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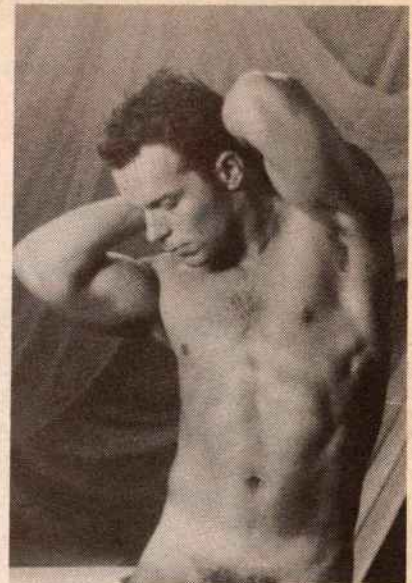
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*Cover Story*

Our cover features Sian and Abel, erotic performers in the film *Sex Is...* opening in Milwaukee at the Oriental with a special benefit premiere for the BESTD Clinic on Thursday, May 26.

The photo to your right features Eric George, also appearing in *Sex Is...* a film by Marc Huestis and Lawrence Helman.

Photos by Daniel Nicoletta



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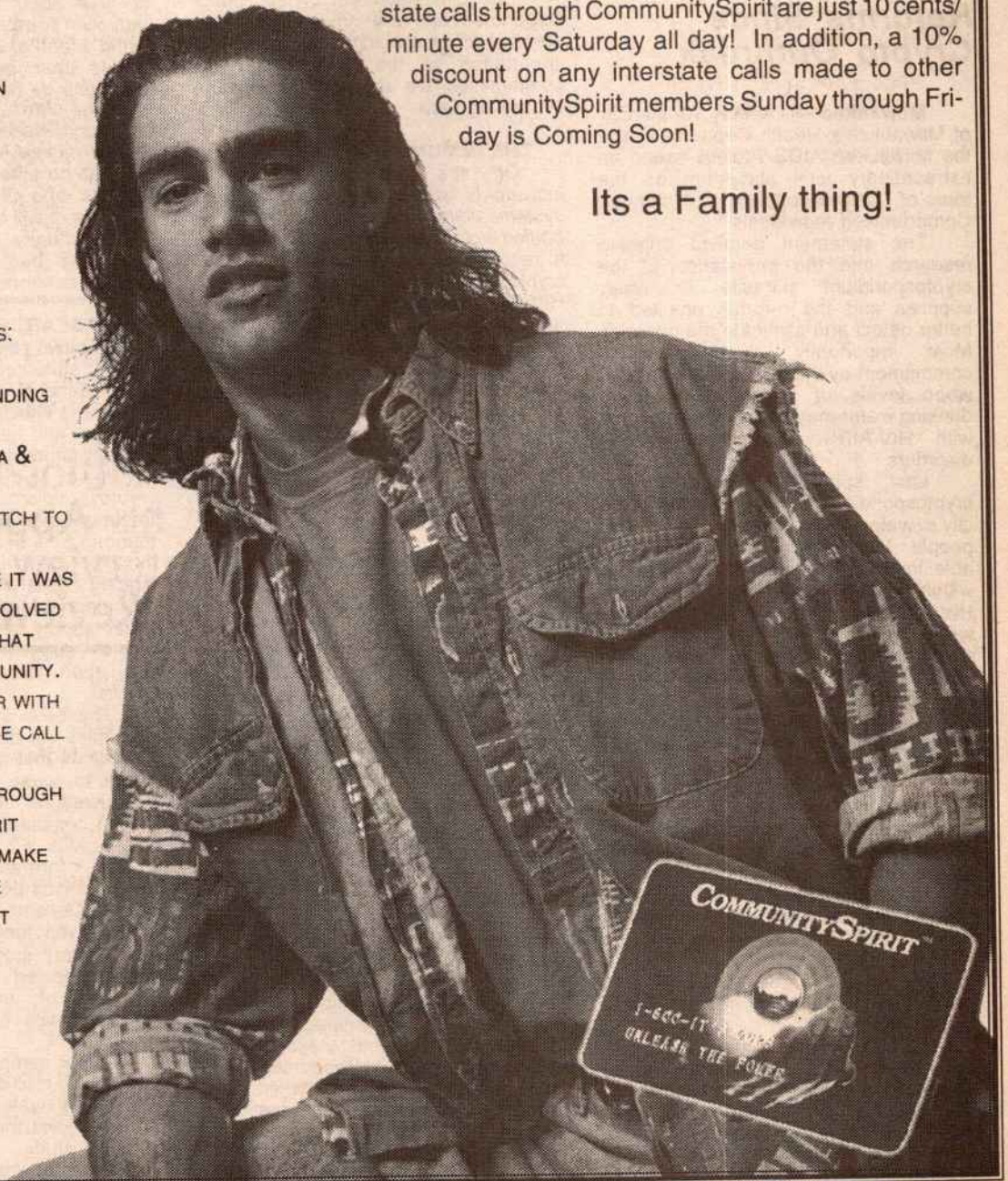
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## Milwaukee to Issue Water Alerts for the Immune Compromised

### Report Details Reforms Since Crypto Outbreak

**Milwaukee** — On May 10, the City of Milwaukee's Health Department and the Milwaukee AIDS Project issued an extraordinary joint statement on the topic of "Cryptosporidium and Immune Compromised Individuals."

The statement detailed ongoing research into the prevalence of the cryptosporidium parasite in water supplies and the reforms enacted to better detect and eliminate the parasite. Most importantly, it included a commitment by the city to issue an alert when levels of crypto in municipal drinking water may be harmful to people with HIV/AIDS and other immune disorders.

Last spring, an outbreak of cryptosporidiosis from parasites in the city's water supply sickened 400,000 people. Most healthy individuals were able to rid themselves of the infection within ten days or so. But people with HIV/AIDS and other immune disorders were impacted severely. Lacking a strong immune response, many were unable to fight the infection and suffered from constant diarrhea and vomiting. MAP says that 88 of 122 clients who contracted crypto have died. ACT UP says the death toll is over 100.

ACT UP was the most militant voice on this issue, demanding compensation from the city for its negligence and insisting that the city issue special water advisories for immune-compromised individuals. On April 7, ACT UP had conducted a noisy demonstration at City Hall to mark the anniversary of the crypto epidemic, carrying a coffin into Mayor John Norquist's office and presenting city officials once again with its demands.

At that demonstration, ACT UP says Health Commissioner Paul Nannis dismissed its demands as unreasonable. But Nannis had apparently been meeting all along with representatives of MAP and scientists and health professionals to develop a policy governing the city's response to any potential recurrence of crypto and its effect on the immune-compromised.

In Step interviewed Nannis several times in the past year. He never said special water alerts would not be issued, he just said the timing was not yet right and that more research needed to be

done.

The joint statement of the Health Department and MAP covers three main areas of concern which, because of their importance to the Gay and AIDS communities, we are summarizing and excerpting here.

#### THE IMMUNE-COMPROMISED

On the question of *Should individuals with compromised immune systems boil their drinking water or drink bottled water?* the report had this to say. It recognized the "devastating effect" crypto has had on people with HIV/AIDS, causing many deaths. Saying the concerns of immune-compromised individuals are of "paramount importance" to the Health Department, the statement drew the following conclusions.

▼ All cryptosporidium tests on Milwaukee water that are reported to the Health Department are being made available for public review and are being given to the Milwaukee AIDS Project for consideration by the AIDS community.

▼ Water quality monitoring in Milwaukee is ongoing with constant consideration being given to both immune-healthy and immune-compromised populations.

▼ The Health Department will issue water quality alerts when plant effluent turbidity exceeds 0.5 NTU. [The Environmental Protection Agency requires state officials to notify it when turbidity levels reach 5.0 NTU, making the city's standard 10 times lower, or more stringent, than the EPA standard.] Alerts may be issued at lower NTU levels if other water quality parameters, such as particle counts, indicate a potential health risk. These water quality alerts are intended to provide individuals, especially those with compromised immune systems, with the best information upon which to make personal decisions on risk reduction.

▼ The Health Department will recommend that the Mayor or the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) issue a boil water advisory when water monitoring indicates a deterioration in water quality that may pose a health risk for the entire population.

"We believe that the water supply in Milwaukee is safe. For people with weakened immune systems, we believe that the risk of cryptosporidium infection from drinking tap water in a non-outbreak situation is extremely small. This small risk may be reduced even further by boiling water for five minutes and using a water filter.

"It remains an individual's personal decision about the extent to which risk reduction strategies will be used to avoid a food or waterborne disease. We advise that personal risk reduction decisions be made in consultation with a physician and with relevant community-based organizations such as the Milwaukee AIDS Project...

"As data from the water monitoring projects and clinical studies become available, it will be shared promptly with the community so that individuals can make the best decisions concerning their personal health."

#### RESEARCH AND REFORMS

The two other questions addressed in the statement concerned what is being done to better understand the levels and effects of cryptosporidium on humans and what is being done to prevent future outbreaks.

In a study of the presence of cryptosporidium in 86 surface water treatment plants nationwide, crypto was found in 87% of raw water samples and in 27% of finished water samples, lending credence to the claims of city officials that Milwaukee's is not the only water supply containing crypto. Some studies suggest that 25-35% of the population may have antibodies to crypto.

The EPA is conducting a study to determine the dose or number of crypto organisms that a human would have to ingest to cause illness. These studies, conducted on healthy adults only, will not be completed until the fall of 1995. The results will not provide infectious dose information about immune compromised populations, however.

In December, Children's Hospital began a year long surveillance project in which every stool specimen submitted will be tested for crypto. Seasonal patterns of infection and clinical characteristics of the disease will be assessed.

Water samples are currently being taken from multiple sites throughout the Milwaukee watershed during different seasons and precipitation periods. A similar study is being conducted statewide by the DNR. Results should help determine whether the presence of crypto in surface water is related to land use, weather conditions, season of year or geographic location.

The city is also working with the University of Wisconsin Institute for Great Lakes Studies to study the water flow dynamics of Milwaukee's outer

harbor. Results may help in decision-making about the possible relocation of intake water cribs for treatment plants.

Because chlorine is ineffective in eradicating crypto, engineers focused on reforms in the water filtration system in hopes of killing the bug. Both of Milwaukee's treatment plants have installed new monitoring devices on each filter that count the number and size of particles passing through the

filters as well as new equipment that automatically measures water turbidity, or cloudiness. The new equipment gives Water Department staff a continuous stream of data so they can rapidly respond to changing conditions.

Prior to the crypto outbreak, the water used to clean the filters was recycled through the system. Today, that backwash is disposed of rather than reused.

The acquisition of new lab

equipment will, by this summer, enable the city to confirm the presence and determine the levels of crypto in the municipal water supply in-house, rather than having to send water samples to outside labs, wasting precious time.

As new studies and information about crypto become available, the Health Department and MAP pledge to update their protocols and recommendations to the public.

## Long Distance Marketers Battle For LesBiGay Business *Capitalism At Its Finest?*

by John Cain

Accusations are flying thick and fast as the dispute gets uglier between two companies vying to be the long distance company to the Gay community. At stake in the war between Overlooked Opinions and TransNational Communications (TNC) are the business and the trust of a customer base of about 20,000 people and organizations. A federal court will decide whether those customers belong to Overlooked or to TNC.

When Chicago based Overlooked Opinions launched its long distance provider service, Community Spirit, it contracted with TransNational Communications to provide the phone lines and to bill Community Spirit customers. TNC is a long distance reseller; it purchases long distance access from Sprint and then resells it to other companies. TNC billed customers under a number of names, including MLDA, ZPDI, USBI and US Billing. TNC does not itself own any long distance lines. Overlooked Opinions does not directly purchase or resell long distance from anyone.

According to Jeffrey Vitale, President of Overlooked Opinions, Overlooked notified TNC in November of 1993 that it believed TNC to be in breach of its contract with Overlooked. Overlooked cited poor customer service, non-payment of fees, unreasonable pricing, failure to provide auditing reports, improper bad debt practices, refusal to provide service to Overlooked customers, delays in providing calling cards and unilateral cancellation of calling cards as its reasons.

According to Michelle Frost, Pride Network Supervisor for TNC, TNC notified Overlooked at the same time that TNC believed Overlooked was in breach of contract. TNC's concerns centered round distribution of donations to the various community groups customers had chosen to receive them. "[Overlooked] said they would distribute [money] quarterly. TNC sent them [the collected donations] on a quarterly basis. After 15 months, they finally sent out checks."

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### Who's Who In The Gay Long Distance Battle

**Overlooked Opinions:** A marketing and research company, based in Illinois, which collects data on the Les/Bi/Gay community.

**Community Spirit:** A project launched by Overlooked Opinions to provide Gay-owned & updated long distance service. Community Spirit pledged to donate 2% of each customer's long distance bill to the Les/Bi/Gay or AIDS organization of his or her choice.

**TransNational Communications (TNC):** A company contracted by Overlooked Opinions to provide long distance access and billing to Community Spirit customers. TNC buys long distance access from Sprint and resells it to other companies, but does not own any long distance lines itself.

**AmeriConnect:** A company contracted by Overlooked Opinions after termination of its contract with TNC to provide long distance access and billing to Community Spirit customers. AmeriConnect is also a Sprint service reseller and does not directly own any long distance lines.

**The Pride Network:** A project launched by TNC on February 25, 1994 to provide long distance service to customers obtained from Community Spirit. The Pride Network has pledged to donate 2% of each customer's long distance bill to the L/G/B or AIDS organization of his or her choice.

**Sprint:** A long distance company which sells access to both TransNational Communications and AmeriConnect.

### Chronology of The Long Distance War

**January 1, 1993:** Overlooked Opinions establishes Community Spirit and contracts with TransNational Communications to provide long distance services and billing.

**November 1, 1993:** Overlooked Opinions and TNC each allege that the other is in breach of contract. Negotiations to rectify differences begin.

**February 17, 1994:** The contract between Overlooked Opinions and TNC is terminated.

**February 25, 1994:** TNC establishes The Pride Network and begins to service Community Spirit customers under that name.

**March 8, 1994:** TNC drafts a letter to all Community Spirit customers, charging that Community Spirit is not fulfilling their contractual obligations to Community Spirit customers. The letters are not mailed until April 6, allegedly because Overlooked and TNC are "still negotiating in good faith." Enclosed with the letters are a check for \$5, which TNC says is to "thank [customers] for [their] participation."

**April 4, 1994:** Overlooked Opinions mails a letter to the customers on its database charging TNC with breach of contract and claiming that fine print on TNC's check authorizes a "switch" to The Pride Network. Overlooked includes a Letter of Agency for customers to "reaffirm" Community Spirit and AmeriConnect as their long distance carrier. Sprint later finds that Overlooked's LOA is not sufficient to allow it to switch customers back to Community Spirit, and switches customers back to TNC. Overlooked generates proper LOAs and the situation becomes "a marketing battle."

## Long Distance Wars...

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Val Zillig, Overlooked Opinions' National Director for agent Accounts, claims that TNC "misrepresented" Overlooked by saying donations were sent quarterly. Zillig said that donations are sent out on a yearly basis. He noted that checks were sent to at least two Madison area organizations on April 5 of this year.

Overlooked and TNC were unable to negotiate a contract settlement, and Overlooked announced on February 17 of this year that it was terminating the contract with TNC. At that time, Overlooked contracted with AmeriConnect, another long distance reseller, to provide phone lines and to bill Community Spirit customers. AmeriConnect also buys and resells Sprint long distance.

### COMPANY MAILINGS COMPLICATE MATTERS

Further complicating the situation is a series of mailings sent out by both companies. TNC drafted a letter on March 8 to everyone on the Community Spirit database implying that Community Spirit had ceased operations under that name. The letter stated that TNC was "taking over all aspects of the [long distance] program and relaunching it as The Pride Network." The letter also stated that Overlooked Opinions had only been a "marketing agent." While the letter was dated March 8, 1994, TNC did not mail it until April 6. Frost said that this is because TNC was "in good faith negotiating" with Overlooked until that date.

Enclosed with that letter was a check for \$5, which TNC said was to "thank [Community Spirit customers] for [their] participation." In its mailing to the database, dated April 4, 1994, Overlooked claimed that TNC's \$5 checks were actually "reimbursement checks for switching to Community Spirit." Overlooked further claimed that TNC had improperly included "fine print" on the checks to give themselves "an angle" to claim that any Community Spirit customer who cashed it was selecting TNC as his or her long distance carrier.

With its mailing Overlooked included a Letter of Agency. Federal Communications Commission regulations state that any long distance company must have on file a Letter of Agency, or LOA, before the company may provide that customer with long distance service. According to Frost, when customers chose Community Spirit as their long distance provider, they signed an LOA with TransNational Communications, not with Overlooked Opinions or Community Spirit. This meant, according to Frost, that TNC would remain the long distance carrier for those customers, regardless of the relationship between TNC and

Overlooked. TNC announced on February 25 the formation of The Pride Network to service those customers. Overlooked's disagreement with this interpretation forms the basis of its lawsuit against TNC.

Customers who returned the new LOA to Overlooked were switched by Sprint to Community Spirit's new billing agent, AmeriConnect. According to Frost, Sprint requested a copy of the LOA and determined that "the LOA did not conform to the standards set by Sprint or the FCC." A customer service representative for MLDA, one of the names under which TNC bills, said that Sprint's switching of customers was illegal; Frost is unsure if it was illegal, but did say that Sprint determined that the LOAs "were not regulation. They were not enough for Sprint to switch [customers]."

Frost's version is not quite accurate, according to Sprint media relations person Norman Black. "Sprint's standard [for LOAs] is the FCC's standard," he said. He noted that Sprint did not request a copy of Overlooked's new LOA. Instead, TNC sent copies to Sprint's lawyers, who advised the company that Overlooked's LOAs did not conform to FCC regulations. Customers were "apparently" returned to TNC, he said. Overlooked now says that a newer LOA does meet FCC standards. Black pointed out that Sprint has "not taken on any policing role in this dispute."

### L/G/B COMMUNITY STUCK IN THE MIDDLE

The L/G/B community is caught between these two companies. While Zillig at Overlooked says that "the majority of people... want to keep working with [Community Spirit]," Frost claims an "active customer base" for The Pride Network of approximately 15,000. Both sides acknowledge that some customers are choosing another long distance carrier entirely until the matter is settled, and both agree that a protracted dispute will damage credibility within the L/G/B community.

The trouble has also sparked off a "Who's Gayer than who?" war of words between the companies. In its April 4 letter, Community Spirit called itself "the nation's only Gay and Lesbian owned and operated long distance company" and labelled TNC "a straight company" out to "line its pockets."

Frost, who is openly Lesbian, responded, "It's true that TNC is not Gay owned and operated, but neither is AmeriConnect," the company that assumed TNC's role with Community Spirit. She noted that TNC extends full partnership benefits to its LesBiGay employees except for health insurance, and expects to add that within 30 days.

TNC is based in Massachusetts, which has a law protecting the LesBiGay community from discrimination in page employment, housing and public

accommodations. Illinois, the home state of Overlooked Opinions, does not have an antidiscrimination law, but Chicago, where Overlooked is headquartered, does.

Overlooked Opinions sought, and was denied, an injunction against TNC to stop it from telemarketing customers from the Overlooked database. Overlooked is seeking another injunction on the grounds of trademark infringement. Both Overlooked and TNC are suing each other in federal court on a number of grounds. Representatives from both sides were unsure as to the exact status of the suits.

### YOUR LONG DISTANCE COMPANY

If you were signed up with Community Spirit, you can determine who is currently providing your long distance service, and to which company our money is going, by checking the logo at the top of the long distance page of your phone bill. If it is a Sprint, AT&T or MCI logo, that company is providing your service directly. If the logo says MLDA, ZPDI, USBI or US Billing, then TNC is supplying your service through The Pride Network. Community Spirit is your carrier if you have no long distance page or if the page is topped by an AmeriConnect logo. If you're still confused, contact your local phone company for more information.

## BESTD Clinic Begins Interior Renovation

### Services Continue Un- Interrupted

**Milwaukee** — Work began last week on the renovation and remodeling of the BESTD Clinic facility at 1240 East Brady Street. The \$75,000 project was authorized by the BESTD Board at its May meeting.

Upon completion, BESTD will have a modern, client friendly, professional clinic. The scope of the work includes zoned heating, air conditioning and improved air quality, electrical, plumbing and a new first floor plan. The emphasis is on OSHA Compliance, client privacy and comfort according to BESTD President, Ross Walker.

BESTD Clinic, celebrating 20 years of service to the LesBiGay Community and Milwaukee, has been operating in "make-shift" quarters in the Brady Street Building since 1982.

All BESTD services will continue to be offered during the remodeling project, expected to take about three months. Anonymous HIV Antibody testing and the SOS meeting will be located at 1240 E. Brady, Second floor (use side entrance). The General STD Clinic, Women's Clinic

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## AIDS Memorial at Milwaukee's Miller Pavillion May 22

### Part of International Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization

**Milwaukee** — Milwaukee will join over 240 cities and 45 countries worldwide participating in the 11th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization on Sunday, May 22. The local event, sponsored by the Milwaukee AIDS Project, will begin at 7pm at the O'Donnell Park Miller Pavilion at 910 E. Michigan Avenue.

Representatives from MAP and other agencies will read the names of more than 150 men, women and children who have died within the last year. Candles will be lit in remembrance of them. The St. Elizabeth's Gospel Choir and the Cream City Chorus will perform.

The Candlelight Memorial commemorates those who have died of AIDS, provides support to those who are living with AIDS and aims to strengthen the community's commitment to fighting the disease. It is an opportunity for individuals to learn about AIDS, the services provided by MAP, and how they can get involved.

Throughout the weekend of May 21-22, all masses and prayers at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 802 N. Jackson Street will honor those living with HIV/AIDS and those who have died. A special icon, "Mother of God, Light in All Darkness," will be installed in the cathedral that weekend.

This year marks the 11th anniversary of the world's largest annual community-based AIDS event. Memorials will be held in cities in all 50 states and in many countries around the globe.

In addition to the local focus, the event is an opportunity for political and religious leaders to speak out about AIDS. Last year, President Clinton and his wife Hillary participated by placing candles in the windows of the White House, and leaders ranging from Ireland's President, Mary Robinson, to

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela issued supportive statements.

For more information on Milwaukee's Candlelight Memorial, call MAP at (414) 273-1991. For further information on events at St. John's Cathedral, call (414) 962-2248.

## Openly Gay Director Rob Epstein Appears In Madison

By John Cain

**Madison** — Two-time Academy Award winning producer-director Rob Epstein was in Madison on April 28 the show his Oscar winning documentary on the NAMES Project, *Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt*, and to speak about his work as an openly Gay film maker.

Epstein's first major work was the collaborate effort *Word is Out*. Six film makers went to different parts of the country and recorded what Epstein called "a picture of what Gay life was, circa 1977." The clips he showed painted a depressing picture, with many of the film's subjects speaking of military witch hunts, involuntary hospitalizations and shock treatments.

Epstein won his first Academy Award in 1984 for *The Times of Harvey Milk*, chronicling the life and assassination of San Francisco's first openly Gay elected official. His second award came in 1989 for the aforementioned *Common Threads*. While the audience was moved by the showing, Epstein was challenged for not including any women among the people with AIDS profiled. Epstein responded, somewhat defensively, that all of the names of the people profiled came from the NAMES Project and that "there were statistically fewer women with AIDS at that time." He noted that one of the films narrators was an HIV positive woman.

Epstein's success has led to opportunities in more mainstream arenas. He has done three films for the Playboy Channel (with heterosexual content), and he produced a segment on the Gay movement for ABC's *Day One*, which aired the day of last year's March on Washington. "Over the last 17 years I've moved farther into the mainstream without changing my point of view as an openly Gay producer," he said.

Epstein is working now to raise funds to produce the movie version of *The Celluloid Closet*, a history of Gays on film based on the book by the late film critic Vito Russo. About half the budget has been raised through start-up money from PBS and a direct mail campaign. "It's been a struggle," he said.

## AIDS AWARENESS PRESENTATION for Deaf/Hard of Hearing People

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## BESTD Renovations...

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and Support Groups will be located in a rented facility at 1238 East Brady (#4). For appointment or questions, please call BESTD at 272-2144.

According to Walker, "This is the largest financial undertaking in the history of the clinic. We expect to be able to pay for it with community support at several significant fund raisers planned for this year."



## Busload of Area Students Off To Battle The Right In Missouri

**Madison** — A busload of Wisconsin students will spend the summer in Missouri, fighting against an anti-Gay initiative on that state's November ballot. *Missouri Summer '94* will work with Missouri activist group **Show Me Equality** doing phone banking, registering voters and talking to community groups.

After a week of training in Minneapolis, students from Wisconsin and Minnesota will depart for Missouri on July 9. They will meet their host families on July 10, when they will receive their assignments in towns across the state.

Missouri Summer '94 is the only known program of its kind taking place this summer. Students in Wisconsin and Minnesota, coming from Midwest states with Gay rights laws that are not facing repeal, are in a unique position to work in a state whose LesBiGay communities are under attack. Two other midwestern states, Michigan and Ohio, are facing similar initiatives, but Missouri's is given the highest chance of passing.

Students participating in Missouri Summer '94 will receive a stipend of \$300 and free room and board for the six-week stay in Missouri. Some professors are also offering course credit. (Spots are still available. Anyone who wants to get involved may contact Missouri Summer '93 coordinator Gary Schiff at (612) 825-7645.)

Chris Morris, co-president of the UW-Madison 10% Society, will be in Missouri for the summer. He will be writing articles on the summer's events which will appear exclusively in *In Step*.

## Jeff Miller Honored By Nursing Peers

**Milwaukee** — Jeff Miller, RN, was honored by the Milwaukee District Nurses Association following the 1994 Nurses Lamplight Walk, and celebration on Monday, May 9th at the Italian Community Center.

