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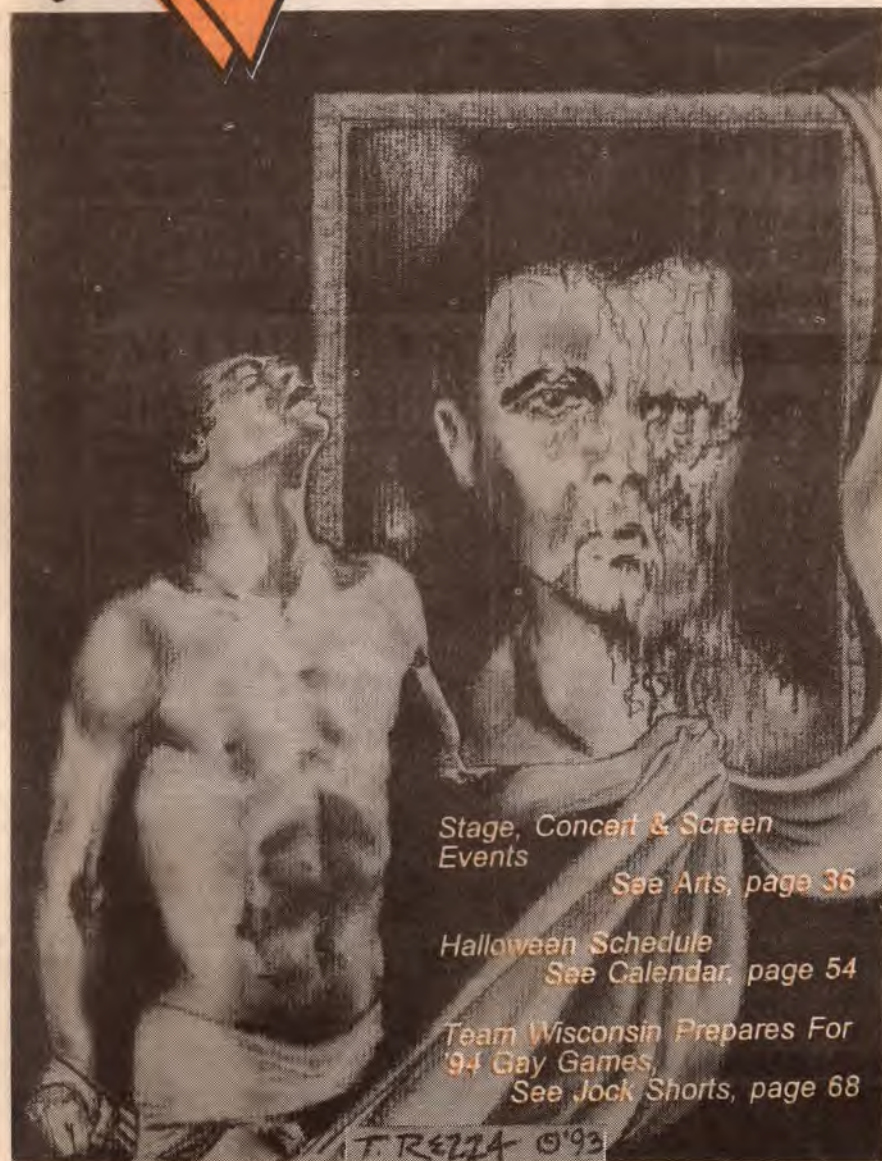
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Cover Story

Frequent cover art contributor and "The Gay Side" cartoonist Tom Rezza interprets Oscar Wilde's work, "Portrait of Dorian Gray" for our Halloween cover. Tom's strikingly realistic charcoal work is always thoughtful as well as stunning.

Hope you all have a safe and sane Halloween weekend. In Step has detailed listings in our "Calendar" section of all the Halloween events around the state, so enjoy yourselves!

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in biking, tennis, swimming, also who have longer hair, blonds A+! who really wants to have a good time. #2829

APPLETON, HAVE FUN, MAYBE EVEN GET SERIOUS. GWM 5'9", 165#, Br/Br, just out looking for someone to talk to, get to know. Call and get his number. Call anytime. #3186

DIE-HARD C & W FAN. GWM 36, 5'8", 135#, gdlkg, into country music, song writing, very good artist, hairy chest. Give me a call, we'll get together. #4144

GREENBAY, NOT LONELY, BUT LOOKING. GWM 25, 5'10", 165#, Blk/Blu. You can call me and get my hm number. #4255

MILWAUKEE, CASTING CALL! NEEDED: one serious but fun-loving caring man to inter-act oppos. similar "role player", who's attrac, 30-something, 5'11", 160#, Br/Blu, likes tennis, reading, movie buff, romance. Part will remain open until filled. #4957

MILWAUKEE, I AIM TO PLEASE! GWM 38, looking for companionship. I go out of my way to be a pleasing person. Give me a call. #5178

WISCONSIN SOMETHING IN COMMON. Bi male into outdoors, physical activities, biking, hunting fishing, looking for someone to share the same interests. #2178

PLEASE ME. GM 45, 5'11", Brn/Gm, 185#, gdlkg, trim beard, sk younger guys 18-25. Like outdoors and having a good time. #5338

MAN IN SUIT A TURN-ON! GWM 37, Br/Hzl,

heavy, very domestic, like walks, quiet nights, antiques. Seek GWM hunk, in-shape who isn't afraid to say "I care", be supportive, honest, clean, disease-free, disc, for lasting relation. #1312

LAKE GENEVA, TIRED OF GROWING ALONE. GWM 40, 5'7", 148#, good sense of humor, attrac. prof. looking to expand my friendships & experiences. I like sci-fi, intell. conversation, fine arts, travel, honesty & romance. #2012

FOX RIVER VALLEY, PAIRING UP WITH A PEER. GWM 24, 5'11", Bl/Bl, very masc. looking to meet other guys in the area around my age bracket. Talk to you soon! #2256

A REAL NICE GUY! Looking for interesting people to meet. For those who are lonely, and are dom. I'm looking to be a btm. I really enjoy a good time. #4974

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND? I'm clean & creative and would love some good conversation. Give me a call. #4990

DORA COUNTY, FOR THE SERIOUS AT HEART. GWM 48, 165#, brown hair, moustache, 5'11", in very good shape I'm told. Looking for someone interested in a serious relationship. If interested in following through, give a call. #1609

S.E. WISCONSIN, LET'S GIVE IT A TRY! GM 30ish, looking for a companion, soulmate. I'm into old-fashioned things: movies, music, getting to know people one-on-one, and truth & honesty. Maybe we can get together sometime! #1713

LA CROSSE, PADDLE THRU THE RIVER OF MY HEART. GWM 33, 6'2", 220#, looking to meet guys into canoeing, camping,

fishing. I like a masc. outdoorsey type of guy. Be within the area only. Let nature take its course! #1894

MILWAUKEE, ACT HOW YOU FEEL, NOT YOUR AGE! GWM 28, (look & act 24) 6', Br/Bl, 160#, looking for friendship, possible relationship, also a roommate with someone close to my age or younger(18+). Call and get my pager number. #1395

MILWAUKEE, WHAT'S IN STORE IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS? GBM 23, very good-looking, 6', 155#, looking to do outdoor things & have fun. So give me a call. #1903

HELP CLEAN UP MY LOVE LIFE! GWM 33, 6', 185#, green eyes, btm, janitorial bus. owner sks guys 18-21 for pos. relationship and good times. Someone similar, masc, tp, to live with, help with business. Let's talk & meet first. #2309

FOX VALLEY, PLAY RECORDS & TALK ABOUT GUYS! Mature man 5'9", 150#, no smoke/drugs/bars, sks someone with similar interests. Love walks, running, roller-blading, collecting records & CD's. Looking for pos. rel. with men 18-30. #2453

APPLETON, PUMP THOSE LEGS. Looking for a friend to spend time with. I'm new around here, not into bars. Looking for someone to do bicycling with, road or cross-country. So, why don't you pull on your bike shorts & leave a number? #2467

LAKE GENEVA, IT'S NO WONDER WHY I'M A HOMEBODY! GWM 30-something, attrac., 6', 190#, homeowner, looking for some friends in the area,

same age bracket. Not into bars. Enjoy being a homebody, cooking meals, enjoying the lake front. #2609

MILWAUKEE, INTELLECTUAL PURSUITS. GBM 28, 5'8", 140#, student enjoys dancing, going out, good times, literature, politics, hanging out in cafes, conversation. Sks someone my age, funny, interesting, pos. White, for pos. relationship. #2823

YOUNG AND RESTLESS! Looking for someone to take road trips, or just go out and do things. I'm 25, like horses and like to travel. Give me a call, we can take a ride. Giddy-up! #2166

MILWAUKEE NO BARS, NO GAMES, JUST ROMANCE. GM 36, 5'10", 150#, Brn/Brn, interested in finding someone for serious relationship. Want someone who's affectionate and romantic. I'm both those and more! Talk to you soon. #2262

EYES FOR A MATURE GENTLEMAN. GWM 21, Bl/Gm, 5'11", 155#, seeks older man, business type for cuddling. You be at least 35, Dk/graying hair, somewhat handsome, and at least my height. Your call gets my hm number. #2273

I WORK BY NIGHTS, BUT... by day, I'm a Wild & Crazy Renaissance Man looking for someone to share life with. If you like to live in the daylight, give me a call! #2180

LAWKISHAW A MIX AND MATCH? Cross-dresser would like to meet other cross-dressers. Call me, we can swap good times. #2488

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Milwaukee **FRUSTRATED** husky GWM 28, seeks btm for safe fun, are you available? #3953

Milwaukee **31, PROF, GWM**, 5'11, med built, like biking, music, dining, seeks quality time w/25-35 guy who's caring open minded, & likes to explore. Open to other alternatives too. #4005

Milwaukee **50 SOMETHING GUY**, into having dinner, country home in Lake Geneva #5136

Wisconsin **35, INTO CDRESSNG.**, looking for other guys to dom. #5297

South East Wisconsin **VERSATILE WM** seeks younger athletic guys for get togethers, call soon. #6079

Milwaukee mid 30s, **LONG BLOND HAIR**, 155lbs, looking for rel., & good times, leave name & #. #6105

Green bay **MR. BUSY:** 31, very busy, successful, if you can handle a very busy man call. #6136

Kenosha **HEAD-BANGER BALL:** TWO Bi-white males 40 & 21, are seeking other gay men for evening drinks at our place and to enjoy heavy metal music. #6239

Kenosha **LOVE TO EXPERIMENT:** GWM, 31, looking for LTR., looking forward to hearing from you. Take a chance. #1164

Milwaukee **P-WAUKEE: NIGHTMOVES:** I'M looking for young men 23-26 for good times, I can't wait, leave me a msg with your likes & dislikes. #3440

Kenosha **HAVE THING FOR CROSS DRESSERS:** **BEARDED** 45, 57, 190lbs, looking for similar age for fun times, CDressors a plus. #5158

Madison **LET'S GETAWAY:** 34, 6',

musclcd, masc. acting, thick moustache, enjoy traveling to other cities, looking for poss. rel./buddy. #5567

MILWAUKEE **VERY FRIENDLY GBM**, 34, 6'2, 220lbs, interests include, good music, bike riding, would like to meet tall discreet man. #3568

LA CROSS **TWO-EYED TEN TOED** all-Male: 6', very athletic, Bi-male, very masculine, 55, variety of interests, seeks rel. /companionship. #4241

MADISON **CULTURED GWM**, 39, 180lbs, 5'11, blond/blue eyed, educated & prof., seeking LTR w/guy 25-35 should be good intell. & good looker. #5160

SHANO **HEALTHY EARTHY VEGGIE** 30 yr old, w/strange & somewhat gooly sense of humor, into great outdoors & ready to rough it. #5173

GREEN BAY, NORTHEAST area: **MAN FOR ALL SEASONS:** 35, 6', 190lbs, bearded, looking for friends, 30-40, call for hm #. #5216

MILWAUKEE **INTIMATE TIMES/CONVERSATION:** GWM, 31, 5'9, 170lbs, seeking guy any race to have fun times with, into dining out, theatre, & word games, —hey big guy you won't be disappointed. #5590

MILWAUKEE **SOMETHING DIFFERENT:** Very dom. pre-op TS looking for guy to play with. (no calls after 9pm thanks) #5642

ROCKFORD **YOUNG LOOKING WM**, 5'10, brw hair, looking to meet madison guys, (blond & smooth a plus). #5711

MILWAUKEE **LONELY** at the **TOP:** tp guy seeks btm right away. Let's slow down & make nice music together. #5717

MILWAUKEE **SIMILAR SITUATION SOUGHT:** LTR wanted by 6', brw hair, clean shaven, committed husband & father of 3, call if in similar situation. #5718

MILWAUKEE **EAST SIDE:** AIM 2 PLEASE: 5'9, 160lbs, btm, w/dark features, short hair, blue eyes, new to area, looking to please. (call before 11pm.) #3285

GREENBAY/APPLETON **GRAB YOUR...** jogging shoes: I'm 5'9, 175lbs, enjoy biking & outdoorsy stuff, looking for guys 25-35 to hang out with, poss. rel. —give me a buzz. #2467

APPLETON **INDEPENDENT:** I'm 44, look 34, feel 24, have a med. build, seeking a friendship with an attrac. guy my age or less. #3375

RACINE **FITNESS FASCIST** wants **SERIOUS WORKOUTS:** versatile man-sized man is seeking a couple of athletic dudes for some serious workouts. (could get v. sweaty) #3412

MILWAUKEE **ARTIST:** 21 yr old, 5'6, 135lbs, dark brw hair, very blue eyes, seeking intelligent guy, artistic or creative A+, for friendship or poss. love rel. —give me a call. #3615

MILWAUKEE **GWM, BTM**, 50, 6'2, 230lbs, into movies, walks, reading & bowling, looking for young tp guy 18-25 for good time get togethers. #3689

EAU CLAIRE **MASCULINE MEN WANTED:** 6'2, 185lbs, 42, masc. very good btm who likes his men masculine #2341

SOUTH EAST **145LB ATHLETE:** 25 yr old, 5'8, 145lbs, inexper. discreet, masc. top, looking for smooth young btm who's interested in sports & the

outdoors, leave a message. (all races welcm) #2385

WAUKASHAW **FATHER FIGURE:** GWM, 63, brw hair, 180lbs, 5'6, seeks younger guy 18-25 for good harmonious rel. #2468

OSHKOSH, **I'M REALLY FUN AND OUT-GOING!** Gdlkg GWM 23, 5'10", 170#, sks other guys 20-30yrs, with dark hair and hairy bodies in the area. If interested call me. #2445

GAY FATHER OF ONE. LOOKING FOR ANOTHER GAY FATHER. You: late 30's, trim and tall a big plus. Me: gdlkg, Brn/Gm, 175#, 5'10", absolutely love theatre, dancing and monogamy with the right man. Maybe you are the right man! #2928

MILWAUKEE, LOOKING FOR ALL YOU GUYS OUT THERE. For fun & good times. I like going out, shooting darts, water/jetskiing, outdoors, hiking, playing pool. If you're in the area leave a message. #2940

CENTRAL WISCONSIN. SERIOUSLY SEEKING GUY 18-47YR OLD, I'm blond, 195lbs, w/big chest & arms, seeking guy into sincere rel. ... I enjoy camping, fishing and quiet evenings at home. #4765

MILWAUKEE, NEW TO MILWAUKEE, GWM, 175lbs, 6'2, enjoy great outdoors, bike riding, long walks, meeting new people, #4971

MILWAUKEE, I LOVE THE OUTDOORS: Ex-jock, tp, very sensual, mid 40s, seeking younger male to hang out with. Let's explore. #5411

MILWAUKEE, REALLY INTO LONG HAIR. GWM 28, looking people interested

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News

Showdown Time for Pentagon Ban and Colorado Amendment

Courts to Decide Fates of Major Gay Rights Issues

By Jamakaya

As *In Step* went to press, the fates of two major Gay rights issues, the Pentagon's ban on Gay and Lesbian service members and Colorado's anti-Gay Amendment 2, were being debated and decided by the judiciary.

In Washington, the Clinton administration announced its intention of asking the Supreme Court for an emergency stay of an injunction ordered by Federal Judge Terry Hatter which prohibits the Pentagon from initiating or following through on any discharge procedures against soldiers because of their sexual orientation.

Judge Hatter had declared the Pentagon ban on Gays unconstitutional in January when he ordered Petty Officer Keith Meinhold reinstated to the Navy. He reiterated and strengthened his order on September 30, saying Clinton's new policy is just as unconstitutional as the previous restrictions, and threatened to charge the government \$10,000 per day if it does not comply with his order.

Hatter's order prohibits the military from "taking any actions whatsoever against Gay or Lesbian service members, or prospective service members, that in any way affects, impedes, interferes with or influences their military status, advancement, evaluation, duty assignment, duty location, promotion, enlistment or re-enlistment based upon their sexual orientation."

Hatter declared: "Sexual status alone is not sufficient to establish sexual conduct."

Gay rights advocates rejoiced at Hatter's order but were then angered by Clinton's decision to appeal to the Supreme Court.

In *Step* went to press before the

Supreme Court heard the appeal so, as of this writing, the Pentagon cannot implement its ban against Gays. However, Gay rights attorneys urged caution.

Attorney Michelle Benecke told the *New York Times*: "I want to caution against euphoria that the issue has been taken care of, because it has not. It will take time to go to the Supreme Court and even if the formal ban ends tomorrow, Gay service members are likely to continue to face tenacious harassment and discrimination."

AMENDMENT 2 IN COLORADO

Also as *In Step* went to press, lawyers argued before a Colorado district court for and against the constitutionality of Amendment 2, passed by 53% of Colorado voters last November. The amendment prohibits the state or localities from adopting laws which bar discrimination based on sexual orientation. It voids existing laws in the cities of Denver, Boulder and Aspen.

The decision on Amendment 2, which is likely to be appealed to the Colorado and U.S. Supreme Courts, is crucial because it will affect the outcome of similar right wing referendum campaigns in cities and states around the country.

An injunction is currently in effect blocking implementation of Amendment 2 until the courts decide on its constitutionality. A judge found "probable cause" that the measure infringes on the constitutional right of citizens to equal protection of the laws.

When Colorado for Family Values sought to lift the injunction earlier this year, the state Supreme Court rejected the request by a 5-1 vote, saying: "One's right to life, liberty and property... and other fundamental rights may not be submitted to a vote." The court ruled that only proof of a "compelling state interest" could override basic constitutional guarantees.

In the showdown which began on October 12, Colorado's Attorney General, charged with defending the Amendment, argued the "compelling state interest" at stake was the preservation of "family values," and that homosexuals do not constitute a legitimate minority in need of legal protections.

Attorneys for the plaintiffs (including Colorado resident Martina Navratilova) argued, as before, that Amendment 2 infringes on the rights to due process and equal protection of the laws enshrined in both the U.S. and Colorado constitutions.

