues at UWM's Engelmann Gym, 2033 E. Hartford at 8:30pm. Call 963-9833 for more info.

Nothing To Hide/WYOU [Madison]: Pt. 2 of openly Gay/Lesbian public officials gathering; 9pm, Cable TV 4.

M&M Club: Tonight and every Wednesday from 7-11pm — Gary Abbott at the Grand Piano.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Queer TV: '92 Pridfest program, Milw. Cable Channel 14, 10:30pm.

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

MLGPC Annual Meeting: Pride Committee invites all to meeting. Elections for officers & new committee members, release of annual financial report, discussion session. M&M upstairs banquet room, 7pm.

Partners: 3rd Anniv. Celebration thru 9/13. Tonight — Reggae artist Montgomery, 10pm.

Madison Lesbian Gay & Bi Campus Center: Grand opening of student run center, welcomes visits of the new facilities, 4-8pm; 336 W. Dayton. For more info call The Center at (608) 265-3344.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

3B's Bar: Line dance lessons, 9pm by the Shoreliners.

Indian Summer: Indian ethnic festival at Summerfest grounds. Native American ways, food, entertainment, culture, through 9/13.

ZA's [Green Bay]: Gloria Holloway's Benefit Show 10:30, DJ at 11:30.

1100 Club: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing, 9pm- midnight.

Partners: 3rd Anniversary Celebration — complimentary patio cookout, free beer 5-7:30pm.

Pivot [Appleton]: '8 Degrees Below Normal', a comedy troupe from Chicago, 10:30, no cover.

seating, please call the Ensemble at 672-6019. All of the proceeds from the Boulevard Benefit will go to support productions for the 92-93 season. The opening production will be:

• **A Lovely Afternoon At Creve Couer** by Tennessee Williams, which will run October 16 through November 8 (Thursdays through Sundays).

Other productions for the season tentatively include: December production of **Talley's Folly** or **Dear Liar**; February production of one of the major classical Spanish playwrights **Life Is A Dream/Verma** to be directed by Pat Acerra; And the closing April production of Moliere's **The Learned Ladies**, to be directed by Boulevard General Director Mark Bucher.

Another major change for the Ensemble is the expansion of its space at 2250 S. Kinnickinnic. The Boulevard has added an adjacent space, which has provided for the enlargement of its performing area and allowed additional rehearsal space, an office and a separate lobby space.

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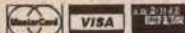
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A Message from Cricket . . .

I've had the privilege of working for Malcolm at Napalese for most of the 10 years it has existed. I've worked with many wonderful people behind the bar, & I've met many, many wonderful people over the bar. Sometimes I take Gay life & the bar scene for granted - or even with a grain of salt. But when I stop & reflect on the familiar faces I have come to recognize, & the variety of people I see day-to-day, I can't help but grin & feel very lucky. It's great to see the horseplay & clowning around that goes on among the customers. It's also great to see the affection & friendship of people who truly care about each other.

But what I find most inspirational of all is the "melting pot" effect that bars like Napalese have on otherwise diverse groups of people. It's important to me that Naps maintain an environment free of segregation. We enjoy a reputation of serving women & men, young & old, Gay & straight.

We encourage support for Northern Womyn, Bay City Chorus, and GWEDA, & thank them for their gifts to the community.

A big Thank You to Jeff, Zoomie, CC Rae, Gloria & all the other performers who have stimulated our evenings.

And the biggest Thank You to all of our Precious Customers.