Attended by more than 500 nurses, Miller was one of three selected by a committee of peers for 'Nurse Of The Year' honors out of over 200 nominations. Accepting his award as a runner-up, Jeff reaffirmed his commitment to service in the community as the thrust of his professional life.

In addition to positions at BESTD Clinic, STD Specialties, Medical College of Wisconsin, Caring Bridges and now St. Michael's Hospital, Jeff has

volunteered his skills and sensitivity in many ways within the Lesbian and Gay community. It is significant that in a profession where only 3% of the practitioners are male, a Gay man was chosen to be recognized by a panel of women judges.

Miller was nominated for this 1994 honor by Cathy Fessler of the Milwaukee Health Department and Erv Uecker of BESTD Clinic. Both cited his volunteer efforts among those in the community who are often left out and especially those living with HIV infection.

Uecker noted that over the years, he has observed that people from every

spectrum of the community, often divergent in their views, united in their admiration of Jeff Miller. "If there is one shortcoming that Jeff has," chuckled Uecker, "It is his inability to say 'No!'" Jeff Miller's award honors not only the nursing profession, but the Milwaukee LesBiGay community.

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# Outstanding Community Leaders To Receive Awards

## United's June 3rd Dinner

**Madison** — Seven extraordinary community leaders and a pioneering organization will be recognized by The United for their valuable contributions at an awards dinner and community banquet on Friday, June 3rd. Following in the tradition of an extremely successful first dinner last year, this year's *Under the Rainbow* dinner is expected to draw hundreds of Lesbians, Gay men, Bisexuals, and allies for an evening of celebration and remembrance.

Award recipients will be Dick Wagner, Sunshine Jones, Jack Siebert, Sue Goldwomon, Tom Neal, Joann Elder, Jane La Flash, and the Madison Gay and Lesbian Resource Center. The dinner will be held at the Inn on the Park on Madison's Capitol Square with cocktails beginning at 7pm and dinner at 7:30pm. The cost is \$25-\$35, based on a self-selecting sliding scale. Donations are also being sought so those who could not otherwise afford the dinner or childcare might also be able to attend. (For more information, call the United at (608) 255-8582.)

### AWARDEES

Special recognition is being given to **Dick Wagner**, who recently retired from the Dane County Board after more than a decade of distinguished service as an openly Gay supervisor, including several years as board chair. Wagner's many contributions as a community leader, including his ongoing work with the New Harvest Foundation and the Madison AIDS Support Network, have brought him accolades from community leaders of all backgrounds and from all parts of the political spectrum. He has been both a nationally-recognized leader in his support of openly Lesbian and Gay candidates for office and an important spokesperson for the LGB community locally.

On the occasion of the United's award, Madison Mayor Paul Soglin said, "I consider it an honor to (join in) tribute to Dick Wagner. I first met Dick in 1970. Since then, I have treasured his wisdom and counsel. The city and county have benefitted greatly from his intelligence, commitment and passion. His ability to balance community and individual needs in a variety of areas such as historic preservation, land use planning, and tax policy reflects his openness and broad interest in public policy. I can't imagine a finer leader. He is one of the few whose reentry into public office I would welcome."

Two prominent advocates for children and an educational environment

which respects and affirms Lesbian and Gay diversity — Sunshine Jones and Jack Siebert — will be honored as Woman and Man of the year.

**Sunshine Jones** is a longtime community activist and advocate, and the co-founder of Madison's Lesbian Parents Network. More recently, she has been a leader in GLADE (Gays and Lesbians for Diversity in Education), an organization which advocates for Madison school district policies that address the special issues facing Gay and Lesbian children, families and educational professionals. Her more than twenty-five years of activism have also included leadership as a feminist, environmentalist, family life educator, and spiritual leader.

**Jack Siebert** is a co-founder of GLEE, an association of G/L/B education professionals that makes a powerful difference both here in Madison and statewide. He is our community's main point person within the Madison school system on these issues. Through his union and community connections, he has worked tirelessly to elect progressive school board members who embrace a multi-cultural, L/G/B affirming curriculum. He is a loving father, an activist, a coalition builder, a policy expert, and a leader in Madison's Gay Father's group.

Longtime women's community leader **Sue Goldwomon** will receive the

Volunteer Woman of the Year Award. A veteran of the early days of Madison's Lesbian, Gay, and feminist movements, she's been a leader in numerous community organizations including WORT community radio, Community Shares of Wisconsin, and Apple Island Productions. She is in her tenth year as host of WORT's *Her Infinite Variety*, a weekly show that showcases both old and new music alike, and keeps women in Madison informed about upcoming live performances.

Community Activist **Tom Neal's** important work often goes unnoticed because it's usually behind the scenes. He currently serves as president of the board of the Gay and Lesbian Resource Center, the agency which is responsible for the state's largest GLB resource library (located at the United and a variety of other support groups and services. "Tom's activism is the hands-on kind," writes one nominator. "Not only does he oversee fundraising and other traditional board president's duties, but he and his partner Pat also build many of the bookshelves for the library."

Like Tom Neal, the people behind **Madison's Gay and Lesbian Resource Center (MGLRC)** do important work that often goes unrecognized. With this in mind, MGLRC was named Organization



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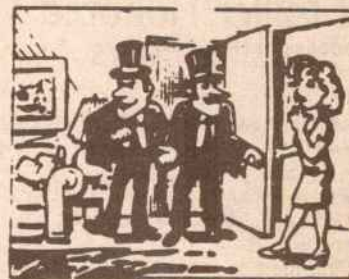
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of the Year. Founded in 1974, it is one of the oldest continuing LGB organizations in the state. Its extensive library is housed in the offices of The United, and many people attribute this and other important MGLRC functions to the United — functions which are in fact performed by MGLRC's hard working volunteers.

MGLRC also publishes **Madison's Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Resource Directory**, which has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years. Hard work has meant numerous new organizational listings and a broad base of advertisers. Numerous community organizations, such as Frontiers, the Blue Bus Clinic, PFlag, and the Gay Fathers group, began under the wing of what is now called MGLRC. The organization's newest project is a GLB resources computer bulletin board service.

The compassion, perseverance, and hard work of two exceptional women is being recognized with two "Ally of the Year" awards. As leaders in the Madison chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFlag), **Jane LaFlash** and **Joann Elder** are well known and loved by many in our community, however, too often, their important work has gone unrecognized.

Jane LaFlash is a founder of the local PFlag chapter and her persistence and leadership in the organization's early years were the main reason that the group began to grow and flourish. This year, she organized PFlag's statewide conference. She has served in board and committee positions at The United and MGLRC. As a member of the Wisconsin Council of Churches, she participated in the production of a powerful video on Gays and Lesbians in the church.

Joann Elder, working in partnership with Jane, has been a driving force in the success of PFlag, both locally and statewide. Additionally, she worked long and hard to successfully persuade Madison's Friends Quaker Meeting to permit and affirm same sex unions. Working tirelessly both as an individual and in partnership with her husband Joe, she has been a moving and compassionate advocate for the LGB community at the University of Wisconsin, in the greater Madison community, and beyond.

## STATE News Briefs

### *Commission to Appeal Ruling on Dahmer Cops*

**Milwaukee** — After angry protests by community organizations, the Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission voted May 9 to appeal the recent decision by Reserve Judge Robert Parins which called for reinstatement of two police officers who were fired for dereliction of duty in the Jeffrey Dahmer case. Parins had reversed an earlier

decision by the Commission to sustain their terminations.

In the wake of Judge Parins's decision, some politicians urged that the case be closed so the city could "move on." Alderman Thomas Nardelli, who chairs the Common Council's Finance Committee, said no funds should be allocated for the appeal. But seven other council members disagreed, urging the Commission to appeal the decision.

African American and Gay and Lesbian leaders along with members of the families of Dahmer's victims also insisted that the decision be appealed. In a raucous incident May 5, angry protesters disrupted a Commission meeting, demanding the right to be

heard. The meeting had to be temporarily adjourned.

Commission Chairman M. Nicol Padway said "whatever we do is going to disturb certain sections of the community." But he said the appeal was necessary because without it, a precedent would be set in which the courts could dictate the standards of conduct for police officers.

The fired officers, John Baicerzak and Joseph Gabrish, were found guilty by the Commission of violating seven rules of conduct when they failed to fully investigate the plight of 14-year old Konerak Sinthasomphone who was attempting to flee Dahmer. Sinthasomphone and three other men


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were killed before Dahmer was finally arrested in July, 1991.

### Christian Organizations Intensify Political Organizing

**Madison** — The Christian Coalition held its first organizing meeting in Wisconsin recently, with about 40 participants attending a leadership training session at the Madison Junior College of Business.

The Director of the Christian Coalition's state chapter, Ginny Marschman, told those attending that it is "God's plan for you to participate in public policy." She said she hopes to see the Christian Coalition organized in every ward in the state.

Sneakers at the conference included Susan Armacost of Wisconsin Right to Life and Scott Walker, a conservative Republican Assemblyman representing Wauwatosa. Also present were the four announced Republican candidates running against Herb Kohl for the US Senate: Assemblyman Robert Welch, State Treasurer Cate Zeuske, attorney Tom Fitzpatrick and businessman Matt Gunderson.

Meanwhile, the US Taxpayers Party, led by conservative ideologue Howard Phillips, is trying to obtain the 10,000 signatures necessary to appear in its own column on election ballots in Wisconsin this November. The Party is supported by Christian conservatives who believe in separating from the GOP. It supports an end to the income tax, the IRS, foreign aid and welfare. It opposes Gay rights, abortion, gun control and racial quotas.

### UW-Whitewater LesBiGay Group Wins Grievance

**Whitewater** — On May 6, the Student Organization Judicial Board at UW-Whitewater ruled in favor of a grievance filed against the school's student government by the Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Student Union. GLBSU claimed its rights had been violated when the Student Association denied its request for funding and engaged in anti-Gay rhetoric last November.

The GLBSU had requested a \$900 allocation for the 1994-95 school year and a committee charged with reviewing such requests recommended a \$600 grant. But at a Student Association meeting November 29, debate raged for an hour and a half over the morality of homosexuality and whether any student funds should be given to the group at all. The Student Association agreed only to provide GLBSU \$300 if GLBSU could raise matching funds, a stipulation no other student group was required to meet. After protests and charges of illegal procedures, student senators voted in December to allocate \$600 to the group.

The GLBSU filed a grievance however, and on May 6 the Judicial Board found the Student Association in violation of the UW System's and UW-Whitewater's policies against sexual orientation discrimination. The court ordered the Student Association to hold a one hour session for senators on proper decorum and procedures at meetings, a one hour session on LesBiGay issues, three one hour workshops on cultural diversity, and comprehensive leadership training for student senators.

### ARCW Lobbies for More Equitable Funds

**Milwaukee** — Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, recently traveled to Washington with the message that federal AIDS funding must be distributed on an equitable, per capita basis.

Ryan White CARE Act funds are currently distributed through Title I (funding high incidence areas) and Title II (funding all other areas). This dual approach in allocating federal funds, according to Nelson, creates an inequity in funding between states with a high incidence of AIDS cases in metropolitan areas and lower incidence states.

Nelson presented to officials a *Proposal for Equity in Per Capita AIDS Funding* that calls for reauthorization of the CARE Act to ensure equitable funding. "Currently, Title I areas receive over \$3,700 per case, while Title II areas receive only \$1,163 per case. The \$2,600 per case difference in funding discriminates against people with HIV in Wisconsin and 32 other states," said Nelson.

The ARCW has organized a Campaign for Fairness in Federal AIDS Funding which is supported by a coalition of over 100 AIDS service groups. The Campaign is likely to change the landscape of national AIDS politics which has been dominated by East and West coast activists. "The AIDS epidemic is a national epidemic," Nelson noted, "and AIDS public policy must meet the needs of community-based service providers throughout the entire country."

### Williams Gets 20 Years for Gay-Related Slaying

**Milwaukee** — On May 6, Judge Jeffrey Wagner sentenced Lee M. Williams, 37, to 20 years in prison for the Gay-related slaying of Shorewood resident Harold Miller, 52. Williams was found guilty of first degree reckless homicide in the strangulation murder of Miller in Miller's apartment last November 20.

Williams met Miller at the Shorewood Inn where Williams worked as a cook. After his work shift, Williams had drinks with Miller, who told Williams he was Gay and invited him to his apartment for more drinks. Once at the apartment, Miller allegedly made a sexual advance on Williams. Williams said he first tried to fend it off, but when Miller persisted Williams wrapped an electrical cord around Miller's neck and tightened it until he collapsed. Miller's body was discovered the next day when he failed to report for work.

The jury rejected a charge of first degree intentional homicide but agreed to the lesser charge.

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## NATIONAL News Briefs

### Cammermeyer's Suit Against Pentagon Gets First Hearing

Seattle, WA — A federal judge heard the first arguments at a pre-trial hearing in the case of Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer, an Army nurse and decorated veteran who was discharged from the Army in 1992 after admitting she is a Lesbian.

Cammermeyer's attorney argued that the discharge violated Cammermeyer's constitutional right to equal protection of the laws. She also argued that the Pentagon's ban on Gay and Lesbian service members serves no rational purpose and is akin to the racial segregation in the military that was previously outlawed by the courts.

Opposing counsel argued that Cammermeyer's case should be dismissed because of previous rulings supporting the Pentagon ban and the recent Congressional codification of the so-called "Don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" policy.

Cammermeyer was a veteran of more than 25 years. She received a Bronze Star in Vietnam and was chief nurse for the Washington National Guard from 1986 to her discharge in 1992. In 1985, she was cited over 34,000 other Army nurses with the Administrator's Award for Excellence in Nursing.

### Austin Voters Repeal Domestic Partners Provision

Austin, TX — Residents of Austin, considered the most liberal municipality in Texas, voted by an overwhelming 62% to 38% to repeal the city's domestic partners provision which extended insurance coverage to the unmarried partners — Gay and straight — of city workers.

The campaign to repeal the domestic partners measure was spearheaded by Rev. Charles Bullock, president of a group calling itself Concerned Texans, and Christian fundamentalist groups worked hard for the repeal. "The city of Austin has no right to redefine marriage," Bullock declared.

Since the City Council approved insurance coverage for domestic partners last fall, 69 heterosexual partners and 29 Gay or Lesbian partners had signed up for the coverage.

Meanwhile in Baltimore, that city's Council voted 10-7 against establishing a domestic partners registry. The opposition came, once again, from conservative religious leaders who

feared the measure would sanction unmarried relationships. Baltimore, nevertheless, does extend health benefits to the partners of municipal employees. Critics feared the registry would encourage other employers to adopt similar policies.

### Judge Okays School Bans on Military Recruiters

Albany, NY — The New York Court of Appeals, the state's highest court, ruled May 3 that local school boards have the right to prohibit the military from recruiting on school premises as a means of protesting the Pentagon's ban on homosexuals.

The 6-1 decision reversed two lower court rulings in favor of the military. The armed services will not be automatically banned from all schools, but local school boards will be free to enact such restrictions. The case involved the decision by the city of Rochester to ban recruiters from its schools. A parent filed the lawsuit challenging the ban on recruiters and won earlier rulings.

The decision is the second major blow to military recruiters in New York State. Last November, a judge ruled that allowing recruiters on the campuses of the state university system violated an order signed by Gov. Mario Cuomo prohibiting state agencies from discriminating against Gays. University officials declined to appeal the decision, which effectively prohibits military recruiting on almost 30 campuses statewide.

### Christian Candidates Lose Big in Evangelist's Hometown

Virginia Beach, VA — Five evangelical Christian candidates supported by fundamentalist preacher Pat Robertson in his hometown of Virginia Beach all lost their bids for school board seats in May 3 elections.

The Christian candidates, running as a bloc called Kids First, lost by margins as narrow as 2% and as wide as 27%. The group pledged to oppose federal interference in local schools and to curb the influence of teachers unions. They also promised "an end to social experiments using your kids as guinea pigs."

"The rumor was that we were a right wing takeover," Kids First candidate Edward G. Kreyling Jr. told the *New York Times*. "Christians are being persecuted. Calling someone a religious person in politics these days is not a compliment."

While Christian fundamentalist candidates continue to make gains in local elections and statehouses around the country, the defeat of openly Christian candidates in the hometown of the founder of the Christian Coalition

caused Gay and Lesbian leaders a measure of satisfaction. Robertson's frequently anti-Gay talk show, *The 700 Club*, is broadcast from the studios of the Christian Broadcasting Network in Virginia Beach.

### Writer and AIDS Activist John Preston Dies

Portland, ME — John Preston, possibly the most prolific of modern Gay writers who proudly penned cutting-edge pornography and also became an AIDS activist, died of AIDS complications at his Portland home April 28. He was 48.

Preston wrote more than 30 books of both fiction and nonfiction over the past 15 years and was one of the most bestselling of openly Gay writers. Among his books are *Franny, the Queen of Provincetown, Personal Dispatches: Writers Confront AIDS, My Life as a Pornographer and Other Indecent Acts* and the critically acclaimed anthology *Hometowns: Gay Men Write About Where They Belong*. Preston wrote for many Gay papers as well as mainstream publications like *Harper's* and *Interview*.



Preston was born in Medfield, Massachusetts, graduated from Lake Forest College in Illinois, studied at several seminaries and was certified as a sexual health consultant. He founded Gay Community Services of Minneapolis in 1972 and served as editor of the *Advocate* in the 1970's.

### PBS Chief Denies Censorship of "Tales" Sequel

New York, NY — Responding to criticism that PBS withdrew funding from the sequel to Armistead Maupin's *Tales of the City* because of its homosexual content, the new President and CEO of PBS, Ervin S. Duggan, sent a letter to the *New York Times* defending his decision.

In the letter, Duggan reiterated his earlier contention that funding for the sequel was withdrawn for purely monetary reasons. PBS underwrote the first *Tales* miniseries with just \$150,000 (the bulk of the production was funded by Britain's Channel Four) but was asked to provide \$2 million for the sequel, a sum PBS simply cannot afford, according to Duggan. Such a financial commitment would deplete the budget for an entire season's worth of *American Playhouse* productions, he said.

Duggan also bristled at media reports casting him as a conservative ideologue. He was indeed appointed by George Bush to the Federal Communications Commission, but as a Democrat, and he previously held different positions in Democratic administrations. Duggan also denied he was a member of any evangelical denomination.

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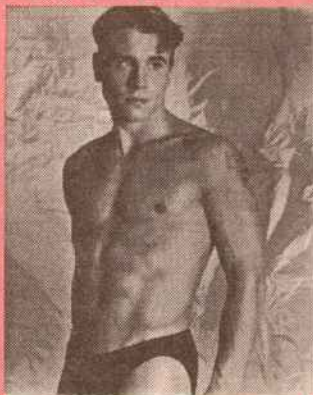
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### Forum for Community Input, Involvement in HIV Prevention

**Milwaukee** — The Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) will hold an HIV prevention planning meeting as a first step in designing an effective, comprehensive HIV prevention strategy for the Gay and Lesbian Community.

The meeting will be held on June 7, from 6-8 at MAP, 315 W. Court St., in Milwaukee. Business owners, members of social groups and other organizations, as well as anyone else interested in providing input and assistance are encouraged to attend.

According to MAP prevention specialist Rod Johnson, the meeting will provide a forum for expressing concerns about HIV prevention in the Gay and Lesbian Community. But more importantly, he said, goals of the meeting include creating a Gay and Lesbian Advisory Council that reflects the ethnic and cultural diversity within the community and developing a core group of volunteers to support ongoing prevention activities.

For more information about the meeting, contact Rod Johnson at (414) 273-1991, Ext. 263. Pre-registration is appreciated.

### SAGE Safer Sex Program & HIV Testing

**Milwaukee** — SAGE/Milwaukee (Senior Action in a Gay Environment) in co-operation with the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) and the Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD Clinic) will hold an anonymous AIDS and safer sex program at 1:30pm on Sunday, May 22 on the premises of MAP at 315 West Court Street (two blocks south of Walnut and just west of Martin Luther King Drive).

After presentations by professional AIDS educators directed to both Gay men and Lesbians, a short film titled *Safer Sex Shorts* will be shown. **WARNING:** If you are offended by frontal nudity and/or sexually explicit scenes, you may leave the room during the showing. Trained people from the Brady Clinic will offer free, anonymous HIV testing for those who wish it beginning at 1pm and throughout the program. Light refreshments will be served.

### "It's So Hard To Meet Men..."

**Milwaukee** — Gay bars continue to be important meeting places for many Gay men. They offer a sense of safety because we can be assured that everyone there is either Gay or Gay-friendly. But not everyone finds bars to be "safe." Some who are recovering from alcohol dependence find bars to be too threatening. Others find the sexual energy overwhelming and are uncomfortable with, or offended by the "cruising" element so often a part of bar culture.

What role have Gay bars played in your own development as a Gay man? What kinds of alternatives have you found to bars, or what kind of alternatives do you wish existed for Gay men? Where, in addition to bars, have you been able to meet other men to foster friendship or intimacy? Facilitating the evening will be Vince Lombardo, who has lived in Milwaukee for 8 years and has discovered a variety of ways to connect with other Gay men. Our discussion is scheduled for Sunday, May 22 from 6-8pm at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 North Bartlett Avenue.

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.



## MACT Elects New Officers

**Milwaukee** — At a special **Men of All Colors Together (MACT)** meeting on April 24 by-laws were adopted and elections held for officers. The new slate of officers include: Chairperson, Dave Rompa; Treasurer, Chris Singleton; Stenographer, Scott Wynn; Public Relations, Veral Adair; and Member-At-Large, Michael Lisowski.

These officers now comprise the Board of Directors for the Milwaukee chapter of MACT.

For more information about MACT you can contact Dave at (414) 527-4296, Veral at (414) 347-0580, or write for information to P.O. Box 12292, Milwaukee, WI 53212.

## WI-USA Preliminaries

King Productions has announced the following Wisconsin-USA Preliminaries:

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- ▼ Wed. July 13, Miss City of Festivals, Club 219;
- ▼ Sat. July 30, Miss Gay Kenosha, Club 94.
- ▼ Sat. Aug. 6, Miss Gay Green Bay, Za's.

Interested persons are reminded that in order to compete at the **Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA Pageant**, Sept. 10 & 11 in Appleton, you must be the winner or first runner-up of a Wisconsin-USA Preliminary Pageant. Contact DuWanna Moore at (414) 224-9483 for information or call the clubs directly.

### MISS GAY USA PAGEANT

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DuWanna Moore & Tiffeny will be representing the WI-USA Pageant. Shannon Dupree & Sage LaRue are representing the Great Lakes-USA Pageant. Dominique Mahon representing Minnesota USA and Lisa Spencer representing North Central USA.

Good luck to all these girls.

Information on attending the Miss Gay USA Pageant can be obtained from any of the contestants.

## GAMMA's Annual Spring Hike

**Milwaukee** — For a glorious gallivant through the woods, GAMMA welcomes all members of the Milwaukee Gay and Lesbian community to join them on Sunday, May 22nd at Lapham Peak at 11:30. Lapham Peak, Waukesha County's highest spot, is located in the southern portion of the Kettle Moraine State Forest, a mile south of 194 off Highway C. The hike will last about three hours. Call 963-9833 by Saturday, May 21 to let GAMMA know if you plan to be there; this is a weather dependent event.

GAMMA's annual white-water rafting trip on the Peshtigo and Menominee Rivers will be held on Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. Call 963-9833 to see if openings are still available and for more information.

## "Outdoors" Summer Schedule

**Milwaukee** — **Outdoors**, Milwaukee's new cooperative sports group for the Gay and Lesbian community, announced four major events for its first summer season. A three day canoe trip down the Flambeau River will lead off the season June 11th to 13th. This river has wooded banks and an island campsite located in the middle of a rapids. The rapids become more frequent and difficult as the trip progresses, making this a good river for learning canoeists.

Sea Kayaking to the Apostle Islands is scheduled for the weekend of July 14th to 17th. Kayakers will leave Milwaukee on Wednesday after work and receive a three hour

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lesson by the outfitters on Thursday. Thursday afternoon through Sunday noon will be spent exploring the various Apostle Islands. Leave Bayfield, WI at noon on Sunday for Milwaukee. Approximate cost, excluding food, transportation, and Wednesday night's motel room in Wausau, will be \$175.

Outdoors' August event will be a week long backpacking trip through Glacier National Park the week of the 6th through 14th. The final event will be a weekend biking excursion from West Allis to Madison and return on September 17-18. For information on Outdoors or any of these four events, call Dave Hutchinson at (414) 771-0326.

## GWEEDA Now GLEEDA

**Oshkosh** — The Board of Directors and the general membership recently agreed to change the name of The Greater Wisconsin Education & Economic Development Alliance, Inc. (GWEEDA), to **Gay & Lesbian Economic Development Alliance (GLEEDA)**. Several of the stated purposes of the Corporation are to:

▼ Encourage improved communication and better understanding of the relationship between the Gay and Lesbian community and the community at-large;

▼ Cultivate and improve economic development within the Lesbian and Gay community, thereby also benefiting the economic welfare of the community at-large;

▼ Serve as a resource for community service by a network of individuals from the Gay and Lesbian community and community at-large.

Because of the objectives stated above, it was felt the name change would more accurately reflect the intent of our membership and also help in accomplishing these objectives. Membership in GLEEDA is open to any person who agrees with the general purpose of the organization and who pays the annual dues in effect at the time of application.

For further information write to: GLEEDA, P.O. Box 8286, Oshkosh, WI 54903.

## "Ballot Measure Nine" Video

The provocative new video documentary *Ballot Measure Nine* tells the disturbing story of what happened during the 1992 campaign for Oregon's anti-Gay ballot initiative. Statewide, a virulent discourse on the dangers and morality of homosexuality thrived, and in this climate of lies and fear came the inevitable rise of harassment, vandalism, assault and murder of Lesbians, Gay men and their supporters.