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Kenosha, FUN STUFF: 35 y/o bi-WM into camping, concerts, down hill skiing, looking for 21-37 y/o guy to share the above. #4687

715 Area Code STAR GAZER: sensitive 25 yr old WM, 6'1", 195lbs, new to area, looking for solid friendship based on trust, #5690

Milwaukee POSITIVE seeking positive man 35-45, I'm into TV, walking & crafts. #5906

S.E. Wisconsin MANSIZED MAN: 6'2, 180lbs, vers. mansized man, smooth tanned bodies a plus. #3700

Milwaukee BUDDIES WANTED: 24, GWM, beginner, seeking straight acting men. Let be friends and see what happens from there. #2104

Milwaukee SEEKING A LOVER: GWM, 35, 6'1", Blonde moustache, hairy Love to read and cook, I am a professional. #2782

Milwaukee LIVE FOR THE WEEKENDS! GWM 32, 6'1" 185, Seeking guy to go out with and travel. Love to roller blade, I am a educated professional. #2886

Racine LOVE TO DANCE AND GO TO PARTIES: 22 GWM seeking a charming nice man call me and lets talk it over. #3542

Milwaukee LETS PARTY: **BIWM** 5'8" 150, great body and tan, love to have a great time, anything goes. Seeking a bitm to have a few beers and party with. #4237

Milwaukee NEW TO THIS: 39, male seeking a sensitive

man who can teach me the ropes. Lets share our thoughts. #1816

Milwaukee LOVE TO DRESS UP: love to collect. I would like to meet other collectors. I am 31, 5'11" and well built. #3836

Milwaukee ARE YOU TIRED OF BARS AND GAMES?: I am! I am a tall, good looking man seeking tall good looking men to play with. Leave me a phone number. #3840

Green bay FRIENDS: I need some!! Please call and leave your name and number. All calls returned. #3708

Walkshaw ALWAYS ROOM FOR NEW FRIENDSHIP: 24, looking to meet good friends 24-30 mos. acting a plus. #4375

Milwaukee RETIRED PROFESSIONAL: 6', 175lbs, 60, prefer ynger men who like older guys #4477

Madison BI-MARRIED: 39, 5'11, 160lbs, dark hair, trim beard, masc., hairy, goodllg, lookin for man to man mutual enjoym't. #5500

Green Bay IS ANYONE OUT THERE? 25 GWM, interested in similr aged guy to connect with. #5630

Milwaukee LOVE WRESTLING: early 30s, 155lbs, nice tight body, love wrestling, horse back riding, looking for person 25-33, goodllg & musclr. #5816

Kenosha MASTERFUL MAN GWM, 41, (look & feel 25) looking for subm. 25-35, hairy chested WM into dom., #6800

Wisconsin BLOND, 6', 160lbs, interested in movies, dinners, new friends in area. #6094

Wisconsin SUPERCUTS!! NEED A HAIRCUT? Free

buzz cuts for anyone who wants me to be their personal barber, call for details. #7010

Milwaukee PRE-OP OR CD WANTED: 28, 6', 180lbs, let's get together and see what happens, you wanna? #7202

Appleton EZ GOIN: 22, 6'1", 200lbs, dark hair/eyes, not into bars/fems, seeks other GWM 25-35. #5869

Milwaukee VARIETY OF INTERESTS: 54 Yr old, active & anxious, looking forward to hearing from you. #5734

Green bay ROOMMATE NEEDED: Looking for a lover, 36 and older, for poss. roommate situation #6368

Fox Valley PERSONALS VIRGIN: 33, 6', 185lbs, black hair, like tennis, golf, cross county skiing, first time call. #6424

Madison WEEKEND FUN: HAIRY 42, seeks slim, smooth guys under 25 for weekend fun, leave name, number & description. #6488

Racine BLUE EYED 22 YR OLD: brw hair, 6'1, good shape, loves outdoors, likes dancing but not into bars, call for hm #. #2251

Appleton COUNTRY TYPE: conserv. 45 (look 35) hairy, looking for discreet times w/secure/exec. type who enjoy talking and getting to know someone first. #1949

Appleton CREATIVE & FUN? GWM, 30s, 5'8, 170lbs, musclr build, enjoy travelling, looking for creative person /friend 21-35 (long hair A+) #2879

Green bay GREAT TIMES: GWM, early 40s, 165lbs, brw hair, hazel eyes, nice looking ISO good friend and someone seeking serious rel. #4112

Milwaukee SIMPLE THINGS: 30, GWM, 6', into quiet times, going out to movies, #5278

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Walshaw I LIKE SHORT GUYS: 6'2, fit, seeks Hairy guys if under 5'10, give a holler. #3784

Madison 19 YR OLD: student, 6', 180lbs, dark hair, brw eyes, into beach walks, dancing, seeks guy up to 30. If interested leave a msg. #3870

29, GOODLOOKING, 5'11, 170lbs, prof., GWM, would like to meet guys 18-30, drop me a line. #5447

Milwaukee 27, VERY GOODLKG, WELL BUILT, looking for a good time, call fast for hm number. #5495

Milwaukee GWM, 28, heavy set, hairy, seeks smooth slim, tp. (visiting NYC soon). #5515

Appleton MARRIED BI-MALE, 5'9, 30, looking for clean cut male, call for my address & drop me a line. #5914

Milwaukee MUSCLED GUY seeks **CASUAL REL:** WM, 33, 5'8, 165lbs, muscl build, seeks casual rel.w/local guy, no strings. #5921

Madison PROFESSIONAL 30s: Mid 30s man 6'1, 175lbs, prof., looking for similar type ages 30-40 for after the office fun times. All interested call. #5923

Monroe COUNTRY GUY WANTED: by fin. secure, goodlooking, 48, GWM, younger types encouraged. #3100

Milwaukee ATTRAC. GWM, **LOOKING FOR** real good time, if interested call for hm number. #3908

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Walkshaw **BLOND/BLUE
EYED:** 27 y/o, 170lbs, is
looking for someone to
workout with, hangout with,
(prefer masculine) #4252

Wisconsin **MAN 2 MAN
MUTUAL ENJOYMENT:** 22
y/o, 5'10, 155lbs, shoulder
length blond hair, green
eyes, seeking 25-35 y/o for
dining, dancing & 1/1 fun.
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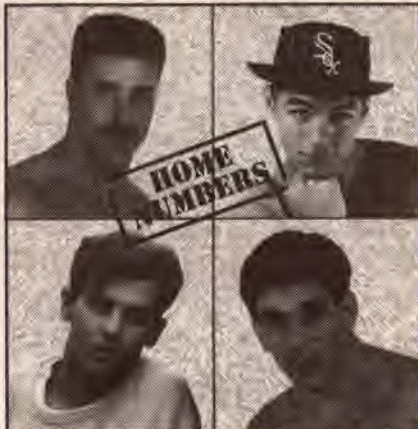
Milwaukee **LONG
BROWN HAIR:** medium
built, 26, 5'9, 150lbs, masc.,
enjoy working out, music &
seeking tall masc. man,
(muscles A+). You: surprise
me. #6608

Madison **21 YR OLD WM:**
5'8, 155lbs, brn hair/blue
eyes, smooth body, seeking
men 18-35 (muscles A+)
leave your name & number &
best time to get back to you.
#1340

Rust river **V. CUTE:** 26 y/o,
5'10, dark brn hair, waiter,
enjoys cooking dinner,

watching movies, seeks
masc. goodllg tp, #1342

Wisconsin **THOUGHTFUL:**
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ACLU Defends ACT UP's Right to Distribute Literature & Condoms to High Schoolers

ACLU: Milwaukee Police Must Stop Violating Rights

Milwaukee — The American Civil Liberties of Wisconsin has written Milwaukee Police Chief Philip Arreola to protest his Department's interference with ACT UP Milwaukee, an activist group which works to increase public awareness of the AIDS epidemic.

On October 2, officers of the Milwaukee Police Department stopped members of ACT UP from distributing safe sex literature and condoms to students at Milwaukee Technical High School before a homecoming dance. And on October 9, despite a decision by the Milwaukee City

Attorney's office that no illegal conduct had occurred, officers again stopped a similar distribution at Hamilton High School.

The ACLU of Wisconsin believes that the police are violating the First Amendment rights of ACT UP members. In an October 15 letter to Chief Arreola, ACLU volunteer attorney Waring R. Fincke, called upon the MPD to stop interfering with protected First Amendment activities by ACT UP in the future. Fincke wrote that "My clients ... expect that your officers will not prevent them from exercising their civil rights, including preventing students from receiving the literature... Any violations of my client's rights will result in legal action for injunctive relief and damages."

ACLU of Wisconsin Executive Director Christopher Ahmuty said October 15, "The MPD must have better things to do than censoring a message which may just prevent one of our students from exposure to AIDS. ACT UP's message may make some officers uncomfortable, but that's no excuse to violate the First Amendment."

Wisconsin Community Fund Counters Right Wing Bankroll

Gay Men at the Helm of Progressive Fund

By Jamakaya

Madison — As the Wisconsin Community Fund begins its twelfth year of bestowing grants on progressive groups throughout the state, at the helm of the organization are two veteran Gay activists who believe passionately in the fund's mission.

Ralph Navarro, a former President of Milwaukee's Cream City Business Association and the Lambda Rights Network, says he's found a "home" at the Wisconsin Community Fund. He is President of the Fund's Board of Directors.

"I got tired of working on single issues, tired of being separated and divided in my activism," Navarro told *In Step*. "The Wisconsin Community Fund provides a wholistic approach to all of my concerns and therefore I can focus my energy and do

things here that have broad application to every issue that I'm concerned about."

The Fund provides grants averaging \$2,000 - \$3,000 to non-profit, grass roots groups "striving for democracy, diversity, justice, a sustainable environment, and social and economic equality." The primary beneficiaries have been women's groups, environmental projects, Native American, Latino and African American groups, peace and labor activists and Gay and Lesbian organizations.

Steve Starkey, recently appointed Executive Director of the Fund, also appreciates its broad progressive agenda.

"There's a real connection between the struggle of Native Americans, people working for environmental protection, and people working for Gay and Lesbian rights," he told *In Step*.

"All of the things we do are related to each other. Some of the groups may seem different but our work all relates to the same thing, which is the empowerment of people who are disenfranchised in some way, whether by racism, sexism or homophobia."

Starkey, who was the production manager of the Gay newspaper *Out* in the 1980's, said: "It's important for the Gay and Lesbian community to support other progressive causes, and it's important for

Community Fund...

the Gay and Lesbian community to realize that there's a lot of support for us from left groups — there's a mutual interest there. United we stand, divided we fall."

COUNTERING THE RIGHT WING

Indeed, another compelling issue motivating the leadership of the Fund is the knowledge that right wing groups are mounting aggressive campaigns and amassing huge treasuries.

"Wisconsin is taking a hard right turn," says Navarro. "I'm very concerned that there's nothing to even begin to counter the power of the growing right wing conservative movement in the state."

"We're a pip-squeak next to that big money," Navarro said of the Fund. "But because we're a statewide organization, because we're connected to many different places, we must nurture that and capitalize on it."

Future plans call for a survey to identify the many progressive groups in the state, to identify common attitudes and goals and to stimulate greater discussion and networking.

In the meantime, Wisconsin Community Fund (WCF) continues to give grants to community-based groups. Among this year's recipients are: the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee for its work on the Police Relations Task Force; Ujima, an African-American Gay and Lesbian group, for start-up and development; the Bad River Chippewa Tribe, to prevent construction of a waste incinerator on the reservation's border; Men Stopping Rape in Madison for preventive education against sexual assault; and 9 to 5 in Racine/Kenosha, for outreach and support to working women.

Since its founding in 1982, the Fund has disbursed almost a half million dollars to community groups working for justice or social change.

Staff members also conduct workshops for non-profit groups on fundraising and grant-writing. They sponsor sensitivity seminars on racism, sexism and homophobia. They provide training on Lotus software and, in partnership with the Lotus Philanthropy Foundation, WCF has awarded over \$150,000 worth of software to dozens of community groups.

NEW GRANT CYCLE BEGINS

At the end of this year, WCF will send

out a request for proposals to the 1,200 community groups currently on its mailing list. After careful review and evaluation by its Grant Allocations Committee, which is made up of a diverse group of community activists including women, Gays and people of color, the Fund expects to give out more than \$100,000 in grants next spring.

The Fund is currently gearing up for its fall/winter fund drive with the goal of raising \$250,000. Starkey noted that donations from a small number of well-off individuals comprise the lion's share of the total received. But staff and Board members want to vastly increase the number of donors who give lesser sums to widen the group's base of support. Donations of any size are welcome, and all are tax-deductible.

Plans also call for the establishment of an endowment fund, which will ensure WCF's stability for the long term.

To donate money or to receive grant application guidelines, contact the Fund at (608) 251-6834.

LAMM & Ujima Get Grants From Fund

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Community Fund (WCF) recently awarded grants to the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) and Ujima, an African American Gay/Lesbian support group. WCF has awarded previous grants to Gay and Lesbian groups in Madison and other parts of the state, but these are firsts for the Milwaukee area.

LAMM received \$1,750 to continue and expand the work of its Police Relations Task Group. This includes participation on Chief Philip Arreola's Community-Oriented Policing Advisory Committee, continuation of recruit training on Gay and Lesbian issues, operation of the Citizen Complaint Intake Center and the development of interactive police training materials. LAMM can be reached at (414) 264-2600.

Ujima received a \$2,000 grant from WCF. Ujima hopes to enhance the quality of life for Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian African Americans through its sponsorship of monthly meetings that include educational workshops, discussions and social outings. Its goal is to increase solidarity and stability for Gays and Lesbians in the Black community. Ujima's number is (414) 277- 7671.

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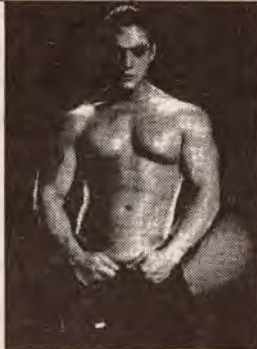
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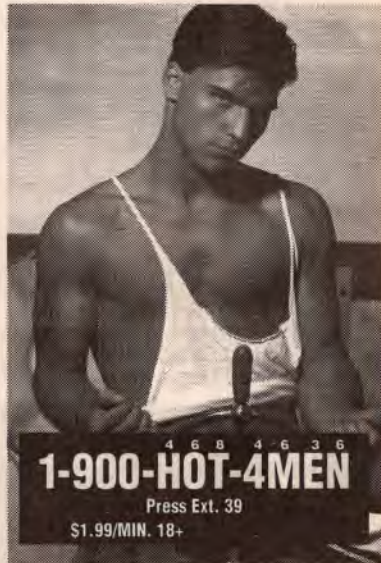
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(L to R) Rod Johnson (standing) from Ujima, Julia Kleppin (CCF), Rev. Lew Broyles (Milw. MCC), C.C. Chapple (LAMM), Meloney Nelson (BLUE), and Bill Hanel (Counseling Center) were the panel members during the recent open forum on "The State of Racism in the Milwaukee Gay Community." Photo by Cheryl L. Franklin

LesBiGay Groups Hold Forum on Racism

Lively Debate Occurs, But Few Solutions Outlined

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — About 40 people attended an open forum on "The State of Racism in the Milwaukee Gay Community" October 10 at the First Unitarian Church. The forum was sponsored by Men of All Colors Together and the Open Door Committee of the First Unitarian Society.

Patrick Bellegard-Smith of the Department of African American Studies at UW-Milwaukee began with an historical overview of how the ideology of racism developed alongside the expansion of slavery in the western world. He stressed that economic oppression was and is "an essential factor in racism."

Professor Bellegard-Smith presented several working definitions of racism, with the key point being that it is not just a matter of individual expressions of bigotry

but a power structure institutionalized through all levels of society that oppresses people of color.

Brenda Coley, a longtime community activist known for her anti-racism work, facilitated the following discussion. She reinforced Prof. Bellegard-Smith's point by asking: "What are you willing to do to challenge the institution? Until we crack the institution, we can talk about loving each other all day long."

Representatives of local Gay and Lesbian groups then made individual statements. A Board member of the Lesbian Alliance said she felt it is largely the responsibility of white people to fight racism because whites have created and unfairly benefitted from it. Other speakers talked of the need for working together to solve the problem.

SEPARATISM OR COALITION?

The most powerful speech was delivered by Meloney Nelson of Black Lesbians United Emergence. Using the metaphor of a pie, she seemed to argue for Black separatism, saying the taste of "integration pie" had become "bittersweet,"

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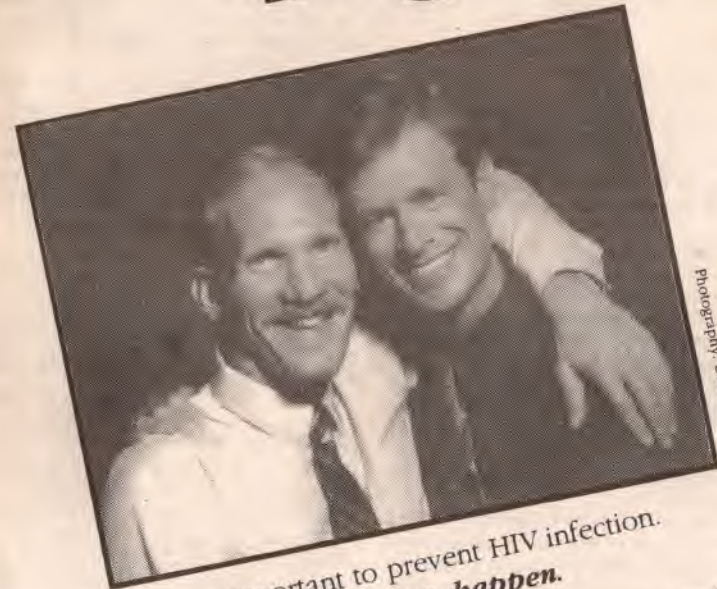
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UW-Milwaukee to Hold Hearings on LesBiGay Issues

Liaison to the LesBiGay Community Appointed

Milwaukee — The Task Force on Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee will sponsor hearings in November to give past and current members of the university community the chance to testify about

LesBiGay concerns at UW-M.

Open hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, November 9 from 6-7 p.m. in the Union Fireside Lounge, and Wednesday, November 10 from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Union's Wisconsin Room Lounge. All hearing sites are located in the Student Union at 2200 E. Kenwood Boulevard.

Closed hearings (closed to the press to ensure the anonymity of those who wish to testify) will take place Tuesday, November 16 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Union E309, and on Wednesday, November 17, from 6-7 p.m. in Union E250.

The Task Force on Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues, made up of students, staff and faculty, was appointed by Chancellor John Schroeder to investigate issues of concern to the school's LesBiGay community and to recommend any needed reforms to the administration by the end of the 1993-94 academic year.

The Task Force will assess the campus climate for LesBiGay people, study the coverage of LesBiGay subjects in the curriculum, and examine the university's policies regarding employee benefits, among other matters.

The Task Force is also likely to suggest some permanent mechanism for representing the needs of the LesBiGay community through university governance. Its overall mission is bolstered by a "vision" statement formulated by UW-M last year which reads, in part: "The campus will be esteemed as a community that values mutual respect and dignity among individuals with diverse backgrounds and divergent ideas."

LESBIGAY LIAISON APPOINTED

In what many LesBiGay activists see as a sign of progress at UW-Milwaukee, the Office of the Dean of Students has assigned one of its staff members, Thomas Dake, as an official part-time liaison to their community.

Dake told *In Step* he was "very happy" to be appointed liaison. He sees his job as "bringing student concerns into administrative channels and helping to interpret Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual issues to the administration."

