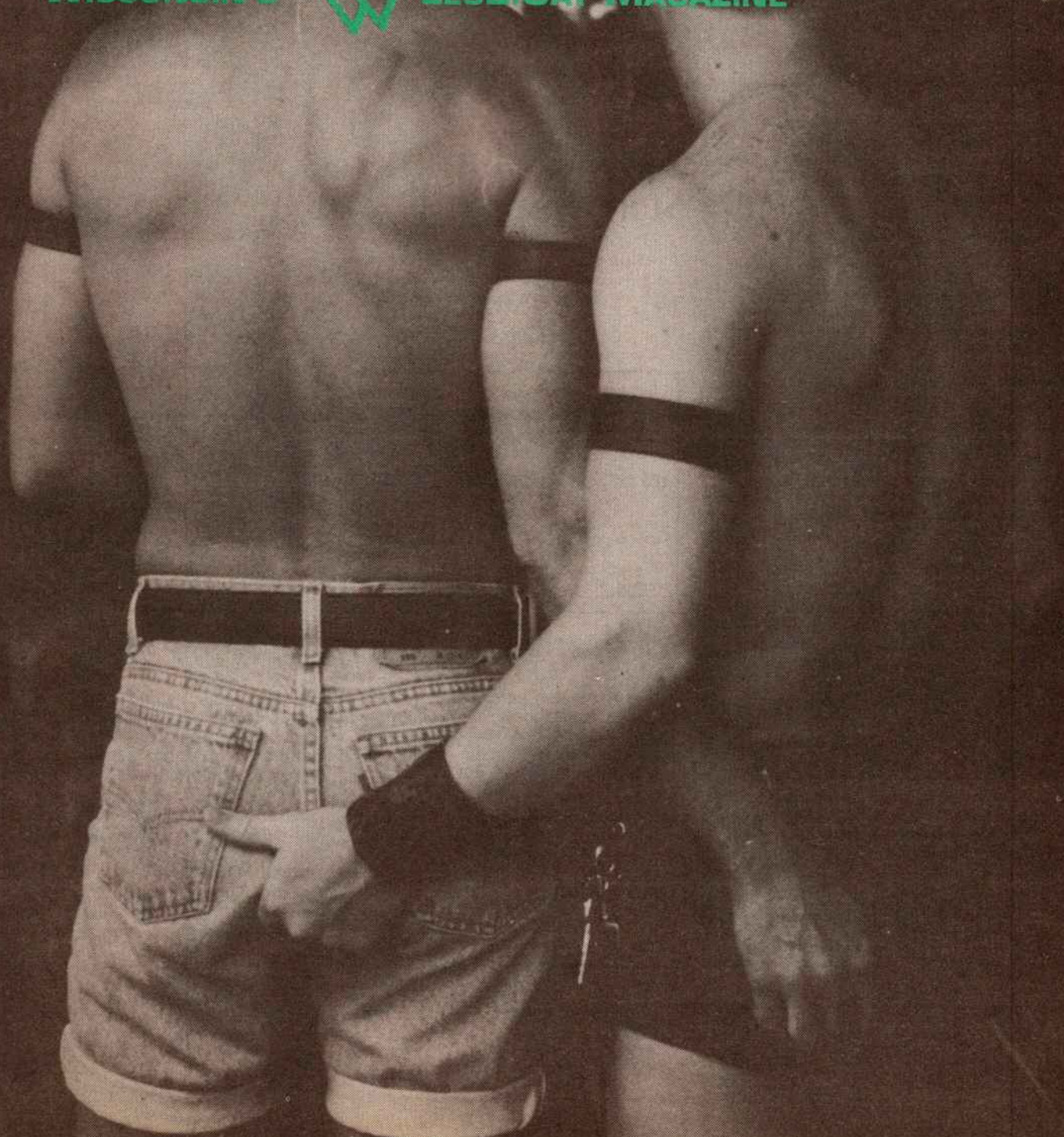


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AUGUST 6

It's the 2nd Annual Mr. Ms. Leather Madison Contest. Leather products on sale at noon; workshop from 3-4:30. Show & contest begin on the Patio at 10 pm so buy your goods and strut your stuff. International and local title holders will be present.