Culled from hundreds of hours of material shot during the campaign, *Ballot Measure Nine* eloquently tells the stories of people finding new courage in the struggle of their lives. It captures the war-zone atmosphere and the lives changed by the raw public discourse. It shows the religious right's attempt to dehumanize Lesbians and Gay men with propaganda and moralistic rhetoric. It places these attacks within the Christian right's larger agenda, illustrating the effectiveness of their divisive "no special rights" strategy.

With eight states now fighting similar initiatives, and more predicted, it is essential that people understand the devastation these measures cause. *Ballot Measure Nine* is a powerful tool for change, and a vivid testament to the courage and stamina of Lesbians, Gay men, Bisexuals and their supporters.

Produced by award winning film maker Heather MacDonald, *Ballot Measure Nine* will be released in late June, 1994 for wide grassroots distribution. Tapes (running time 75min.) are \$22, which includes shipping and handling. Make checks payable to Media Network/Oregon tape Project. Order now, or write for more information. *Ballot Measure Nine*, 54 West 16th Street, #12-J, New York, NY 10011.

## Great America Trip Discount

**Milwaukee** — On Father's Day, June 19th, GAMMA and several other Gay and Lesbian social and outdoor groups from Wisconsin will schedule a trip to Six Flags, Great America in Gurnee, IL. As for the past twelve years, the "Gay contingent" will be distinguished by wearing red shirts. (Everyone has a Red T-Shirt!) As a special this year, Milwaukee GAMMA was able to obtain tickets for \$18 per person for this event, and will make them available to anyone in the Milwaukee Gay community. (The retail price for tickets is \$28, small discounts are available at some super-markets and financial institutions.)

Beside the red-shirt signal, the only other coordination effort will be to gather for lunch at 1pm at the County Fair eating area. Since it is best to cruise Great America's facilities in small groups, there is no planned "Gay group" activity.

To obtain tickets, please mail a check to "GAMMA" for \$18 per ticket, to GAMMA at: P.O. Box 1900, Milwaukee, WI 53201. This must be received before June 3, 1994. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. This is everyone's opportunity to have a great time at Great America and, at a reasonable price. For more information, call GAMMA at 963-9833.

## Gay Congressional Staff Association Recognized

**Washington, DC** — In a move described as "the first time that a Lesbian and Gay organization has been granted official standing by the Congress of the United States," the Speaker of the House of Representatives has formally recognized the Lesbian and Gay Congressional Staff Association.

The association is a nonpartisan group which plans to promote the welfare of Gay and Lesbian employees of the House of Representatives. The group's registration was granted in accordance with House rules that allow affinity groups of like-minded employees for charitable, educational and social purposes.

"Our goal is to improve the quality of life for Lesbian and Gay Congressional employees," said co-founder Mark Agrast, senior legislative assistant to Rep. Gerry Studds (D-MA). "The working environment on Capitol Hill varies sharply from one office to the next. Some are supportive and accepting, yet others set a tone so hostile and intolerant that life becomes unbearable for Lesbian and Gay staff members." The primary purpose of the group will be for mutual support.



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# Letters

Dear Editor:

Right wing fundamentalist hate groups in the United States have been vehemently opposing the extension of civil rights protection to the category of sexual orientation. Part of their campaign has involved trying to convince African-Americans that the sexual orientation is not a valid criterion for the protection of civil rights, and that including it is an insult to the Black civil rights movement. Unfortunately the bigots are having considerable success with those who do not look at their stands on other issues, such as genuine racial integration.

Now a new voice is heard on the issue of sexual orientation and civil rights: not an African-American voice, but an African one. Here is Chapter 3, Article 8, section (2) of the new South African Constitution:

*"No person shall be unfairly discriminated against, directly or indirectly, and, without derogation from the generality of this provision, on one or more of the following grounds in particular: race, gender, sex, ethnic or social origin, color, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, conscience, belief, culture or language."*

Of course people like Jesse Jackson and Coretta Scott King do not need guidance from South Africa, since they have always supported outlawing discrimination based on sexual orientation. Some others, however, might have a lesson to learn from President Mandela.

Yours,  
Al Geiersbach, Milwaukee

To The Community:

I am so tired of people who go out of their way to hurt, gossip, run down and even attempt to ruin people's businesses, clubs, organizations and much less their personal lives.

It is bad enough that people in this world constantly attempt to tear us down. Why in the world would a member of our

own community try to do this to us? Why not talk about the numerous positive things that have been done, or are currently being done?

To use a phrase made popular by Rodney King, "Why can't we all just get along?"

Let us move ahead together and those of you who don't want to move ahead — fall behind alone.

I have taken from the community because I am a business woman. I believe I have given back tenfold by sponsoring title holders, holding benefits, community events, and making private donations. I have done what many others have done, and continue to do... but I

would wager that those members of the community who hold negativity and criticism as their foremost virtues do very little in the area of community service.

We as a community have achieved so very much in Wisconsin. Our brothers and sisters in Colorado and Washington state would be elated to have our freedoms, but perhaps disappointed in the weakest links in our community chain.

Thank you for your time & consideration  
— Cheri Becker, Madison

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# Viewpoint

## In Search Of A Silver Bullet

### Magic Messages And Strong Movements

Opinion by Robert Bray

With only six months until D-Day, "D" as in possible Discrimination, the heat is rapidly rising on the anti-Gay initiatives slated for the November ballot in at least seven states.

Campaign strategists around the country are frantically searching for an illusive magic bullet that will slay the Far Right dragon threatening to devour our civil rights. They're looking for an effective media and campaign "message" — a silver bullet — that will win votes and defeat initiatives.

But is that the ultimate goal, just to win a campaign battle? What about the overall war? Simply winning a vote returns us to the status quo. We fight with all our strength just to keep what we have, which is insufficient in the first place. Win or lose in November, the current battles and choice of tactics have far reaching significance for our

movement.

Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Michigan, Missouri, Oregon and Washington have official anti-Gay initiatives. More states may follow. The initiatives repeal laws that ban discrimination against Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals, and prohibit passage of such laws in the future. The measures are misleadingly framed as "no special rights" and "no protected minority status."

National and local message polling around these measures reveals fascinating results. First, we face a tough battle in defeating the initiatives. We are confronted with a U.S. public that mainly sees us, and our "lifestyle," as unacceptable and immoral. Our "negatives" range from 50 to 77 percent.

Second, A majority erroneously believe we are already covered against discrimination by the U.S. Constitution, and we do not suffer prejudice. Hence, we seek "special" protections. Opinion is split at best about whether protective legislation is even necessary. Plus, many people polled subscribe to the "don't ask, don't tell" mindset: Gays are okay as long as they don't make it an issue.

Paradoxically, this high level of disapproval is accompanied by an equally strong (75 percent) belief that discrimination against us is wrong. And voters who personally know someone Gay tend to be more supportive.

Messages promoted by our opponents about "special rights", "government forced acceptance of homosexuality", and the lack of "Gay disadvantage" are cited most often by voters who support anti-Gay measures. Our side's messages about job discrimination ring well with voters who oppose the measures.

That's the brew of opinion that campaign strategists must cook into a winning strategy for political campaigns against the initiatives.

Political campaigns, out of necessity, are run by hard working people in war room-like settings. Campaign officials call the shots. The best campaigns find roles for everyone, but often there is minimal decision-making input from the community at large. The goal is short-term victory.

Some campaign battles are fought in states without established Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual organized communities. The campaign, in effect, becomes the "movement," a receptacle for the hopes, dreams, anger and frustration of people struggling for dignity.

But after the vote the campaign office closes. Managers move on. Volunteers are let go. Campaigns cannot win ultimately what we want. They cannot contain all that we are. Without a fortified movement in place a tremendous vacuum forms that can cause frustration, division and burnout.

### MUST ORGANIZE FOR LONG TERM

I say we must strategically organize with long-term progressive social change in mind — with the idea of not only winning elections but also building a stronger movement. A movement that will be around much longer than special rights rhetoric. An anti-racist movement that embraces the struggles for women's equality and social and economic injustice. A movement that stands for freedom and equality. A movement that's part of a broad based, united front capable of vanquishing the Far Right dragon now and in the future.

No matter how effective our messages, how savvy our spin, years of homophobia cannot be unlearned during an eight-month campaign. That requires long-term commitment well beyond November.

We didn't choose these initiatives, the Far Right did. But we can chose to make these attacks opportunities for building a true community-based and empowered movement. Or we can put all our hopes and resources into a silver bullet and hope we don't draw a blank.

*Robert Bray is The National Gay & Lesbian Task Force NGLTF "Fight the Right" Media Organizer.*

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# BestD Answers Health Questions

By Bob Ambelang &  
Dr. Kelly Balliet

## Sexual Health

**I'm confused, I hear a lot of different stories about HIV infection and how safe oral sex is. What should I believe?**

This is a question that has troubled health educators and HIV counselors since HIV became known. There are many opinions as to just how safe oral sex is and some of them are just wishful thinking by certain individuals. Whenever you receive another person's blood, semen (cum or pre-cum) or vaginal fluids into your body, you are at some risk. The above body fluids will contain the virus if the other person is infected with HIV.

The HIV virus needs a direct route into an individual's blood stream to infect that person. Some viruses are airborne, HIV is not. When a person performs oral sex on a male, that person should avoid any contact with the male's semen (cum or pre-cum). The best way to do that is to have the male wear a latex, unlubricated condom before any sucking begins. Then the male should not ejaculate while still in his partner's mouth. The reason for that is that teeth may cause tiny, microscopic tears in the condom and semen could leak out.

The person doing the sucking is the person that needs to be aware of any breaks in his or her mouth. Even the tiniest sore in a person's mouth could be the entry point for the virus to get into the bloodstream and cause infection. You need to consider such things as: cold sores; fever blisters; gum disease; brushing or flossing just before performing oral sex or recent dental work. Even tiny scratches from sharp food objects or biting our tongue, cheeks or lips could present a door way to the virus. Unfortunately it is unlikely that we can or even could thoroughly examine our mouths before performing oral sex.

We are unaware of the extent of our oral health, therefore putting ourselves at risk.

As the writer of this question did not identify their gender or sexual orientation we will also cover oral/ vaginal sex. In an infected woman, the virus will also be present in her vaginal fluids. The same precautions should be observed in preventing these fluids from getting into her partner's mouth or lips. This can easily be accomplished by placing either a dental dam or other non-porous barrier over the genital area before performing any oral contact at all. (These other barriers could include: Plastic wraps; condoms cut lengthwise or even latex gloves cut open with the fingers cut off but the thumb left in place for a tongue glove.) The person performing oral sex (the one 'going down' on the other) should also be aware of any breaks in the skin of their face such as: Acne, shaving cuts or facial wounds that could present a doorway to the virus. Unbroken skin presents a barrier to the virus. Broken skin presents risk.

There is much talk about saliva. Saliva does not in itself carry infectious amounts of the HIV virus. Saliva is thought to contain certain factors that will inhibit the virus from infecting us. The problem here is whether or not an individual has enough of this factor to combat the amount of virus that they come in contact with or whether or not the factor even comes in contact with the virus prior to infection.

Up to this point we have discussed the risk for the person giving oral sex, or the person sucking, licking or eating. What about the person receiving the action? Frequently partners change positions and the partner who was passive earlier has now become the

active partner. As we discussed earlier, saliva does not contain infectious amounts of the HIV virus, in itself, but if there is blood present in significant quantities in a person's mouth the virus would be present in some degree due to the blood. It is not likely that a person with a severe condition that caused blood to be present in his or her mouth would perform oral sex, but with alcohol or other judgment altering drugs present such unlikely actions could occur. The blood from the one person's mouth would have to then get into an open wound on the genital skin on the person receiving oral sex to infect them. This is not too unlikely as teeth have been known to scratch sensitive skin easily.

Consider sexual activity risk like a speedometer. The higher the speed, the higher the risk. Oral sex would pose a risk factor probably around the speed of normal city driving compared to rural freeway speeds. The risk is lower, but no matter how you look at it, there are still risks. This column discussed only risk factors for HIV infection and you should keep in mind that risk factors for other sexually transmitted diseases are different. *They are higher.*

*Your questions on sexual health are welcome. You may send your questions to either In Step Magazine or to BESTD Clinic at 1240 E. Brady Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202. Letters do not have to be signed to be considered for publication.*

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# BESTD Clinic Says Hundreds Fail to Claim HIV Test Results

## 60 Positive Tests Among the Hundreds Not Picked Up

By Jamakaya

**Milwaukee** — Officials at the Brady East STD Clinic, which conducts anonymous HIV testing at its Brady Street location and at outreach sites at Gay bars, are deeply concerned that many people are not picking up their test results. The vast majority of the results are negative, but the clinic currently has 60 tests which have proved positive for antibodies to HIV, indicating that at least 60 individuals may be infected with the AIDS virus.

Some of the almost 800 unclaimed test results date as far back as 1987, but the majority were conducted since the fall of 1991, when Magic Johnson's announcement that he is HIV-positive brought a surge of people to testing sites.

Medical experts say it is essential for people who are HIV-infected to get counseling and treatment as early as possible. It is also important they are aware of their HIV status so they can plan their futures and protect their sexual partners.

People who have been tested but have not sought the results are strongly encouraged to come to the BESTD Clinic on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights between 6pm and 9pm. An appointment is not necessary. Clinic staff are also available to answer your questions or concerns by phone from 10am to 9pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and from 10am to 5pm on Thursdays and Fridays. The number is (414) 272-2144. HIV testing is also conducted the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6-9pm during the Alternative Women's Clinic.

### ADVANTAGES OF KNOWING HIV STATUS

There are many advantages to knowing your HIV status. Those who test negative over a period of time are relieved of undue anxiety and can be relatively sure that by using condoms and abstaining from high risk behaviors they can continue to protect themselves and their partners.

Those who test positive for HIV antibodies and who come in to receive their results get immediate support, advice and medical referrals from BESTD Clinic staff. Most of the clinic's HIV counselors have worked with people who have HIV or AIDS for many years. They are knowledgeable about the disease and sensitive to the fears

and questions of people newly diagnosed as HIV-positive.

"While it is true there is no cure for AIDS at this time, there is no question that early medical intervention can prolong life," says Dr. Kelly Balliet, Medical Director of the BESTD Clinic and Director of HIV Services at Sinai-Samaritan. "Early treatment is essential because prophylactic medications can successfully prevent many of the infections associated with AIDS before they have a chance to develop."

Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia, which ravaged many people with AIDS in the 1980's, is, according to Dr. Balliet, almost 99% preventable. Early vaccination against pneumococcal infections and bacterial pneumonias are effective in staving off serious illness. Flu shots are also essential for people with HIV/AIDS, but the key to all these measures, says Balliet, is **early intervention**.

"Vaccines are most effective if given when the immune system is still healthy. It is much harder to treat people once their immune system is already severely depleted."

Balliet said drug therapies appropriate to each individual are best determined between the patient and doctor and more options exist today than ever before. He cautioned people not to be discouraged by media reports which distorted the results of the recent Concorde study, implying that AZT is ineffective. "Longtime monotherapy [with just AZT] did not increase lifespan, but individuals are now living disease-free for longer periods of time," he said.

### WHAT DO I DO NOW?

People who learn they are HIV-positive are given support through an early intervention program called Positive Approaches to Health, a collaborative effort of the Milwaukee AIDS Project and the STD Specialties Clinic.

Doug Johnson, a Gay man and registered nurse who started the BESTD Clinic's HIV Testing and Counseling service in 1985 and who volunteered there for ten years, said the purpose of the early intervention program is to "calm their fears and ease them into the medical system."

"First, I help them deal with their first knowledge of the infection. It's a crisis situation for most people. Many are in considerable turmoil, even a state of shock. They want to know: 'What do I do now?'"

Ongoing emotional and psychological support can be obtained through case workers and mental health professionals at the Milwaukee AIDS Project and through a variety of support groups for people with HIV/AIDS. Case workers at MAP can also advise clients about family, job and insurance-related issues.

After dealing with the individual's initial shock, informing him or her of the full range of support services, and answering immediate questions, Johnson conducts a medical evaluation. He compiles a medical history and conducts a physical exam and mental health assessment. Some basic lab work which includes blood tests and a chest x-ray will be done.

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"Typically, few people are symptomatic when they first learn they are HIV-positive. But the tests allow us to establish a baseline of their current health status and to screen for potential problems."

In assessing each person, Johnson sometimes discovers that he or she may have a problem with drug or alcohol abuse, a problem that must be dealt with along with the HIV infection. So Johnson will try to facilitate their admission to a treatment program.

After an extensive evaluation in which he tries to determine any special problems or needs the person might have, Johnson will refer them to primary care physicians who will take over their care for the long term. Referrals are made only to professionals with a track record of sensitivity to people with HIV/AIDS, to Gays and to people of other minority status.

"The idea is to address the very real fears and anxieties people have and to make them more knowledgeable about their condition and the options they have," says Johnson. Follow-up appointments are made to monitor the individual's progress.

It's important to note that **no one is turned away for lack of money or insurance.** A Drug Reimbursement Program, Insurance Continuation Program and other forms of assistance and subsidies ensure that people with little or no money will still be cared for through the course of their infection.

"Leaving a person with nowhere to go, no one to talk to, can lead to denial and all kinds of self-destructive behaviors," said Johnson. "Giving them support, correcting their misperceptions, connecting them to good medical care helps them regain some sense of control. It empowers them and gives them some confidence in the future."

If the advantages of early intervention and support are not enough to get people to pick up their test results, Ross Walker, a BESTD Clinic Board member, also appealed to people's sense of pride.

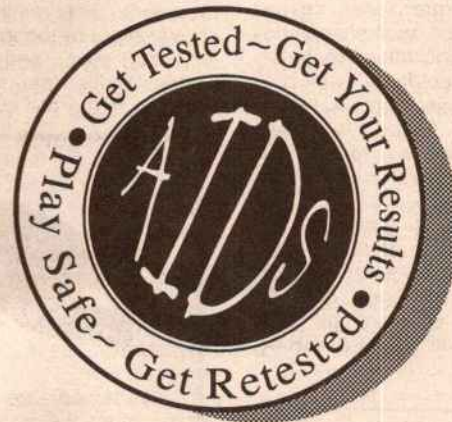
"We're about to enter the season of Gay Pride celebrations," he said. "Knowing your HIV status reflects pride in yourself and respect for the people who love you."

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The conference promises two days of programming on cutting-edge Lesbian and Gay health and medical issues, and a third day for our annual AIDS Update, which focuses on the latest challenges in treating and preventing HIV and AIDS.

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## National Lesbian/Gay Health Confab in NYC June 21-25

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**New York, NY** — Thousands of Gay and Lesbian medical professionals and community-based health activists are expected to attend the 16th annual Lesbian and Gay Health Conference in New York June 21-25. The conference includes the 12th annual AIDS/HIV Forum and will take place during the exciting week of the Gay Games and just prior to the celebration of Stonewall 25.

The conference, sponsored by the National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation and George Washington University Medical Center, is titled *Taking Pride in Our Health: Making the 90's the 'Stonewall' of the Health Care Revolution.*

In keeping with the celebration of Stonewall, a special plenary session on the history of the Gay and Lesbian health movement will be held. Discussion will focus on the years of struggle to get the American Psychological Association to remove homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. Noted Gay historian Martin Duberman, pioneering Lesbian activist Barbara Gittings and Rev. Troy Perry of the Metropolitan Community Church will be featured.

Other plenary sessions will focus on *The Impact of Health Care Reform*

on *Lesbian and Gay Services, Lesbian Health Care* and an *AIDS/HIV Update.*

Daylong institutes on June 21 will open the conference. They focus on People of Color, Youth Issues, Domestic Violence, Lesbian and Gay Parents and Their Children, Substance Abuse, Spirituality, Tuberculosis and AIDS/HIV and Public Policy Advocacy.

Literally hundreds of workshops will focus on specific issues of physical and mental health, prevention and education, AIDS/HIV, sexuality, health care providers, discrimination, nutrition and stress. Most of these workshops will be led by Gay and Lesbian health professionals from across the country who are doing the cutting edge work in

these fields. The conference is an opportunity to be updated on the latest research and to network with fellow health workers.

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# In Memoriam

## Arturo R. Olazabal Jr.

The Saturday Softball Beer League and many friends mourns the untimely death of one of its founders and its first commissioner, Arturo Olazabal. Artie passed away of a heart attack on the opening day of the Softball season, Saturday April 30th. He played for the Ballgame last year, and was planning to join the M&M team this year.

Artie, 47, was well known throughout the country for his aggressive style of play on the field, and his friendliness and sense of humor off the field. He represented Milwaukee in many Gay Softball World Series and at other tournaments.

Arturo was also a co-founder of a Gay golf tournament, the Ozabooboo Open. The tournament got its name from the manager of the golf course who called him Mr. Ozabooboo. The tournament was held in the early 1980's, and was revived last year. It will be held again this year at a memorial to Artie on Saturday, June 11th.

Artie, we will all miss you. Rest in peace.

## Frank Goley

1943-1994

Frank Goley, 50, co-owner and founder of Male Hide Leathers, Inc., died on Sunday, May 1, at Illinois Masonic Medical Center, due to complications of cancer following a brief illness.

Mr. Goley was born on October 13, 1943, in Balkan, Kentucky, the son of Delphia Saylor Goley and the late Haze Goley.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Alford Goley and R.G. Goley.

Survivors include his mother, Delphia Goley, Gary, Kentucky; three brothers, George Goley, of Gray, Kentucky, Tipton Brown, of Pineville, Kentucky, and Benis "Red" Venable, of Pineville, Kentucky; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. He is also survived by his 32-year partner-in life and business partner, Robert Maddox.

Goley, a self taught leather craftsman, conceived Male Hide Leathers in 1972 from his apartment and opened his first shop in a small space in the basement of the Gold Coast at 501 N. Clark St.

As the business increased, the store expanded to the office area above at 66 W. Illinois. As partners Goley and Maddox moved Male Hide to its present location at 2816 N. Lincoln in June of 1984. For the past 22 years, Mr. Goley's leather designs and craftsmanship have been ordered and shipped internationally.

Services were held Wednesday, May 4, in Pineville, Kentucky. Interment was at the Pineville Memorial Cemetery.

Contributions in memory of Mr. Goley can be made to Chicago House and Social Service, 938 W. Belmont, Chicago, IL 60657.

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# Legal

By Arlene Zarembka

## Counteracting The Radical Right's Campaign of Disinformation

The big lie technique is alive and well. The radical right continues to confuse even those in the Lesbian and Gay community with their campaigns of disinformation about the law and the Supreme Court. Hence, what follows is a legal primer on civil rights laws and civil rights concepts in the employment context.

The radical right refers to civil rights laws as "special" laws that gives "extra" rights to minority groups. They claim to use the "special rights" phrase to distinguish anti-discrimination civil rights protections from First Amendment guarantees. There's no doubt it's a clever phrase. But the analysis it reflects is wrong. Civil rights laws do not give "extra" rights to any group. In fact, civil rights laws protect all people, whether members of a majority or minority group, from discrimination. Whites, Christians, and men all may sue under laws prohibiting discrimination based on race, religion, and sex if they suffer discrimination. Likewise, heterosexuals are protected from discrimination based on sexual orientation where such protections against sexual orientation discrimination are in place.

The right claims that if Gay men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals are protected from discrimination, then employers must give them preference in hiring, and cannot fire incompetent Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual workers. Once again, false. Anti-discrimination laws leave employers free to refuse to hire and to fire workers (unless, of course, there is a union contract, or other legal restrictions on an employer's right to hire and fire employees at will). What anti-discrimination laws prevent are employment decisions based on unlawful discriminatory motives. Civil rights statutes set forth the sorts of discriminatory motives that are unlawful (e.g. race, sex, national origin, etc.).

If an employee claims that she has been discriminated against for an unlawful reason, she has a heavy burden to meet to win her claim. She must, first of all, prove that all the reasons given by the employer for the action taken by the employer were not the true reasons. Second, she must prove that the real reason for the job action was unlawful discrimination. It is so difficult to win civil rights cases that the overwhelming majority of litigators do not even handle

such cases.

With regard to affirmative action, another hot button issue, a court can impose this on an employer only after finding that an employer has intentionally engaged in discrimination. In most cases where discrimination has occurred, the court simply awards monetary compensation (and reinstatement if the worker was fired), coupled, at times, with an order that the company cease its discriminatory practices. Much less often is affirmative action ordered as a remedy for proven discrimination. When affirmative action is ordered, it is only a temporary measure.

Affirmative action remedies can be as mild as requiring a company to publicize its commitment to equal employment opportunity or to advertise job openings in minority newspapers. Affirmative action can, but does not always, include active recruitment of minority or women candidates for jobs as they come open, or training programs to improve the job qualifications of women and minorities. These types of affirmative action remedies simply seek to ensure that job opportunities are not limited to those in the "good old boys" network, and that minorities and women are aware of and able to apply for jobs traditionally closed to them.

Only rarely are quotas ordered as part of an affirmative action remedy. They are used in the most extreme cases of discrimination, when strong affirmative action measures are necessary to overcome a history of persistent discrimination. Even when quotas are ordered, they do not impose an absolute bar to the advancement of workers who are not minorities or women.

The radical right also argue that Gay men and Lesbians do not qualify legally for inclusion in civil rights laws, claiming that they do not meet a Supreme Court three-part "minority status" test. Wrong on two counts. First, the "minority status" phrase has no legal meaning, and second, there is no test (3-point or otherwise) for anti-discrimination legislation.

The phrases "minority status" and "protected minority class status" are neither contained in civil rights statutes nor used by judges in court decisions. The radical right has concocted these phrases simply to imply that minorities have some sort of special "status" in the

law, and that people who are not members of groups given "protected minority class status" are not covered by civil rights laws. Unfortunately, some leaders in the Gay and Lesbian community have adopted this bogus terminology, unwittingly undermining their attempts to counteract anti-Gay rhetoric.