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 10 **Glass Menagerie** (lunch, dinner, cocktails) 124 N. Water 53202 347-1962
 7 **La Grill** 807 S 2nd St, 53204 384-8330
 8 **Walker's Point Cafe** (10am-afterhours) 1105 S. 1st St. 53204 384-7999
The Silver Plum (Lunch, dinner) 1457 N Farwell Ave 53202 273-1457
 26 **Something Different** 5666 N Teutonia 461-7908

COMPUTER BULLETIN BOARDS

Alternate Lifestyles BBS (Gay listings, messages) 933-7572
Back Door BBS (Gay/Com messages, chat, news, games IBM file transfers, netmail) 744-9336
Crossroads BBS (4 lines, chat, matchmaking, files, netmail) 672-8885
Dr. Pervitis DYM-BBS (e-mail, matching, sub-boards) 873-2838
Dr. Pervitis Wildcat BBS (e-mail, graphics, sub-boards) 873-1680
GLINN Multi-Board Super System (news, personals guides, files, on-line games, graphics) 289-0145
Starcom BBS (user descrp., files, echo mail) 873-6969
Underwood Pkwy. BBS (e-mail, graphics, shareware) 258-8468



MADISON (608)

The United (Education, Counseling, Advocacy)
14 W. Millin St., Ste 103 255-8582
Womansong (Woman's Choral Group) 246-2681

RELIGIOUS

Integrity/Dignity Box 730, 53701 836-8886
Affirmation (L/G United Methodists)
University Church, 1127 University Ave, 53705 256-2353

MILWAUKEE (414)

ORGANIZATIONS

ACT UP Milwaukee PO Box 1707, 53201 769-8708
Alcoholics Anonymous (req. Gay meetings) 272-3081
Beer Town Badgers (L/L social club)
PO Box 840, 53201
Paul Bunyon Society (Social group for
Big & Bear Men) PO Box 1252, 53201
Black Gay Consciousness Raising 933-2136
Black Lesbians United Emergence (BLUE) (Support/
Social Group) PO Box 92146, 53202
Brand New Queer Cable TV Show
PO Box 93951, 53203
Brothers Loving Brothers (Gay male support)
1330 N. 22nd St., 53205

By Any Means Necessary Community Development
Coalition Rodney 277-7671

Castaways M.C. (Levi/Leather club)
PO Box 1697, 53202-1697
Counseling Center (Gay & Lesbian Support &
discussion Groups) 2038 N. Bartlett, 53202 271-2565

Cream City Chorus P. O. Box 1488, 53201 344-9222

Cream City Cummers (Gay J/O Club)
PO Box 93421, 53203 873-2895

Cream City Foundation (CCF)
2821 N. 4th St. #217B, or, Box 204, 53201 265-0880

Cream City Squares
(G/L Square Dancing Club) 542-6717963-1436

DAMES (Dykes Against Minority Erotic
Suppression) PO Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201

Different Drummer Theatre Alliance (G/L TheatreCo)
PO Box 92756, 53202 347-0673

DUOS (G/L Couples Social Group)
PO Box 21651, 53221 679-5446

Fest City Singers (Gay choral group)
PO Box 11428, 53211 263-SING

Front Runners/Walkers 774-2668

Galano Club (chemical free recovery club)
2408 N. Farwell 276-6936

Gaylaxians (G/L sci-fi group)
c/o Emory Churness, 2705 N. Shepard 53211

GAMMA (sports/social)
PO Box 1900, 53201 963-9833

Gay/Lesbian/Bi Community at UWM
Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201 229-6555

Gay/Les/Bi Veterans of American (S.E., WI chapter)
c/o 3036 N. Booth, 53212 562-4191

Gay People's Union PO Box 208, 53201 562-7010

Gay Youth Milwaukee (regular peer group meetings)
PO Box 09441, 53209 265-8500

Gay Men's Discussion Group (Bill) 271-2565

Gay Men's Support Group (Bill) 271-2565

Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee P. O. Box 862, 53201-0862

Great Lakes Harley Riders
PO Box 341611, 53234-1611

Greater Milw. Maritime Assoc. (GMMA)
(Boating, social) PO Box 1768, 53201 259-0500

Holiday Inventional Tournament (G/L bowling event)
PO Box 899, 53201 672-8960

Lambda Rights Network (political action, legal
defense) Box 93252, 53203 871-4839

LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)
PO Box 93323, 53204 264-2600

LOC/Women of Color 873-4942

MACT (Men of All Colors Together)
PO Box 12292, 53212

Dave 527-4296 Veral 347-0580

MGALA (MU Graduates)
PO Box 92722, 53202 256-1347

Milwaukee Bondage Club (SM/BD)
3109 W National #805, 53215 669-BDSM

Narcotics Anonymous (request Gay mtgs.) 543-4850

People Living With AIDS Coalition
315 W. Court, 53212 273-1991

Oberons (Levi/Leather club) Box 07423, 53207

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
(Support, meets monthly, call Sandy) 962-9320

PrideFest (Pride Committee) 272-FEST

PO Box 93852, 53203

Queer Nation (Queer Action)
PO Box 93951, 53203

Saturday Softball Beer League (SSBL)
PO Box 92605, 53202

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA) 276-6936

Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.
PO Box 76115, 53216

Silver Space (Group for Older Lesbians)
PO Box 371, Elm Grove 53122 271-2565

S.O.S. (Alcohol/ Addiction Recovery) 442-1132

Ujima (African Am. Support/Social, Call Eric)
PO Box 92183, Milwaukee 53202 277-7671

RELIGIOUS

Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
1821 N. 16th St. 344-1746

Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)
PO Box 597, 53102 444-7177

Lutherans Concerned
PO Box 11864, 53211 481-9663

MAP Spiritual Care
PO Box 92505, 53202 273-1991

Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church
UFMCC) PO Box 1421, 53201-1421 332-9995

Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming)
2717 E. Hampshire 964-1513

The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, non-denominational)
1636 W. National 647-9199

St. James Episcopal Church
833 W. Wisconsin Ave 271-1340

First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church)
1342 N. Astor 273-5257

Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)
130 E. Juneau Ave 273-7617

MEDICAL

Dr. Kelly Balliet (Internal/Infectious Diseases)
Medical Center Specialties Clinic

945 N 12, 53233 283-7837

Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD) (VD, HIV testing,
hepatitis screening) 1240 E. Brady 53202 272-2144

Gay Men's HIV+ Support Group
BESTD Clinic 272-2144

Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)
HIV/AIDS Service Organization

315 W. Court St 53202

Office/Staff 273-1991 AIDS information 273-2437

Wisconsin Community-Based Research
Consortium (Experimental HIV/AIDS Drug Program)

315 W. Court St., 53212 273-1991

Women's Alternative Health Clinic
1240 E. Brady 53202 272-2144

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The BESTD Clinic answers your HIV questions every Thursday on
MATA, Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47 at 7:00pm.

Victory Fund Supports Record Number of Candidates

Wisconsin's Tammy Baldwin and Shelley Gaylor Benefited From Fund

Washington, D.C. — The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, which puts the power of its national donor network behind the campaigns of qualified Gay and Lesbian candidates, has endorsed and funded a record number of candidates this year.

Among the success stories have been Wisconsin's own Tammy Baldwin, elected to the State Assembly last November, and Shelley Gaylor, elected to Madison's Municipal Court earlier this year. Another Lesbian candidate, Jackie Goldberg, was elected to the Los Angeles City Council, and a Gay man, Craig McDaniel, was elected to serve on the Dallas City Council.

UWM Hearing...

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having official liaisons to their schools' LesBiGay communities. UW-M's Task Force on Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues joins similar task forces in operation at UW campuses in Madison, La Crosse, River Falls and Whitewater.

Dake's appointment and the announcement of the November hearings at UW-M roughly coincided with the second meeting of LesBiGay faculty and staff members from throughout the UW System at UW-Oshkosh on October 8. The first such networking meeting, organized by Jan Shepard, LesBiGay liaison on the Madison campus, took place last May.

Discussion at the daylong meeting in Oshkosh focussed on three primary areas: campus climate, curriculum and university policies. Much networking took place among the approximately 40 people in attendance. Individuals from campuses with progressive attitudes and policies toward LesBiGay students and staff offered some advice and support to those from more conservative campuses.

The group agreed to meet again, probably in February.

For further information on the hearings scheduled at UW-M in November, call Thomas Dake at (414) 229-5780.

On Tuesday, November 2, six candidates recommended by the Victory Fund will be on ballots across the country. Marilyn Shafer is seeking to become a Civil Court Judge in Manhattan and Wallace Swan is running for the Minneapolis Board of Estimate and Taxation.

Derek Bell is campaigning for a seat on the Attleboro, Massachusetts City Council. Christine Kehoe is running for the San Diego City Council. Michael Nelson hopes to become a member of the Carrboro, North Carolina City Council as does Tom Roberts in his hometown of Santa Barbara.

The Victory Fund has endorsed three other candidates (so far) whose elections are scheduled for 1994. Larry Bagneris is vying for a seat on the New Orleans City Council. Ken Wolf is seeking to become City Commissioner of Fort Lauderdale, and Victoria Sigler is running for Dade County Court Judge in Florida.

The steady increase in endorsements is proof that the Victory Fund is succeeding in its primary goals: maximizing the number of openly Lesbian and Gay officials who hold elective office, and maximizing the number who seek it.

"We can't accomplish the first goal without accomplishing the second," said William Waybourn, Victory Fund Executive Director. "The commitment of our members to Gay and Lesbian empowerment is helping to encourage more and more in our community to consider running."

Members of the Victory Fund pay \$100 or more to join the network, then agree to support at least two recommended candidates over the next 12 months with direct contributions of \$100 or more.

"The impact of Victory Fund combined contributions can really make a difference in a race," said Waybourn. Indeed, Tammy Baldwin has credited the \$11,000 she received from the Victory Fund with helping put her over the top in her successful bid for the Assembly last fall.

On November 21, the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund will hold a special event at the Skylight Opera Theatre in Milwaukee. Special guests will include Clinton-Gore campaign advisor David Mixner, bodybuilders Bob and Rod Jackson-Paris, Rep. Baldwin, and

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MADISON (608)

MEDICAL

Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN)
HIV/AIDS Service Organization
PO Box 731, 53701 (303 Lathrop St.) 238-MASN
Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)
1552 University Avenue 53705 262-7330

BARS

2 Club 3054 (MW, DJ, V)
3054 E. Washington 53714 241-4977
1 Rod's (Mw, L/L, D)
636 W. Washington (rear) 53703 255-0609
1 The New Bar (MW, DJ, V)
636 W. Washington (upstairs) 53703 256-8765
3 Phaze II (GS, MW, F, D)
117 W. Main St. 53703 255-5029
4 Ray's Bar & Grill (MW, F)
2415 Winnebago 53704 246-3949
2 Wings 3054 (MW, L/L)
3054 E. Washington 53714 244-8870

BULLETIN BOARDS

The Party BBS (msgs, files, echo mail) (608) 258-9555

ORGANIZATIONS

ACT UP Madison P. O. Box 2023, 53701 251-7985
AASPIN Foundation (Goal or Wish Assistance for
PWAs) 2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 273-4501
Apple Island (Womens Cultural Center/Hall Rental)
849 E Washington 258-9777
Bette Davis Bowlers (G/L Bowling League)
PO Box 321, 53701
BI? Shy? Why? (Bisexual Support)
PO Box 321, 53701 Susan, 251-3886

Campus Women's Center
710 University Ave, #202, 53715 262-8093
Different Spokes (G/L/B bicycling club) 241-8184
18-21 Yr Old Social Group for LesBiGays 256-2667
Frontiers Gay Men's Outreach (Gay/BI Men's
Organ.) 14 W Mifflin, Ste 103, 53703 251-7424
Gay/Lesbian Phone Line 255-4297
Gay/Lesbian Information Recording
(ask for tape #3333) 263-3100
Gay/Lesbian Resource Center
PO Box 1722, 53701
G/L Educational Employees
c/o The United 255-8582
Gay Fathers c/o United 255-8582
Gay Men's Video Club
PO Box 8234, 53708 244-8675
GALVANize (Increasing G/L awareness)
PO Box 1403, 53701 256-4289
Kissing Girls Productions (Lesbian Cultural Events)
PO Box 6091, 53716
Lavender (Lesbian Domestic Violence
Support Group) 255-7447
LesBiGay Campus Center (Office, Lounge,
Resource Center) 336 W Dayton 53703 265-3344
LesGayBI Teen Support Group
(Briarpatch & Picada Sponsored) 251-1129/246-7606
Lesbian Parents Network
PO Box 572, 53701 255-8582
Madison Volleyball Group Jeff, 251-8716
Madison Wrestling Club
PO Box 8234, 53708 244-8675
MAGIC Picnic Comm.
636 W Washington 53703 256-3404 (EXT 220)
Men's Alanon 255-8582
New Harvest Foundation (G/L Foundation)
PO Box 1786, 53701
Nothing to Hide (Gay cable) 241-2500
Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
PO Box 1722, 53701
10% Society (student organization) Box 614,
UW Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706 262-7365
Uniforms of Madison (L/L club)
PO Box 536, 53701



The Guide

MW	1/2 Men, 1/2 Women
M	Prefer Men Only
Mw	Mostly Men, Women Welcome
W	Prefer Women Only
Wm	Mostly Women, Men Welcome
G/S	Gay & Straight Mixed
L/L	Levi/Leather
D	Dancing
DJ	Disk Jockey, Dancing
V	Video
F	Food Service

FOX VALLEY (414)

BARS

6 Pivot Club (MW, DJ,V)	4815 W. Prospect (Hwy BB)	730-0440
Appleton 54915		
7 Rascals Bar & Grill (MW, F)		
702 E. Wisconsin, Appleton 54911		954-9262

ORGANIZATIONS

ECHO (East Central AIDS/HIV Organization)		
725 Butler Ave, Winnebago 54985	(414)235-5100	
PFLAG Fox Cities		
Box 75, Little Chute, 54140		749-1629
Fox Valley AIDS Project		
120 N Morrison, #201, Appleton 54911		733-2068
UW-Oshkosh 10% Society		
207 Reeve Union, UW-O, 54901		

Gay AA/Anon	494-9904
G.W.E.E.D.A. (Greater Wis. Education & Economic Development Alliance) PO Box 8286, Oshkosh 54903	
Gay/Lesbian Support Group	
UW-O Counseling Center	424-2061
Synergy (AIDS Support Network)	
PO Box 2137, Fond du Lac 54935	235-6100
Fox Valley G/L Parents	727-1975
Lawrence Univ./Gay, Lesbian, Bi Group (Lawrence University InfoDesk)	
Box 599, Appleton 54912 (Jessica)	832-7563

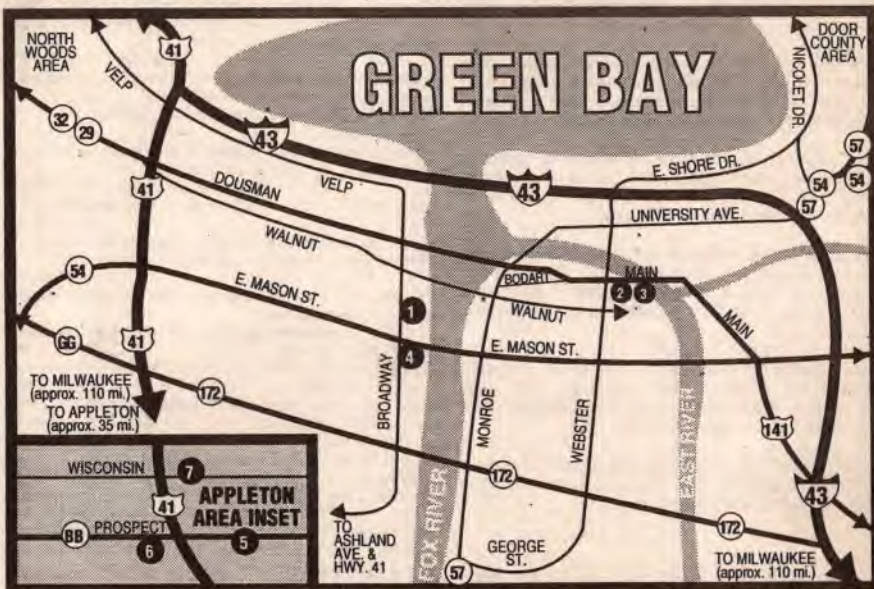
GREEN BAY (414)

BARS

3 Brandy's II (Mw, L/L)		
1126 Main St. 54305		432-3917
1 Napalese Lounge (MW, DJ)		
515 S. Broadway 54301		432-9646
2 Java's (MW, V) 1106 Main 54305		435-5476
2 Za's (MW, DJ, V) 1106 Main 54305		435-5476
4 Sass (WM) 840 S. Broadway 54301		437-7277

ORGANIZATIONS

Angel of Hope (MCC Church)		
PO Box 672, 54305		496-8688
Argonauts of Wisconsin (L/L Social Club)		
PO Box 22096, 54305		
Gay AA/Anon (Meeting Weekly)		494-9904
Bay City Chorus PO Box 1901, 54305		494-5029
Center Project, Inc. [CPI] (HIV Test/Counsel)		
824 S Broadway, 54305 437-7400 or (800)675-9400		
Gay/Lesbian Support at UW		465-2343
HIV/AA (weekly meetings) Todd		435-5639
Northern Womyn, Inc. (Lesbian Support/social Group)		
Box 10102, Green Bay 54307-0102		
Parents & Friends of G/L		499-7080
Positive Voice P. O. Box 1381, 54305		



Saturday, Oct. 23rd

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Saturday, Oct. 30th

Light Buffet • Free Tap Beer 7-9pm

\$100 for Best Costume, \$50 for Most Original
\$50 for Funniest (NOT Drag)
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Saturday, Nov. 6th

Follies Girls present their
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Nelson Selected To Chair National AIDS Public Policy Committee

Milwaukee — The AIDS Action Council's Board of Directors has selected Doug Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc., to serve as chairman of the Council's Public Policy Committee for the next year. Nelson was elected to the position at the September Board of Director's Meeting in Washington, D.C.

This past year, Nelson, the only member of the Committee's Board of Directors from the Midwest, served as Co-Chair of the Committee with the Executive Chair of the Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York City.

The Washington D.C. based AIDS Action Council is the nation's most powerful AIDS lobby dedicated to influencing federal AIDS policy. The public Policy Committee formulates the policy initiatives and prioritizes the policies that the AIDS Action Council implements.

"Because national health care reform will be a primary issue in the country over the next year, ARCW's powerful involvement at the national level is coming at the best possible time and will have a major impact on national issues that affect men, women and children with HIV," said Nelson.

ARCW, a non-profit social service agency, operates the Milwaukee AIDS Project, Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project-Kenosha, Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project-Eau Claire and the Wisconsin Community-based Research Consortium. These agencies provide compassionate care for more than 900 people living with AIDS and HIV disease, innovative and aggressive HIV prevention programming, issue-related advocacy and HIV clinical research.

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Waybourn. Organizing the event is Victory Fund Board member, Milwaukeean Tom Reed.

For further information on the November 21 event, call (414) 962-3741.

To become a donor to the Victory Fund, or for further information, call (202) 842-8679, or write to the Fund at 1012 14th Street, N.W., 7th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005.

STATE News Briefs

One Guilty, Another On Trial in Murder of Tina Terry

Milwaukee — A jury has found one of two defendants in guilty on all three counts in the murder of 11et (Tina) Terry. A second trial began October 18 for the second man charged in the case. The two men have been accused in the August murder of Ms. Terry, proprietor of Tina's RTI, a popular bar frequented by members of Milwaukee's African American Gay and Lesbian community.

Terry was shot to death while coming to the assistance of her doorman, Carlton Jackson, who was shot by intruders in the early morning hours of July 10 at the north side bar. Jackson has made a slow recovery from serious wounds.