Sunday

AUGUST 7

It's that time of year again!! Time for the 15th Annual Mr. Rod contest. Patio opens at 5 pm, show & contest start at 8 pm. Special guest appearances & surprises. \$500 in total prizes. Pick up your application at Rod's front bar.

Saturday

AUGUST 13

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Sunday

AUGUST 7

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Sunday

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News

Victory Fund Supports Record 17 Candidates

Ranks of Openly Gay/Lesbian Officials Could Swell This Year

Washington, DC — The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, which offers financial and technical assistance to qualified Gay and Lesbian candidates for public office, is recommending a record 17 candidates to its donor network. If most are victorious, the ranks of openly Gay and Lesbian public officials could rise dramatically after this fall's elections.

All 17 candidates have undergone vigorous screening to determine their viability as potential public officials. They will receive campaign contributions from members of the Fund who join for \$100 and promise to donate another \$100 each to two recommended candidates within a year.

Since its inception in 1991, the Victory Fund has donated more than \$600,000 to qualified Gay and Lesbian candidates. Many of its recommended candidates have won their races. Wisconsin State Rep. Tammy Baldwin credited the Victory Fund with helping to secure her victory for a seat in the State Assembly in 1992.

In late July, Victory Fund Executive Director William Waybourn announced the names of 10 candidates who will be added to the 7 candidates previously awarded Victory Fund backing. The new candidates include:

▼ **Karen Burstein** is the only woman running in the Democratic primary in September to become New York State Attorney General. Burstein has previously served in the New York State Senate, as Chair of the State Consumer Protection Board, as President of the State Civil Service Commission and as a Family Court Judge in Brooklyn.

▼ **Tom Duane**, who made history when he won a seat on the New York City Council as an openly Gay and HIV-positive candidate, is running for a seat in the US House of Representatives. New York's 8th Congressional District includes the heavily Gay and Lesbian-populated neighborhoods of Chelsea, Greenwich Village and SoHo.

▼ **Ken Chevront** is one of three Democrats competing in a primary for two seats in the Arizona House of

Representatives. The district includes central Phoenix. Chevront has good name recognition as a longtime community activist and a member of the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Board. In 1990, he won 44% of the vote in a bid for a State Senate seat.

▼ **John Hannay**, the former Director of Baltimore's Gay and Lesbian Community Center, is running for one of three District 44 seats in the Maryland House of Delegates. Employed by the AIDS Administration of the Maryland Department of Health, Hannay has worked with the Maryland Civil Rights Commission and founded the Free State Justice Campaign, a group lobbying for a state Gay rights law.

▼ **Cal Anderson**, who has served three terms in the Washington State House of Representatives, is running for a seat in the State Senate. The 43rd district includes parts of Seattle. Anderson has strong support from Gays and Lesbians and organized labor and was recently voted the state's third most effective legislator. Anderson has ushered Gay rights bills through the House three times only to see them killed in the Senate.

▼ **Don Moreland**, a Seattle businessman, is running for a seat in the Washington House of Representatives. He has been endorsed by Seattle's Mayor and nine city council members, including Sherry Harris, a Lesbian. Moreland served on the Seattle Human Rights Commission and on the Governor's AIDS Task Force. He is a founder of the Privacy Fund, a Gay/Lesbian political action committee.

▼ **Tom Ammiano** is a special education teacher and comedian who was the first Gay person to be elected to the San Francisco School Board. He has been President of the School Board for several years and is now seeking a seat on the Board of Supervisors. A community activist for many years, Ammiano organized the Gay Teachers Union, served on the Mayor's Advisory Council on Childcare and has been involved in many Democratic Party campaigns.

▼ **Derek Belt** is the unchallenged Democratic nominee for a seat in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, representing his hometown of Attleboro. Belt, a case manager at the AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts since 1991, is appealing to Gays and Lesbians, women, senior citizens and the Hispanic community. He faces a nominal challenge from a Republican in the November general election but is expected to win.

▼ **Chuck Carpenter**, a former Naval officer, won the Republican primary for the District 7 seat in the Oregon House of Representatives in May. He is an International Trade and Operations Analyst with Nike, Inc. and has the backing of many business and

professional groups as well as Oregon's Log Cabin Clubs. Carpenter has also been endorsed by the state's most influential newspaper, **The Oregonian**.