With regard to the "three-part test" claim, there simply is no test for passing anti-discrimination legislation. Congress, states, and local municipalities can pass whatever protections from discrimination they deem necessary. The Supreme Court does not strike down laws that prohibit discrimination. Although it has allowed discrimination (e.g. *Rostker v Goldberg*, the 1981 case that upheld draft registration only for men and not for women), and even slavery (e.g. the *Dred Scott* decision), the Supreme Court has never required discrimination.

The radical right, of course, uses phrases such as "special rights," "minority status," "quota preferences," and "affirmative action" in its anti-Gay campaigns to mask its true agenda — to make Gay men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals second class citizens and to deprive them of their equal rights under the constitution. If they continue winning at the ballot box on anti-Gay initiatives, all other civil rights protections will be subject to repeal.

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# The Arts

By Carmen Alicia Murguia

My side is still aching with laughter from the **Jamie Anderson** concert two weeks ago. The Kenwood United Methodist Church was a great setting for **Hot Wire Magazine's** entertainer of the year! Plenty of room to twirl and toss her baton to the heavens, (arched ceiling, actually), and the acoustics carried her sensual *Dark Chocolate* number to every pew and aisle.

Jamie sang songs that touches all lesbians, (including this "Lipstick" Lesbian as Ron calls me). She is a storyteller, an avid reader/collector of news clippings, and a natural comedian I would see time and time again!

**Lou Shanti**, who opened for Jamie Anderson, came out with a jazzy and soulful *Count My Blessings*, and took contemporary hits from Jon Secada, Vanessa Williams, and k.d. and made them her own. Ms. Shanti will be appearing at this year's Pridefest. I only hope this time she'll be performing with a live band... not a karaoke machine.

Okay, onto more happening (as in current) things... **Theatre X** has extended **John McGivern's** *Midwest Side Story* run at The Broadway Theatre Center, with a benefit performance May 22 for DePaul Alumni (see feature article)...

**Oriental Landmark Theatre's** got an exciting schedule for every LesBiGay film lover, from the controversial *Savage Nights to Sex Is...* (a real treat for the "boys" some insiders say), and even the classic *Forbidden Love* — just in time for Pride Month...and the **Art for Aids Auction** is this Sunday, May 22 at the Italian Community Center!



**Screever, Kitty Dyble-Thompson, recreated the Art for AIDS poster art in downtown Milwaukee to promo the May 22 event.**

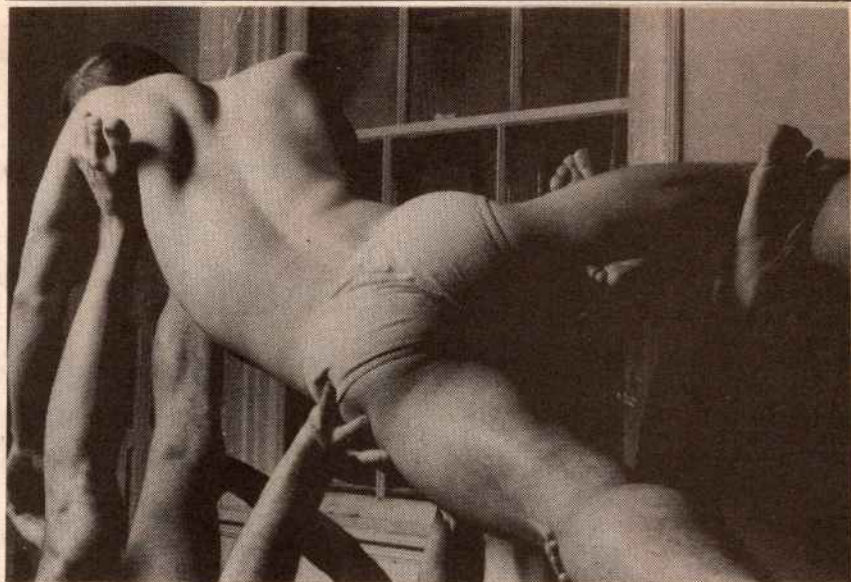


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**Foothold Dance Performance will offer its 11th Anniversary Concert May 20-21 at Danceworks Studio Theater.**

## Foothold turns things "Inside Out"

**Foothold Dance Performance**, a collective of professional choreographers, contemporary dancers, and performance artists, will offer its 11th Anniversary Concert *Inside Out*, on May 20 and 21 at the Danceworks Studio Theater.

Chicago's **Fluid Measure Performance Co.** will present their collaborative work, *Escape Velocity*, in their Milwaukee debut.

Performances will begin at 8pm both evenings at Danceworks 727 N. Milwaukee Street. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$8 for students and seniors. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling Danceworks @ 276-3191.

## "Death of a Mime" is more than just a painted face

*Death of a Mime*, Written by **Bill Finn** and Directed by **Ralph Janes**, is a humorous look at society's attitudes towards the mime artist. *Death of a Mime* leads us through an urban jungle where reality becomes whimsically absurd and absurdity becomes starkly real.

The first collaborative project between Finn, a Milwaukee actor and a graduate of UWM's Professional Theatre Training Program, and Janes, a teacher and director who has studied and started an award-winning theatre company in England, *Death of a Mime* will debut at Theatre X, 158 N. Broadway. The world premiere will take place on Friday, May 20 and Saturday, May 21 at 10pm and Sunday, May 22 at 7pm. Space is limited, so make reservations by calling the box office @ 278-8898.

## A "Classic" way to spend a Sunday

Dale E. Kuntz, President of Milwaukee Film Classics, in conjunction with **Milwaukee Film Classics**, is pleased to announce his Semi-Annual *Movie Collectibles Show*.

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Represented will be classic titles like *Gone With The Wind*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Casablanca*, and *Naughty Marietta* along with such favorites as Clark Gable, Greta Garbo, Vivien Leigh and Nelson Eddy. Also included, are popular films and stars of today, T.V. Shows and Stars, and Animated Art featuring Disney and Warner Brothers artists.

The Movie Collectibles Show will be held at Burnham Bowl Hall, 6016 W. Burnham Street in West Allis. Admission is \$2 per person, children under 12, free, when accompanied by an adult. Share this fastest growing collectible hobby in the USA! BUY-SELL-TRADE! For more information call Dale E. Kuntz 466-1877.

## Memorial Day Weekend "Mook" style

**Jen Benka, Bill Dempsey and Jane Kramer**, members of the local musical performance-art group **MOOK**, will present an evening of original music and spoken word, May 27 and 28 at 10pm as part of **Theatre X's Late Night Series**.

MOOK has been called everything from an angry, political and feminist group to an entertaining band with catchy tunes, which Jen Benka, a member of

MOOK translates as: "There are more women in the group than men; they try to tell the truth and they sing, too."

MOOK, who has performed with the Women's Experimental Theatre and has been featured on WMSE's "Folk City," include serious pieces inspired by their experiences as political activists and humorous pieces that poke fun at gender roles and expectations. Theatre X is located at 158 N. Broadway, around the bend from the Wreck Room and a hop, skip, and a jump from the M&M! For ticket information, call 278-8898.

### Lake Country Art (and Music) Festival

The Lake Country Art Festival will feature art for every age and every taste. More than 100 artists will show and sell their works from wood and glass to fibers, ceramics and jewelry at this juried art show May 28-30, 10am-6pm on the grounds of the Country Inn Hotel, 2810 Golf Road, Waukesha.

The Lake Country Art Festival will also feature artist and culinary demonstrations. Musical entertainment will include jazz and acoustic music acts from southeastern Wisconsin. Among the scheduled acts for the three-day celebration are: **Blomberg & Mahaffey**, **Janet Planet** and **Suburban Gypsies**. A children's art and play area will assure that a trip to the Lake Country Art Festival will have something for the entire LesBiGay family! Admission is \$4, seniors and children under 12 admitted free. The Country Inn Hotel is located northwest of Waukesha on Golf Road, at I-94 and Hwy. T. For more information, call 223-7500.

### Time to roll into Summer

The Miller Lite Ride for the Arts, one of the nation's largest recreational bike rides, is the annual kickoff to summer in Milwaukee. The event, which attracts more than 15,000 riders, starts at 7am on Sunday, June 5 in downtown Milwaukee.

Bicyclists of any age or ability can ride on a 5, 15, 30, or 50 mile route. Free admission for all registered riders to the Finish Line Party on the Summerfest grounds at Milwaukee's lakefront. All proceeds benefit the United Performing Arts Fund supporting 24 performing arts groups in Wisconsin. For registration information, call 276-RIDE.

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To celebrate this historic year, the

20th Year Festival Quilt will be unveiled, Kay Gardner's latest composition, *Ouroboros (Seasons of Life): Women's Passages* presents its premiere performance, and four-day conference workshops headed by guest speakers that include author Leslea Newman, videographer Jeb, Hot Wire publisher Toni Armstrong Jr. and Carmen Vazquez, coordinator of lesbian/gay health services for the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

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## Silvermarie Reads Poetry at Coffeehouse May 20

Milwaukee's favorite Lesbian poet, Sue Silvermarie, will present an evening of poetry on Friday, May 20 at the Coffeehouse, 631 N. 19th Street. The program begins at 8:30pm. Silvermarie, just back from her Hawaiian wedding with her lover Pat, will read selections from her new collection **Menopausal Lust**, which is available on cassette tape.

## Fest City Singers Pride Week Performances

### "History, Herstory, Ourstory" Updated

**Milwaukee** — Singers James Sampson and Leslie Fitzwater will appear as guest artists with the **Fest City Singers** during Pride Week performances of *History Herstory Ourstory* a musical review by Peter Mortensen, the Singers' artistic director.

Leslie Fitzwater, best known for her one-woman show, *Piaf*, and numerous performances with the Florentine Opera and Skylight Opera Theatre, will join the women of the FCS in a memorable rendition of *Sister*. James Sampson of the Chicago Light Opera and Skylight Opera Theatre will sing *The Altar Boy and the Thief* by Joan Baez, the song Baez wrote in memory of Harvey Milk. Both professional singers will be reprising roles they played in the 1991 version of *History Herstory Ourstory*.

The updated version of this musical review of Gay life from Beehives and Bigotry to Fanny Packs and Pride is daring, serious at times, clever and satirical at others. Peggy Lozier, FCS Music Director, has honed performances of music by such artists as Meg Christian, Chris Williamson and Kristen Lems as well as songs with original lyrics by Peter Mortensen.

The Fest City Singers will present five performances of *History Herstory Ourstory* during Pride Week in the Studio Theatre at the Broadway Centre, 158 N. Broadway. Friday, June 3 at 8pm

(Benefit for MAP); Sunday, June 5 7:30pm; Friday, June 10 at 8pm (Benefit for PrideFest); Sunday, June 12 at 7:30pm.

Reservations for these performances may be made by calling the Fest City Singers' hotline at (414) 263-SING (7464). Tickets are \$10 and group rates are available.

## Author Rodi to Appear at AfterWords

Following his extremely controversial arrival on the Gay literary scene with the outrageous debut novel **Fag Hag**, Robert Rodi has become one of the most popular and best-selling Gay authors in America. **AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar** is especially pleased to

welcome Robert Rodi for an author appearance on Saturday, May 21st from 1pm to 3pm.

Robert Rodi's appearance at AfterWords is timed to coincide with the publishing of his newest novel, **What They Did To Princess Paragon** as well as the release in paperback of Rodi's hilarious second novel, **Closet Case**. Mr Rodi will read from **What They Did To Princess Paragon**, talk about Gay writing and publishing, and, of course, sign copies of his books at his AfterWords appearance. AfterWords is located at 2710 N. Murray Ave. on the corner of Murray Ave. and Park Place. The event is free and everyone is welcome. For further information, call AfterWords at 963-9089.

**Editor's Note:** Rodi's new book is reviewed in this issue's 'Books' section, and he's also profiled in our 'Interview' section.

## Arts Feature

### He's Honest, Out, Loud and Proud

#### He's John McGivern

By Carmen Alicia Murguia

Last Thursday, I had an opportunity to meet and have a refreshingly frank conversation with openly gay actor John McGivern. When he came to the door, I thought, "The only similarity on the *Midwest Side Story* poster posted around town, is John's inviting smile." In person, he's much more handsome (and single), mature looking, and quite tall, actually. Over tea in my apartment, I did notice

one trait that does resemble John McGivern — it's his relaxed and positive attitude towards life.

#### Carmen: How did *Midwest Side Story* develop?

**John:** "My friend and director of seven years from *Sheer Madness* was instrumental in getting my work down. And I knew this is what I need to do."

#### Why is it important to tell your story?

"Theatrically, I really accepted this form of theater; there is no change in the skit, it's John McGivern, honest truths. Personally, it's important for my recovery that I do this. It's almost like a 5th Step (Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.) It's also important for me as a gay man who lives and who has lost an entire community of gay men my age. To rejoice in life right now, and find some hope in what we have been through and where we're going."

#### Is that what your piece is about (where you're going)?

"That's really what my piece is about: where I've been and that fact that

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Actor John McGivern's "Midwest Side Story" has been extended through May 29 at Theater X.

McGivern is a wonderful example of an actor who has succeeded from just going out and doing the work. After his run May 11-29 in Milwaukee, he opens in Chicago on June 2 at the Organic Greenhouse Theatre, followed by a run June 20-23 at Joseph Papp's Public Theatre in New York City, and can be seen on HBO's Comedy Central as part of "Out There" through July, 1994! For more information on the Milwaukee Homecoming of "Midwest Side Story" at Theater X, please call 278-8898, and check him OUT!

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### What is your favorite part in Midwest Side Story?

"The audience. They're with me; I really feel them with me. First, they're checking out my outward appearance. Then they're listening to me, and I'm hoping my voice doesn't bug them. And finally I watch them sit back and settle in."

### Tell me about your background in Theater, education, experience...

"I'm a natural comic. I studied acting at the University of South Florida, and I've worked in Atlanta, North Carolina, D.C. The road more traveled as I call it. Chicago is my home for eight years in September; this is where I could go for work."

### Who have you discovered, along your road more traveled, are your greatest influences?

In this medium it's Spalding Gray a monologist who wrote *Swimming to Cambodia*. And as far as acting goes, it's just other actors who maintain this life, who just keep working."

### What would you say to someone who wants to become an actor, but doesn't know where to begin?

You just go out and do it, anything that'll get you up in front of people, for nothing. Community theater, musicals, study, read all the you can and get a hold of all scripts you can. And go equipped with the tools of poverty, chastity and obedience. The biggest thing is to have self-love, and a concept of self that you're good enough, and rejection is such a part of this life you've got to get a handle on what rejection cannot mean to you."

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# Film

## 'Sex Is' Opens in Milwaukee With Benefit Premiere May 26

### Sneak Preview Benefits BESTD Clinic

*Sex Is...*, a fun, full length documentary film about Gay men's sexuality from the 50's through the 90's. It contains interview segments with a diverse group of men; music and video clips; news clips and some raw sex footage guaranteed to keep your interest piqued. It also explores attitudes of gay men toward sex and sexuality in the age of AIDS & HIV.

Documentary does not equal boring in *Sex Is*. A preview audience at my house sat through the 80 minute film in rapt attention. Marc Huestis and Lawrence Helman interspersed the "talking heads" with enough graphic images to keep even the most jaded audiences attentive.

One of the most important issues we face today, particularly within the context of HIV, is the expression of physical and emotional intimacy. It is no secret that with the rising conservative climate, there has been a retreat from public depiction's and discussions of Gay sexuality. *Sex Is...* examines the contradictions and necessity of sexual expression with a vulnerable honesty, maturity and depth.

Winner of the Audience Award for Best Gay Film at the 1993 Berlin International Film Festival, *Sex Is...* is a penetrating look into the lives of 15 Gay men. The subjects range from a church pastor to porn star in deeply touching interviews and provocative personal stories. Combined with rare archival footage and hot flashes of male erotica, the film provides a wonderful panoramic view of Gay sex through the last 35 years from the repressive 50's to the hedonistic 70's to the cautionary '90's and the age of AIDS.

The film is comprised of fully developed, in-depth interviews with subjects reflecting a broad spectrum of experience within the Gay community: monogamy to casual safe sex, from the overtly intellectual to the intensely physical. Their sexual testimony is very intimate, sometimes emotional, often vulnerable, but *always* non-judgmental.

*Sex Is...* is the latest project from

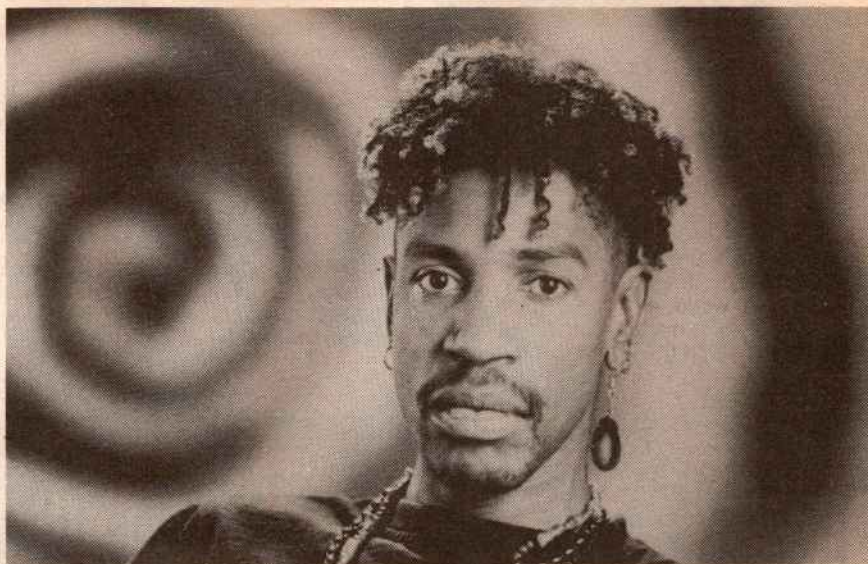


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**Performance Poet and Playwright Wayne Corbitt is one of the Gay men interviewed in the film "Sex Is...". The film opens at the Oriental with a special BESTD Clinic benefit screening on Thursday, May 26.**

award winning filmmaker Marc Huestis (who also appears in the film) in collaboration with Lawrence Helman.

The film has screened at film festivals throughout the world and has met with critical acclaim. It placed amongst the top 5 grossing documentaries of 1993 according to *Variety* and has broken many house records in the over 40 cities it has screened.

There have been a disparate number of films released in the past few years dealing with the AIDS crisis but none of them have profoundly explored the subject of sexuality in the process of disseminating their information. There have been films about people who are HIV positive, films about the deplorable response of governments to this ever-increasing epidemic, films about activism, but to date have not explored Gay sexuality. *Sex Is...* has the potential to open up sexual closets which are maiming all of us. It is meant to provide a humanistic, intelligent and intimate look at sex and sexuality. It is sex education at its finest — devoid of cliches and stereotypes.

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*The Brady East Sexually Transmitted Diseases (BESTD) Clinic benefit advance preview of "Sex Is" is scheduled for Thursday, May 26 at the Oriental Theatre on Milwaukee's Farwell Avenue. Tickets are \$10 advance, \$12 at the door and are available at AfterWords Bookstore & Cafe, BESTD Clinic, In Step, M&M Club, Wreck Room, Video Adventures and at the Oriental. The benefit premiere is sponsored by AfterWords, Wisconsin Light, In Step Magazine and Outside Productions.*

*The Oriental's four day limited run regular engagement of "Sex Is..." is Monday May 30-June 2.*

## "Savage Nights" is Exhilarating, Disturbing Fare

### Award-Winning French Movie Tackles One Man's Life with HIV

Review by Jamakaya

*Savage Nights*, a fascinating French film about a charming but egocentric bisexual with HIV, will play for a week at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater beginning May 20. It's a must-see.

The winner of France's Best Film Award last year, *Savage Nights* comes to American theaters embroiled in controversy. Initially ecstatic reviews have given way to increasing criticism about how the film deals with HIV/AIDS.

Some critics are attacking the film for allegedly romanticizing the irresponsible behavior of its central character, Jean, who knows he is HIV-positive but makes love to his female partner without telling her. They are dismayed that the teenage girl, Laura, transported by her passion for Jean, decides in subsequent lovemaking sessions not to protect herself, spouting the foolish notion that their love will protect them from disease.

These would be valid concerns if *Savage Nights* were a movie whose purpose was primarily AIDS education, but it is not. And I don't believe the movie depicts Jean and Laura's poor



judgment in a positive light at all. I can't imagine any viewer not recoiling in horror at the sight of Laura taking a condom from Jean and tossing it in an ashtray on the nearby bedstand, literally throwing caution — and possibly her life — into the ash heap.

*Savage Nights* is one of the only films about HIV, except for perhaps the low budget *Living End*, which deals in raw and startlingly honest detail about sexuality in the age of AIDS.

In an ideal world, everyone would practice safer sex and treat their partner or partners with the utmost integrity. In the real world, we all know that is not the case. Sexual relationships can be unpredictable, painful and just plain messy. People hurt each other and do stupid things. All of these elements — the pleasures of sexual passion, the pangs of jealousy and deceit and the threat of mortal illness — are on vivid display in *Savage Nights*.

#### IS JEAN A HERO?

Cyril Collard, who wrote the novel on which the film is based and who directed the movie and stars as Jean, had this to say about his purpose: "When you're living out this great passion, you have the impression that nothing can happen to you or to your partner."

"I certainly don't want to justify Jean's attitude: he is committing a grievous error by hiding the truth from Laura. That is the story I am telling: how a character commits a monumental error because of his irresponsibility and lack of regard for others; how, through his love story, his vision of the world and the threat of his illness, he manages to change, and in a certain way, to redeem himself — or to improve himself at any rate."

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I think what some people object to in *Savage Nights* is that this disturbing story is told in such a stylish and invigorating way. It's a really enjoyable film to watch — almost hypnotic. The three lead characters are incredibly attractive (Romane Bohringer plays Laura and Carlos Lopez plays Jean's male lover, Samy), and the movie is very fast-paced, with sometimes

dizzying effects from hand-held cameras. The music is hip and complements the story perfectly. It pulses with energy and looks gorgeous.

"I tried to have all the elements of the film converge so as to create the idea of vital energy which dominates everything," said Collard.

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## "Savage Nights"...

that's life. It was precisely because the character of Jean was HIV-positive that I held to this point of view. I didn't want to make a film about the way death continually gnaws away at life. I am clearly not denying the monstrous character of AIDS but I chose — and it's an artistic choice — to talk about it in terms of life."

Jean's compulsive sexuality, which has him going back and forth between Laura and the hunky but violence-prone Samy and beyond them both to anonymous encounters with men along the banks of the Seine, seems to be a desperate attempt by Jean to hang onto life in the face of illness. But his penchant for driving at breakneck speeds and overlooking the consequences of his behavior suggest a recklessness that may have predated his HIV diagnosis.

### FLAWS GO UNPUNISHED

Another element that might be

discomfiting to some viewers is that none of the deeply flawed characters is punished for their transgressions. Their behavior is viewed non-judgmentally and they each survive the picture, chastened but intact. The most unbelievable conclusion involves Laura who, despite numerous unprotected and vigorous couplings with Jean, does not contract HIV. It seems highly unlikely and, since it implies that her love has in fact protected her from HIV, it is the movie's one truly irresponsible message.

There's no question that *Savage Nights* is a very disturbing film, but it is also fascinating and thought-provoking. There's one aggravating double standard that may disappoint Gay viewers though. While we repeatedly see Jean and Laura fully engaged in lovemaking, Jean and Samy, despite the obvious intensity of their feelings, are limited to a few passionate kisses and embraces. Jean's anonymous encounters with men on the embankment are photographed, no doubt accurately, in semi-darkness. But

it's obvious that explicit homosexuality still remains in the shadows, even in this daring film.

Collard's story is semi-autobiographical, but unlike the end of his film in which Jean fully embraces life by performing a heroic deed and finally managing to tell Laura that he loves her, Cyril Collard faced a very different fate.

Collard died of AIDS complications just three days before *Savage Nights* won four Cesar Awards (the French Oscars) in March of 1993. Today, the man who was hailed for his honesty and integrity and his extraordinary filmmaking skills, is being vilified throughout France after a newspaper revealed that a young woman Collard allegedly infected with HIV has also died of AIDS.

I think those facts provide a sobering perspective and important counterpoint to the mixed messages in *Savage Nights*.

## "Salmonberries" Finally Makes it to Movie Theaters

### k.d. lang's Film Debut a Mixed Bag

Reviewed By Jamakaya

*Salmonberries*, the 1991 Canadian-German film that features the acting debut of crooner k.d. lang, is finally making it into local theaters. Despite winning recognition as Best Film at the Montreal Film Festival, director Percy Adlon was unable for years to find an American company to distribute his movie in the states.

In a recent interview, Adlon credited

"the Lesbian community" with supporting *Salmonberries* and giving it a second life. "These women just didn't give up," he told the *San Francisco Bay Guardian*. "They wanted this picture. They forced us to believe in it again after it was refused."

The difficulty in finding a distributor may have been due to the movie's offbeat subject matter and arthouse pretensions. But homophobia probably had a good deal to do with it too because part of the plot traces the growing attraction lang's character feels for another woman.

*Salmonberries* tells the story of two very different women who meet in a desolate Alaskan village inside the Arctic Circle. One is Kotzebue (lang), an orphaned Eskimo who works on the Alaskan pipeline. The lonely Kotzebue, whose dress and manner lead everyone to assume she is a man, is eager to learn about her origins and even more desperate for a friend.