Alonzo Peavy, 19, who was found guilty of first degree intentional homicide, attempted first degree intentional homicide and being party to a crime. The second defendant, Jamal Purifoy, 22, was on trial as *In Step* went to press. Both men plead not guilty, and were tried separately. Prosecuting District Attorney Carol Kraft is conducting the cases before Circuit Court Judge Patricia McMahon.

Manitowoc Woman to Stand Trial for Murder

Manitowoc — Theresa Radl, 24, is scheduled to go on trial January 10 for the first degree intentional homicide of John Hauke, 48, last August. She is also charged with burglary, armed burglary and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Radl allegedly shot Hauke to death. She has pleaded not guilty.

Radl's case got much media attention at the time of her arraignment, when a Sheriff's Department detective testified that Radl called police and confessed to the crime. Associated Press reported that Det. Larry Conrad said Radl told him she was frustrated with her life after the failure of a business and a lesbian relationship, and that she killed Hauke so she could go to prison where she could be among other women.

In Step spoke with Erik Loy, the Public Defender assigned to Radl's case. Loy said the issue of Radl's lesbianism "was

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People Men/Men

Photo Studio Looking for Models: Requirements are: 1. Clean cut boy next door type looks. 2. Well defined athletic body. 3. Positive, friendly disposition. If you have all these qualities, we have exciting videos plus photo shoots that you can partake in and get paid for! Send photo and letter to: Images: Casting Dept., 1363 N. Wells, Chicago, IL 60610.

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Male Bodybuilder photographer seeks male bodybuilders to photograph. Bigger is better, but good tone and definition OK, too. Free copies (no strings attached) to hunks who reply to: P.O. Box 8212, Janesville, WI 53547.

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Attractive GWM 18, slender build, clean/disease free. Seeking friends & relationship 18-35. Like outdoors, romantic & affectionate times. Answer all. Letter, phone, photo. Boxholder, P.O. Box 1542, Rhinelander, WI 54501.

Slave Seeks Owner. 42 yr. old seeks dominant Master for daytime daily sessions. B/D, G.S. Humiliation. Write to: Ron Aihrs, 1001 W. Glen Oaks La., Suite 211, Mequon, WI 53092.

Green Bay Uncut suck buddy. I am seeking a mature and reliable buddy that likes to get it on. Ron, P.O. Box 442, Green Bay, WI 54305.

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GW Couple 30's — Both good looking, dark haired, mustache. Looking for other couples/singles for fun. Can travel or entertain. Photo required. Discretion assured. Box 214, Milwaukee, WI 53208.



Graffiti

Rollie: How convenient that you have pledged the Castaways! Now you and Ma Barker can help each other touch-up your roots! **Miss L'Oreal R.V.:** You're going to miss a hot weekend in Townsend, WI! **Boo Boo Kevin (Milwaukee):** Contact ME Please in Green Bay!

Terrence: I am going to miss you more than words can say! Fifteen weeks is a long time — be good! Please keep me in your heart and on your mind!

Love, Your "little one"
Donors, Patrons and Buyers: Thanks for making our auction a huge success! '94 Follies Girls **Blond Bob (Club 94):** Thanks for all your support. **94 Follie Girls**

Blond Jon (Club 94): Thanks for turning our auction into a meat rack, and helping our social lives.

Aneeda, Samantha, Lois & Joan Luis: Feliz Compleanos Mi Amigo Y "Hmmm!"

Amor Dave (P.S. Hope the next year is as good as the last 2 years) **Follies Girls:** Thanks for a great show & fundraiser.

Bob, Club 94
Sheila: I do not want you to move, please stay? **Mark Ron:** We love you too!

Peanut, Pandi, Pogo, Scooter, Dino, & Dash John: Still love you! **PLJ '90 Indiana and Germany:** It sure won't be the same without you! Stay in touch.

Italy Jen: Take it as a compliment to past ad. Some people are just shy. So I admire, ok? **The Eyes Have It**

Tucker & Twinnie: Thanks for proving trust exists — and thanks for making me wet! You cats are the best. **Di**

Debbie K.: Happy Birthday hun! **Yours Always, Rosie Beavis:** Being without you really sucks, man. **Butthead**

Jose: Happy Birthday from one of your many adoring female friends. **Guess Who**

Tammy: Aren't multi-personalities wonderful? I can be anyone you want me to be.

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sensationalized and blown out of proportion." He described her as "generally stressed out and down on life." Loy declined to discuss any more details, citing the pending trial, but admitted it would be "a challenging case."

Madison Police Chief Meets with Community

Madison — Madison's newly appointed Police Chief, Richard Williams, is scheduled to meet with representatives of the Gay and Lesbian community at the City/County Building on Wednesday, October 27 at 10 a.m.

The meeting with Chief Williams was facilitated by Detective Alix Olson, a Lesbian officer. When the city was conducting its search for a new chief earlier this year, Olson and other Gay and Lesbian officers on the Madison Police force had asked that consideration be given to a candidate who understood the diverse population the department serves, including a large LesBiGay community.

Chief Williams is an African American formerly with the Montgomery County, Maryland Sheriff's Department. A 26-year police veteran, Williams worked his way up from street cop to chief.

MASN Gets \$5,000 Grant from Milwaukee Foundation

Madison — The Madison AIDS Support Network has received a \$5,000 grant from the Wisconsin AIDS Fund of the Milwaukee Foundation. The grant will help in the development of the Rodney Scheel House, a 23-unit, independent living facility for people with AIDS and HIV infection and their families.

The Wisconsin AIDS Fund, established by the Milwaukee Foundation in 1988, has distributed more than \$300,000 in grants. Its purpose is to reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS in Wisconsin by supporting prevention, care and treatment programs.

MASN leads south central Wisconsin in the delivery of those services to people with HIV/AIDS. MASN can be contacted at (608) 238-6276.

Prison Inmates and Staff Raise Money for AIDS Care

Sturtevant — While 8,000 people walked along Milwaukee's lakefront September 26 in the 4th annual AIDS Walk, inmates and prison staff at the Racine Correctional Institution in Sturtevant also participated in the event, albeit in the confines of the prison yard, raising \$1,300 for the fight against AIDS.

The goal of raising at least \$1 per person was achieved. This may seem a tiny amount to some, but quite a bit to inmates who earn just a few pennies a day for their work behind bars.

Inmate Joe Woller, a Gay man who is HIV-positive, wrote to *In Step* to report on the successful event which he says raised awareness within the institution about AIDS. (See "Letters" section.)

Woller, who is a volunteer for the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project, said he walked on behalf of friends who have died from the disease: "No one ever deserves to die of this disease no matter who they are or how they got it. . . How awesome it would be if all of you in society would give a dollar to fight AIDS and show compassion and care."

Milwaukee Still Has No Policy to Control Crypto

Milwaukee — Despite dozens of deaths and hundreds of thousands of people falling ill from Milwaukee's tainted water earlier this year and despite feverish consultations between government officials and scientists about preventing such disasters in the future, the City of Milwaukee has still not adopted any policy for preventing or controlling the presence of cryptosporidium in its water supply.

Seven months after the parasitic epidemic ravaged the city, the only decision made by a special advisory committee is that if chemists at the Water Department detect levels of crypto again, they should send a fax alerting the City Engineer, the Health Department and the Public Works Commissioner. Other than that, there are no guidelines on whether more tests should be conducted, whether the water plants should be shut down, or whether or when the Mayor's Office or the public should be notified.

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A staff member at the Milwaukee AIDS Project said MAP was continuing to advise clients to drink bottled or boiled water and was busy supplying much of the water to them. More than 40 clients of MAP have died from complications brought on by the cryptosporium parasite, which their weakened immune systems could not fight.

New Hope Congregation Closes in Milwaukee

Milwaukee — The New Hope United Church of Christ, a congregation attended by Gays and Lesbians on Milwaukee's south side, has closed its doors because of diminishing membership and financial shortfalls.

The church gained wide publicity in 1990 when an avowed Lesbian, Rev. Margarita Suarez, was appointed its minister. But she surprised many of her congregants a year or two later when she married a man. While *In Step* is aware of several church members who became disaffected because of this, both Suarez and spokesmen for the United Church of Christ denied this was the reason the church closed down.

Plymouth Church at 2717 E. Hampshire is another United Church of Christ congregation that accepts Gays and Lesbians, and the Brown Deer United Church of Christ at 6380 W. Dean Road has a longtime Lesbian minister, Rev. Jan Doleschal.

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The massive rainbow flag will be unfurled on June 26, 1994 during the Stonewall 25 International March on the United Nations to Affirm the Human Rights of Gay and Lesbian People. More than 10,000 individuals are needed to help carry the colorful banner, made with 17,000 square yards of material, up Fifth Avenue.

Those who want to help carry the flag are asked to register with a tax-deductible contribution of \$50 or more to the Stadtlanders Foundation, which is the charitable arm of the pharmaceutical firm. They will also receive as a souvenir a small strip of the historic banner after its appearance.

Send your \$50 check or money order, along with your name, address and phone number to the Stadtlanders Foundation, 600 Penn Center Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15235. For further information, call toll-free 800-NYC-1994.

U.S.: Clean Needles Do Reduce Spread of HIV

Washington, D.C. — After a lengthy and comprehensive study of programs throughout the country, the U.S. government has concluded that needle exchange programs do indeed slow the spread of HIV and that the government ought to end barriers to such programs and finance their expansion.

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Newly appointed Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders, who has vowed to mount an aggressive war against AIDS, has the responsibility to recommend lifting current federal restrictions and to call for government financing of such programs.

Father in Custody Battle Criticizes Decision

Richmond, VA — The biological father of a 2-year-old boy who was taken from his Lesbian mother after a judge ruled she was "unfit" because of her sexual orientation has condemned the decision, saying it is "totally wrong."

The case drew national attention in September when Judge Buford Parsons stripped custody of little Tyler from his mother, Sharon Bottoms, and granted it to the boy's grandmother. Parsons declared Bottoms an unfit parent because of her "illegal and immoral" conduct. Bottoms lives with her Lesbian partner.

Dennis Doustou relinquished legal rights to Tyler when he and Bottoms divorced. "I was young, I was stupid. I figured that Tyler was better off without me," he told Associated Press.

But Doustou defended his ex-wife and insisted she should have been granted custody because Tyler "means the world to her." About her Lesbianism, he said: "If that's what makes her happy, I don't have anything against it. There's nothing that says Lesbians and Gays cannot raise kids. It's no reason to take a child from his mother. That's totally wrong."

P-FLAG Adds "Families" to Its Name

Washington, D.C. — At its annual convention in September, the international federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) voted to revise its name by adding the word "Families." P-FLAG's acronym will remain the same, but now it stands for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

George Neighbors Jr., a P-FLAG

spokesman, explained: "We felt it was important that we try to include as many people as we can. The whole idea of family values has been perverted and twisted by the right wing, and it's time that people realize that real family values are about unconditional love and support of your family members.

In a recent survey conducted by the Washington Blade, P-FLAG was found to be the fourth largest group in the nation working for Gay and Lesbian rights (after the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and the Lambda Legal Defense Fund). It has an annual budget of nearly \$1 million.

P-FLAG's national office is located at 1012 14th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20005. (202) 638-4200. For Wisconsin chapters of P-FLAG, see "The Guide" in this issue.

Journalists Rate Newsrooms for Gay Sensitivity

Miami, FL — TV and radio newsrooms may be generally good environments for Lesbians and Gay men to work in, but there's a wide gap in the way newsroom managers and Gay journalists view

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Group Notes

Madison Prepares for '94 Madison Pride March

GALVANize, the Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance, is proud to announce they are organizing the Madison Pride March for 1994. The march, coinciding with the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, marks a quarter-century of the modern Gay Liberation movement and the 5th anniversary of GALVANize.

In years past, GALVANize has sponsored a full weekend of Pride events. This year, however they have chosen to focus on the march itself to ensure that the march and rally are the best ever put together. This means, unfortunately, that GALVANize will be unable to take responsibility for any weekend events. That's why they need your help.

The dozens of L/G/B organizations that are flourishing in the area prove that there is a vast pool of talent in Madison. GALVANize

wants to tap that pool and create an outstanding Pride weekend. GALVANize would like to offer itself as an umbrella organization, a vehicle for our groups to create a full weekend program.

A seminar, a concert, a sporting event, a talent show, whatever type of event your organization is interested in doing, GALVANize wants to assist you in whatever way they can. This would include publicity, securing locations and volunteer assistance.

Please contact the Board at (608) 256-4289 with a contact person so that you can get together to start working.

Madison's Pride march, pending permit, is scheduled for May 7, 1994. "In order for us to make the Pride festival a success, all of us need to join together and start planning now. We are looking forward to the months ahead and to the many special Pride events."

GALVANize Logo Contest

GALVANize is sponsoring a logo contest for the Pride March in Madison to be held on May 7, 1994 (permit pending). Generally, the theme for this year's event will reflect the 5th anniversary of GALVANize and the 25th anniversary of Stonewall.

Submissions should be 8 1/2 by 11

If this Sagittarius pacesetter doesn't turn out to be you, I have a feeling you will nevertheless hatch an idea for a masterpiece of equal merit.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 21-JAN. 19): What were you doing during the first Uranus-Neptune conjunction in early February? And how about the second conjunction around the third week in August? I'll bet you a million Deutsche marks that events around those times catalyzed major plot twists in the story of your life.

In legends and myths and fairy tales and the story of your life, plot twists never come in twos; they always come in threes. Are you ready for the third? Uranus, the planet of electrifying awakening, and Neptune, the planet of oceanic emotions, join again in Capricorn on October 25 for the last time until 2164. May their thunderous union twist all the crooked parts of your story until they're straight and smooth.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18): Forty-nine percent of all childcare is paid for off the books, as well as 77 percent of lawn care

and 89 percent of astrological consultations. I bring this up because it so happens that at least 25 percent of the things you're good at could easily be channeled into tax-free activities, especially right now.

In other words, the underground economy has a proposition for you this week. Are you game? I offer this for information purposes only. I wouldn't condone your failure to report your income to the IRS — unless of course that's the only way you can feed your family.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MAR. 19): During his exile, the Biblical prophet Elijah was kept alive by ravens who brought him strange food. John the Baptist survived on nothing but honey and locusts when he was roaming the wilderness. And I'm sure that some unexpected source of comfort and sustenance will likewise turn up during your wanderings. It may not be what you're used to. You might even have to cultivate a taste for nourishment that seems foreign. But stick with it. You could learn to love it, and in the process become far less dependent on stuff you thought you could never do without.

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Real Astrology...

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makeover. When in doubt, tell the truth. If it ain't broke, fix it anyway.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22): Hear ye! Hear ye! Be it resolved on this day, October 20, 1993, that gays of the Libran persuasion will rise up with renewed vigor and clarity to smite the unpatriotic bigots who would deny them their natural rights! Be it resolved also, now that astrological powers are aligned mightily in their favor, that gays of the Libran persuasion will seize a more passionate role in politics than they have ever dared before!

Furthermore, be it resolved that heterosexuals of the Libran persuasion speak out loudly and with forceful candor in behalf of gay rights, whether they're at a town hall meeting or having dinner with friends.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21): Recently I met a Scorpio man who told me the following story. When his daughter was five years old, he dumped her with his parents and simply disappeared for four years.

While he was gone, he fixed the broken parts of his psyche, but his daughter grew to despise the man who had abandoned her. When he returned and humbly asked to be her father again, she refused. For seven years he persisted patiently in his attempts to win back her trust, and one day, 11 years to the day after he'd originally fled, she accepted him back into her life.

I feel there's an analogous story transpiring in your life right now. The situation's not as desperate, and the time periods aren't as long, but the levels of intensity are similar.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 20): Somewhere out there, there's a woman who'll do for the women's movement what Robert Bly has done for the men's movement. Somewhere out there is the future author of *Iron Mary*. Some might speculate it's Clarissa Pinkola Estes, author of *Women Who Run with the Wolves*. Others might imagine it's Deena Metzger, author of *The Woman Who Slept with Men to Take the War Out of Them*. I say that whoever it is, it'll probably be a Sagittarius, and she'll probably hatch the idea for her book this week.

inches and may contain up to four colors including black. The winning submission will be property of GALVANize through the weekend of the Pride event and may be used on t-shirts, posters, buttons, and advertising. Submissions will not be returned. Deadline for the logo contest will be Monday, November 15, 1993. Finalist designs may be displayed at local businesses for viewer feedback.

For further information, contact GALVANize at (608) 256-4289 or write: P.O. Box 1403 Madison, WI 53701. Submissions can be mailed to the above address.

Gay Mens Discussion Group

Coming Out and Beyond

When we hear the phrase "coming out" many of us think of the sometimes gut-wrenching experience of sharing knowledge about our sexual orientation with family, friends or co-workers. This important event, however, is not the end of the process. "Coming out" is something that never really ends as we continue to discover more about who we are as Gay men.

The next Gay Men's Discussion Group, scheduled for Sunday, October 24 from 6-8pm will discuss the ongoing process of growing in self-understanding and acceptance as Gay men. Gary Hollander, Ph.D. is a Psychologist at the Sinai-Samaritan Medical Center and a significant voice in the Gay and Lesbian Community in Milwaukee.

Gay Men's Mental Health

Mental health is something many take for granted. We may work hard at maintaining our physical health, but seldom do we approach psychological health with the same energy and conscientiousness.

There is an important connection between the thoughts we have and the feelings we experience. Are there ways of thinking that may help nurture greater happiness and more satisfying intimacy in our lives? What does it mean to be mentally healthy? What can we do to promote self-care and what resources are available in the community to help us? The Gay Men's discussion Group, scheduled for Sunday, November 7 from 6-8pm will discuss these questions. Our facilitator will be Randy Neff, a Psychiatric Social Worker at the East Side

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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.

AMTRAK Trip to Chicago for Games and Culture

GAMMA's going to Chicago — and you are all welcome to join. Save Saturday, October 23rd for fun in the Toddlin Town! We will visit North Pier and play "Battletech," "Cyberia" and "Virtuality." Then to the Art Institute for its many splendors including a special exhibition on the "Dawn of Surrealism." Cocktails are scheduled for 5pm at The Gentry — a pleasant dinner — then home. Transportation will be courtesy of AMTRAK. The train departs Milwaukee at 8am and Chicago at 11pm — still time to nab a quick one at your favorite Milwaukee watering spot. Advanced reservations not required; for more information call GAMMA at 963-9833.

Detroit Leather Weekend

The first weekend in November will be an unique and exciting one for the Gay leather community in Detroit and surrounding areas. Friday, November 5 through Sunday, November 7 will bring a visit from International Mr. Leather 1992, Mr. Lenny Broberg. Lenny will be in Detroit at the Detroit Eagle to assist in festivities which will raise funds for two Detroit area Gay and Lesbian charities.

Hosted by Mr. Michigan Leather/Detroit Eagle 1993, Jack Roberts and by the Detroit Eagle, the weekend will include: a Saturday evening dinner with entertainment; and auction Saturday night of a wide variety of items donated by local Gay businesses and enterprises (Mr. Broberg will serve as auctioneer); a Sunday brunch with demonstrations; and a continuous exhibit of

art by local Gay artists.

The art exhibit will be in the Aerie at the Detroit Eagle all weekend. Free to all patrons of the bar, some of the artwork will be available for sale.

The dinner and brunch will be attended by Mr. Broberg and those who purchase tickets from the Detroit Eagle. Tickets may be purchased by mail: The Detroit Eagle, P.O. Box 33047, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303-3047. Dinner tickets are \$30. Brunch tickets are \$15. Both tickets may be purchased together for \$35.