▼ **Teri Schwartz** won the June 7 primary for Los Angeles Superior Court Judge and will face the second-place finisher in the November 8 run-off. Schwartz has been both a defense attorney and a prosecutor and has spent the last five years as Deputy District Attorney in the Hardcore Gang Division. She has been endorsed by the **Los Angeles Times** and every major law enforcement agency in the county.

These ten candidates now join the other recommended candidates already announced by the Victory Fund:

▼ **Tony Miller** for California Secretary of State

▼ **Will Fitzpatrick** for Rhode Island State Senate

▼ **Sheila Kuehl** for California State Assembly

▼ **Tim Van Zandt** for Missouri House of Representatives

▼ **George Eighmey** for Oregon House of Representatives

▼ **Susan Leal** for San Francisco Board of Supervisors

▼ **Bonnie Dumanis** for San Diego City Court

In addition to the 17 candidates whose races are still pending, the Victory Fund racked up two early wins when Cook County (Chicago) Circuit Court candidate Tom Chiola and Dade County (Miami) Court candidate **Victoria Sigler** were unchallenged in their general elections.

Anyone wanting more information on these candidates or wanting to become a member of the Victory Fund should call (202) 842- 8679. Or write to the Victory Fund at 1012 14th Street, N.W., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

UW-Milwaukee Offers Gay/Lesbian Studies Courses

Certificate Program Expected to be Approved Soon

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — Registration for fall classes at UW-Milwaukee is underway and among the many offerings are a number of courses in Gay and Lesbian Studies. The only glitch is that as of **In Step's** presstime, the proposed certificate program in Gay and Lesbian Studies had not yet been approved by administrators.

Students are encouraged to sign up for the courses anyway because they can still earn the credits from the various departments. UW-Milwaukee Associate

Vice Chancellor Paul Haubrich told **In Step** the program is likely to be approved in August. But even if it takes longer to wend its way through the university's administrative channels, credits for the Gay/Lesbian Studies certificate will be retroactive.

Haubrich said the certificate program still requires approval from UW-Milwaukee Vice Chancellor Kenneth Watters, who must then forward it to Albert Beaver, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs in the UW-System.

The fall course offerings tentatively approved for credits toward the Gay and Lesbian Studies certificate are listed below. The courses noted with an asterisk are of primary importance to Gay and Lesbian Studies but many of the others are related.

The certificate program requires students to complete 18 credits, including three credits for the Introduction to Gay/Lesbian Studies, nine credits in two of three areas of study (Literary and Cultural Studies, History/Sociology/Political Science/Economics/Anthropology, and Psychology/Social Welfare/Health Sciences) and another six credits in tangential areas.

The English Department is offering Introduction to Gay and Lesbian Studies (350-248, Sec. 005)*, The Politics of Representation: The Holocaust and AIDS (350-248, Sec. 008)*, Literature and Media: Stars and American Culture (350-380)*, The Politics of Gender in Media and Performance (350-509)*, and Feminist Literary Theory (350-547).

The History Department is offering The Family and Sex Roles in the Past (448-141) and Women in American Society (448-243). Rhetoric in Western Thought (245-435) is available through Mass Communications, while The Economics of Discrimination (296-248) is offered through the Economics Department.

Sociology courses include Sex and Gender (900-250) and Sociology of Deviant Behavior (900-341). Anthropology offers Culture and Personality (156-445). The Department of Africology presents African Religious Thought and Social Organizations (106-311). Theories in the Psychology of Women (820-420) in Psych and The Spectrum of Human Immunodeficiency (397-362)* in the School of Nursing are also available.

Five courses in the field of Social Work are offered: Introduction to Human Services (896-100); Human Behavior and Social Environment (896-350); Social Work and Medical Issues (896-536); Child and Family Services (896-562); and Family Violence (896-591).

For information about registering for classes, call (414) 229-3800.

Club 3054 Faces Full Common Council Vote August 30

Committee Votes 4-1 For 90 Day Closure

By John Cain

Madison — Madison's Alcohol License Review Commission voted July 27 to accept a stipulation mandating a 90-day closure of Club 3054. The 4-1 decision came in response to allegations of illegal public sexual activity in Wings, the club's basement bar. The stipulation will next go to Madison's Common Council, which will vote August 30 whether to accept or reject the stipulation.