Kotzebue is drawn to the village librarian, Roswitha, played by Rosel Zech. Roswitha is suspicious of

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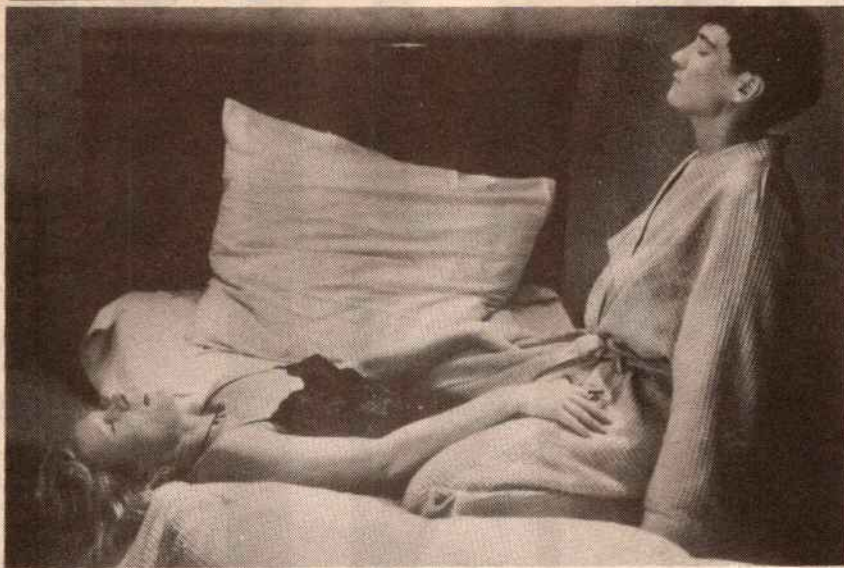
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Rosel Zech and k.d. lang in a scene from the film "Salmonberries" which is playing at the Oriental Theatre May 27-29. The film is also available on video.

## "Salmonberries"...

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Kotzebue's strange, aggressive behavior but ends up pouring out her heart to the younger woman, telling her of her hair-raising escape from East Germany under the Berlin Wall and how her husband was killed during the escape. Still haunted by the traumatic memories of 20 years ago and living a self-imposed exile in the frozen north, Roswitha is desperately in need of healing.

Filled with compassion for Roswitha's plight, Kotzebue purchases two round-trip tickets to the newly unified Germany where the two women travel together. In Berlin, Roswitha confronts all the old ghosts, including a brother who betrayed her, and she begins to come to terms with her tragic past. While sharing a hotel room in Berlin, Kotzebue acts on the increasing desire she is feeling for Roswitha, with disappointing results.

Finally, on returning to Alaska, Kotzebue's own identity crisis is relieved when she learns who her father is and the sad circumstances leading to her abandonment as an infant. Kotzebue reacts with understandable hostility toward her father, so there's no simple happily-ever-after ending. And though Roswitha has turned down Kotzebue's advances, one of the last images shows the persistent Eskimo woman knocking on Roswitha's door. (Butches can be persistent!)

### STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

*Salmonberries* has all the marks of an alternative, independently-made feature. It unfolds slowly and

unpredictably. It's heavily-laden with visual metaphors, like the expanse of ice the two troubled women call home and the jars of salmonberries that line Roswitha's bedroom. Some of the cinematography, particularly images of the women against the frozen horizons, is stunning. Lang's beautiful ballad "Barefoot," heard throughout the film, complements the themes of desire and reconciliation.

Kotzebue's and Roswitha's relationship is convincingly portrayed, but Lesbians are likely to be disappointed by its lack of consummation. The sexual tension between the two becomes palpable toward the end of the film, and Lesbian viewers are apt to feel as frustrated as poor Kotzebue when she is rebuffed. Savor the photo that appears with this review. It's about as hot as the action gets! Lang herself has said she wished the relationship had been more fully developed. One brief scene of k.d. in full frontal nudity will dispel any doubts about the androgynous singer's womanly attributes!

Lang's performance is uneven. She's convincing playing the lonely and brooding outsider and her butchiness is endearing. But her line readings, especially later in the movie, are terribly stilted. Rosel Zech as Roswitha, who has several emotionally charged crying scenes, fares better. This may be due to her more flashier role or to the fact that she is a veteran actress.

There are still some very beautiful moments in *Salmonberries*, many of them in powerful visual images impossible to convey in a review. I also appreciate Percy Adlon's interest in bringing diverse women characters to the screen. Adlon previously directed the quirky movie *Bagdad Cafe*, about

the relationship between a German woman abandoned by her husband in the desert and the feisty Black proprietor of a roadside cafe who helps her out.

*Salmonberries* will play at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater May 27 through May 29. Both *Salmonberries* and *Bagdad Cafe* are available on video.

## Also on the Newswire...

**San Francisco, CA** — A California jury has ruled that Delta Airlines violated one of its employees' right to privacy when it included his name on a list of people believed to be infected with HIV. The jury deadlocked on whether Delta intentionally discriminated against Joseph A. Sullivan when it dismissed him, but awarded him \$275,000 for the invasion of privacy.

**New York, NY** — The American Library Association's Gay and Lesbian Book Awards Committee has named the recipients of 1994's awards for Best Literature and Nonfiction books. Leslie Feinberg's *Stone Butch Blues*, an exploration of transgendered identity at the time of Stonewall (1969), won the Literature Award. Phyllis Burke's *Family Values: Two Moms and Their Son*, a chronicle of Lesbian parenthood, won as Best Nonfiction.

**Washington, DC** — Three people were arrested at the White House May 9 as ACT UP protested, calling on President Clinton to replace Kristine Gebbie as AIDS Policy Coordinator. Claiming that Gebbie has been ineffective, ACT UP urged Clinton to appoint Connecticut Gov. Lowell Weicker in her place.

**Minneapolis, MN** — *Equal Time*, the 13-year old award-winning newspaper which served the LesBiGay community of the Twin Cities, ceased publication in late April. Editor Robyn Dochterman cited financial shortfalls for the paper's demise. In the past year, *Equal Time* had evolved from a bi-weekly to a weekly paper and its circulation had grown to 20,000. Some staff members hope to raise funds to revive the paper.

**New York, NY** — Mayor Rudolph Giuliani has withdrawn an earlier threat to disband the city's Division of AIDS Services. Giuliani said the move was a necessary means to cutting the city budget but apparently changed his mind after being presented with statistics about the large number of people served by the agency. Giuliani had also been the subject of angry protests by AIDS activists.

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# Books

## Rodi's Newest Book

Review By Carl M. Szatmary

**What They Did To Princess Paragon**  
by Robert Rodi  
Dutton, HC \$19.95

Beginning with his outrageous and controversial debut novel, **Fag Hag**, the release of a new Robert Rodi novel brings with it certain expectations, the promise of slightly disturbed eccentric characters, outlandish plots, wry, very un-PC commentary, and plenty of black humor. Rodi's second novel, **Closet Case** now in paperback is certainly no exception. With **What They Did To Princess Paragon**, Rodi's many fans will not be disappointed.

Exerting an almost superhuman presence over the course of the novel is Princess Paragon, not a flesh and blood character but an aging comic book superhero. Princess Paragon's appearance in the 1940's was startling original, her weapons being truth and reason. Yet the many decades hadn't been particularly kind and her character had been rendered dull and lifeless. In a move designed more to revitalize his career, former hot-shot cartoonist Brian Parrish decides to take over the failing

comic book and decides to turn Princess Paragon, perpetually virginal over the entire span of five decades of guiding the Earth towards freedom and humanity, into a Dyke. With the genius to turn Princess Paragon into the world's first Lesbian superhero, Brian unleashes the force that will radically change not only the direction of Princess Paragon's life, but also his and that of the slightly pathetic obsessive fan of Princess Paragon, Jerome T. Kornacker.

One of the great joys in any Robert Rodi novel is his unconventional approach to his story's protagonist. Rodi delights in the creation of flawed characters. In Brian, Rodi has crafted an unusually human, three-dimensional character: basically likable, definitely condescending, obviously talented, yet clearly lacking any observable warmth or understanding. Brian more than meets his match in Jerome T. Kornacker, a clear loser in anyone's book. Grossly over weight, still living with his shrew of a mother at age 26, Jerome endures his dead end job as night watchman by escaping into the overheated fantasy world of Bang comic superheroes. While the walls of his room are filled with the likenesses of many superheroes, Jerome has a special place in his heart for the chaste Princess Paragon. Never mind Jerome daily attempts at getting through life as anonymously as possible, Jerome will simply not stand by idly while his Princess Paragon is turned into that most

perverted of creatures, a dyke. Thrown together a comic book convention, Jerome's encounter with Brian will have hilarious and ultimately lasting impact upon just about everyone ever associated with Princess Paragon.

Relying upon equal measures of outrageous humor, obvious incidents of coincidence, a full roster of kooky characters, and a sharp eye for the satire of anything that has even the suggestion of political correctness, Rodi has created a delightful and engaging comic tour-de-force. Mercilessly mining the preposterously humorous elements of the comic book industry and by never refusing to go over the top with any situation that presents itself, **What They Did To Princess Paragon** will undoubtedly keep even the most cynical thoroughly entertained and constantly turning pages until the novel's final, dramatic conclusion. Highly recommended.

*Editor's Note: Rodi is profiled in this issue's 'Interview' Section, and he will also be making an Author appearance at AfterWords Bookstore on May 21, (See 'Arts' for details.)*



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# Suicide Blonde

Review by Carl M. Szatmary

**Suicide Blonde**  
by Darcey Steinke  
Washington Square Press, Pb. \$10

For fans of Armisted Maupin, Steinke's story might initially sound strangely familiar: young, bright, and attractive, Jesse along with the countless others, has left her unfulfilling, oh-so-middle class life in Virginia to come and be different in San Francisco. Yet readers of Darcey Steinke's haunting and evocative **Suicide Blonde** will be in for quite a shock as any similarity to Maupin's classic **Tales Of The City** series disappears very quickly.

To begin with, Steinke's San Francisco is not the kooky, fun-loving haven that has drawn and continues to nurture Maupin's characters. Steinke's lost souls never find 28 Barbary Lane. Instead, the San Francisco of **Suicide Blonde** is filled with seedy Gay bars, world-hardened whores, and aimless drug addicts.

Then too, Steinke's protagonist Jesse is no Mary Anne Singleton. Jesse finds no warm and loving surrogate family to find support with and has floated from one meaningless job to another. As the novel opens, Jesse, in a desperate attempt to keep her Bisexual boyfriend interested, has been driven to dye her hair blonde. *"Taking another sip of bourbon, I put on the plastic gloves and began parting my hair at the roots. As the dye snaked out there was a faint sucking sound, like soil pulling water, and I wondered: if I were brave enough to slit my wrists would I bother to dye my hair?"* Furthermore, in San Francisco Jesse finds no escape from the pain of her dysfunctional childhood. In a rare telling moment, her desperately needy mother asks her why she only calls her when she has no time to talk.

Steinke can offer her cast of disenfranchised characters no easy or simple solutions. Instead they continue to live lives filled with pain and emptiness yet refusing to betray even a hint of self pity or the barest cry for sympathy. Bell, Jesse's bisexual boyfriend is an occasionally employed actor and a man torn, unable to shake either his obsession with Kevin, his first and only love or the irrational guilt of killing his father by being homosexual. Driven from Bell, Jesse in turn becomes obsessed with Madison, a whore sans the heart of gold. Jesse's extraordinary journey of self-discovery is peopled with prostitutes, drug addicts, and malevolent dwarfs that more closely resembles a descent into sexual obsession, madness and despair. Clearly **Suicide Blonde** is not a book for the squeamish.

What makes Steinke's tale so maddingly compelling is her unflinching

honesty coupled with a style of rare eloquence. At once, Steinke combines gritty realism, moments of brutal sex, of naked desire, of fathomless pain with a dreamlike quality that is nothing short of hypnotic. While her characters are neither special nor particularly likable for that matter, they manage to snake their way into the reader's subconscious, exposing in the reader deeply felt insecurities of a dark side that has required years to fully repress. In Jesse, Bell, Pig, and Madison Steinke has crafted recognizable beings unable to fit into mainstream society, too lost to find their "place at the table." In their existence at life's forgotten fringe, they

serve as a warning of lives gone wrong, of childhoods never mended, of lost love never found, of what might have been, or even more frightening, of what yet might be.

In **Suicide Blonde**, Darcey Steinke exhibits a truly original voice. Yet as with her characters, Steinke allows her readers no easy solutions, no happy endings. Yet those brave enough to take Jesse's dark odyssey in **Suicide Blonde** will find ample reward. **Suicide Blonde** is a dangerous and terrifying rollercoaster of erotic desire and a ride not to be missed. Highly recommended.

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# Interview

## Funny Business:

### Talking With Author Robert Rodi

By Owen Keehnen

Chicago writer Robert Rodi has built a solid career and following over the past two years with two rich, satirical novels **Fag Hag**, and **Closet Case**. **Fag Hag** sparked a controversy. He was called a misogynist, but sales made him a force in Gay fiction. His next book, **Closet Case** garnered praise and recently gave Rodi his first Lambda Literary Award nomination. It was a popular seller as well.

His recently released third novel, **What They Did To Princess Paragon** continues his winning streak. This over the top new book centers around the events and hilarious repercussions resulting when a long time comic book heroine, Princess Paragon, is revamped as the most powerful Lesbian super heroine of the galaxies to increase circulation. It's a bold satire on sexual marketing and gleans several other deeper truths from life in a cut-throat

world. And on top of that, it's very very funny.

Recently, Robert Rodi took a break from his job as an advertising copywriter to talk with me about his writing, career, and controversies. He's as funny in person as he is on the page.



Robert Rodi, author of "What They Did to Princess Paragon".  
Photo by Marc Harris

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(Rodi will read from his new book, answer questions & sign copies of his books at AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar, 2710 N. Murray, Milwaukee, on Saturday, May 21 from 1-3pm His new book is reviewed in this issues 'Books' Section.)

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**Owen: What They Did To Princess Paragon** is an ingenious plot, where did you get the idea?

**Robert:** Actually I know a lot of people who work in comics and when I first came up with the idea a few years ago they were just starting to incorporate Gay superheros. There are no Lesbian superheros in mainstream comics that I know of?

*Until Princess Paragon. Are you a comic book or action hero buff?*

I read comics as a kid and all through college, and still do... although most of what I read now is alternative stuff.

*What opportunity did you see in the plot of this book? Besides as a venue for humor, what did this premise give you the chance to do?*

I wanted to write a satire of the eighties about a hot shot coming in and taking over a corporate property that ethically belongs to someone else. I thought the comics business would be a funny business to do that with. It's like all American business on a smaller scale, only instead of oil wells they're talking about superheros.

*The plots of What They Did To Princess Paragon, as well as those of your previous novels Fag Hag and Closet Case, are all extremely plot driven. Do you do an outline and if you do are you meticulous about it?*

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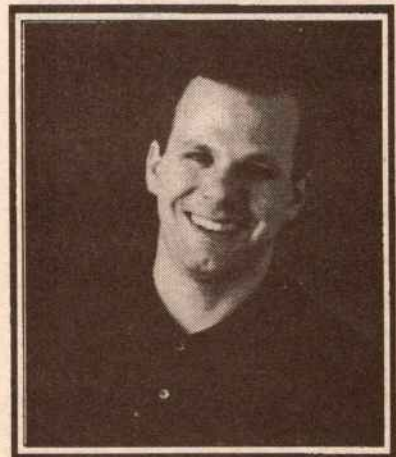
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I do take care to be sure everything has a beginning, a middle, and an end, and that everything happens for a reason. I work from an outline, but I'm not anal about it. If something suggests itself to me I'll incorporate it... that's what a big part of the creative process is all about.

*Did you exercise more caution or restraint with a satire involving Lesbians than you did with one involving Gay men?*

I had an inclination to be more cautious but I fought it. There are two wonderful supporting characters in the novel who are Lesbians. They used to be lovers and can't possibly be more different. I think Lesbians will probably be offended by each for different reasons, although I completely adore them. I like to think all my characters are offensive in some way. That was the strange thing about **Fag Hag**, there were scads and scads of horribly offensive men and one offensive woman, and I was called a misogynist.

*Did you anticipate the controversy surrounding it?*

I actually thought there would be more than there was. I was all prepared to be attacked on any number of fronts, but it really didn't happen too severely.

*This makes it three novels in three years, is writing starting to eclipse your day job as an advertising copywriter?*

It's starting to. I obviously will have to make a decision in the next year or two. I'm starting to talk to people about screenplays. It took me twelve years to sell my first novel and I still can't believe this is happening. It's a new career for me and I don't trust it. I feel very lucky, but I worry it might be a fluke.

*Tell me about the film interest.*

I've sold **Fag Hag** to a European production company. They're moving the setting to London. I don't know how they're going to do that, but it's not my problem. They're doing the script now, and then they're going to start casting.

*Going back to your fears of flukedom, your publisher seems very high on you. Princess Paragon introduced their book buyer's catalogue. Does the high profile attention ever make you feel pressure as a representative of the community?*

It does, and I really don't like it, but I accept it for political reasons. I know that it doesn't matter what I write for the rest of my life, I'm going to be called a Gay author. No one wants to be pigeonholed, there are times it irritates me and in other ways I consider myself very lucky. I think Gay people read in a higher proportion than other demographics.

*Characters obsessed is another characteristic of your books. Does that*

*limitless commitment provide the best avenue for humor?*

Those are the types of characters that interest me as a reader, that kind of monomania. It's the basis of great tragedy too. In humor it allows them to be such great protagonists because they sort of lurch into these situations where those of us with a critical distance might look more closely before jumping.

*Do you have a way of testing whether or not something is funny?*

I have Jeffrey my partner. He's awfully good at that, but not always willingly. If he laughs when he's reading it I know it's funny. If, on the other hand when he hands it back to me and says something like, "That's really cute," I know it's a failure. He'll never say it's not funny.

*Who do you read to make yourself laugh?*

If I have to give one name it's Tom Sharpe, a British novelist. Sharpe takes a situation and pushes it till it's so outrageous that it snaps really. I find him so gut-busting funny.

*Fag Hag was your first published novel, but it was your fifth book. In retrospect what was different about the unpublished ones?*

**Fag Hag** was the first time I flirted with the comic muse. It's what I was looking for all along. I was also getting better as a writer.

*What are you working on now?*

I'm working on another novel in my two word series, **Drag Queen** which Dutton, my publisher, suggested to me and I was afraid of because a fag hag or a closet case is a character type... a drag queen is a cultural phenomenon. I'm very pro drag so I said yes, I accepted the challenge. Then I came up with a really funny plot and now I'm really enjoying working on it.

*Do you have a first memory of wanting to be a writer?*

It goes back to learning to write. I think after my first day of class and learning three words I ran home and strung them together.

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SATURDAY: 'SHOTS IN THE REAR'  
shot specials, 5pm-2:30am  
SUNDAY: Bloody Mary's \$1.25 till 8, Buffet 4pm, Eucre 5pm

## MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Sat, May 28, 10:30 Showtime, Rockford's own "Life, Love & Pain" with Misshalay, China, Valerie, Katrina & Special Guest Miss Runway 51, Sabrena DeLite.  
Sun, May 29: Join us in roasting our pig at 5pm followed by Janesville's finest female illusions as they challenge you in Rock County's Mud Wrestling Queens, starts 6pm. 9:30 begins LIVE! "Allegro's Most Dangerous Band."

Sat, June 4: "The Sunset Dames" wants you to come support Sabrena DeLite and Billie Blaze on their way to WI-USA, 10:30 showtime.

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# Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

**Welcome Milwaukee Classic Softball Players and Fans!** The Classic returns on its bi-annual schedule this Memorial Day Weekend in Milwaukee (in alternate years, Chicago hosts a Memorial Day Weekend Softball Tourney). All the games will be played at Wicks Field, 50th & Vliet Streets (just east of the Milwaukee Public Schools Administration Buildings). Games will be played all day Saturday, May 28 and Sunday morning, May 29 with the finals and championship games played Sunday afternoon.

Over 40 teams from across North America are coming for the event — at least 500 fresh faces! Everyone is invited to get out to the fields and cheer on their favorites. Check the Calendar this issue for all the bar related specials — if the past holds true, it will be one Hell of a weekend. (Think Hot and NO RAIN!)

There are plenty of other Memorial Day Weekend and early June activities scheduled at numerous places around the state, so be sure to check out the Calendar so you don't miss out...

**Our next issue has an EARLY DEADLINE due to the Memorial Day holiday. Everything for our June 2-15 issue (PrideFest) MUST be in our office by 3pm, TUESDAY, May 24**

instead of the usual Wednesday night. **No Excuses! We have to have the paper to our printer by the morning of Friday, May 27.** We need Wednesday and Thursday to get it ready.

**Possum Queen Finals** are coming up May 21 at **3B's** and there are numerous Possum Queen Rallies up through then so get out and buy your votes for your favorite candidate!



The **Pivot Club's** annual Turnabout Show on April 29 gave the bartenders and other staffers a chance to strut their stuff on stage while the usual entertainer types worked the bar. On the 30th the bar hosted the *PrideFest Rainbow Tour* to increase Appleton awareness about the upcoming June 11-12 PrideFest entertainment line up. The PrideFest Committee has made a strong effort this year to reach out to various parts of Wisconsin so all LesBiGay Wisconsinites feel this is their festival, too. *The Rainbow Tour* also stopped at **Za's** in Green Bay on the 29th; and were planning stops at **Runway 51 & Club 3054** this past weekend (after my deadline).

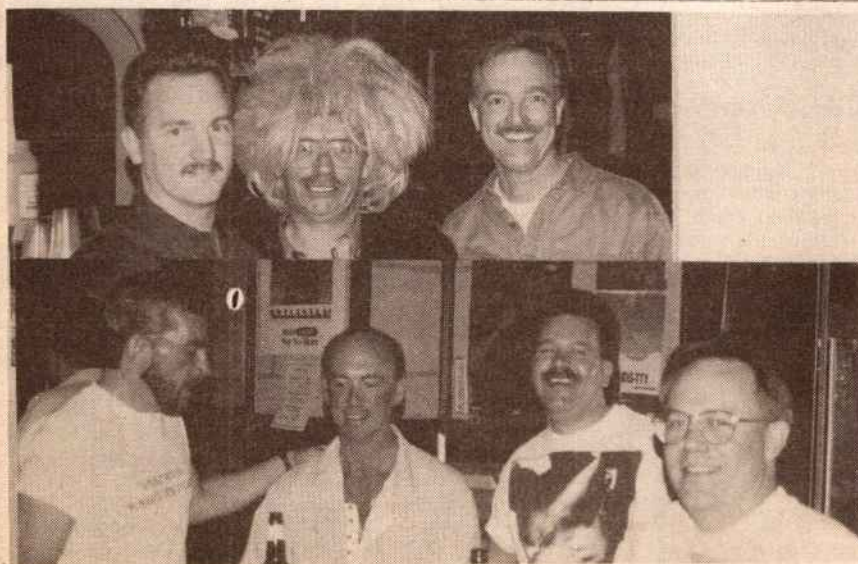
April 30 offered a wide variety of events... **Wings 3054** held their Spring Mazo Beach Party; The **Wisconsin Leather Men's Association** held their open house/ cocktail party at their new headquarters; **SSBL** had their opening day of their 17th season; **3 B's Bar** hosted the **Holiday Invitational Tournament's** annual *Pot of Gold Party and Bartender Exchange*; and **Club 94's** Follies Girls anniversary show raised funds for **SEWAP**. After the SSBL played its opening games, players retired to **Club 219** for the season opening SSBL fundraiser and Miss SSBL Contest. Betty Crocker Sugarbaker (alias Dominick from the YP) was crowned the winner for raising the most money.

The Wisconsin Levi Leather **Daddy & Daddy's Boy Weekend**, May 6-8 in Milwaukee drew leathersmen from throughout the Midwest region. The **Wreck Room** hosted the Daddy's Boy contest on May 6, with 8 contestants. Lowell Buck, from Madison was the landslide winner for the title. On Saturday, May 7, the **1100 Club** hosted the Daddy contest. 7 contestants vied for that title with Robert Duval named the new Daddy. Prior to the contest, a Celebrity Banquet was held at the M&M Club's upstairs banquet room and was attended by many of the out of town guests and titleholders. Things wrapped for the weekend on Sunday when the **1100 Club** hosted an auction of leather goods and a winners reception, in the afternoon.

Congratulations to all involved in the activities, and here's a salute to the combined efforts of Wisconsin's Levi-Leather clubs.



Steve's May Day and Mother Goose party at Club 3054 was just another excuse for a Mad Town party. That's Ms. Goose in the big hair.



The Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) annual Pot of Gold Party and Bartender Exchange at 3B's was a fundraiser for the Thanksgiving weekend bowling tourney.



Mimi Marks entertained at Dominique Mahon's benefit show at Club 219. The money raised will help send Dominique to the Miss Gay USA Finals in St. Louis.



The Club 94 Follies Girls celebrated their 4th anniversary with a special benefit show for SEWAP.

Mimi Marks, BJ Daniels, Spanky & The Foreplay Dancers and Tina Capri joined together at Club 219 on May 10 to send Dominique off to the Miss Gay USA finals competition. (Here's hoping for an attitude fix for those other Chicago performers who were supposed to perform but didn't show up!)

Best of luck to all the Wisconsin representatives traveling to St. Louis for the finals. A detailed list appears in the 'Group Notes' article in this issue.

Wrapping things up for my deadline were the Club 3054 Primate Productions Pizazz Super 70's party on May 11, and Alan's birthday bash at Runway 51.

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## MILWAUKEE'S LEATHER/LEVI BAR

**PRIDEFEST BENEFIT  
SATURDAY,  
MAY 21st**

# Calendar

SUN., MAY 22

WED., MAY 18

**Boot Camp:** BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling form 10pm-1am.

**AIDS Activist TV:** Are People with AIDS being left out of the Health Care debate? News & Views. Milw. Warner Cable Channel 47, 8:30pm.

**Volleyball:** UWM's Englemann Gym canceled; resumes at 8pm, Wed., May 25.

THURS., MAY 19

**AfterWords:** Gay & Lesbian Writers group meeting, 7pm. Provides a much needed forum for writers to read & discuss writing.