The entire benefit weekend will raise needed funds for the Bayard Rustin Resource Center, a Detroit area library and archives for the Gay and Lesbian students at a major Michigan university.

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ARIES (MAR. 20-APR. 19): Sex in the '90s: AIDS, repression and fear? Or uplifting lust, alchemical empathy, and love that changes everything? You be the judge. Decide right now: Will you fall victim to the media's trivialization of sacred passion? Will you buy into the cartoony stereotypes of romance and gender propagandized by 99 out of every 100 commercials? Or will you break open your own heart to unearth the love secrets of the ages that are hidden from profane eyes? This is the time. This is the place. Decide now where you'll cast your psychosexual fate.

TAURUS (APR. 20-MAY 20): Are you one of those people who feels that if you haven't experienced it, it doesn't exist? If so, you're about to have your mind changed in a most uncomfortable way.

Or are you, on the other hand, willing to accept the possibility that your most passionate beliefs aren't necessarily true for everyone else in the world? If so, then you're about to have your mind expanded in a most luxurious way.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20): In Jewish mythology, a golem is a magical half-alive creature formed out of clay. It's protective and obedient towards its maker, but clumsy and dangerously naive too. Unless its maker keeps a tight rein over it, it runs amuck and inadvertently destroys things.

This myth is pertinent to you right now. You've been a midwife to something like a

golem, and it'll need your exacting guidance for quite some time.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22): Who are you, anyway? What are you? How are you? This year's third and final conjunction of Uranus and Neptune, due on October 25, will shower you with more answers to these questions than you've had since you were a teenager. The next time this particular conjunction happens will be over a thousand years from now, so listen hard to what it tells you.

To magically increase your receptivity, try this exercise. Twice a day for five minutes, close your eyes and visualize yourself holding an oversized silver cup. Fantasize that the most beautiful person you've ever seen is pouring the most delicious drink you've ever drunk into that cup.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22): Take at least three days off — or else. This is not a prediction. It's a command. You can't afford to conduct business as usual, even if you're a \$400-an-hour lawyer about to close a killer deal; even if you're a baseball star in the middle of the World Series; even if you're a single mom with more pressures than the lawyer and the baseball hero combined.

Withdraw to your sanctuary. Find a refuge where you can recharge your dreams. Retreat to a silence that gives you utter consolation. Or else.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22): Zap all the commercials this week. Skip all the small talk. Lop off the fat, cut through the red tape, and trim your spending down. Are you catching my drift? If some sweet talker offers you the metaphysical equivalent of cotton candy, say you're on a diet. If some live-for-today politician tries to get you drunk and sell you on a little more deficit spending, ask him for some spare change. Tighten the screws, batten down the hatches, and take Old Reliable in for a
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The camp is located on 300 acres of rolling hills, fields, wetlands, woodlands and a private lake nestled in the orchards for you to roam and explore. Ronora is an easy 2 hour drive from Chicago, 3 1/2 from Milwaukee and 3 from Detroit. As usual it will be a "chemical free" weekend (no drugs or alcohol).

Accommodations have been reserved at Grandma's Lodge, a quaint, 2 story cottage that sleeps 18 on comfortable beds with good innerspring mattresses. For the more adventurous, you may bring a tent and sleep outdoors.

Some workshops have been included including Body Massage, mask making, body painting, costuming and make-up — bring your costume or let us outfit you, Mary! Others enjoy quiet times, sleeping late and some of the other activities that these weekends offer. "There has been much male bonding this year," reports organizer Earl Welther. "Many men make new acquaintances and form lasting friendships."

The fee includes two night's lodging, 4 meals and workshops. For an invitation and more information, please contact Midwest Men's Center of Chicago, Inc., P.O. Box 2547, Chicago, IL 60690-2547 or call Earl (312) 348-3254 or Ed (616) 685-5028.

TransSisters

The Journal of Transsexual Feminism

The first issue of *TransSisters*, the *Journal of Transsexual Feminism* was published on 7 September 1993. The purposes of *TransSisters* are: to provide a forum dealing specifically with issues of transsexuality and feminism; to promote dialogue between the feminist and transsexual communities; to foster understanding of transsexuality within the feminist community; and to promote feminist consciousness within the transsexual community.

The first issue of *TransSisters* contains an interview with transgendered Lesbian activist and author Leslie Feinberg. The second issue will be entirely devoted to the issue of the attendance of post-operative male-to-female transsexuals at the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival.

TransSisters will be published bi-monthly. Individual copies cost \$3 each (\$4 in Canada). Sample copies are available for \$3 each (\$4 each in Canada), and one year subscriptions (six issues) are available for \$18 (\$24 in Canada) from: Davina Anne Gabriel, 4004 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64110. All checks should be made to Davina Anne Gabriel. Advertising and wholesale rates are available on request.



Corey Sweet & Henry Ellison to be "United"

Madison — Corey Sweet and Henry Ellison are pleased to announce that on October 30th, 1993 they will become United In Life. The festivities will take place at Club 3054, Madison.

The attendants will be Chris Wagner and David Listenbee. Reverend Tennyerson Conner will be performing the ceremony. (Our thanks to Cheri Becker for the use of her Club 3054).

more information. Individuals who would like to compete, but do not have a team, will be assisted in joining a team that is in need of players.

The tournament entry fee will be \$250 for teams and \$40 for individuals. The deadline for entering is November 1. Information can be obtained by calling (312) 296-0840 or (312) 327-5969, or by writing to Chicago Hoops Classic IV, 859 W. Buena, Apt. 3N, Chicago, IL 60613.

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Many people, organizations and businesses have supported fundraisers throughout the year. Because of these fundraisers, we have been able to keep our entry reasonable and raise our prize fund to \$15,000. Two fundraisers remain: **Bartender exchange at 3B's** September 20th and our **Raffle Drawing for \$1,000 cash** and additional prizes at Cafe Melange on November 7th. Watch In Step for further details on both these fundraisers.

If you need additional information on the tournament, whether it be bowling or advertising please call Cindy at (414) 871-4735. To purchase raffle tickets please call Cindy at (414) 871-4735. To purchase raffle tickets please call Dean at (414) 966-3339.

H.I.T. 15 anticipates another successful year. We thank everyone for their continued and generous support.

Touch Football Open to All

It's "be butch" time! All are welcome at GAMMA's celebration of its first informal game in 1978! Meet on Sunday, October 24th at 1:30pm on the soccer field at the north end of Lincoln Memorial Drive (by the lakefront). This is the time that the young bucks in our community can truly show their speed and skill with a pigskin. GAMMA has reserved the field — and will open participation to the whole community. Please wear sneakers — and dress warmly. Rain, snow or sleet, cancels. For more information call GAMMA at 963-9833.

Racquetball League Begins in November

Milwaukee — All Gay and Lesbian racquetball players in the greater Milwaukee area are invited to participate in an informal playing network and tournament that will begin in early November.

Interested players should provide their name, address, phone number, skill level and home court. GAMMA will set-up a playing schedule for those who wish to join in tournament play and provide a roster to all participants so that players may set-up their own matches.

There will be three skill levels: beginner, intermediate, and advanced.

This is the second year that this activity has been offered — but, the first time it has been open to both GAMMA members and non-members. To sign-up, please call Don Buzanowski at (414) 328-0886. For more information about GAMMA and its fall and winter activities, please call (414) 963-9833.

Chicago Gay and Lesbian Basketball Tournament

Set For Thanksgiving Weekend

The **Chicago Hoops Classic IV Basketball Tournament** has been scheduled for Thanksgiving Weekend, November 26-28, 1993. The tournament will feature Gay and Lesbian basketball teams from around the country. The event is hosted by Windy City Athletic Association and sponsored by Miller Brewing Company.

Teams and players from around the country have taken part in this event, which has grown to become the largest annual Gay and Lesbian basketball tournament in the nation. Among the cities represented have been Philadelphia, Houston, Boston, Milwaukee, Dallas, Cincinnati, Denver, Atlanta, Des Moines, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Long Beach and New York.

This year's tournament promises to be an especially exciting one. It stands as the final tune-up in anticipation of the 1994 Gay Games in New York. Players and teams interested in taking part are encouraged to contact the Chicago Hoops Classic Committee as soon as possible to obtain

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Letters

Dear Editor:

On September 26, 1993 Magic Johnson and Mike Dunleavy, the coach of the Milwaukee Bucks, co-chaired the 4th annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk. The AIDS Walk drew over 8,000 walkers and raised over \$500,000.

On that same day, inmates and staff members at Racine Correctional Institution in Sturtevant also held an AIDS Walk. With 27 walkers and runners taking part, over \$1,300 was raised for the AIDS Walk. With an inmate population of about 900 and a staff of over 100, the awareness of education, research and AIDS care was raised. People of every ethnic background and lifestyle, including the warden, staff and inmates, all actively participated. Indeed, a very diverse population at the prison actively put forth a very successful effort in the ongoing fight against a horrific disease that touches us all.

The society at large has attached the stigma that all inmates in prison are cruel, awful, selfish and horrible people. That is not now nor has it ever been the case. Yes, people in prison have broken the law but that does not mean that they are "bad" people. Every person in prison is loved by someone out there in society, perhaps you.

I believe that the judges, district attorneys and law enforcement officials have contributed very little if anything to the fight against AIDS. Inmates with very little money gave a portion of their pay with one inmate giving \$10 and another donating \$15, so that the goal of \$1 per person was achieved and exceeded. Over 75% of the staff donated to this worthwhile battle

against AIDS and ignorance. How awesome it would be if all of you in society would give a dollar to fight AIDS and show compassion and care.

I am an inmate here at the institution and also a volunteer for the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project. I walked in the Walk for Sherry, Danny, Jack, Roberta, Ricky and other friends of ours who were not able to walk this year because this disease took their lives. I love and miss them all and keep them and their families in my prayers. No one ever deserves to die of this disease no matter who they are or how they got it. Certainly no one went out looking to get infected.

In closing, I would like to leave you with these parting thoughts. In December, on World AIDS Day, stop and say a prayer and remember Ryan White, Arthur Ashe and Magic Johnson and all the others still living with HIV and AIDS. Do not be afraid of an infected person but rather be accepting and compassionate. I truly hope that none of you will have to go through facing the loss of a loved one to this disease. Keep hoping and praying, and **LET US ALL BE HERE FOR THE CURE.** Take care.

Joe Woller, #181507
Box 900-1
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Editor's Note: Mr. Woller, currently incarcerated in the Racine Correctional Institution, is a Gay man who is HIV-positive. He would appreciate any responses to his letter. Correspondence can be sent to the address above.



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15,000 athletes from 40 countries, thousands of cultural participants and more than 500,000 spectators are expected to participate.

Gay Games IV will feature over 31 individual and team sports, including: Aerobics, Badminton, Basketball, Billiards, Bowling, Cycling, Diving, Figure Skating, Flag Football, Golf, Ice Hockey, In-Line Skating, Judo, Marathon, Marital Arts, Physique, Powerlifting, Racquetball, Soccer, Softball (slow & women's fast pitch), Sport Climbing, Squash, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Track & Field, Triathlon, Volleyball, Water Polo, and Wrestling.

Also, the games' Unity Center and throughout New York City, participants and spectators will be able to enjoy a series of events and performances from a broad range of artistic disciplines.

The Gay Games were founded by the late Dr. Tom Waddell, an Olympic Decathlete who believed "to do one's personal best is the ultimate goal of human achievement." The first Gay Games competition was held in San Francisco in 1982. Subsequent competitions were held in San Francisco (1986) and Vancouver, British Columbia (1990). The Games continue to grow in scope, vision and participation, from 1,300 athletes from 12 nations in Gay Games I (Challenge '82); 3,500 from 16 nations in Gay Games II (Triumph in '86); and 7,250 from 30 nations in Gay Games III (Celebration '90).

Team Wisconsin

For the first time in the history of the Gay Games the state of Wisconsin will organize in preparation for Gay Games IV. In 1990 an enthusiastic few represented the state of Wisconsin. Wisconsin had a billiards



team, a bowler, a physique participant and a soccer team participate in Gay Games III in Vancouver. Our state athletes came together for the first time under the Wisconsin Flag just before the opening ceremonies began. By the closing ceremonies "team spirit" was shared as we had supported one another's achievements. It was empowering and impressive to see how other states and countries had organized. They appeared in great number with festive uniforms and a sense of togetherness.

Team Wisconsin has a mission: To encourage Wisconsin Lesbians and Gay men to come together for what many have said is the greatest experience of their lives in participating in the Gay Games. Our state theme is "Strength Within." Wisconsin has a strong Lesbian and Gay community with individuals of all races, abilities and ages who have their own unique strengths. Plans are underway to organize, solicit funds, plan a pre-games send off celebration in Madison, and outfit our athletes with state ceremonial uniforms.

Join Team Wisconsin in Gay Games IV!

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Editor:

Thanks for your wonderful coverage and great photos of the Wisconsin AIDS Walk in the recent edition of In Step. I want to clarify a couple of issues that were raised about the Walk in your "Steppin' Out" column.

We were pleased that Magic Johnson drew 8,000 walkers, almost twice as many as last year. Although it would have been wonderful to have also doubled the dollars raised, the experience of AIDS Walks around the country that have grown even larger than ours is that the increase in attendance is always greater than the increase in funds raised. The Walk is intended to increase AIDS awareness as well as raise much needed funds. Our hope is that the greater awareness that has been generated from Magic Johnson's visit will result in a greater commitment and more funds raised in the years to come.

We are thrilled that the Walk exceeded its goal again this year by raising \$550,581. This amount is entirely generated from the Walk itself. The \$100,000 donation from the Magic Johnson Foundation was a separate contribution that had been received earlier to support the programs of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.

Magic Johnson's time in Milwaukee was limited on the day of the Walk. He addressed the Walk Breakfast, the opening ceremonies of the Walk, and walked a small portion of the Walk before he was obligated to participate in a press conference and then attend an important meeting with members of the Black Health Coalition.

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin is deeply grateful to the 8,000 walkers and 430 volunteers — all of whom made the Walk a much bigger success this year. Twenty AIDS service agencies throughout Wisconsin will benefit from this success.

Next year the Walk will need to be even more successful as these agencies struggle to deliver services that keep pace with the worsening HIV epidemic. The Walk has become an annual statewide rallying event in the fight against AIDS and is truly a lifeline for Wisconsin's AIDS service agencies and the thousands of people with HIV disease whom they serve.

Thanks, Ron, for In Step's continuing support of the Walk and for all that you are doing to help us in the arduous struggle against AIDS.

Sincerely,
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Health

AIDS Vaccines Contracts Pave Way for Large National and International Studies

With the awarding of two five-year contracts, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) continues to lay the groundwork for large, multisite trials to examine the effectiveness of promising vaccine candidates that might prevent AIDS in high-risk populations in the United States and abroad.

Abt Associates, Inc. of Cambridge, Mass., will oversee the domestic master contract to conduct feasibility studies and manage multisite HIV vaccine trials in the United States. Family Health International (FHI) of Research Triangle Park, N.C., will administer the international master contract for similar services outside of the United States. Estimated first year costs for the contracts are \$4.3 million for Abt and \$2.2 million for FHI.

"NIAID is committed to providing direction and funding to begin Phase III vaccine efficacy trials as soon as promising candidates are available," says Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., director of NIAID. "While we as yet cannot fully foresee the timing, number, design and magnitude of clinical trials that may be required for testing these candidates, NIAID anticipates that several domestic and international multicenter Phase III efficacy trials could begin between 1994 and 1998."

"Behavior changes have reduced the transmission of HIV, but such modifications alone have not stopped HIV from spreading," says Dr. Fauci. "Having a safe, effective vaccine could make a significant impact towards successful, global control of this pandemic."

Already in the United States, NIAID has completed 3 trials and is conducting 12 trials of several HIV vaccine candidates at the institute's AIDS Vaccine Evaluation Units (AVEUs). Specifically, investigators of these phase I and II studies are evaluating the vaccines' safety and ability to stimulate the immune system in more than 1,250 men and

women uninfected with HIV. The five AVEUs are at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., St. Louis University, Mo., University of Rochester, N.Y., University of Washington in Seattle and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

In late 1992, NIAID launched the first Phase II trial of a preventive HIV vaccine in the AVEUs. Unlike the earlier trials, some participants in this study have a history of behavior that puts them at high risk for HIV infection— injection drug use, multiple sex partners or a sexually transmitted disease. As part of the trial, they receive repeated counseling to avoid such high-risk behavior. In addition to providing safety and immunogenicity data, the trial will help determine if such individuals, representative of people likely to enroll in large-scale trials, respond differently to vaccines.

AIDS Awareness Workshops Offered At Southside Center

Geared Towards Hispanic/Latino Community

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee AIDS Project will conduct two AIDS Awareness Workshops, scheduled for Wednesday, October 27, and Wednesday, November 17. Each session will begin at 7:30pm at the Social Development Commission Southside Neighborhood Center, 913 W. Madison St., Milwaukee.

The programs, designed to meet the needs of Milwaukee's Hispanic and Latino communities, are being presented by the Milwaukee AIDS Project, and sponsored by United Migrant Opportunities Services, SER Jobs for Progress, the Sixteenth Street Community Health Center, and La Causa Day Care Center.

Representatives from the Milwaukee AIDS Project will give a basic overview of AIDS and HIV disease, including how the virus is transmitted, HIV antibody testing procedures and the effects of HIV on the body. Participants' questions will be addressed, as well as methods to prevent HIV from spreading.

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Leather Worlds...

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thing was the effect that it had on me.

Having watched, received and performed piercings, I was strangely stunned by what I saw. The procedure itself didn't bother me; the appropriate precautions were taken. I guess I just never expected to see a high-school aged teen receive a piercing that I consider to be an "adult thing."

We are again faced with a recurring theme. A segment of the population creates or adapts something as a symbol. It can be

anything from an article of clothing to a complex code of behavior, what matters is that the thing has meaning to those who share it. This "thing" is then adopted by others outside the original group, not because of what it symbolizes, but because it appears attractive to them.

So what was once a symbol of commitment to some is now little more than a fashion touch.

I will still keep my nipple ring, and plan on having more piercings and tattoos done in the future. I just hope I can do it without becoming fashionable.

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The Gay Side

By Tom Rezza



BESTD Women's Clinic

Milwaukee — The BESTD Women's Clinic has special sensitivity to serve the Lesbian Community. A service of The Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD), it is located at 1240 East Brady Street, at Arlington Place.

The Women's Clinic receives clients on the first and third Saturdays of each month from 10am until 12 noon. Beginning January 1, 1994, The Women's Clinic will change its schedule and move to Thursdays with hours from 6pm until 9pm each week.

The Women's Clinic is operated by women practitioners and support staff. It offers well-womyn exams, screening for Cervical Cancer (PAP Smears), diagnosis and treatment of urinary infections as well as common vaginal infections and sexually transmitted disease testing, diagnosis and treatment.

While this clinic serves all women, Lesbians are especially encouraged to use its services. Volunteers are also very urgently needed to staff the expanded schedule. Volunteer opportunities include desk work, intake, computer data entry and chart completion. People with health care skills, such as Physicians, Nurses and Nurse Practitioners, Physician's Assistants, Lab Technicians and Phlebotomists are also welcome to volunteer.

If you are interested in helping to provide this important service, please call BESTD Clinic at 272-2144 Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10am till 9pm or Thursdays and Fridays from 10am until 5pm to get further information and leave your name for the Women's Clinic manager to contact you.