Assistant City Attorney Rick Petri, bar owner Cheri Becker and Becker's attorney, Richard Jacobson, had originally worked out a plan which included a number of conditions, including a 60-day suspension of the Club's liquor license. However, at a July 7 ALRC meeting, Ald. Tim Bruer engineered a resolution to automatically reject any settlement which did not include a 90-day closure.

The lengthening of the suspension was the only change in the stipulation.

LONE ALDERMAN CONDEMNS VOTE

Ald. Dan Waisman was the lone vote against the revised penalty. He did so because he believed that even the original 60-day closure was too harsh a penalty. He called the process by which the ALRC decision was reached a "bad way of doing business." He stated at the meeting his belief that members of the Common Council had struck a deal to close the bar permanently unless a 90-day suspension was imposed. He named Ald. Bert Zipperer and Ald. Tim Kehl as two of the dealmakers, saying that they and other Council members "clearly had not read the actual charges [against the bar]. They had only read the newspaper accounts."

Bruer denied that either of the named Council members had spoken with him regarding a deal and denied that any deal had been struck. Neither Zipperer nor Kehl could be reached for comment before **In Step's** deadline.

After the meeting, Waisman reiterated his belief that there was "a deal done." He noted that there had been 14 police calls from Club 3054 in the last year, and they were all "good calls," i.e. calls the police want to receive. The question of any illegal sexual activity, he said, was a matter for the Public Health Department, which chose to take no action. Bruer has maintained that his only motivation behind engineering a 90-day closure was public health concerns, but recent

actions he has spearheaded to regulate adult businesses in Madison call that assertion into question.

Under Madison ordinance, the recommendation of the ALRC may not be considered until the second regular meeting of the Common Council after the recommendation is made. Petri explained at the meeting that this was so members of the Council would have time to read all of the records pertaining to the recommendation.

90's Choice Moves into Milwaukee Market

Gay Beer Will Donate to HIV/AIDS Groups

Minneapolis — 90s Choice Products is introducing 90s Choice and 90s Light Beers, and 90s Non-Alcoholic Beer to Milwaukee and surrounding area. Twenty-five cents of every case sold will be donated to local HIV/AIDS related organizations.

90s Choice Products began marketing three premium tasting microbrewed, malt beverages in Milwaukee at the end of July. 90s Choice Products has contracted with Minnesota Brewing of St. Paul, Minnesota to produce 90s Choice Beer. Minnesota Brewing, which sits on one of Minnesota's oldest drinking wells, is an independent brewery which bottles a host of micro-brewed malt beverage products.

90s Choice Products is principally backed by Mary Bloom, whose husband owns the world famous Gay 90's bar and restaurant in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Gay 90's is one of the Mid-West's largest entertainment complexes serving 90s Choice to over 20,000 customers weekly.

90s Choice began when Mary Bloom wanted to develop an in-house, premium tasting, micro-brewed beer for the Gay 90's. As word and demand for 90s Choice spread, Mary made plans for national distribution.

Twenty-five cents of every case sold will be donated to local HIV/AIDS related organizations. On every bottle neck, this pledge is stated.

90s Choice plans to market its product through selected promotions, the alternative press and creative advertising.

For sales and product information please contact, Clark Bufkin at (800) 308-7111.

Class Detects Discrimination in Tests of Valley Merchants

By Cheryl D. Hentz

Oshkosh — Fox Valley merchants are being asked to help rid the business community of bias and discrimination in its dealings with customers. The request comes from a local group in response to a recent experiment done by a University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh sociology class.

Earlier this year, Professor Barbara Peters sent students to 11 Fox Valley stores — including jewelry stores, record stores, shoe stores and sporting goods shops. Some students were African American, while others posed as interracial and Gay and Lesbian couples. White students served as "control groups" and "observers" to determine the level of prejudice by store management and personnel. In all but two retail establishments, the students were discriminated against.

Peters would not name the stores, but said the discrimination included not being offered the same sale price as the "control group," the African American customers being watched closely by store personnel while whites were left alone as sales clerks went to the stockroom for something, and the Gay couples being told they could not look at wedding rings.

Peters says her class's goal in doing this experiment was to give students real-life exposure to some of the day-to-day biases and prejudices exhibited toward Gays and racial minorities.