**1100 Club:** "Uncle Patty For Possum Queen" Rally, \$3 beer bust (7pm-1am); Spaghetti Dinners, \$5, served 5-10pm.

FRI., MAY 20

**Frontiers (Madison):** Laser Karaoke Video Sing-A-Long, 8-11pm. Apple Island; 849 E. Washington, \$3 donation.

**Coffeehouse:** A poetry evening with Sue SilverMarie, 8:30pm, 631 N. 19th St.

SAT., MAY 21

**Boot Camp:** PrideFest Benefit.  
**Pivot Club (Appleton):** Recording Artist Taylor Dayne, 8:30 & 11:30 show times. Tickets \$15 advance, \$20 door (if available).

**Wings (Madison):** 4th Anniversary plus Paul's Birthday and 1 year anniversary at Wings; beer, food, fun starting 6pm.

**AfterWords:** Author Robert Rodi reads & signs copies of his new book **What They Did To Princess Paragon**, 1-3pm. Rodi is best known for his other novels, **Fag Hag** and **Closet Case**.

**Commitment '94:** Milw's Mini Bench-A-Thon (2pm) Spaghetti Dinner (\$5), contest for best sauce. Raffle & all day bake sale. Guest speaker 6:30pm, DJ Dance 8-11pm. \$4, Village Church, 130 E. Juneau. Sponsored by AA & Al-Anon groups.

**M&M Club:** Live Jazz with Juli Wood.  
**Napalese Lounge (Green Bay):** King Productions presents Stars of Wisconsin Show, 10:30pm, \$3 cover. Starring WI-USA titleholders.

**3B's Bar:** Bobby for Possum Queen Show, 10:30pm, \$3 cover benefits MAP.

**Maritime Assoc. Season Opening Meeting:** Help finalize the season planning at our new facility & see the Maritime Museum, Noon, boating to follow. FMI call 475-6800.

**Art For AIDS:** A Benefit Auction & brunch for AIDS Care, Education & Research. Italian Community Center, for tickets call (414) 273-1991.

**SAGE/MAP:** BESTD Clinic offers free & anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 1-4pm.

**Pentacost Sunday Eucharist/ ID-Madison's 17th Anniversary:** Social hour & anniversary celebration after Eucharist. St. Francis House; 1101 University Ave., 7:30pm.

**Pivot Club (Appleton):** Miss Gay Fox Valley Pageant, a WI-USA preliminary, 9:30pm.

**Fannies:** Sumo Wrestling, 4pm.  
**11th Intl. AIDS Candlelight Memorial & Mobilization:** 7pm, O'Donnel Park Miller Pavilion, 910 E. Michigan St. Sponsored by MAP. FMI call 273-1991.

**Possum Queen Finals:** 3B's Bar, 6pm, no cover, come see who will capture the dubious honor!

**Gay Men's Discussion Group:** "Bar Culture & Alternatives," 6-8pm, The Counseling Center of Milw., FMI, call Bill at 271-2565.

**Hiking:** All welcome to join GAMMA's hikers at Lapham Peak at 11:30am for a 3 hour hike. Weather permitting, call 963-9833 FMI.

**Station II:** Golf outing at RiversBend, 11am Tee Time.

TUE., MAY 24

**Early In Step Deadline:** 3pm today (no exceptions) for all items for our June 2-15 issue (covering PrideFest). Office opens 11am, 225 S. 2nd Street, Milw.

**AfterWords Bookstore & Espresso Bar:** 7:30pm reading by local writer Bill Duane of his sexy experimental poems & short stories. Open mike to follow.

WED., MAY 25

**Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.:** Meeting 7-9pm, St. Catherine's on 51st & Center in the basement level "Lodge" Room. FMI call 777-3986.

**Club 219:** Body Sweat Male Dancers, early show at 9:30pm.

**Club 3054 (Madison):** Primate Productions presents **Pizzazz!** "Wig Out" party. Give-Aways; techno & HI-NRG music.

THURS., MAY 26

**M&M Club:** BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 9:30pm-12am.

**"Sex Is":** Premiere screening of the film *Sex Is* to benefit BESTD Clinic. 7:30pm, Oriental Theatre. Tickets \$10 advance, \$12 door. See 'Films' section this issue for review & details.

**Biking:** meet at Bike Rental Shop in Veteran's Park at 6pm for 90 minute ride. Weather permitting. Call GAMMA

at 963-9833 FMI.

**Intl. Mr. Leather™ Weekend In Chicago:** Registration 4-10pm, Congress Hotel, 2nd level. Rendezvous East.

**Club 3054 (Madison):** Karaoke, 7pm, \$25 best singer.

FRI., MAY 27

**Pivot Club (Appleton):** Savage Male Revue, 10:30 show time.

**Intl. Mr. Leather™ Weekend In Chicago:** Registration 4-10pm, Congress Hotel, 2nd level. Rendezvous East. Contestant Cocktail Reception, 8-11pm, Congress Hotel, Gold Room.

**Club 3054 (Madison):** Patio opens 5pm for happy hour.

**Ballgame:** Open 11am for Classic Weekend, drink & shot specials.

SAT., MAY 28

**Milwaukee Classic Softball Tournament:** Wick Fields, 50th & W. Vliet Streets.

**M&M Club:** Singational Productions Singing Machine.

**Ballgame:** Sheepshead Tournament.

**Rafting:** Group leaves for Crivitz & Whitewater Rafting on the Peshtigo & Menominee Rivers. FMI call GAMMA 963-9833.

**Maritime Assoc.:** Dry Dock Party. New members welcome to a cruise on the River Harbor & Lake Michigan. FMI call 475-6800.

**Intl. Mr. Leather™ Weekend In Chicago:** Registration 4-10pm, Congress Hotel, 2nd level, Rendezvous East. Intl. Ms. Leather Reception, Congress Hotel, Grant Park Room. IML Hometown Party, 8-11pm, Vortex, 8-11pm.

**Club 3054 (Madison):** Doctor's Party, beer bust 3-8; free hotdogs. Dr. Steve with free give-aways.

**Runway 51 (Janesville):** Rockford's own "Life, Love & Pain", 10:30 show time.

**Ballgame:** Open 11am for Classic Weekend, drink & shot specials.

**Station II:** Summer Raffles, \$5 beer bust, 8-midnight.

**Club Xpress (Escanaba, MI):** The White Party, doors open 7pm.

SUN., MAY 29

**Milwaukee Classic Softball Tournament:** Wick Fields, 50th & West Vliet Streets. Final games in the afternoon. Awards Banquet, evening, at the Marc Plaza Hotel.

**Club 3054 (Madison):** The Mr/Miss/Ms Gay Madison Pageant 1994, 10pm on The Patio, weather permitting. Application deadline midnight May 28. Open only to Madison residents, FMI call Felicia at (608) 221-3019.

**3B's Bar:** PrideFest Country Beer Bust, 9pm-1am. \$3 bust benefits PrideFest.



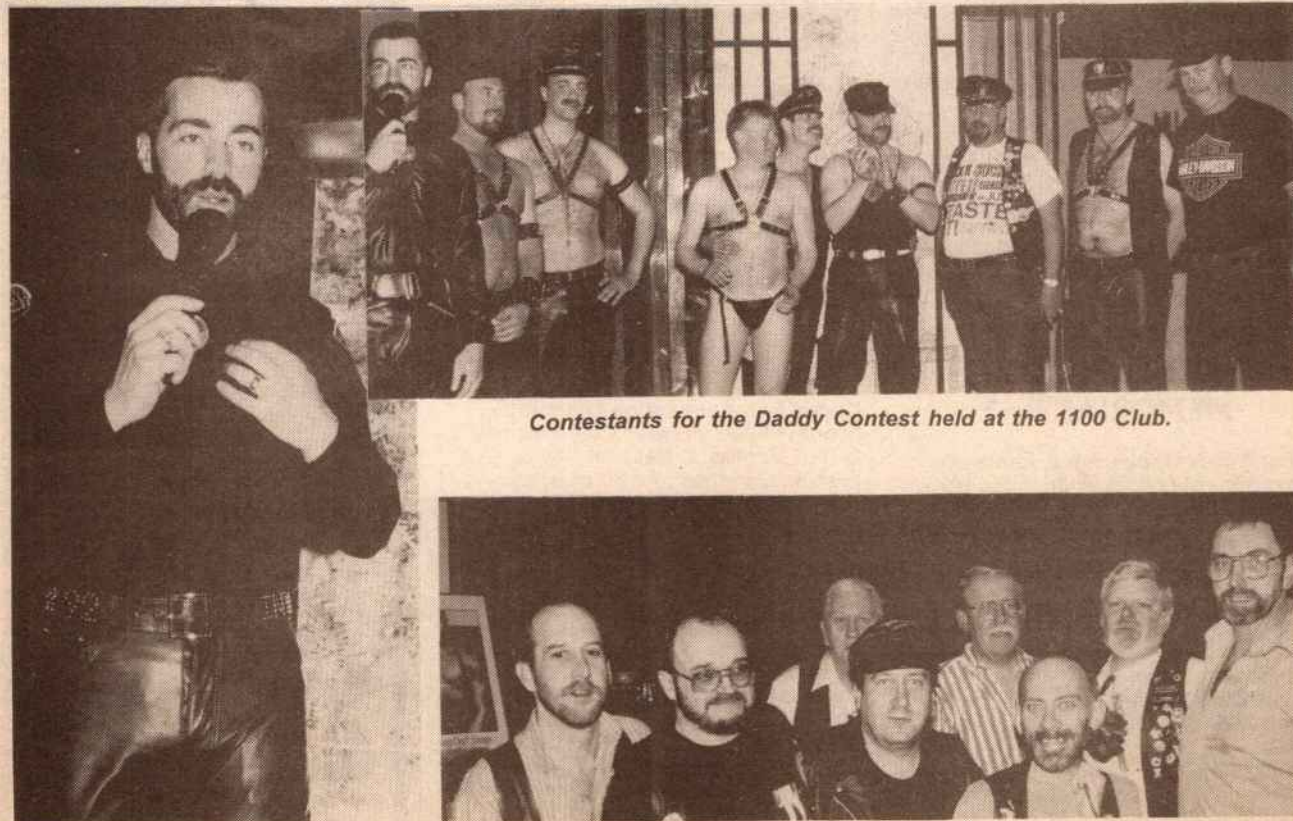


Contestants for the "Daddy's Boy" Contest held at the Wreck Room.



Winners: Daddy's Boy, Lowell Buck; Daddy Robert Duval.

Wisconsin's Levi/Leather Daddy & Daddy's Boy Contest Weekend was a joint effort by the state's leather clubs.



Contestants for the Daddy Contest held at the 1100 Club.

International Mr. Leather 92-93 Len Broberg was guest emcee.

Members of the various L/L clubs who organized the weekend event.



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## GAY MADISON PAGEANT 1994



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### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Fri., May 27 - Patio Open

Patio at 5pm for Happy Hour

Sat., May 28 - Doctor's Party

Beer Bust 3 to 8, free hot dogs and chips. Dr. Steve  
will be here for all emergencies. Many free giveaways,  
t-shirts, hats, shorts.

Sun., May 29 - Beer Bust on the Patio

The Mr./Miss/Ms. Gay Madison Pageant '94 at 10pm

Mon., May 30 - BBQ on Patio

Watch Tammy Why Not Flip Brats & Burgers. BBQ at  
6pm, Beer Bust 3 to 8. Just one hell of a party  
Weekend.

## PrideFest History Tent

1880's to Mid 1980's

**Milwaukee** — Many LesBiGays say that one of the biggest problems faced by our community is the lack of knowledge about our past. As someone once said "You don't know where you are until you know where you've been."

With that in mind, **PrideFest 94** has added a **History Tent** to its list of attractions. The tent sponsored by Brondino and Iverson will provide a unique opportunity to learn about a history that is seldom if ever included in history books.

It will include the largest display of Bi/Les/Gay history anywhere in the country. This display put together by the International Gay and Lesbian Archives, chronicles Les/Gay/Bi history from the 1880's to the mid 1980's.

IGLA founder James Keppner and his staff will be in the tent throughout the festival to answer questions and to explain the significance of the events, organizations and people included in the exhibit.

In addition to the exhibit, the History tent will include a video viewing area. Visitors will be able to watch videos on Gay/Bi/Les history like *Before Stonewall*, and *On Common Ground*. The videos and viewing equipment have been graciously provided by Milwaukee's Video Adventures store.

The tent will also have a lecture area. Brief lectures on important events and historical issues will be given every hour on the hour. These will be given by Keppner, Dr. Terry Boughner and Miriam Ben-Shalom.

The PrideFest History tent will be open from Noon to 5pm on Saturday June 11th and from noon to 6:30pm on Sunday June 12th.

## STONEWALL 25



# PRIDEFEST

## Our Time To Shine

### PrideFest Fund Raisers

#### *Boot Camp, 3 B's & This Is It*

**Milwaukee** — **PrideFest** is proud to announce three upcoming fund raisers by supportive LesBiGay bars in

Milwaukee:

▼ The **Boot Camp** will have its annual *Leather Pride Night* on Saturday, May 21. Festivities will include door prizes, raffles, the sale of **PrideFest** merchandise and more. Anyone wearing leather will receive three free raffle tickets when they enter the bar. The fun begins at 10pm and continues through closing.

▼ **This Is It** will hold its annual *PrideFest Button Sale* from May 25-June 10. If you buy a **PrideFest** button at its regular \$2 price, you'll get a free drink courtesy of **This Is It**. This is the longest running annual **Pride** fundraiser and has helped raise thousands to help insure the annual June event.

▼ **3 B's Bar & Shoreline Dancers** hold their annual *Kick Up Your Heels For Pride* on Sunday, May 29 from 10:30-12:30. This country western theme party includes a \$3 beer bust, door prizes, raffles, line dancing, and line dance lessons.

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## Stonewall Tent At PrideFest

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**Milwaukee** — Nationally known speakers, dance lessons, panel discussions and more are in store for visitors to the **Wisconsin Light Stonewall Tent at PrideFest**, June 11-12 at the new lakefront location just North of the War Memorial Arts Center.

Ask PrideFest Co-Chair Bill Meunier about the Stonewall Tent and he breaks into a smile. "No question about it. This is the strongest line up we ever had on the Stonewall Tent stage."

The line up includes Arlene Kochman, arguably the nation's leading expert on aging in the Gay/Les/Bi community. Kochman is the Executive Director of New York's SAGE, Senior Action in a Gay Environment. She will speak at 2pm on Saturday June 11th.

Marjorie Hill, a nationally known African American Lesbian will give a lecture at 1:30pm Sunday June 12th. Hill is considered to be the foremost "out" African American Lesbian in the country. She has traveled throughout America to deliver hard hitting, inspirational talks. Hill served as New York Mayor David Dinkins Gay/Les/Bi liaison.

Visitors will get a chance to kick up their heels and learn some new steps. The Cream City Squares, the Shoreline Line Dance troupe and Foreplay, a hip hop dance group will all be giving dance lessons.

As she did last year, Smart Answer's Susan Urban will present a song writing workshop. Debra Reed, a popular health issues speaker will lead a discussion on Women's Health Issues.

State Representative Tammy Baldwin and special guests will lead a discussion on Gays, Lesbians and the Electoral Process on Sunday at 2:30pm. Some of Wisconsin's most popular female impersonators will be on hand to discuss "The Art of Impersonation" on Saturday at 4pm.

The one hour "Poetry Corner" which gives local Gay/Les/Bi poets an opportunity to recite their latest works will close the tent down on Sunday at 5:30pm.



*One of the cars that will be featured in the PrideFest Classic Car Show June 11-12, sponsored by the Lambda Car Club.*

## Classic Car Show at PrideFest

**Milwaukee** — Autos from throughout the country will be competing in the first annual **Milwaukee Invitation Classic Car Show at PrideFest** on June 11th and 12th. Sponsored by Lake Michigan Region of the Lambda Car Club, the show will put the spotlight on those great cars of yesteryear.

The **Lambda Car Club** is a national organization of Gay/Les/Bi classic car enthusiasts. The Lake Michigan Region is LCC's Chicago chapter.

Several dozen classic cars are expected to be on hand for the show. The cars will be displayed on the northern end of the PrideFest grounds

located just north of Milwaukee's War Memorial Art Center.

PrideFest visitors will have a chance to get involved in the judging for the show. Ballots for "Favorite Hard Top" and "Favorite Convertible" will be available at the Lambda Car Club booth. Balloting will take place on Saturday only.

Participating cars will be driven in the Wisconsin Pride Parade on Sunday June 12th. Because some cars will be leaving shortly after the parade, car buffs should make a point of being on hand Saturday so they can view the full display.

Anyone interested in participating in the show is welcome to do so. For registration information call Don Dunfee at (312) 465-5307.

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## Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

### Predictions 2000

"*Drag Queens prove their smarts... Ice Age returns to North America... Madonna donates her glands to science... And microscopic porno stars shunned by Falcon Studios...*" These are just a few of the sensational, mystical predictions made by dubious Gay psychic W.W. Wells III. Here's what the unbelievable Mr. Wells forecasts through the year 2000!

In 1999, really smart drag queens, desperate for cheap, affordable runway outfits will develop genetically engineered silkworms that can weave garments to order! It will be another two years before the drag queens train the worms to excrete rhinestones and sequins.

In 1996, a strange and untreatable form of leprosy will sweep the community, affecting only Gay men who are unfaithful to their romantic partners. The disease, nicknamed "Bobbitt-itis" will manifest immediately after an incident of cheating, causing the offending private parts to rot and fall off. As a result, infidelity in Gay relationships will plummet below 1%!

In 1999, Frito-Lay Corporation will introduce a snack food it claims will make it possible for human beings to function as computers. The company's silicon-laced "brain chips" will fail after ignorant consumers mistakenly believe the snacks are made from real brains.

An astonishing new *One Night Stand Pill* will make millions of lonely people happy by artificially stimulating portions of the brain that respond to human sexual companionship. In the end, the pill will be a big failure after several people overdose on the drug and masturbate themselves to death!

In 2000, a three-foot midget will seek and nearly win the Democratic nomination for president until the delegates realize the dwarf is actually Ross Perot in elevator shoes!

The discovery in 1997 of microscopic solar systems in our galaxy will totally revolutionize astronomy and the way we think about our Universe. However, the detection of the teensy planets will have little effect on the Gay porn industry because any Gay humanoids located on these planets will have incredibly tiny penises.

Global temperatures will plummet an average of 44 degrees in 1996, kicking off a new Ice Age which will force thousands of circumcised Gay men to start wearing fur lined condoms while engaging in outdoor sex!

In the fall of 1997, the Federal Government will ban smoking everywhere in the United States except in the bedroom after sex and then only with a permit!

In 1995, a breakthrough in plastic surgery will make it possible to reshape a patient's features simply by injecting large doses of Silly Putty into the face. The procedure makes skin and bone soft and pliable with the only side effect being the ability to reproduce a mirror image of comic strips directly to a patient's face by firmly pressing the Sunday funnies against their cheeks!

In 1998, researchers will discover the worlds' first true aphrodisiac, a hormonal compound derived from extracts of Rob Lowe's thyroid and Madonna's pituitary gland. The pill instantly invigorates the sex drive of both men and women making it possible to have sex up to 25 times a day. Unfortunately, the pill will be a dismal failure when it's discovered the only people you'll be attracted to are tasteless, egocentric bleached blondes who really, really can't act!

An angry delegation of beings from another galaxy will arrive on Earth in 1997 with the chilling warning that every one in the world should read *W.W. Wells'* column or the entire planet will be blown to smithereens! The United States makes reading *Juicy Bits* mandatory causing thousands to riot and many others to become violently ill!

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# Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

## No. No. Thank You.

I've just returned from a glorious weekend in Atlanta where I had the delicious privilege of being a presenter at the **Southern Voice** Community Awards. It's a wonderful way for the community to recognize its contributors, and since the community nominates and then votes for the award recipients, with the local G/L paper officiating, it's a nice way for the community to honor its own. And it got me a few days off, which isn't easy when you work at home and have me for a boss.

If you were there, it was great to see you. If you were in a completely different state at the time, let me suggest that it's a great activity for y'all to get involved in.

I had the dubious distinction of presenting the *Public Enemy Number One Award*. Sure, they thought, what'd I care? I'm from out of town. Nobody local would hunt me down and make me pay up my speeding tickets. Or revoke my pet licenses just for spite.

The nominees in my category were (drum roll, please) the Cobb County Commission. Now here are a true bunch of brain surgeons. These are the guys (not a mere figure of speech) who decided to decree homosexuals and their lifestyle as kind of icky, and at the same time figured that they could just slide a few million revenue bucks into their pockets by holding 1996 Olympic volleyball in their backyard, and maybe all those icky homosexuals would just play ball, and not hold them up for ridicule till all the money was in and counted. Ha. They obviously don't know us very well, do they? (An understatement on two counts.) Georgia's own Senator Sam Dumb was, of course included in the list of qualified candidates, as was neighbor, Jesse, the bastard out of North Carolina. (Now there are a couple of guys who qualify as a bit bereft in the beret.) And, of course, there were a couple of local wannabees on the list, with no commies left to kick around anymore, hoping to make the big time at our expense, but to no avail. At least not this night.

And the winner was... oops. We don't say that any more. Not politically correct. We are ALL winners. And the *Public Enemy #1 Award* went to... ta daaaa....

Those good ol'boys who proved themselves several bulbs short of a lighthouse, *The Cobb County*

*Commission, Cobb County, Georgia.* Rah!

It was, all in all, a most pleasant night under a massive awning in the Atlanta zoo. PFLAG cooked. And was publicly proud. And lots of good people got recognized and honored in categories that weren't any surprise: Most Bodacious Bar. Glamour Goddess of Drag. Hippest Heterosexual. Most Committed Aids Activist. Best Volunteer. You know, the *usual*.

Now those of you who have been paying any attention at all know that I am on a nationwide crusade to get each of us to say, "Thank you." to all of us for everything we do, and everything we've done so far to get us all this far. And I think that what **Southern Voice** has done for the second year in a row is absolutely terrific. If they're not doing it already, I hope every G/L paper in the country follows their example. And every city and township without the privilege of a paper finds a way to pass out prizes.

But it occurs to me, that maybe in the self-imposed two hour limit there wasn't enough time for the rest of the "Thank You Award" categories. So I wanted to offer them to you, so you could be thinking about nominating your nearest and dearest, or your own modest self for next year. Or you could just look up the people most worthy of honoring in their respective categories, and thank them without benefit of banquet. For example:

- ▼ Attended The Most Meetings Without Whining.
- ▼ Attended The Most Meetings Without Wine.
- ▼ Remembered Most Often To Thank The Lesbians.
- ▼ Remembered To Thank The Lesbians At All.
- ▼ Stayed To Clean Up.
- ▼ Set Up The Most Consecutive Chairs For A Meeting.
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- ▼ Completed A Monthly Newsletter With The Least Typo's.
- ▼ Completed A Monthly Newsletter.
- ▼ Stayed To Clean Up.
- ▼ Visited The Most Bars To Sign People Up.
- ▼ Visited The Most Bars To Shut People Up.
- ▼ Stopped Visiting Bars.
- ▼ Told Parents In A Brave And Courageous Manner.
- ▼ Told Parents In A Loving, Caring And Affectionate Manner.
- ▼ Told Parents.
- ▼ Did Not Throw Tantrum When Parents Response Was: "Yeah? So? What's Your Point Here?"
- ▼ Listened The Most Hours To A Friend Breaking Up.
- ▼ Listened The Most Hours To A Friend Breaking Up Again.
- ▼ Stuck The Most Flyers Under Windshield Wipers.
- ▼ Stuck Tongue Out Most Often At Televangelists.

▼ Stuck To Their Guns. And last, but certainly not least.

▼ Stayed To Clean Up. Surely you have categories of your own. There's no limit to the number of reasons you can think of to say "Thank you" to all the people in our neighborhood for their good work. Of course they do it for themselves. But they do it for you too.

Oh, and by the way, in case I haven't mentioned it lately, thanks for everything you do. It's a real honor sharing a community with you.

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# No Nunsense

By Sister Dana Van Iquity

## Please Don't Stonewall Stonewall 25

Sister Dana has been getting quite a few comments from many of the queer rags (excuse me... Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender periodicals) I write for. Most of them are complimentary and a couple have been critical, but all with the same topic: "The Sister Dana column has been getting really political lately."

I suppose I could dramatically get down on my knees, strike my chest with my fist and say "*Mea culpa, mea maxima culpa*" in a nun-like pose of humility, but then I'd be a total hypocrite. So instead I will thank my boosters and address my boosers while at the same time putting out my annual Gay Pride address (thereby killing three birds with one stone, which is either very practical poultry pulverizing or just plain foul anti-fowl violence — take your pick).

Yes, it's true; Sister D.V.I. has become more of an activist than ever, I've got to. The rabid religious right has become less spiritual and more overtly

homo-hating, pushing its anti-Gay initiatives across the nation. The fundies have said they are declaring open war against the Gays. Now, we can either be pacifists and sit on the sidelines watching our L/G/B/T brothers and sisters getting picked off one by one, or we can pick up a picket sign, participate in a local protest or [ah ha, here's where the Gay Pride part comes in, kids] go to Stonewall 25 in New York City June 26 to march with over a million queers in the International March on the United Nations for our rights (which, by the way, Amnesty International has endorsed).

As most of you know, it is called Stonewall 25 because two decades and a half ago on June 28 those nelly fellas, rag-tag drags and derring-do dykes refused to sit on the sidelines any longer being attacked by anti-homosexual assaults and arrests from the boys in blue — the Stonewallians fought back (and not just hitting with their purses) in a three-day rebellion that is now a major milestone for Gay rights/ liberation. That's why I and my fellow nuns & L/G/B/T's & drag fags & dykes & leatherfolk & cowboys & sweater queens & klub kids & queer activists & even some three-piece suit assimilationists are heading for the Big Apple (where else would a bunch of fruits assemble?) to celebrate and honor that fateful day 25 years ago.