In addition to the Women's Clinic, BESTD also offers a range of Health Care Services to the LesBiGay Communities, including anonymous HIV antibody testing, STD diagnosis, testing and treatment and support groups. While BESTD throughout its history has had special expertise and sensitivity to serve Lesbians, Bi and TransSexuals, and Gay men, it welcomes without reservation volunteers and clients without discrimination of any kind.

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Positively HIV

By Arnie Malmon

On The Road Again

I just returned from the State HIV/AIDS conference in Madison. It was gratifying to see such a high level of interest in the subject of HIV/AIDS, not only care and treatment issues, but education as well. The meetings were attended by more than 600 people from all over Wisconsin. I strongly believe that more doctors and minority people should attend these meetings, but as usual most of those in attendance were white female nurses. I also would like to see a few more people with AIDS in attendance at meetings like this.

The meeting was opened by Gov. Tommy Thompson, who over the years has surprised many by being very supportive of AIDS issues. He introduced Mary Fisher who then gave the keynote address. Mary Fisher is the HIV+ woman who addressed the Republican National Convention last year. She is a strong compassionate voice in the fight against AIDS. Just in case you thought I was going to give you a blow by blow synopsis of the meeting, not to worry, it will only be highlights.

A lot of time at the conference was devoted to working with teenagers to prevent the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. This is a really important topic, because if we cannot influence the behavior of people just becoming sexually active, we will never put an end to this plague. Most appropriately the emphasis was on teaching kids self esteem and the importance of making decisions based on thought rather than visual advertising images.

There were many interesting sessions on a variety of other topics as well, including TB, community behavior programs and for me personally an excellent presentation on nutrition. The nutrition session was presented by Cade Fields Newman who has worked extensively with AIDS patients at San Francisco General Hospital. She spent a lot of time on nutritional evaluation and the importance of diet and the body's ability to absorb nutrients. This is the kind of

information that needs to be more readily available and particularly should be required for physicians. The conference had a lot of good materials available, and while they're all from drug companies or pharmacies, they contain useful information on nutrition, including recipes for keeping one's weight up. Check with your doctor or local AIDS Service Organization for additional information.

I could hardly report on the State Conference without talking about the session on *AIDS/HIV: Wounding and Healing the Spirit*. Of course the fact that I was on this panel has nothing to do with my wanting to talk about it. (*Just a joke!*) As I mentioned in my previous article I really enjoy having the opportunity to speak before an audience and particularly to answer their questions. And when I have the opportunity to talk both seriously and irreverently it's even more rewarding. Unlike several other panel members, God is not my spiritual center, I am my own spiritual center. My belief in myself and my sense of humor are what keep me going. This is in no way meant to disparage anyone else's point of view. A belief in something can be a strong motivating force in keeping up your mental and physical health.

Finally, one of the great rewards of writing this column, other than the opportunity to say whatever I want to say, is to find out that people really read what I write. While most of my friends and acquaintances read my column (they better), it's knowing that it's read around the state that counts. I had the pleasure of having a case manager from Green Bay tell me he reads these columns and copies them for clients. Thanks!

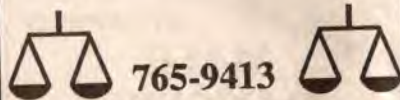
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Leather Worlds

By Tony Terry

Piercing

I remember when I got my "erotic piercing." I had been waiting for several months to have my left nipple pierced, and in many ways, this marked a turning point in my life.

I had several reasons for having the piercing done, but the primary one was commitment. For me, the piercing symbolized my decision to pursue the life that I had chosen for myself. It meant that I would be marked forever as a LeatherMan.

There was no peer pressure involved in my decision to have the piercing done; I didn't do it because I thought it would look cool, nor was it done as an act of rebellion.

Many people have the same reasons for getting their piercings, or tattoos, or even cuttings (incisions used to create patterns of scar tissue). All of these procedures were historically used as "coming of age" rituals by tribal cultures, and in many ways their use in the Leather Community has been similarly inspired.

Now, however, these same procedures have achieved a new following; they have crossed over into pop culture. They have become **Trendy With The Teenagers!**

I suppose it was destined to happen eventually. Adolescents have been searching out new and exciting ways to shock and dismay their parents (and other members of the "older" generation) since time began. I'd be willing to bet that when our earliest ancestors started cooking meat over this new thing they called fire, it was nothing more than a cleverly devised way to get their parents to scrunch up their faces with obvious distaste and exclaim, "I don't know why you always have to be trying every new fad that comes along! What will the neighbors think? I just hope you have the good sense not to do that sort of thing when your Grandmother comes to visit!"

In the Sixties, shocking and dismaying one's parents was much easier. For men, having your ear pierced and growing your hair long was more than satisfactory. For women, openly disagreeing with their

father's political beliefs was sufficient. For the truly daring, burning a bra or a draft card was enough to send shock-waves through an entire extended family.

Lately, surprising one's parents is more challenging than anybody of my generation ever imagined. For instance, how can you shock your father by growing your hair and getting your ear pierced if your father's hair grows halfway down his back and he wears larger earrings than your mother? Obviously, something more dramatic is called for.

But what could fill the bill?

A few months ago, I saw a promo spot on MTV where — through a series of video flashes — a mild-mannered, button-down sort of guy was transformed into a leather wearing wild-man, complete with harness and arm bands, sporting rings from his nasal septum and both nipples. I viewed it as a caricature, something designed to be amusing. It didn't offend me, but it did disturb me on some level.

Then a few days ago I saw an episode of *Oprah*. Now please understand that I don't make it a habit of watching every talk show that comes down the line (besides my roommate won't let me watch too many of them, I get too worked-up and eventually start yelling at the guests and audience members when they say stupid, narrow minded, prejudicial things, but that's another story) but I happened to catch this show about parents who hated the way their teenagers dressed and wanted to give them makeovers.

In addition to showing the obligatory before and after shots of the teens, there was also video footage of one young woman in what appeared to be a doctor's office having her naval pierced. I guess this was done to show why the mother so disliked her daughter's wardrobe and personal style, and it definitely elicited a steady stream of moans, groans and nauseated looks from audience members (even Oprah herself looked pretty shaken-up). The surprising

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Legal

By Arlene Zarembka

Cutting The Heart Out Of Civil Rights Legislation

Wisconsin's Supreme Court Decision Undermines Historic Gay Rights Bill

A 1993 decision by the Wisconsin Supreme Court concerning a civil rights ordinance prohibiting marital status discrimination undermined the historic achievement of Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian community in obtaining passage of the first state civil rights protections for sexual orientation. Moreover, if the Wisconsin Supreme Court decision is followed by other states and municipalities that have civil rights laws prohibiting marital status or sexual orientation discrimination, the decision will have disastrous effects on Gay men and Lesbians who live far outside Wisconsin's borders.

The case of **County of Dane v Norman** involved claims of discrimination against one landlord filed by two groups of prospective renters. One group consisted of three single women who wished to rent a 3-bedroom duplex; the other group consisted of a woman who wished to rent an apartment for her two children and her female roommate. In both cases, the landlord refused to rent to them, stating that he refused to rent to unrelated individuals who planned to live together. Dane County filed suit against the landlord, alleging that he violated Dane County's fair housing ordinance by discriminating on the basis of marital status.

In ruling in favor of the landlord, the Wisconsin Supreme Court cut the heart out of the protections against marital status discrimination. It ruled 4-3 that it is not a violation of Dane County's ordinance prohibiting marital status discrimination for a landlord to refuse to rent to unrelated persons. Why? Because, the court concluded, living together is conduct, not status. The court ruled that the ordinance prohibits discrimination only against the status of being single or married. Since the

landlord refused to rent to the women because of their intent to engage in the conduct of living together, the landlord did not violate the Dane County ordinance. If that were the end of the decision, it would be disturbing enough. But the court went further. The Dane County ordinance defines "marital status" to mean "being married, divorced, widowed, separated, single or a cohabitant." The court struck down that part of the ordinance that defines marital status to include being a cohabitant. After noting that municipalities cannot pass ordinances infringing on the "spirit" of a state law or general policy, the court wrote:

"[The ordinance's] requirement that landlords make available their rental units to 'cohabitants' is inconsistent with the public policy of this state which seeks to promote the stability of marriage and family. As a result, it is outside the enabling authority of [state law], and invalid."

It then quoted the preamble to Wisconsin's marriage statute to support its conclusion that protecting cohabitants from housing discrimination is invalid. The preamble reads, in part:

"It is the intent of [the Family Code] to promote the stability and best interests of marriage and the family. ...Marriage is the institution that is the foundation of the family and of society. Its stability is basic to morality and civilization, and of vital interest to society and state."

The Wisconsin Supreme Court not only interpreted Wisconsin's marriage law to mean that marriage is the only acceptable relationship between people and that there is a public policy against cohabitation, but conveniently ignored two Wisconsin laws designed to guarantee equal access to housing to all persons and to prevent discrimination in housing. The first of these laws is the state fair housing legislation, which prohibits discrimination in housing based on marital status and sexual orientation, among other categories. The second is another law that states that the right of all persons to have equal opportunities for housing is a matter of local, as well as statewide interest, and, accordingly authorizes and encourages local authorities to pass ordinances providing for equal opportunity in housing.

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hope of privacy and dignity all ye who enter here." But I suppose that would cut down on the visitor population some. The first of the indignities I had to suffer was being catheterized, with my little bag of pee hanging right out there for everyone to see. It's a disconcerting experience, to say the least, to have your friends know you are peeing when you don't even know you are! It did bring us closer together, though.

Next came an alarming procession of doctors, most of whom I remember rather indistinctly, being in a morphine-induced haze. One guy, who reminded me of Colonel Klink with his bald head and German accent (Do you think I watch too much TV?), seemed pretty hot on doing another surgery on me, so I kind of remember him. I also remember some doctor saying that she needed to do an on-the-spot rectal exam. "You're kidding," I said. She wasn't. I have a sideways kind of recollection of her as well.

Then there were the nightly visits from nurse C., whom I affectionately came to call "Nurse Ratchet" — although not to her face. I guess maybe we just got off to a bad start. At midnight the first night, she came into my room to rearrange my bed table (tidiness knows no time, I guess) and to tell me I must sit up and cough up my "sputum." I replied indignantly that I didn't have any sputum. "You may think you don't, but you do," she retorted rather testily, then slammed a few more things around and left the room. I listened for a key in the door lock, but I guess she figured that if I didn't have the oomph to sit up and take care of my sputum I wasn't in any danger of running away or starting a mutiny.

As it turned out, Nurse Ratchet was in the minority. Most of my nurses were quite wonderful. I think they kind of liked me. I didn't cuss them out the way my crabby roommate and others did and I made them laugh. Like the time two of them entered the room wearing rubber gloves. "Oh-oh," I said. "Two people wearing rubber gloves: this can't be a good sign." I also exchanged pleasantries with them as I did laps of the ward, my hand encircling my I.V. pole like the hand of a secret friend.

Probably the worst indignity of all, though, was having to suffer through 6 — count 'em: 6 — enemas before going for a colonoscopy. Fortunately for all concerned,

at least I didn't have a roommate at that point in time. I said to a friend of mine later, "I can't believe some people actually do enemas for pleasure." "Yeah, and pay for them," she commented. Then, after a pause, she added, "Oh. I guess you'll be paying for it too..." After the whole enema thing, the colonoscopy was almost anticlimatic, except that it is a *little* weird to be laying there with a group of people gathered around your bare butt watching the inside of your colon on a TV screen as though it were an especially riveting episode of "Upstairs, Downstairs." "What a way to make a living," I commented to the technician after the show was over. She laughed and said, "Yep, that's all we do here — butts and guts."

As it turned out, based on the second opinion we asked for, we decided I didn't need to undergo the second surgery. Or at least not right away. But given that the surgeon who proffered the second opinion was this way cool dyke doctor, my girlfriend decided on the spot that if I ever did need a second surgery, we would assemble an all-Lesbian surgical team, and didn't figure we'd have much trouble doing it. "Now all we need is a Lesbian anesthesiologist," my girlfriend commented. To which a friend of ours replied, "Or, maybe by the time you're ready for the other surgery, one of the male anesthesiologists will have undergone a sex change operation and become a Lesbian. Then you'll have to decide if you want a woman-born woman only team."

Actually, at this time, although my belly looks a little like either a football or a trussed turkey (we can't decide which), I'm recovering quite nicely and, having left the hospital, have reclaimed most of my dignity.

What we did get — myself in particular — is a whole lot of support from my friends and family all across the country, who called and sent cards, and plants, and love. I'm not saying I would go through the whole thing just to get that giant booster shot of love. And I'm not suggesting you should either. But with all the unpleasant surprises a hospital visit can bring, it sure is nice to have at least one pleasant surprise — as if having that hospital gown flap open in the back as you walk down the hall weren't excitement enough!

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The court's reasoning in striking down the protections for cohabitants is likely to be used by opponents of Gays and Lesbians throughout the country to eviscerate Gay and Lesbian civil rights protections. Should courts in other states follow the lead of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, and find their marriage laws to be antithetical to non-married relationships, laws prohibiting discrimination based on marital status or sexual orientation, especially housing discrimination laws, could be rendered virtually unenforceable. This especially would be the case if courts find that anything other than simply "being" unmarried, or Gay or Lesbian amounts to conduct.

To reverse the Wisconsin Supreme Court's decision will require amending state law to make it clear that discrimination against unmarried cohabitants is unlawful. Gay men and Lesbians do have powerful allies on this issue, both in Wisconsin and in other states. Laws and practices preventing non-married persons from living together are common in many parts of the country. Low-income housing activists have long been concerned about the severe shortage of affordable housing throughout the country, and are natural allies. Shared housing is

high on the agenda of groups such as the Older Women's League, since elderly people often wish to have others live with them, for emotional, physical, or financial support. Disabled persons often need to reside with companions who can provide assistance. Immigrants often come from countries where extended families and shared quarters are the norm, not the exception. College towns tend to attract large numbers of single persons for whom shared housing is the only way to obtain affordable housing. The Lesbian and Gay communities should join forces with these allies, in Wisconsin and in other states, to ensure the right of individuals to share housing. These efforts not only will help achieve the goal of shared housing rights, but will help to build lasting ties between the Gay and Lesbian communities and other communities.

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Because of the unqualified success of the weekend last year, Kissing Girls Productions are excited to present the show in a similar format this year.

Friday, November 19

Once again, KGP proudly presents a steamy evening of "Love & Lust Songs" for your enjoyment. Sigh, pant, and moan to the sounds of the area's finest torch singers at **Apple Island** (849 E. Washington Avenue in Madison). The first show will sizzle from 7-9pm, with doors opening at 6:30, and the second show will run just as hot from 9:30-11:30, with doors opening at 9:15pm.

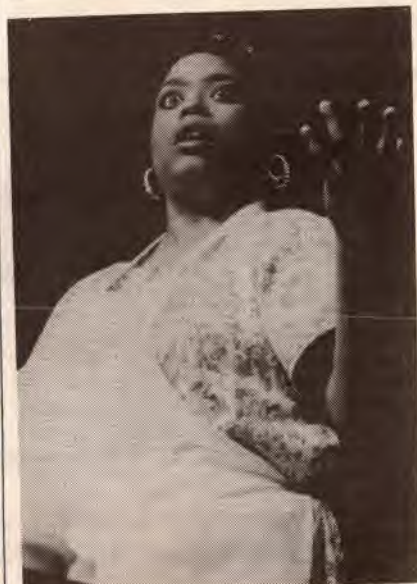
The 7pm show will be ASL interpreted. Apple Island is wheelchair accessible. Please remember that these shows will have separate tickets from the other events of the weekend. The cost is \$6, and tickets go on sale October 30th at A Room of One's Own, Whole Earth, and Green Earth. Mail order tickets for those outside of Dane County will be available October 27th through November 3rd.

Saturday, November 20

Saturday's excitement will begin at noon with the art show entitled "Separated: Not Isolated" at the **Brave Hearts Theatre** (1988 Atwood Avenue in Madison). The art show runs from noon until 4pm on Saturday. You will be impressed and amazed at the talent in our area, so don't miss it!

Topping off the day on Saturday will be the **8th Annual Lesbian Variety Show** featuring talent beyond your wildest dreams from around the area. The show will start at 7pm and will be held once again at the **Barrymore Theatre** (2090 Atwood Avenue).

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Holly Hughes (top) and Debra Parks Satterfield recently appeared in a *PrideFest '94* benefit at Centennial Hall in two one-woman shows.

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Inside Out

By Yvonne Zipter

I.V. League

Well, here we stand collectively, on the doorstep of the holiday season — which in our household begins with my girlfriend's darn-near-Halloween birthday. Before you know it, turkeys, Pilgrims, menorahs, Santa Claus, and baby Jesus will march through stores of all kinds in quick succession and *It's a Wonderful Life* will be on every channel. I mention the latter in particular because I recently had the opportunity to *live It's a Wonderful Life*. In a way. No down-home angel in a union suit rescued me from a river (metaphorical or otherwise), but I did get the opportunity to see just how much I mean to the people in my life. The occasion for this Jimmy Stewart-like experience was a recent trip to the hospital, which, in a less classic vein, sort of resembled *Gilligan's Island* in that what was anticipated as a short trip left me marooned for awhile in a strange uncharted place: I went in for same-day surgery and ended up being there for just shy of a week. And let me tell you, that whole hospital thing is one

weird scene. Yowza.

My first memory, after they put me under, was the face of my doctor, hovering over me like a vision. If I hadn't been in intense pain, this would have been a lovely experience as my doc is one cute number — brown eyes to die for and a great smile. My girlfriend, in fact, kiddingly says she had to get me out of the hospital because I was falling in love with my doctor, and my friends have been hinting broadly about transference. But the truth is, my doctor is more than a pretty face — which, after all, is kind of important in someone you willingly allow to stand poised with a knife over your vital organs. But my adoration of her goes beyond that as well. To give but one example of her superiority as a medical professional and perhaps as a human being, she completely and totally accepted my girlfriend's involvement at every step of the pre-surgery and recovery processes. In fact, though Kathy-my-love came to the hospital armed with her power of attorney, no one ever once asked for it. Cool. And that, my friends, in one paragraph, pretty much covers the high points of the hospital experience.

If a hospital wanted to adhere to a truth in advertising sort of code, it should post a sign at its doorway reading, "Abandon all *contd. on page ▶ 62*

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a room where the tension came from nowhere-to-go-with-it. So I went home, caught in the first few rays over the corner of the Lake.

I never did know what I had been doing there. Just a fan thing, I always thought. I must nearly have worn the grooves in that signed album smooth over the next decade. I casually sought sightings, and cheered grammy successes, marveled at her anthem to my adolescence, "*At Seventeen*," which she lifted wholecloth from my highschool yearbook.

We've traveled some roads since then, Janis and I. I went through Lesbian bootcamp, away the next year in Europe with Sandy, interned magnificently with Roxann, and studied self-destruction with Professors Barbara and Jennifer on my way to Judi. A most enlightening trip. I don't know what Janis did in the intervening. Just, from what I could tell on the Howard Stern

show last night, got cooler. Her voice got sweeter. Her memory more special, now that I understood, *finally*, what I had been doing in a Chicago hotel room twenty-three years ago handing Janis Ian spare socks and packs of guitar strings.

"Did she come on to you?" Judi asked as I explained the encounter, briefly, so as not to interrupt the absorption of as much Ian essence as could pass to me through the cathode ray.

"I don't think so. I don't know. Who *could* have known?" I answer, my eyes way into my thousand yard stare, reconstructing a smokey club two decades ahead of the wrecking ball, just beyond the image of Howard Stern's awed interrogation.

Who could have *known*? Oh, Janis, I'm too old to be a groupie. But I'll always be a fan. Or something more.

If I had only known then what I just found out now.

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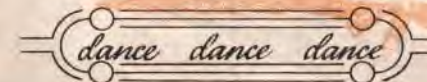
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Sunday, November 21

The *Art Show Reception* from 11am-1pm at the **Brave Hearts Theatre**, (1988 Atwood Ave., Madison) will let you enjoy the artwork and the artists as you have an opportunity to meet them all at the reception. Then from 1-3pm, expand your cultural horizons even further with the annual *Poetry Showcase*, which will be ASL interpreted. The Art Show will conclude at 3pm.

Tickets

Tickets for the Variety Show, Art Show, and Poetry Showcase are combined into one, and they will get you into all three of these marvelous events. Tickets go on sale on Saturday, October 30, and they will be available at Room of One's Own, Whole Earth, and Green Earth in Madison. The cost is on a sliding scale of \$10-\$12-\$15. Remember, the ticket for these three events is separate from the ticket for the Friday night Cabaret. Cabaret Night tickets are available at the same ticket outlets, and the

cost is \$6. Also, be sure to bring your ticket (or after the Variety Show, your ticket stub...) to the Art Show or Poetry Showcase. Without it there is a \$2 charge for these events.

Outside of Dane County mail order tickets will be available October 27th through November 3rd. Mail a check payable to Kissing Girls Production (KGP), P.O. Box 6091, Madison, WI 53716. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you are purchasing Cabaret tickets, please indicate first and second choice of show times.

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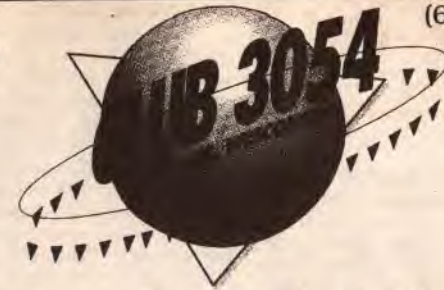
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Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

Hidden Society's Child

Janis Ian was on Howard Stern's show recently promoting her new album, *Breaking Silence*. In the first five seconds, he tossed his auburn curls like some latter day Loretta Young entering his hair through a doorway, and asked how old she was when she first acted on her Lesbianism.

What? Janis? One of us? Oh, Gaydar, where were you when I really needed you?

"Fifteen and a half," she replied in the kind of months-on-end accounting ascribed to the impatiently young learning to tally their lifetime.

"Oooohh." I thought I inwardly groaned. Only, Judi, lying beside me in our Sunday night let's-watch-a-little-TV-before-we-have-to-sleep-ourselves-into-a-new-week bed, asked, "What's wrong?"

"Oh, nothing. I used to know her." And drifted into a twenty year old Chicago reverie. Way back to when I still wanted to throw up at the Lesbian scenes in paperback books. I had been married to Whatsisname for about as long as we were going to last, and had taken up a friendship with a woman at work who fulfilled all the blond, blue-eyed Cinderella fantasies I was never going to be. As friends, you understand. Best friends. The kind who invent traumas weekly for excuses to hug. The kind who later would bring suicidal realizations, none of which would ever get acted on. And only very later understood.

I was still working my way through my frustrated twenty-something housewife phase when Priscilla said, "You have to hear this music" and played Janis Ian's interracial insight, "Society's Child." It had turned Ian from schoolyard outcast into famous folksinger at fourteen. She, who got to hang with Hendrix, was an icon I had missed, and I was taken. With the voice, with the lyricism of the writing, with the sentiment and sensitivity and the concern about the boundary-crossing of the song.

It was significant months later, with Whatsisname packed and gone, Priscilla

offering scant relief, and a company which said, "Vacation: Use it or lose it." The kind of chill December ultimatum that caught me short on cash and travel inspiration. I'd paid for the divorce, was still paying for childcare, and couldn't cover costs beyond the wilds of Gary, Indiana, and inconceivable opportunity for midwest adventure travel. So I did what any poor Chicago soul in my circumstances would o... I looked in the Sunday Sun-Times for amusements, and planned to stay home.

And lo. And behold. A grownup Janis Ian was at a local club for the week. For a few bucks to cover the babysitter, and the price of an elevated train to, and an indulgent taxi from, I could have my own Janis Ian festival.

She was splendid. I was entranced. For four nights I showed up and sipped scotch which hadn't yet been designated environmentally unsound, and drank the music and the lovely lady in.

On the fifth night, the record company advance man acknowledged my existence with free albums and free drinks. Nothing lascivious, I was vaguely disappointed to discover (what did I know then?) just good business for an obvious fan, I still have the album, a little cat scratched along the upper edge, but with the magic marker inscription still intact. To me. From Her.

On the fifth night we talked a little. Between sets. The sort of star to fan non-conversation that makes your adams apple sit doubled inside your throat. But, I must have said something, because the sixth night, the last night, she said, "So, uh, you wanna come with us 'n' get something to eat? Help us pack?"

"Did I? Of course! It was way into the little hand numbers by the end of the last set. We rode up the Northside, Janis, me, the three in the band, in a Sherman tank Checker Cab that defines the streets of Chicago. I sat backward on the fold-down, while they talked of the next gig. And I tried to figure out what I was doing there, or was supposed to do. Help her pack, I guessed. Going home with a guy from a club, I'd have known. But this? It was very undefined.

We headed to the hotel, where I handed her clothes from a drawer or a pile on the floor, and listened to memorable one-way conversation I can't reconstruct. Just the float-through image of being there, innocently, strangely, strongly drawn in a magnetism that had no vocabulary then, in

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theatre, will donate 10% of all ticket sales for the entire run of Arthur Schnitzler's comedy "La Ronde" to the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

"La Ronde," which opens the Ensemble's eighth season, will run October 29 through November 21 at the Boulevard Theatre, 2252 South K.K. Performances are Thursday through Sunday evenings at 8pm. Tickets are \$9-\$10. Please call 672-6019 for reservations/information.

The 10% ticket donation to MAP continues the Ensemble's commitment to both MAP and the AIDS crisis and other local organizations. The Boulevard feels strongly that theatre can and should be utilized for more than mere entertainment and, as such, will be donating 10% of all ticket sales during the entire run of "La Ronde."

"La Ronde" (which translates as "the circle") is Schnitzler's comic odyssey of seduction and abandonment, in which ten individuals are linked by sexual coupling. The characters in Schnitzler's sexual daisy chain range from prostitute to a "respectable" married couple to the cream of society; yet all are linked by desire and deception. Schnitzler's turn of the century indictment of human foibles will be set in modern dress.

Different Drummer Opens 3rd Season

Milwaukee's Only LesBiGay Theatre Company

Different Drummer Theater Alliance, Milwaukee's only Gay/Lesbian theater company is about to open its third season at the new Theater Complex's Studio Theater in the Third Ward.

The group will open the season on January 14, 15, 21, 22, 23 with three one act plays dealing with Gay/Lesbian issues:

▾ "Kitchen Duty" by Victor Bumbalo a sly, witty, frightening, and funny play of the insights into Gay relationships past and future.

▾ "The Way We Live Now" by Susan Sontag is a second-third and fourth hand reporting of facts, events and feelings in witty, unsentimental, often hilarious detail by and/or about twenty-six people gathered around a mutual friend who has AIDS (although the term is never used).

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▾ "Forget Him" by Harvey Fierstein deals with a virgin's continual search for the ideal man via an all-male dating service. After four years with the ideal man the virgin soon feels he isn't, and is forced to admit the folly of his fantasy and to forget him.

Directors duties will be shared by Stephen Spera, Joseph Rabensdorf, and William Stotts.

For more information on acting roles and volunteer help, please contact: Stephen Spera at 347-0673, or James Bolton at 276-2596.

Comedy Central to Present Gay/Lesbian Show December 3

New York, NY — Comedy Central, the nation's only all-comedy network, will broadcast *Out There*, an hourlong special featuring many of the Gay and Lesbian community's top comedy acts, on December 3.

The historic program was taped before a live audience at the Great American Music Hall in San Francisco on October 11, National Coming Out Day. The program was hosted by outrageous Lesbian comic Lea DeLaria, who bills herself as the "Bull Dyke in a China Shop."

Other performers in the show are Bob Smith of the troupe Funny Gay Males, comedians Suzanne Westenhoefer and Marga Gomez, a self-described Lesbian comic from "Hispanica," Jewish Lesbian folk singer Phranc, actor David Drake from *The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me*, and Steven Moore, an HIV-positive comic ("If you think I'm great-looking now, just wait. Soon I'm going to be drop-dead gorgeous.")

The producers promise that *Out There* "will dispel the myth that Gay comedy is caused by domineering mother jokes, and will prove, once and for all, that Lesbian and

Gay comedians' brains are different."

"At Comedy Central, we take pride in bringing our viewers the freshest, most interesting and unique comedy acts regardless of the performer's sex, shape, size, color or persuasion," said Mitch Semel, a network executive. "*Out There* is a terrific example of the breadth and extraordinary talent of comedy performers in the Gay community."

Present Music To Premiere "Cheating, Lying, Stealing"

Milwaukee — On Friday, November 5, at 8pm. Present Music will perform the premiere of David Lang's *Cheating, Lying, Stealing* at the UWM Fine Arts Recital Hall. Present Music, with funds from the Meet the Composer/Reader's Digest Commissioning Fund, commissioned David Lang to write this new work for the Present Music ensemble. David Lang will join Present Music in residence for the week and will give a pre-concert composer talk at 7:15pm on November 5th. Other works to be performed by Present Music on this program include Lang's *Dance/Drop*, and works by John Tavener, Mauricio Kagel, Poul Rouder, and Lou Harrison.

David Lang is quickly becoming one of the most visible and provocative of the young American composers. Lang has won numerous recent prizes that include the Rome Prize, Kennedy Center/Friedham Award, a fellowship with the New York Philharmonic, and grants from the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts. Lang has been commissioned by the Boston Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra and the American Composers Orchestra. Lang is also co-founder of the Bang On A Can Festival, an annual, international festival of new music located in New York City.

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By W.W. Wells III

101 Dating Tips and Tricks

Fine...maybe there's not 101 Tips in this column, but hey... they're free! And guaranteed 100% effective in landing the man of your dreams! Well... maybe not 100% actually, but at least 30%! Okay... 20% effective. Oh, just shut up and read!

▼ Show him you're serious about a relationship by using the pronoun, "we" within minutes of your first meeting. Use it in every sentence.

▼ ALWAYS wear cologne. Check the cologne ads in *Vanity Fair Magazine*, purchase the brand with the most overhyped, homoerotic advertising campaign and spritz, spritz, spritz. You can never wear enough cologne. Spray your cat. Spray your car. Spray your friends. Then dump half a bottle down your crotch before an evening out. Yummy!

▼ Kiss your friends goodnight, slip the cute ones a little tongue. This shows others that you are a warm, affectionate person with (perhaps) a tendency towards sexual addiction.

▼ Immediately after meeting — within seconds — touch him in some way, even if it's just to brush off imaginary lint or to firmly grasp his manhood through his Levis. It tells him right away you're physically aware and interested in him. It will also give you a pretty good idea of how much he's packing in his 501s.

▼ Send him a drink (make it a double), perhaps with a little note, a nude Polaroid of yourself or the results of your most recent HIV test.

▼ Unbutton the top five buttons of

your shirt, but no more than that. This rule especially applies to blue jeans if your wearing button fly jeans with no undies (see the following tip).

▼ Let him know that you never wear underwear (you need to let your crotch "breathe"). Convince him you're bare underneath by wearing a pair of Calvins around your head.

▼ Always act calm, even if you're not. Pretend nothing is wrong when your lover walks by, empties a drink in your crotch and leaves a smart pink palm print on your cheek. Nothing is more appealing than a person with who can stay relaxed even in the most uncomfortable social situations.

▼ Let your hair grow, ignore those who say short hair is in vogue. Long is in.

▼ Cut your hair short, ignore those who say long hair is in vogue. Short is in.

▼ You can never be too sexy of a dancer. Get your butt out there and quake the dance floor. Achieve the most frenetic dancing by consuming pot after pot of coffee before going out. Just make sure you know exactly where the bathroom is and how long you can hold it or purchase a box of "industrial strength" Depends Undergarments.

▼ Tell a very, very funny joke with-in his hearing. If he's halfway across the bar you'll have to speak real loud and you might come off sounding like a dork, so it had better be a pretty damn funny joke. Knock-knocks are good.

▼ Though you know the person only casually, tell him you had a dream about him last night. Hint it was steamy and offer to show him the stained sheets to prove it.

▼ Ask him if he's ever considered being a model, this is especially effective if the guy looks like he's a carnival sideshow reject or a Geraldo panelist.

▼ Whisper that you heard the most flattering comment about him and don't tell him what it is. Hint that it has something to do with his sexual prowess then refuse to reveal your source, but insist that you've been enlisted by your friends to personally confirm the length and width of the rumor.

▼ Brush up against somebody in a bar. If the person acts as though they didn't notice. Do it again, harder. Repeat until you get a reaction or have knocked the guy to the ground. In which case, pounce on top and begin foreplay immediately or just see how far you can cram your tongue down his throat.

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1100 Club: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 5-8pm.

West Side Dykes: Meeting 6-8pm at a west Side Milwaukee home. Introductions, networking & games, conversation. Call Mimi at 445-4179 or Julie at 778-1269 for location.

Gay Men's Discussion Group: Gay Men's Mental Health with facilitator Randy Neff. Counseling Center of Milwaukee (2038 N. Bartlett), 6-8pm, \$2 donation.



Gay singer/songwriter Fred Small will appear in concert November 5 at the Schlitz Audubon Center.

Fred Small in Concert

Longtime Champion of Lesbian/Gay Rights

Milwaukee — Fred Small, hailed by Pete Seeger as "one of America's best songwriters," returns to Milwaukee on Friday, November 5. Small's songs cover a variety of topics, but they have a common theme: they celebrate the power and courage within people in the face of

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Small is a longtime champion of Lesbian/Gay rights. His biting anti-homophobia songs go beyond mere support to empathy. Songs like "Scott and Jamie," the heartbreaking true story of two Gay adoptive parents, and the uplifting "Annie," about a Lesbian schoolteacher, are proof of this, as is Small's new release "The Marine's Lament, or the Pink Peril," a wicked satire of military intolerance. In 1992, "Heart Strings," the nationally touring AIDS benefit musical chose Small's empowering lullaby "Everything Possible" as its grand finale. Small also sings out against sexism, able-bodied-ism, consumerism, environmental destruction, and the arms race. His songs are hilarious and tragic, angry and hopeful.

Fred Small graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Yale University and earned a law degree at the University of Michigan. He wrote his first song in 1974 on the morning of his first law school examination. In 1980 Small left his position as staff attorney at the Conservation Law Foundation to pursue a full time music career, a career that has taken him throughout the United States as well as to Canada, Australia, and Japan.

On Friday, November 5, at 7:30pm, Fred Small will perform at the Schlitz Audubon Center Auditorium, 1111 E. Brown Deer Road, Milwaukee. Tickets are \$5 for Schlitz Audubon Center members, \$7 for non-members. Call (414) 352-2880. You must include a SASE with your ticket order. Bring a mug for hot refreshments.



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Club 3054 (Madison): Halloween Costume Contest, judging at 12:30am, cash prizes.

Vuk's Place: Halloween party #1, 9pm-on. Free tap beer & food 9-? Contest at midnight. Cash prizes.

Cest La Vie: Halloween Contest, 2 judgments at 10:30 & 1am; prizes.

Club 219 Plus: Halloween Spooktacular, Costume Party, over \$500 in prizes. Surprises all night.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Halloween Party, light buffet & free tap beer 7-9pm; see ad for prizes & categories. Judging at midnight.

1100 Club: Nights In Black Leather, a Country Western/Leather/Comedy Variety & drag Show, 10pm. \$2 donation for MAP Food Pantry.

BoysTown: Free tap beer 10pm-midnight.

3B's: Country Halloween party, win a \$25 bar tab (no drag).

Za's (Green Bay): Halloween Costume Ball, featuring "i-opening" playing live techno music 9pm-midnight. Costume judging at midnight.

Your Place: Halloween Costume Party, judging at midnight. See ad for categories & details. \$500 in cash & prizes.

Kathy's Nut Hut: Costume Party & contest, see ad for prize info, judging at 11:30pm. Free tap beer 10-11pm for those in costume only.

La Cage: Wear your costume & get \$1 off the door.

Rod's (Madison): Halloween Costume Ball Contest, 12:30am, cash prizes.

The New Bar (Madison): Halloween Party/Costume contest at midnight.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

The Oberons: Village People Costume Contest, 10pm, 12 midnight judging at the Wreck Room. \$25 bar tab first prize. No drag.

Pivot (Appleton): Halloween Bash, 2pm-close, pumpkin carving, apple bobbin, caramel apples & more.

Vuk's Place: Halloween Party #2, 9pm-on. Free tap beer & food 9-?, contest at midnight. Cash prizes.

Runway 51 (Janesville): Trick or Treat Day, activities, raffles, special surprises.

BoysTown: Halloween Madness, \$2.50 beer bash 7-10; \$1.25 rail 10-close.

M&M Club: Cream City Chorus' Miss Halloween '93 Contest, 8:30pm. \$150 in prizes, Amateur drag contest, applications from M&M bartenders.

A Cream City Chorus fundraiser, \$2 suggested donation.

Za's (Green Bay): "Halloween Ala Dry Night," 17 & up, prizes for best costumes. (Liquor served in Java's).

3B's: Cream City Squares 2nd Anniversary celebration & Costume Square Dance Party, 2-5pm. Complimentary refreshments.

Triangle: Horrific Halloween Party from 10pm, costume judging at 11pm.

Club 3054 (Madison): Galmour Girls Halloween show, 10:30pm.

La Cage: Costume Contest at midnight. Over \$500 in cash and prizes (see ad for categories) Then Join Joey "T" & the Chicago crawlers.

Zippers: Costume contest at 9pm, over \$250 in cash and prizes, see ad for categories. Join Joey "T" and Chicago bar crawlers at 5:30pm.

Rod's (Madison): "Put a Bag on Your Head" locker room blowout, live DJ.

The New Bar (Madison): Costume parade night and judging.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar: Collision Theatre reads from & discusses "Lonely Planet," 7:30pm.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar: Poetry reading, *No Lines* poets.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

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

Za's (Green Bay): Live comedy by Tony Domenico.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Club 94 (Kenosha): Follies Girls 2nd Annual Country Show, a benefit show for SEWAP.
Runway 51 (Janesville): The Helen's Drag-A-Rama, \$2 cover plus 2 cans of food for ECHO's Food Pantry.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Club 3054 (Madison): Mr. & Miss Club 3054 Contest, 11pm. Cash prizes & sponsorship to the Mr. & Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageant. Applications at bar. Judged on talent, appearance, evening gown, swimsuit & question.