But there are some nay-sayers out there I would like to address. Line up for the confessional: it's rosary bead-reading time! A few transgendered people are planning to stonewall and disrupt the event because their name is not included in the laundry list title. First let me assure you that the U.S. Stonewall 25 people worked like crazy to be inclusive, but since this is an international march, the International

Lesbian Gay Association (helping run the whole show) voted against the term "transgender" which is not accepted outside this nation of Gaymerica; but the national committee of SW25 wholeheartedly supported the name and uses it frequently. So if you plan to ruin this protest because of your personal agenda, you really aren't for civil rights, are ya, Blanche?

Second, there are those who intend to stonewall Stonewall because they think it's just another Gay party. WRONG!!! In fact, my home town here in Gay mecca has chosen the parade theme: "San Francisco to Stonewall: Pride and Protest" to indicate the nature of this march — protesting the lack of Gay rights for a quarter century and indicating our pride to openly march and make demands from the U.N.

Third, some people are boycotting SW25 because it's just a case of uppity queers making an embarrassing spectacle of themselves and ultimately hindering Gay rights instead of blinding in. Yep, just like those "embarrassing" Stonewall Inn patrons who made such a fuss in '69 and ultimately...well, let's face it, paved the way for all the nay-saying queers to have the right to openly bitch!

Let me end my diatribe-ette with a plea: please come to Stonewall 25; if you can't come, send a friend; if you can't do that, do whatever you can to support her cause. Let's not go another 25 years without our human rights!!!

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# Straight Talk for Gay Youth

By Nick

As I mentioned in the last 'Straight Talk' column, I would be doing a column on activities and organizations for Gay teens to participate in. My goal in this column is to let kids know that there are things for them to go to and be a part of.

Also this is a special 'Straight Talk' Column which is going to tell you a little about what is going on in my life now. This is a very special month for me as I prepare to go to the Youth Conference in New York City during Stonewall. I would like to make a special announcement about my family — my parents have begun to understand my feelings! Teens should understand that there are people out there that love you and understand who you are. And I am asking all the teens that have parents that support them to come out and help those who do not have the support. Please you guys, you must help those who do not have the support that is important to them! Also I would like to thank the *Queer Program* for devoting the month of April to Gay youth, and for allowing me to come on their show. And please teens, do not feel afraid to write and tell me how the column is going and your feelings about home, school, work, or anything that you would like to talk about, and if you have new ideas for the column.

Last week I received a letter from a Gay teen from Kenosha WI. And he asked me: "I want to know how I can find a club for Gay teenagers, and where I can meet other Gay teenagers. Is there a Gay teenage newsletter around?" Well I have decided to use his letter in my focus for this issue of *In Step*. Here are some youth-specific suggestions:

## MILWAUKEE

▼ **Gay Youth Milwaukee:** Operates 24-hour telephone message line. Rap and support group for LGBTQ youth 18 years and under offering opportunities for young people to meet in a comfortable environment to discuss and share with similar people concerns about school, families and friends. Meetings on the first and third Saturday of each month from 1-3pm. Michael S. Lisowski, MSW Director, Call: 265-8500; or write: P.O. Box 09441, Milwaukee, WI 53209.

I go to this group and sometimes run meetings when Michael is not able to attend. I would also like to add that you guys do not have to feel afraid to come to the group. It is fun and you meet lots of new people, so come on down!

▼ **Positive Outcomes:** (young men 17-21); The Counseling Center of Milwaukee; 271-2565.

▼ **Insight:** (young women 17-21); The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, phone 271-2565.

## OTHER MILWAUKEE

▼ **La Cage:** Every Friday is open from 7-10:30 for ages 15 and up. ID is required and there is a \$5 cover charge. This one I try to go every weekend, but they are having troubles getting teens to come. So you guys start to come! They play great dance music. The address of La Cage is 801-805 South Second Street, their phone number is 383-8330.

▼ **Walker's Point Cafe:** A Gay owned cafe open 10am to after bar hours. 1106 S. 1st, Milwaukee, phone 384-7999.

▼ **The Queer Program,** Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47, Tuesdays, 7-8pm (live call-in); Taped replays shown Thursdays; 4pm, Saturdays; 11Am.

## MADISON

▼ **Madison Community United (The United):** Operates **Gay Line** at (608) 255-4297 & **Lesbian Line** at (608) 255-0743. LesBiGay Social Services Agency providing counseling, referral, information & advocacy. The United, 14 W. Mifflin St., Madison, WI 54701; (608) 255-8582.

▼ **18-21 Year Old Support Group for LesBiGays:** (608) 256-2667.

▼ **Briarpatch:** LesBiGay Teens Support Crisis Line (608) 251-1126. Business office (608) 251-6211; Briarpatch, 512 E. Washington Ave., Madison 53703.

▼ **The New Bar:** 18 & over, Friday nights. The New Bar is located at 636 W. Washington (upstairs) and they have dance music & videos. Phone (608) 256-8765.

## GREEN BAY

▼ **Positive Voice:** P.O. Box 1381, Green Bay, WI 54305; (414) 499-5533.

▼ **Za's:** Dance & video club has youth night (16 & up) on Sundays from 8pm-2am. Possible addition of Friday Youth Night, contact bar for info. Za's, 1106 Main St., Green Bay, (414) 435-5476.

## NEWSLETTERS

From what I can find out there are no Gay teen newsletters around here. If you do know of any please contact me. But here are several that are national.

▼ **Empowerment Times:** 1625 North Hudson Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90028-9998; (213) 993-7400.

▼ **Y.O.U.T.H. Magazine:** P.O. Box 34215, Washington, DC 20043; (202) 234-3562.

▼ **Inside Out:** P.O. Box 460268, San Francisco, CA 94146-0268.

▼ **OutYouth:** 208 West 13th Street, New York, NY 10011; (212) 620-7310.

I also want to thank my personal editor for the great work that he has done for me. He is my boyfriend and we are both out and living together and very happy. He has given me help on ideas

# STONEWALL

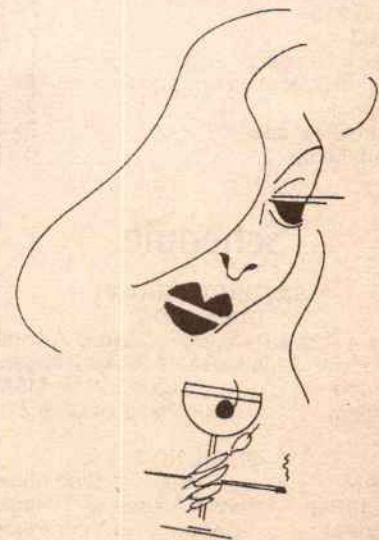


and making sure that the articles are prepared for *In Step* readers. I will be moving to Milwaukee on May 20 and will work here and still write for *In Step*. I will be attending Stonewall 25 in New York in June and am now a member and coordinator for the **National Coalition for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth**. I work on helping teens with their families, friends, and school issues.

The next 'Straight Talk' I want to focus on Stonewall and what Gay teens play a role in and what they do. I encourage anyone who has any questions about Gay youth issues to please feel free to write to: Straight Talk: P.O. Box 1314, Racine, WI 53401-1314. Your name will not be published with your submission unless you otherwise specify. You may also write to share experiences that may help teens deal with these tough times. Until next column stay Strong Gay And Proud!

## Life's a Drag

© By Bob Arnold



"When I was fifteen I ran away with the cute boy next door. Of course they made me bring him back . . ."

# Jock Shorts

## SSBL

The **Saturday Softball Beer League** launched its 17th season on Saturday, April 30th with an exhibition tournament. Three games were played before the rain and snow came, wiping out the rest of the tournament. The Ballgame defeated Marble Arcade, Club 219 knocked off Rick's Rangers, and Triangle rallied past Your Place.

The official season started May 7th, and although the weatherman threatened the games with a morning shower, the games were completed. Ballgame, Club 219 and M&M won 2 games, while Rick's Rangers and Your Place each won 1 game. Games this year are being played at Sijan Fields, at South Kinnickinnic and California.

### CLASSIC UPDATE

Applications are still being received for the **Milwaukee Classic Softball Tournament** which will be held over the Memorial Day weekend, May 28th and 29th.

About 40 teams are expected from Chicago, Minneapolis, New York, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Detroit. There will be 3 divisions this year, A, B & C.

The tournament will be held at Wick Fields at North 50th and West Vliet. Final games will be Sunday afternoon. The awards banquet will be Sunday evening at the Marc Plaza Hotel.

### STANDINGS — MAY 7TH

Ballgame	2 - 0
Club 219	2 - 0
M&M	2 - 0
Rick's Rangers	1 - 1
Your Place	1 - 1
Triangle	0 - 2
Marble Arcade	0 - 2
Club Muse	0 - 2

## Schedule

### SATURDAY MAY 21 DIAMOND 2

11am Rick's Rangers vs Marble Arcade  
12:15pm Club Muse vs Rick's Rangers  
1:30pm Club 219 vs M&M  
2:45pm Your Place vs Club 219

### DIAMOND 3

11AM Triangle vs Club Muse  
12:15PM Marble Arcade vs Triangle  
1:30PM Ballgame vs Your Place  
2:45PM M&M vs Ballgame

### SAT. & SUN., MAY 28-29 MILWAUKEE CLASSIC!

## Gay Games IV Fulfills a Lifelong Dream

By John Cain

*(The second in a series of articles on Wisconsin athletes competing in Gay Games IV in New York City in June).*

**Madison** — For Alix Olson, competing in **Gay Games IV** is "the culmination of a lifetime of athletic endeavor." Olson, goalie for the **Bovine Babes Soccer Team**, has been involved in athletics since she was eight. She'd been playing soccer for a couple of years when she first heard about the Babes, who had competed in Gay Games III in Vancouver in 1989. Olson has been with the team since the fall of 1993.

Olson is a twelve-year veteran of the Madison police force. As one of a number of openly Lesbian officers, Olson has been working unofficially as a liaison between the department and the L/G/B communities. She was instrumental in arranging a meeting last year between members of the community and Richard Williams, Madison's new police chief.

Gay Games IV will also be something of a "family affair" for Olson. Her partner is in training to compete in swimming events.

Olson is optimistic about the Bovine Babes' chances. The Babes, who were undefeated in league play at the time of this interview, "Are a really good team,"

she said. "We have a good offensive threat. I see us going to a medal round."

And ultimately, what are the Gay Games for Olson? "[They're] a chance to express myself as an out Lesbian with others in an openly Gay international setting. What more could you want?"

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Awards will be presented to the winning team and for certain individual accomplishments at the awards ceremonies at the Ballgame after golf is completed. Food will be prepared by Flo and Swanee.

There are still a few openings for the tournament. Cost is \$30 which includes golf fees, T-shirt, refreshments before golf, and awards ceremonies. An electric cart is required for an additional \$10 per golfer.

For more information, call Tom at 273-3594 before May 31st.

# The 6th Annual Chicago International Indoor Tennis Classic

The 6th annual **Chicago International Indoor Tennis Classic**, will be held August 5th, 6th, and 7th. The tournament is sponsored by the **Metropolitan Sports Association**, which is a local Chicago organization that has over 1,600 members that participate in over 15 different sports. Sponsors last year also included Wilson, Bud Lite, and Evian.

The Chicago International Indoor Tennis Classic is a part of a national Gay and Lesbian tennis tournament circuit that involves over 2,000 participants from over forty cities across the country.

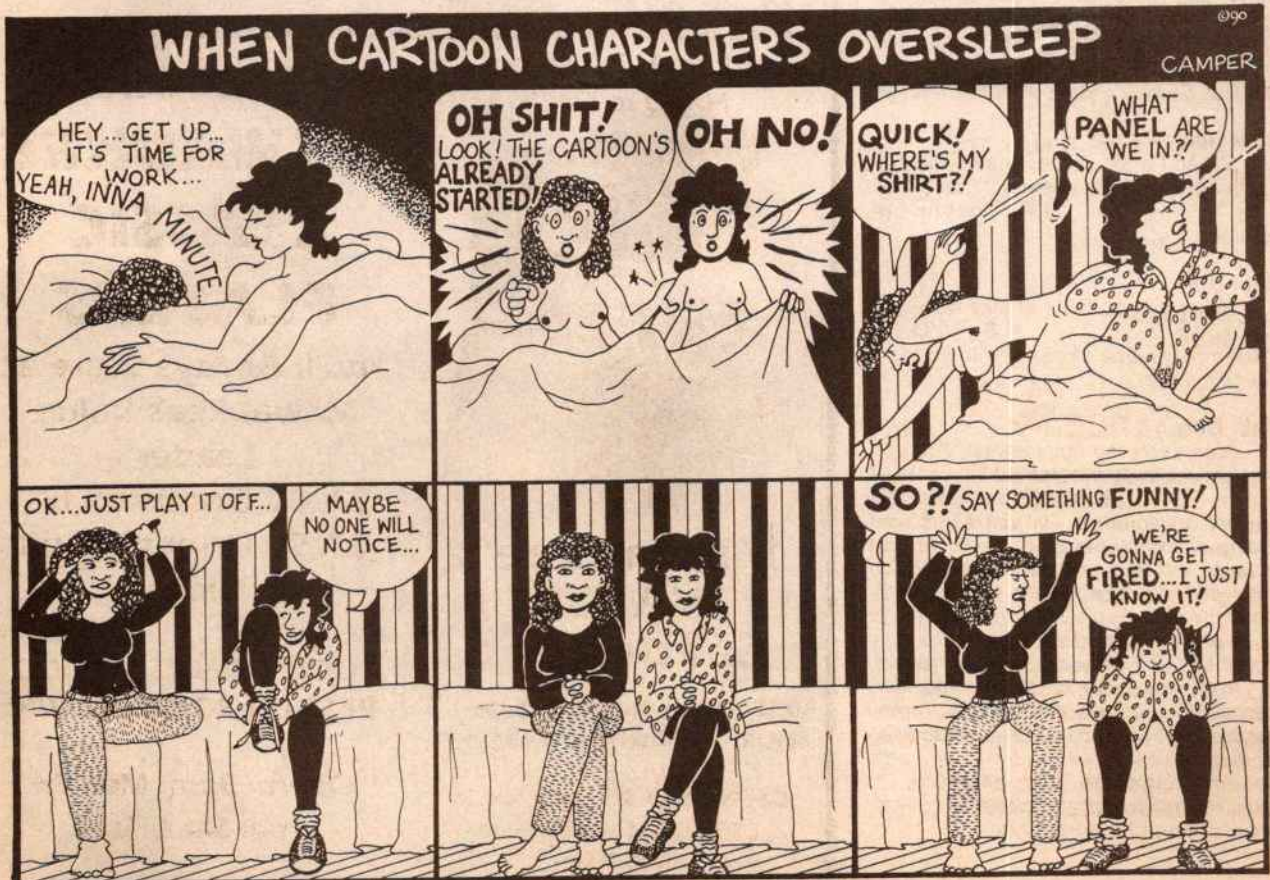
This is an amateur tournament with divisions in various levels of play. It is expected to involve over 200 players from across the country. To receive an application, please write Dan Sprehe, 3249 North Seminary, Chicago, IL 60657, or call at (312) 549-4155. All participant applications must be received by July 15, 1994.

## Also on the Newswire...

**Ashland, OR** — An elderly man who made harassing phone calls to members of a local chapter of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) has been ordered to pay the group \$200 and perform 40 hours of community service. Raymond Charles Nible, 76, was also placed on probation for three years. Members of P-FLAG hope that Nible will be required to work among Gay people for his community service.

**Trenton, NJ** — Members of the Log Cabin Republican Club, a Gay/Lesbian GOP group, recently met with New Jersey's Republican Gov. Christine Todd Whitman. Log Cabin members report that Whitman pledged to be a voice for tolerance of Gays and Lesbians and an advocate for inclusion of Gays and Lesbians in the Republican Party. "She told us that in her heart, she is with us," said Evelyn Kotch. New Jersey is one of eight states with a Gay rights law.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya



# Ask Billy Holliday

Dear Billy,

I met a guy at Club Atlantis. I really liked him and we did hit it off, as in get it off. He's from Chicago, so I invited him to come visit for the weekend. Now I'm afraid that I may not be so crazy about him when I see him again. You know everybody looks good with a tan. He's coming soon and I don't know what to do. Am I responsible for him for the weekend if it turns out I don't like him? What do I do?

**K.G., San Francisco, CA**

*I mean really, bitch, where are your manners? And your imagination! These people! All I get is letters from people out there who've met somebody and don't know what to do. I know exactly what to do and I never meet anybody. Life ain't fair. Chances are that when he gets off the plane the old heart isn't gonna go pitterpat. The butt may still twitch a little and if it does, two balls are a hell of a lot better than two batteries. And if it doesn't, two balls are still a lot better. If you hate this guy, then take him to the Midnight Sun and lose him in the tea room. He won't mind and you won't see him till Sunday when he comes for his clothes. (If he still cares at that point.) And, if he's still a turn on, then he'll still have to cum for his clothes. So one way or another, f--k 'im.*

Dear Billy,

When I masturbate, I never think of my boyfriend. What does that make me?

**B.R., Boston, MA**

Human.

Dear Billy,

What do you think of size queens?

**R.B., NYC, NY**

What size queens? You need to be more specific, dear.

Dear Billy,

You seem so opinionated. Are you that secure in your personal life as well?

**K.B., Minneapolis, MN**

*I'm not opinionated. I'm just blunt. And that goes for my personal life as well. Or at least part of it, and not that part! (You dirty minded size queen — see R.B. from the Big Apple.) If you happen to have an opinion and someone asks, why not share it? The worst that can happen is that you offend them and I, personally, can live with that. So many people I know spend so much time lying to themselves about the obvious, it only seems worthwhile and charitable to expose the inconsistencies. Of course, most of them haven't asked....*

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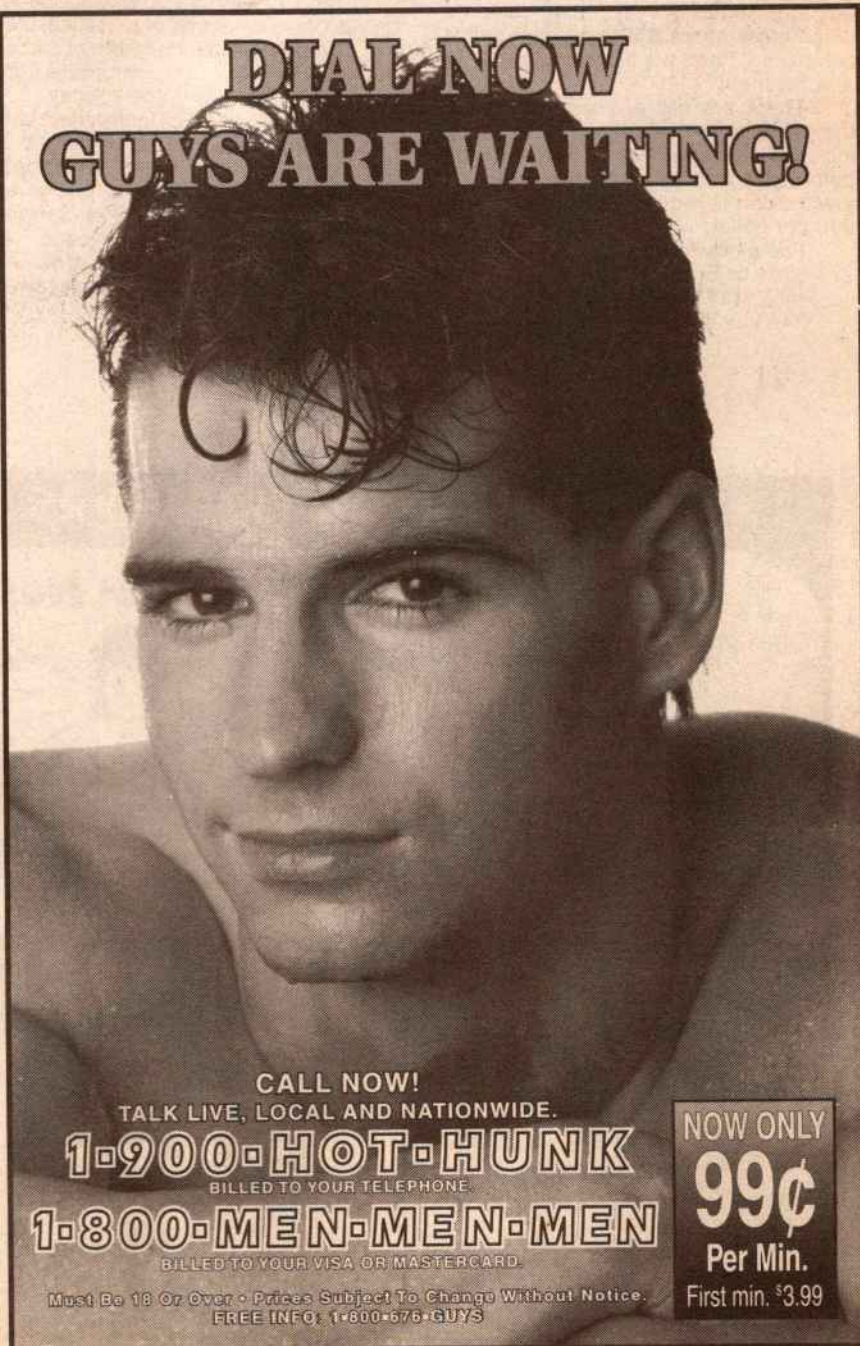
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Milwaukee **SOUTH SIDE:** Gwm seeks GWMs for movies and quiet times at home. #26291

Milwaukee **TREAT HIM RIGHT:** 40 yr old GWM is new to town, friendly and vers. #26943

La Crosse **WE CAN STILL HAVE FUN:** Seeking a guy, 18-29, with a swimmer's bld. No bars. BUT lots of travel and dining. #27079

Milwaukee **SOUTH SIDE:** Bi-WM, 5'5", 135. I am attractive and a workout buff. Let's show off. I have a washboard tummy. #27237

Milwaukee **BIRDS OF A FEATHER:** 27 yr old good looking guy seeks a man, 25-33 for a little travel/fun. #27340

Milwaukee **HANKERIN' FOR A HUNK:** WM, 35, 5'6", 160. I am healthy and hunky. Passionate guy needs some playful fun. I am worth the call. #27381

Milwaukee **MILLER TIME:** Seeking a lthr biker top who is endowed. I love watersports and want to drink some beers, kick back and enjoy a good time. #27472

WI **WIDE RANGER:** 24 yr old GWM, 5'10", 160, blonde and blue. I am seeking guys, 24-40. Dark hair and great personalities are A+. #27486

WI **NO LIMIT:** Seeking a lthr man. Test me all the way. I never fail. #27665

La Crosse **NO FUN ALONE:** 5'2", 125, brn/blu. Seeking a guy around my age (26). Please enjoy hiking, biking and a good workout. #27707

WI **HOT TALK:** 23 yr old seeks some guys for fun and talks on the phone. Call me and we'll take it from there. #27951

Milwaukee **TV SEARCH:** Handsome 37 yr old, 6'2". I am into all kinds of things. Seeking a fem TV for a sincere relationship. Don't be afraid to call. #27989

Milwaukee **FEMME FATALE:** Fem GWM, 36 yrs old, seeks slim male s who believe in love, passion and romance. I love nice clothes, dining out and travel. #28000

Milwaukee **MONDO BONDAGE:** Sub TV seeks guy for wild times and B&D. I am very clean and discreet. #28100

Milwaukee **DOWNTOWN:** Seeking yng guys who are smooth. B&D, shaving, restraints used here. Safe only. #27712

Oshkosh **VERY RECEPTIVE:** 23 yr old Bi-WM seeks some guys for a good time. I am open to anything. #28279

Madison **SOMEONE TO LOOK UP TO:** 26 brn/blu, 140. Seeking good times and a possible relationship with older men. Call me anytime. #28366

WI **CLUB SCENE:** 23 yr old Hispanic male, 160. Into swimming, music and the clubs. #25601

WI **NATIVE AMERICAN:** 30 yr old, 6'4", 220, blk hair, American Indian. Into outdoors, reading art and music. Please be affectionate, honest and clean. Call for home phone. #25608

WI **WHAT'S UNDER THE DRESS, FELLA?:** Seeking attractive guys into crossdressing. I love the mystery and being with a guy who is dressed fem. #11250

Milwaukee **O SOLE MIO:** 19 yr old college student, 5'11", blonde and blue seeks guys 18-25. I am into opera and dancing. #24164

Racine **SMOKIN' GOOD TIME:** Handsome bi-WM seeks discreet guy for hot action. #24242

Milwaukee **UP AND WAITING:** 32 yr old, trimmed stache and beard. Let's have some quality times and build a good relationship. Call me at home anytime. #24326

Milwaukee **SISSY TV:** I am passable and need to be trained by a stern person into an adult baby girl. I wear it all, and need a diaper or baby's dress now. #24366

Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** Seeking Native American or Hispanic guys. I am 6'4", 190 and very athletic and masculine. Call me at home. #21606

Milwaukee **HERE COMES SUMMER:** WM, 23, 6', 180. Seeking a guy around my age to date. I like movies and summersports. Just getting involved in the scene. #24503

WI **IT'S YOUR SERVE:** 20 yr old, 6'2", 190, blk/brn. I like biking, swimming and ping-pong. Kissing, snuggling big pluses. Honest guy seeks a guy of any age/race. #22880

WI **VERY ROMANTIC:** 43 yr old GWM seeks a guy 21-50 of any race for friendship. Into gardening, camping and fishing. Let's settle down and make a commitment. #24663

Milwaukee **SOUTH SIDE:** looking for GBMs. I am 32, 220. Into the movies and dining out. Tps pls call. #24718

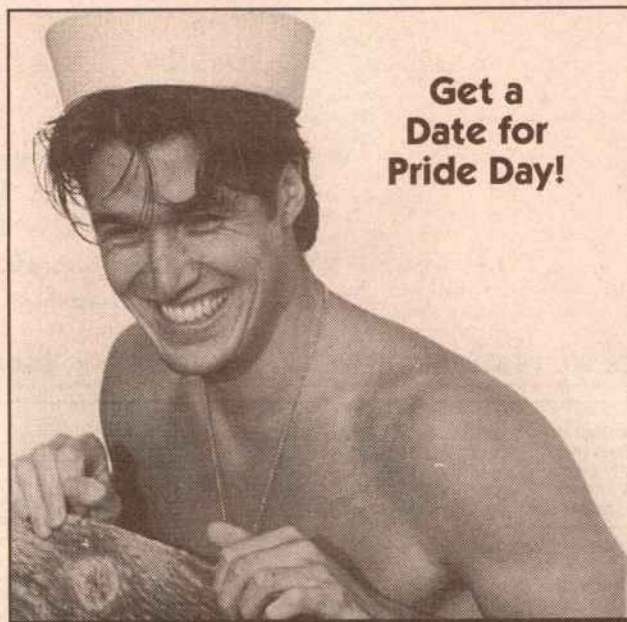
WI **GREAT OUTDOORS:** 19 yr old seeks a guy, 18-24. Into hiking, biking and horses. Any race. #24818

WI **GWM:** 6', 165, 27 yrs old, blonde and green eyes. Into quiet times and cooking. Friends first, possible relationship. #19990

Appleton **VERY SINCERE:** 28 yr old, 6', 220. Into working out, skiing and reading. I am always willing to try new things. #22089

Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** 29 yr old, short hair, stiche. Into the outdoors, movies, concerts and dining out. #18745

WI **JOHN OR JOAN?:** Fem guy into hiking, biking and trail walks. Dark brn eyes, 5'7", 135, slim. Seeking masculine blk males. #24818



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Milwaukee **YOU TELL ME:** 29 yr old blk male seeks a friend who is kind and knows what he wants. Please be a blk male, 21-40. Call me at home. #23108

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WI **RIDE IN THE COUNTRY:** 20 yr old, 6'2", 185. Seeking a guy who likes to cuddle, drive around and listen to music. Please be 18-40 (preferably). #22880

WI **HERE COMES SUMMER:** 29 yr old blk male, 5'8", 150. Med-build. Into music, dance and the lake in the summer. #23108

Milwaukee **GOOD WITH MY HANDS:** 37 yr old seeks a relationship. I am a handy man and home owner. #23153

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Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** Seeking guys under 30 for a hot, safe time. #9368

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Milwaukee **YOUR CALL:** Seeking a hot blk guy. 28 yr old white male for a long or short term situation. #23515

Milwaukee **YNG AND SATISFYING:** Seeking good-looking guys under 22. I am very willing to satisfy. Just let me know. #19251

WI **FIT AS A FIDDLE:** Professional, healthy guy seeks a fit man in his 40's call me at home. #20766

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Milwaukee **I KNOW MY PLACE:** 34 year old 5'9", and med build. I am a definite btm. Seeking friends. #20494

Milwaukee **CREAM OF THE CROP:** 39 yr old, ready for fun. #20769

414 Area Code **DOWN TO EARTH:** Blonde and blue, 5'7", into sports, movies and all kinds of music. Seeking guys with good hearts and souls. Must be mutually respectful. #20506

608 Area Code **CARNIVAL ATMOSPHERE:** 20 yr old, 5'6", 135 seeks men 20-40's for fun and excitement. #20614

Madison **MILITARY SCENES:** Workouts, crewcuts and having fun your thing? Call me. #20744

Wassau **THRU THE UPS AND DOWNS:** 23 yr old WM Bi-guy seeks a relationship with a WM 18-25. #20758

Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** 5'11", 165, seeking 18-26 yr olds. Must be fairly liberal and a non-smoker. #20777

Milwaukee **ALL POINTS BULLETIN:** Seeking hunky Puerto Rican or blacks. #20879

WI **WHERE DO YOU THINK?:** GWM, 21, 145, 5'10". I am seeking an honest guy who thinks with his heart. #11508

Milwaukee **GARDEN FAN:** 35 YO. Into down to earth people, rare plants and country music. Seeking 18-35 yrs. #17697

WI **CLEAVAGE!!!:** 5'8", 165 builder. Interested in masc guys. I am a strict tp with a beard. #17812

Milwaukee **FIND ME IN THE GYM:** 41 year old workout nut loves animals, movies and dining out. Open to all ages. #17954

Milwaukee **WHERE YOU LEAD:** I will follow. 6'1", 195, 37 blonde and blue guy seeks a white male 27-37 who is good-looking and athletic. Show me the ropes. #17940

Milwaukee **YOU NAME IT, WE DO IT:** Blue eyed professional is into various experiences and would enjoy hearing from you. #18299

Milwaukee **GOING TO EXTREMES:** 28 year old white male seeks a black guy for fun excitement. I am into music, movies and socializing. #18300

Milwaukee **HAVE HAIR, WILL TRAVEL:** 25 year old guy with brn hair and eyes seeks 18-26. Hairy/aggressive A+. #18327

414 area code **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY:** 22 year old black male is 5'9", med built and vers. I am open to all races and enjoy the theater and quiet times. #18381

Milwaukee **NOW PLAYING:** 6'2", good-looking guy seeks similar. Into all kinds of movies and quiet nights at home. #18556

414 area code **YOUNG SPLENDOR:** 21 year old, 6'2", blue eyes. Seeking a guy 18-25 for friends and a possible relationship. Call me at home. #18655

Milwaukee **POOL PARTY:** young ht studs for pool parties that are ht, ht, ht. #16120

Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** Seeking bigger guys. Hairy A+. I am 30 with a slight beer belly. Into outdoors, bicycling, movies and music. Slim guys OK, too. #18745

Milwaukee **BE SINCERE:** 22 year old with brn hair and grn eyes seeks honest and sincere men. I enjoy quiet evenings #18750

Milwaukee **GOT ON MY SISTER'S BEST:** 35 year old crossdresser seeks others or TS/TV's. #18890

Milwaukee **HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR:** 18 year old into wrestling, football and workout. Seeking 18-25 year olds. #18816

Appleton **SPORTS-MINDED:** 34 year old WM. I am inexperienced and seeking a 27-37 year old. I am into music, golf, tennis, skiing and more. #19054

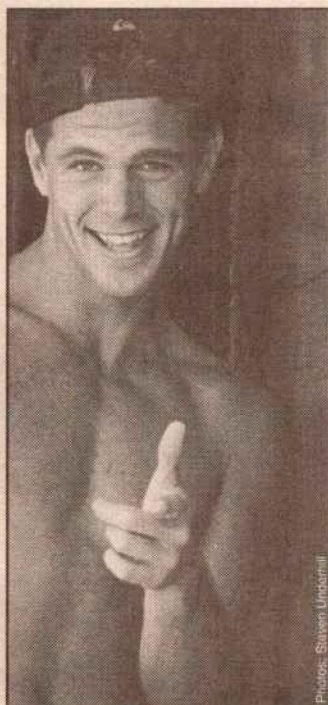


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Milwaukee **KICK UP YOUR HEELS:** GWM, blonde, 30, seeking fun-loving men. I love to dance and am not into the bar scene. #19069

Milwaukee **YNG AND SATISFYING:** Seeking good-looking guys under 22. I am very willing to satisfy. Just let me know. #19251

Lacrosse **STOP THE FREEZE:** New to area. Let's warm up these Wisc nights. Like bowling golf and shopping. 2 or 3 ain't bad. #2411

Milwaukee **TWENTYSOMETHING:** 20 y/o, looking to have fun all the time, let's get together. #7625

Milwaukee **ALL THE GOOD STUFF:** bm, 40 y/o, into travel, electronics, sports, & v. interested in finding the same or anyone into fun. #8049

Milwaukee **SIZZLER:** 26 y/o, fun person: into exploring, trying new things. looking for some wild & sizzling nights. #8123

Milwaukee **JERRY MEI:** GWM, 31, bi-okay 18-35. Big deadhead and tape collector. Btm seeks tp. #8172

Kenosha **KENOSHA:** 22 WM 5'6": Seeking fit man with long hair. Italian A+. Music and cuddling are the best. Pls. write. #9227

Jamesville **STUDENT BODY:** 24 y/o, gwm, work a lot, go to school. Pls call for fun and friendship. #9249

608 Area Code **IT STARTS WITH TALK:** gwm, blond, blue, dark stach, 155lbs, would like to meet new people to talk & maybe something more. #9262

Madison **28 YO** 6'1", 175 looking to talk and get together. #2206

Milwaukee **TEDDY BEAR:** 5'9" Brn and Brn. Hairy chest seeks 18-40. Pls call for my hm phone. #

Milwaukee **BACK TO SCHOOL:** 29 YO student 5' 11" BM seeks friends. #4239

Milwaukee **FEELIN GOOD:** 39 YO, 5'7" looking for any-aged hot man. I like to feel good. #8354

Green Bay **LATIN** bi-curious guy is ready to try and do anything. #9538

Milwaukee **FULLFILL ME:** Seeking tall blk tps. I am unfulfilled. Please help me. #1476

Milwaukee **SPECIAL SOMEONE:** 28 YO. 5'11". Looking for someone to share the quiet evenings with. I love camping and the outdoors. I will return all calls. #7752

Milwaukee **EAST SIDE:** 24 YO is physically fit and gd looking. Hoping for hot safe times. Please call me at home. #9368

Madison **INTO BIKING:** rollerblading and skiing. Seeking under 25 year olds. #9462

WI **RED TP:** 6', red-haired college student seeks a really gd time and a possible relationship. #1553

WI **TOYS FOR TPS:** Call for a present. #7338

WI **SMALL OPENING:** GWM 6'1", 185 is tight and into crossdressing and cuddling. #11250

Milwaukee **STEAMY:** 28 YO seeks other smooth and ht guys for safe action. #11256

WI **SNUGGLED UP:** Attractive blk male 200+ lbs. btm loves to get into music and cozy nights. #11509

WI **I LIKE TO WATCH:** Feel like putting on a show for this 33 YO? #11182

WI **SETTLING DOWN:** 29 year old is looking for a long term relationship. #12141

Milwaukee **WORLDLY:** 40 YO gentleman is very athletic and stached. I am a cultured model/professional. Into antiques and partying. #12558

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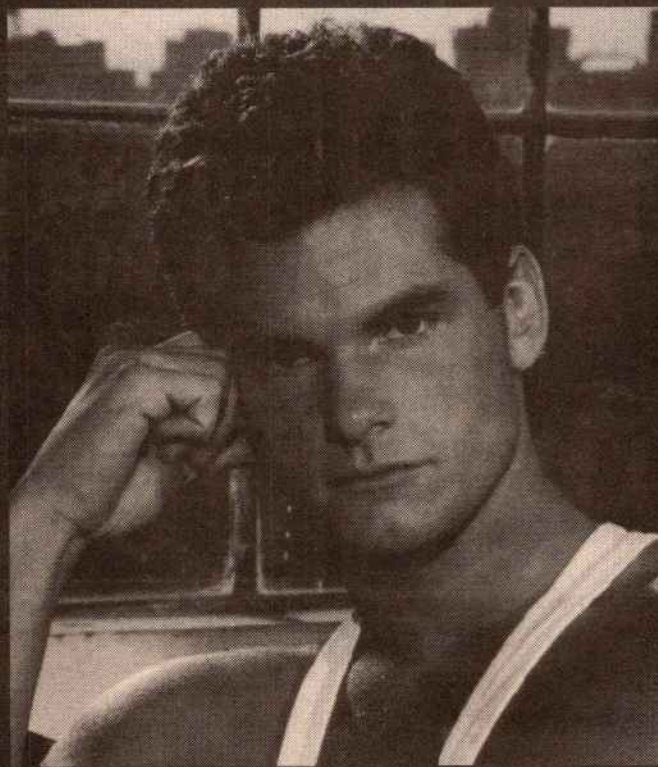
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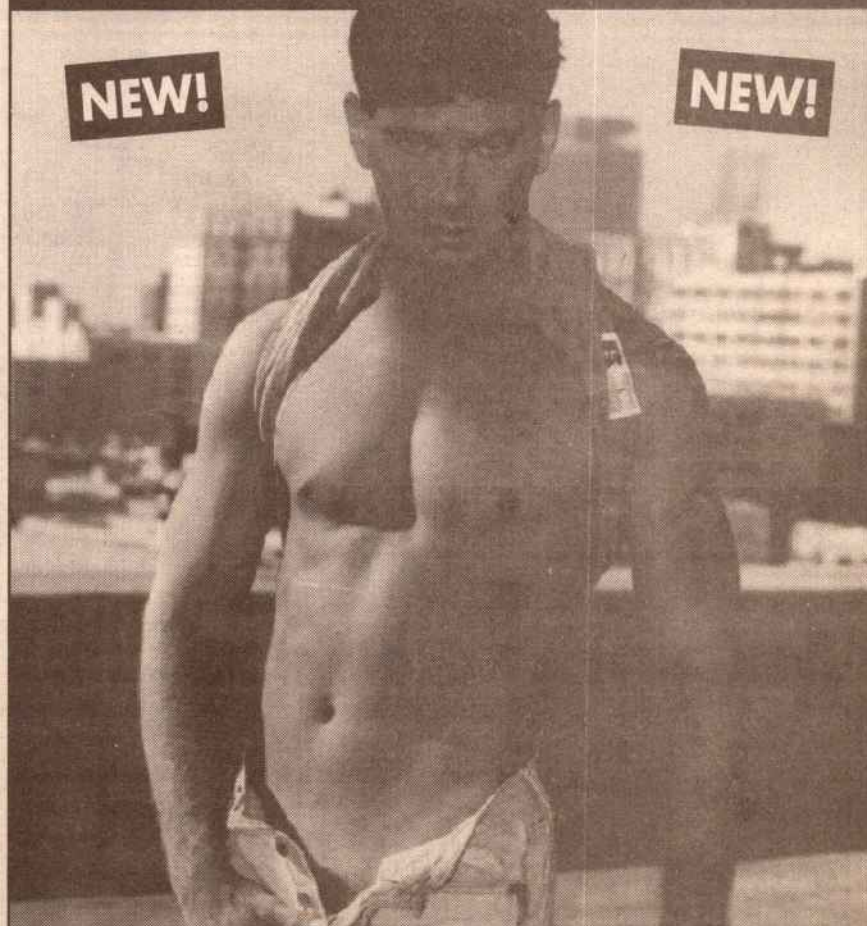
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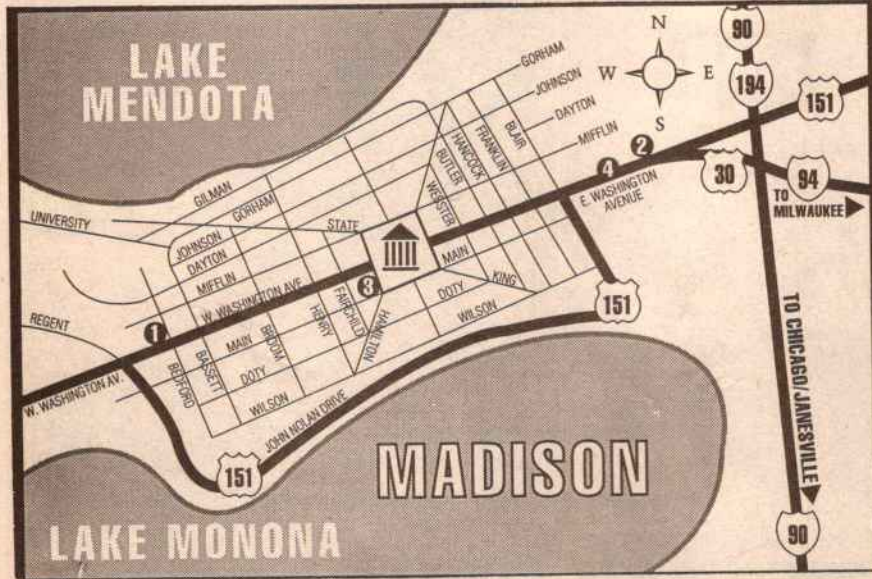
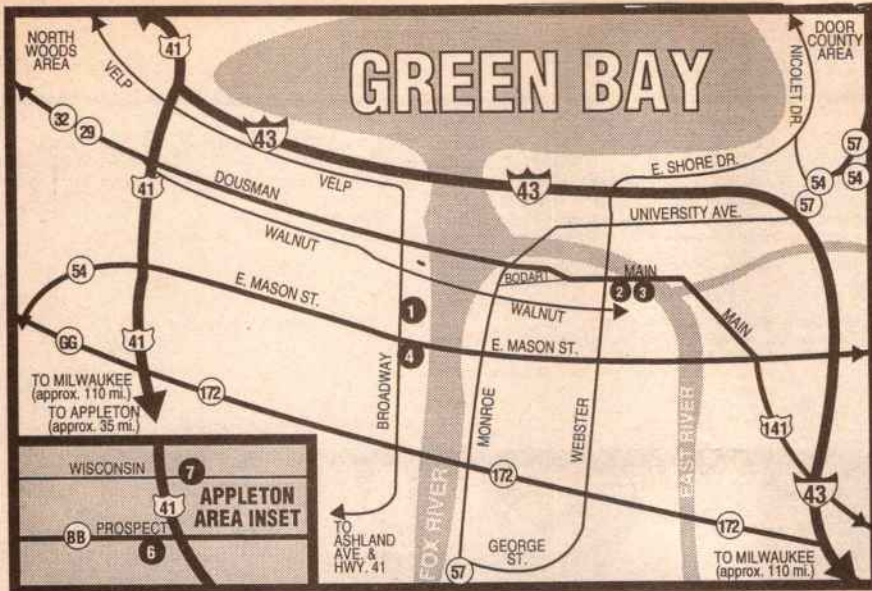
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- ECHO (East Central AIDS/HIV Organization) 725 Butler Ave, Winnebago 54985 (414)235-5100
- Men's HIV+ Support Group Appleton 733-2068
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- UW-Oshkosh 10% Society 207 Reeve Union, UW-O, 54901
- Gay AA/Anon 494-9904
- G.L.E.E.D.A. (Gay & Lesbian 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
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- 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
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- HIV/AA (weekly meetings) Ric 468-6316
- Men's HIV+ Support 437-7400
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**AASPIN Foundation** (Goal or Wish Assistance for PWAs) 2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 (608)273-4501  
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**Gay/Lesbian Phone Line** (608)255-4297  
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**Gay Fathers c/o United** (608)255-8582  
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**Kissing Girls Productions** (Lesbian Cultural Events)  
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**10% Society** (student organization) Box 614,  
UW Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706 (608)262-7365  
**Unicorns of Madison** (L/L club)  
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**By Any Means Necessary** Community Development Coalition Rodney 277-7671  
**Castaways M.C.** (Levi/Leather club)  
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**Cream City Foundation** (CCF)  
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**Cream City Squares** (G/L Square Dancing Club) 521-1259  
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**Different Drummer Theatre Alliance** (G/L TheatreCo) PO Box 92756, 53202 347-0673  
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**Galano Club** (chemical free recovery club) 2408 N. Farwell 276-6936  
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**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  
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 MAP Spiritual Care  
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 Office/Staff 273-1991 AIDS Information 273-2437  
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 Consortium (Experimental HIV/AIDS Drug Program)  
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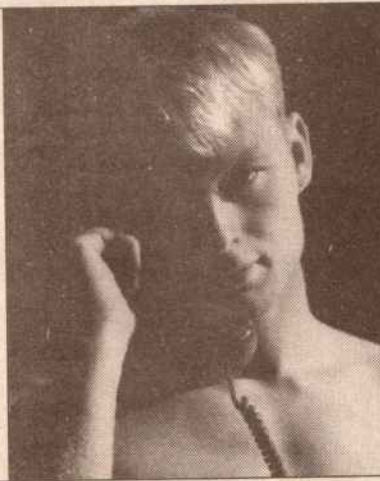
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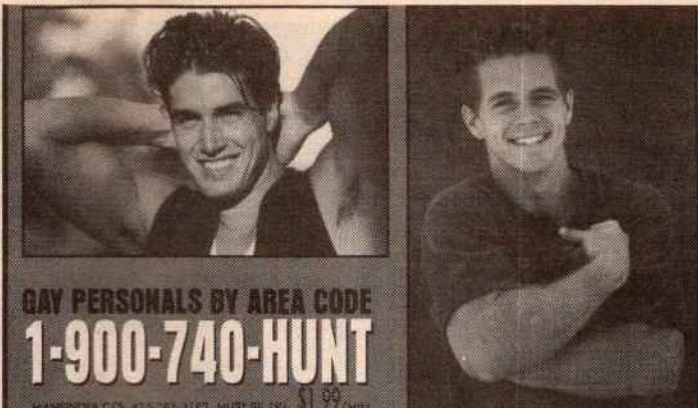
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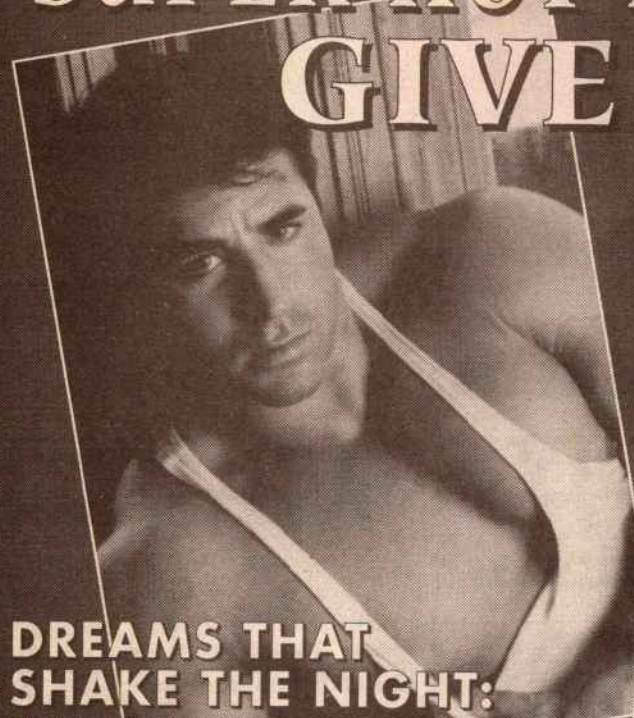
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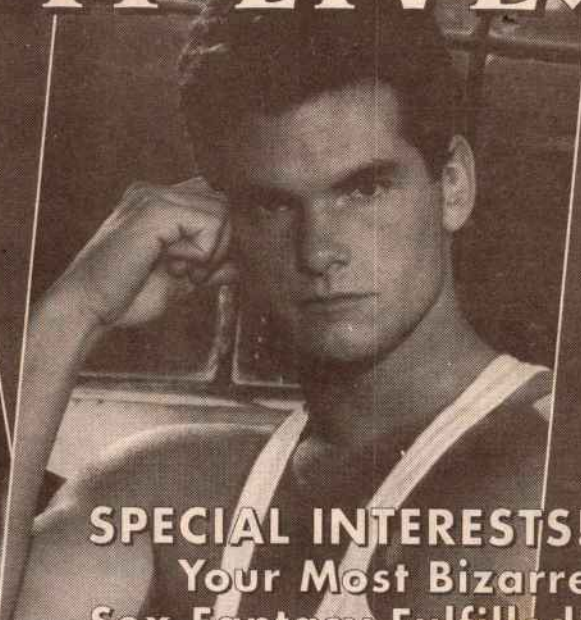
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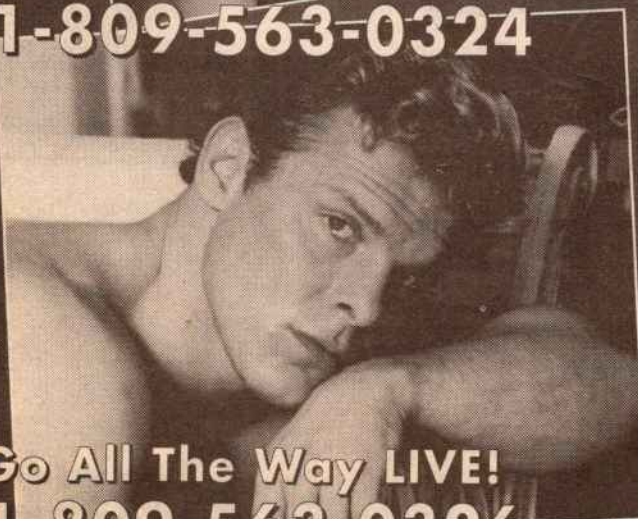
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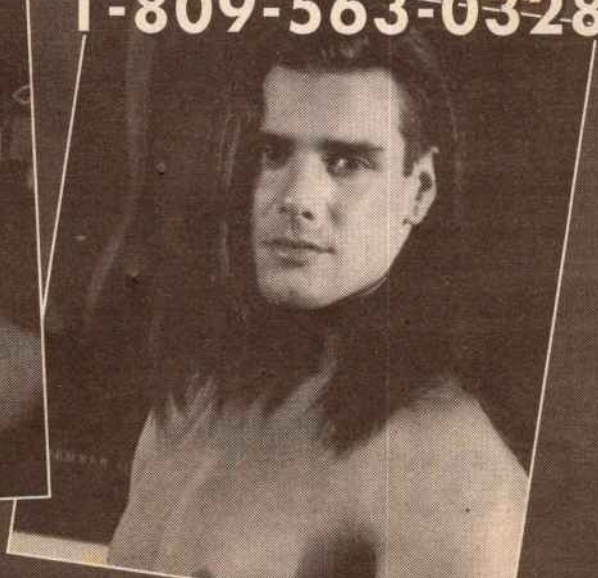


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