Calendar

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

M&M Club: BESTD Clinic offers free anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 8pm-12am.
AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar: Reading by Michael Craft Johnson from "Rehearsing" 7:30pm.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

Station II: BESTD Clinic offers free anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 9pm to midnight.
Pivot (Appleton): Lesbian author Jackie Calhoun reads from her book "Friends & Lovers" at 7:30pm; followed by Musical/Comedy duo "Seers & Rowback."
Wreck Room: Oktoberfest Weekend, buffet 6-8pm.
Za's (Green Bay): Mr. Gay WI-USA Greg hosts a benefit show, 10:30pm.
Rod's (Madison): Lights Out party, no dress code 10pm-close

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

Frontiers (Madison): "Leather on Parade", leather men will discuss model & demonstrate toys & attire related to their style, (608) 276-9716.
M&M Club: Singsational Production's Singing Machine performs.
Madison Gay Video Club: "Why Am I Gay" from HBO & "Manplay", 8pm, (608) 244-8675.
Friends Bar (Ft. Atkinson): Harold's Birthday Party, 5-7 Free tap beer & live music.
Jo'dee's Intl. (Racine): "The Dirty Divas" from Davenport, Iowa, 11pm, \$3 cover.
Club 94 (Kenosha): Miss Gay WI-USA DuWanna Moore & friends.
Wreck Room: Oktoberfest Weekend, \$3 pitchers beer/soda from noon-9pm, popcorn & peanuts.
AMTRAK to Chicago: meet at 7:55am at Milw. station & spend the day with electronic games, the Art Institute & dinner. Arrive back in Milw. at 12:30am Sunday. FMI call 963-9833.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

M&M Club: The Irresistible Tommi & Nannette perform.
MACT Milw.: "Our Own Definition of Racism" topic, 4-5pm, Milw. Women's Center, 611 N. Broadway. Business meeting following from 5-5:30pm. Veral, 347-0580 or Dave 527-4296.
Your Place: Razzle Dazzle, an evening with a star-studded crypt, showtime 8:30pm.
BoysTown: Miss YP Sasha Mitchell & "Femme

Fatales," showtime 10:30pm, no cover. Free tap beer 9-10pm.
Wreck Room: Oktoberfest Weekend, \$1 rail & \$3 pitchers beer/soda from noon-9pm. Brats, popcorn & peanuts.
Gay Men's Discussion Group: "Coming Out & Beyond," with Dr. Gary Hollander, 6-8pm, The Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett, \$2 donation.
Touch Football: Play at 1:30pm on soccer field west of Lincoln Memorial Drive. All welcome. Bad weather cancels, FMI call GAMMA at 963-9833.
The New Bar (Madison): The Miss Gay Madison reunion show.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

Rod's (Madison): Rocky Horror tonight at 10:30pm, back bar.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Club 219 Plus: Benefit show for Miss Club 219 Naomi LaParish with special guest Chicago's Sasha Valentino, 11pm.
Club 219 Plus: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 9pm-midnight.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

WYOU/Nothing To Hide (Madison): Cable channel 4, 9pm, "Not Vanishing" & "Still Sane."
AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar: Pam Kesey on the phenomenon of Lesbian Vampirism, 7:30.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

Zippers & La Cage: "Costume" Bar Crawl to Chicago. \$15 includes Bus, Beer and Shots.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

Pivot (Appleton): Holly Farris, comedy & impersonation, live at 10:30pm.
Runway 51 (Janesville): "Walt Dizzy" show (See ad for details), 10:30pm, \$3 cover.
Wing's 3054 (Madison): Black Leather Ball, 9pm. Wings takes over Club 3054 for the night. See ad for prizes/categories.
Ballgame: Halloween contest, judging at 11:30pm (See ad for prizes & categories). Two for one bar rail & 75 cent tap beer from 11pm-2:30am.
BoysTown: Halloween Costume Contest (See ad for prizes); \$5 beer bash 7-close.
3B's: Country Halloween Costume party, win a \$25 bar tab, no drag.
ZA's (Green Bay): Cameos by BJ Daniels & Mary Richards.
La Cage: Wear your Costume and get \$1 off the door.

Collision Theatre Opens Season With "Lonely Planet"

About An Unlikely Friendship Between two Gay Men

Collision Theatre Ensemble, Milwaukee's newest professional theatre company, announces plans to produce its second production. The troupe debuted in March of this year with their critically acclaimed production of *Waiting For Vern* by James DeVita.

The second season begins in November with *Lonely Planet*, a new play by Steven Dietz. *Lonely Planet* will be presented November 11-28 at the Studio Theatre in the Third Ward's new Broadway Theatre Center, 158 North Broadway.

It is about an unlikely friendship between two Gay men — Jody, a map store owner who hates to leave the security of this store, and Carl, a pathological liar who invades Jody's shop with an ever-growing collection of used chairs — and how their

day-to-day lives have been dramatically changed by the AIDS epidemic. A funny and universal piece, *Lonely Planet* is a testament to the idea that adversity is better fought with humor and support than with fear and resentment.

The play features C. Michael Wright, a Collision Theatre Ensemble member and D. Scott Glasser, the new Artistic Director at Madison Repertory Theatre. John Kishline, a member of Theatre X, will direct the production.

Special MAP Benefit

All tickets for the production are \$10, continuing Collision Theatre Ensemble's commitment to financial accessibility. All shows are at 8pm. A special performance on Monday, November 15 will be a benefit for the Milwaukee AIDS Project and Monday, November 22 will be a pay-what-you-can performance. For tickets and more information, call (414) 481-8431.

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Arts Briefs

Boulevard Ensemble Holds Auditions

The Boulevard Ensemble will hold public auditions for its December production of Lanford Wilson's tender comedy "Talley's Folly" on Saturday, October 30 and Sunday, October 31. The auditions on Saturday & Sunday are from 1-5pm and are being held at the Boulevard Theatre, 2252 South K.K. Auditions will also be held Monday evening (November 1) from 7-10pm.

Director Maureen Kilmurry is asking actors to prepare two contrasting modern monologues, not exceeding two minutes total in length. Auditions are by appointment only. To make an appointment or to obtain further information, please call 672-6019.

Contact Improvisation Jam at Danceworks

Tom Thoreson will lead a contact improvisation jam at Danceworks, 727 N. Milwaukee Street, on October 24 from noon-2pm. Dancers and non-dancers are welcome. Admission is \$5. For reservations, call Danceworks at 276-3191.

Mime and Movement Workshop at Danceworks

David Figueroa, New York-based dancer and mime artist, will conduct a workshop in mime and movement for actors and dancers at Danceworks, 727 N. Milwaukee Street, on October 24 from 2-4pm. Fees are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door, and advance registration is encouraged. Call 276-3191 for information and reservations.

Oct. 31 Classical Concert

A concert will be presented by Karen Beaumont, conductor and organist; with James Sampson, baritone; Kevin Stalheim, trumpet; Harvey Taylor, poet; and The Choir of St. James. The concert is scheduled for Sunday, October 31, 3pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 914 East Knapp, in Milwaukee.

Music by Bach, Buxtehude, Part, Rachmaninoff, Burgon, and Howells will be performed. The concert is free and open to the public. A donation of dried and canned goods will be collected for local food pantries.

"In The Life" Begins New Season

The new season of the Gay/Lesbian variety show *In the Life* has begun, and it looks like both Wisconsin Public Television and WMVS, the PBS affiliate in Milwaukee, will be carrying the program.

The first episode, in October, has already aired on Wisconsin Public TV but is scheduled for airing on WMVS at 12:30 a.m. October 28 (actually, the 29th). Note that the show will be broadcast in the wee hours at the very end of that Thursday night's line-up.

Called "Gay Pride — Great Performances," it features some of the best entertainment offered during last June's Gay Pride celebrations across the country: newly out singer/songwriter Janis Ian singing her classic "At Seventeen," Harvey Fierstein and jazz vocalist Diane Schuur singing Cole Porter songs with the Seattle Gay Men's Chorus, and Britain's pop/rocker Jimmy Somerville. The show is hosted by Lesbian comic Lea DeLaria, who visits the site of the Stonewall Inn in New York and asks parade participants what Gay pride means to them.

The second episode will be aired on Wisconsin Public TV Thursday, November 11 at 11 p.m. It will focus on Gay and Lesbian youth and feature comic Karen Williams and the pop duo Romanofsky and Phillips.

At press time, WMVS had not yet scheduled the November show, which illustrates a continuing problem for the program's fans. Neither station has put *In the Life* into a regular monthly time slot.

In Step will do its best to keep readers informed of upcoming broadcasts, but the program managers at both stations need to hear from viewers and be encouraged to make a commitment to showing *In the Life* on a regular, consistent basis.

The Program Manager at Wisconsin Public TV is James Steinbach. He can be reached at (608) 264-9677. You can also lodge your request or complaint to the toll-free Viewer Services number: 800-422-9707.

The Program Manager at WMVS in Milwaukee is Tom Dvorak, who can be reached by calling the station at (414) 276-1036.

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is taking over the operation of the club from her mother thought it would be an appropriate day for the bar to "Come Out" from its closeted past. Stop in and give the place a look, at 5666 N. Teutonia.

UW Madison's 10% Society celebrated with "Coming Out Week '93" featuring a week-long schedule of activities. Even the campus' daily newspaper, the Daily Cardinal did a special Coming Out issue on October 13.

Did you get your flu shot yet? If you're older, HIV positive, or live or work with People With HIV, a flu shot is practically a must. Health officials are warning this will be a nasty flu season and are urging vaccinations. The Gay and Lesbian Nurses Association, in cooperation with the BEST Clinic and the Milwaukee Health Department provided vaccines (on a donation basis) on October 14 at the M&M Club's banquet room. In Step donated the ad to announce it, and M&M donated the space.

▼ Have you noticed the numbers of us who are cocooning/ nesting? It probably has something to do with the weather, and partly to do with getting older, but more and more of us are opting to stay home, or party in small groups of friends and "family". I've been working on my "nest" so hard during my off weekends from the magazine that I'm more tired than if I was in the office putting together the magazine! On my many, many trips to hardware and building supply stores and on other shopping expeditions, I almost always bump into some Gays and Lesbians who are also in the "nest improvement" mode. After several discussions over which building supply stores have the cutest clerks I vote for Handy Andy on Highway 100! Someone else has mentioned Ace Hardware (but he didn't say which one!). Any other votes?

▼ Several of our suburban advertisers are getting some unwanted coverage in a publication called the Christian Investigator. Two of our advertisers have gotten calls from people who complain that they are advertising in In Step when they are located in the "conservative" areas of suburban Milwaukee. Both complaints came from people who read about them advertising in this magazine in an article appearing in the Christian Investigator.

I've never heard of this publication, and would love to read this article about In Step advertisers! Luckily, neither of our advertisers are running scared...

▼ Actor Steven Baldwin, brother of fellow actor Billy Baldwin, stars with Lara Flynn Boyle and Josh Charles in "Threesome" about a woman (Boyle) who falls in love with one guy (Charles), who falls in love with the other guy (Baldwin), who falls in love with Boyle. Thanks to the Inc. column in the Chicago Tribune for this tasty little tidbit.

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13th Chicago Lesbian And Gay International Film Festival

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Chicago Filmmakers proudly announces the 13th Chicago Lesbian and Gay International Film Festival, opening Friday, November 5th, for ten days of the best Lesbian and Gay films and videos from around the world. Screenings will take place at the Music Box Theatre, 3733 N. Southport, and at Chicago Filmmakers' new Wicker Park location, 1543 W. Division. The Festival recorded information number is (312) 384-1406; the public may also call (312) 384-5533 for additional information.

Now marking its 13th anniversary, the Festival is the second oldest Gay film festival in the U.S. and has become established as one of the most significant festivals of its kind in the world. Based on the success of past festivals, we expect an audience of over 10,000 this year.

The Festival was founded to showcase and celebrate the work of Lesbian and Gay directors and to focus attention on films which provide an alternative to the Gay stereotyping prevalent in Hollywood movies. The Chicago Lesbian and Gay International Film Festival is part of a growing network of Gay film festivals developing throughout the country which are collectively creating greater visibility for Gay and Lesbian films and videos. This year nearly 250 entries were received.

The Festival opens with *Forbidden Love* by Canadian documentary filmmakers Aeryn Weissman and Lynne Fernie. "Campy, popular Lesbian pulp novels from the 1950's and 60's inspired the steamy love story that frames this vanguard of the 'sexy documentary.'" Tabloid headlines, interviews, and narrative and archival footage make up this engaging and rebellious look at the lives of Lesbians.

Also screening in this year's Festival are *Belle*, director Irma Achten's stunningly beautiful debut feature which has been called "a feminist cross between *Citizen*

Kane and *Wings of Desire*; *For a Lost Soldier*, a lush, moody and romantic story set against the Allies' liberation of Holland during WWII in which a man recalls his adolescence and first erotic relationships; *Smoke*, a deeply moving and personal film by School of the Art Institute of Chicago alumnus Mark D'Auria, capturing three days in the life of Michael, an alienated young loner with a penchant for older men; *Tectonic Plates*, as surreal and stylish as *Orlando*, offering musings on art, music, the relationship of Fredric Chopin and George Sand, psychotherapy and mythology; *Enchanted*, a compelling oral history about Gay and Lesbian heroism and endurance during the Nazi-era and post-war years in Hamburg, Germany; Hong Kong's *The East is Red*, a gender-bending *Swordsmen* sequel packed with energetic, fun and dizzying choreography; *Prince in Hell*, the escapades of three young queer drop-outs through the vanishing elements of Berlin's counterculture; Derek Jarman's *Wittgenstein*, a flamboyant interpretation of the life and works of Ludwig Wittgenstein, one of the century's most influential philosophers; *Amazing Grace*, Israeli Director Amos Gutman's ground-breaking film exploring the complex relationships developed between parents, children, friends and lovers in the midst of AIDS; *Split — William to Chrysis: Portrait of a Drag Queen*, a witty and tender portrait of International Chrysis, the legendary New York drag queen and former companion to Salvador Dali; *A Touch of Fever*, a strong representation of the exciting new Gay cinema that has recently emerged from Japan; and *Zero Patience*, by John Greyson, a zany Brechtian-inspired post-modern musical that weaves a tall tale of love and loss, sex and science, history and hysteria in the age of AIDS.

Also highlighting the Festival will be *A Queer Feeling When I Look at You: Hollywood Stars and Lesbian Spectatorship in the 1930's*, a presentation by Emmy award-winning filmmaker Andrea Weiss, including film clips from *Morocco*, *Queen Christina*, *Sylvia Scarlett* and *Blonde Venus*, among others.

delight of the crowds, including a return of Tommi and Nannette, the always popular Singsational Productions Singing Machine, and the premiere gig of Groove Merchant Jazz.

The grand premiere of the Historic Third Ward's first dessert/espresso bar, Pier 221 at 221 N. Water Street was held earlier this month. The riverfront spot also sells bulk coffees and offers an array of tantalizing desserts to tempt even the most diet conscious. Stop in and say "Hi" to Rick and the gang.

The Oberons kick off of their Christmas Club for Children With AIDS at the Wreck Room October 9 raised \$301. The proceeds are used to buy Christmas gifts for the children and will continue with another fundraiser on November 20. Meanwhile, cash donations can be forwarded to the Oberons, dropped off at the Wreck Room, or look for donor jars at various Milwaukee bars.

Club 94 hosted their 4th annual SEWAP auction hosted by the 94 Follies Girls. All the proceeds, totaling \$1,300 (and counting) will go to the South Eastern Wisconsin AIDS Project.

"The State of Racism in the Milwaukee Gay Community" was the topic of an October 10 Open Forum sponsored by Men of All Colors Together (MACT) at the First Unitarian Church on Milwaukee's east side. The forum drew a respectable crowd, and provided some strong insight into the problem. See the News section in this issue for Jamakaya's report.

National Coming Out Day (October 11) was celebrated in Milwaukee two ways; AfterWords Bookstore had a party with food and surprises plus a full array of NCOD items. It also marked the premiere of new Monday night hours for the east side shop. They were previously closed on Mondays, but now they are open from 11am to 10pm. Something Different also had a "Coming Out" when they opened their doors to the Milwaukee LesBiGay community on that date. Kim Harmon, who

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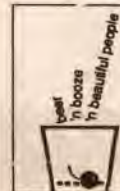
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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

You may have seen the "teaser" ads scattered throughout the October 7th issue and are probably wondering what they are about... "Changes...", "BIG Changes Coming to In Step", "Big Changes Coming to In Step's Dec. 16th Holiday Issue", and Watch for our Big Change to Kick Off 1994, our 10th Anniversary Year".

February 1994 marks our 10th anniversary issue, our 11th year publishing!

In Step has grown, in those 10 years, from 32 page issues to the current 96 pages. We went from a press run of 5,000 copies and just last issue climbed to 10,500. One year ago we printed 9,000, so we've added 1,500 copies in the last year alone. I project we'll hit 11,000 by the Christmas issue.

96 pages is the most our printer's bindery can handle. We can't add any more pages and that's why we have to occasionally "pull" columns, maps, news, and other sections to accommodate increased ad space sales. It doesn't make economic sense to turn down paid ads because of lack of space, so we have to "pull" what may be your favorite columns or sections on a sporadic basis.

As publisher/editor, I finally had to accept the fact that In Step had come to a cross roads. Either we stay the same size and stagnate, or we change the format. Option one is to stay with the same 5 1/2" x 8" format and eventually become a "shopper" — a magazine with mostly ads, and little editorial and column space. However, I don't want In Step to be called a "bar rag" ever again. I've spent 10 years making In Step a well-rounded, thoughtful publication for Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian community and I don't want to continue to publish it if it is nothing but ads, a calendar and a guide.

A second option would be to go to a weekly publication schedule instead of a bi-weekly schedule, and stay in the same 5 1/2 x 8" format. However, if I go that route, I would have to hire permanent full time staff to handle the increased workload. If I have to hire staff, advertising rates would have to increase approximately 40%, an increase I don't want to make, and I'm sure advertisers wouldn't want to pay.

The third option, and the one I've chosen to go with, is to change the format of In Step to a regular magazine size (8 x 10 1/2"). Gay Chicago made this same decision several years ago, and it turned out to be a boon for them. They've grown by leaps and bounds since they made "the change."

The larger size will give us more space on the pages to be creative with, and it will circumvent having to drop columns because of lack of space. Some of the other pluses include going to a larger point size for the type (currently body copy is set in 8 point type, we'll be going to 10 point) which will make reading In Step a little easier to read for those of us getting up there in years; we'll be able to add more new columns and features we've had to reject in the past because of lack of space; and we'll be able to assure our current columns run on a regular basis.

The larger size will also add to In Step's "legitimacy" and "professional look", an objective I think meshes very well with our move into our 10th anniversary year!

I'd appreciate any comments you might have about this "Big Change" that will usher in a new era here at In Step.



It's been relatively quiet around the state when it comes to the nightlife scene, but you can tell the Mr. and Miss Gay Wisconsin Pageant is right around the corner with all the benefit and other shows... Tabitha Stevens is gearing up a run for the crown with a show October 3 at Your Place, and Sasha Mitchell's (Miss YP) show at the YP on October 10. Shannon Dupree, Miss Gay WI-USA At-Large, in preparation for her shot at the national At-Large title held a benefit show at BoysTown October 7. Sasha and her femme fatales also helped Carrie, owner of BoysTown celebrate her birthday with a show on October 10.

Meanwhile, the Pivot hosted the first of an all new season of King Productions with a Miss Gay Appleton preliminary on October 10. All the girls are reminded they must win or take first runner up at one of these preliminaries to be eligible to enter the Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA finals next summer. On the 8th, the Pivot hosted Milwaukee's hometown comedian Tony Domenico in his first Appleton appearance.

The M&M Club has been bringing in some fine cabaret entertainment to the

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