STORES TO POST NON-BIAS STICKER

Upon reading about the project's results in the paper and hearing about it on the radio, the multi-racial Toward Community: Unity in Diversity group discussed the findings. They decided they would ask area businesses to sign an agreement and post a sticker, promising not to discriminate. The sticker reads: "The management of this establishment and its employees are committed to providing courteous and non-discriminatory service to all its patrons."

So far the group has only contacted businesses in downtown Appleton, but it plans to extend their reach to cover the Fox River Mall, Northland Mall and Valley Fair Mall. The response from those merchants contacted so far has been positive. When finished in the north Valley, Toward Community may expand their efforts to include businesses in Neenah-Menasha and Oshkosh. As for Peters, she says her class will conduct

the same experiment again this coming school year.

Toward Community: Unity in Diversity was formed last year with the mission of promoting "unity through a sharing of cultural values, an appreciation of the richness of diversity and a commitment to justice through education, advocacy and service."

AIDS Walk Wisconsin

Walkers Gear Up For The Fifth Annual Pledge Walk on September 18

Milwaukee — September 18 will be no ordinary Sunday in Wisconsin. People from throughout the state will join the fifth annual **AIDS Walk Wisconsin** along Milwaukee's Lakefront, united in support and commitment to fighting the AIDS epidemic. Money raised from the 10K (6.2 mile) fundraising walk supports AIDS prevention, research and care.

Registration cards are available at all statewide Walgreens Drug stores and Kohl's Food Stores. Register by returning the postage prepaid cards or by calling the Walk hotline. Registered walkers will receive Walk information and forms to begin signing up pledges.

"Now in its fifth year, AIDS Walk Wisconsin is the largest statewide fundraising event benefiting AIDS," said Doug Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. "Since the first walk in Fall of 1990, the event has raised over \$1.4 million and has significantly increased community awareness of AIDS. This money helps ensure that the thousands of men, women and children affected by HIV and AIDS have access to compassionate health and social services that meet their needs."

"Last year's AIDS Walk drew 8,000 people and raised an unprecedented \$537,000. Unfortunately, the AIDS epidemic is growing and we must continue caring for those living with HIV and educating others on how to prevent its spread," Nelson added.

The Walk begins on the Summerfest Grounds, continues north along scenic North Lincoln Memorial Drive, through Lake Park and concludes at Summerfest. Walkers will enjoy entertainment, food and beverages before and after the Walk, and at five rest stops along the route.

Businesses, community and student groups, other organizations, families and groups of friends are encouraged to register for the Walk as "Teams," challenging other groups in friendly competition to raise the most pledge money. Teams and individuals can win exciting prizes donated by Wisconsin businesses based on the amount of

pledges raised and brought to the Walk.

AIDS Walk Wisconsin, produced by the ARCW, is co-sponsored by the Milwaukee AIDS Project, Madison AIDS Support Network, Center Project Inc. in Green Bay, the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project - Kenosha, Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project - Eau Claire, and the Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium. ARCW distributes the proceeds from the Walk to these agencies and 14 other AIDS service organizations in Wisconsin.

Register now by calling the AIDS Walk Wisconsin office, 1-800-348-WALK.

STATE News Briefs

Pro-Choice Republicans Back Gunderson for US Senate

Madison — Two prominent pro-choice supporters within the Republican Party have thrown their support to Matt Gunderson, the 30-year-old Osseo businessman who wants to unseat US Sen. Herb Kohl (D) in the November election.

Ann Peckham of Madison and George Kaiser of Milwaukee sent a letter to 400 pro-choice Republicans saying, "If the pro-choice forces do not rally around Matt, we will likely never see another high profile Republican choice candidate in Wisconsin...If the electorate rejects Matt, it rejects moderation and embraces moralism."

Gunderson is the younger brother of US Rep. Steve Gunderson and is believed to share his moderate social views on abortion and Gay rights, views that have incensed right wing religious elements within the State GOP.

Gunderson will square off against more conservative, anti-choice Republicans in the September 13 Senatorial primary. His opponents are attorney Thomas Fitzpatrick, State Treasurer Cate Zeuske and State Rep. Robert Welch.

Crypto Report Cites Faulty Equipment, Slow Response

Milwaukee — The July 21 edition of the **New England Journal of Medicine** contained a report by federal, state and city health officials about the tainted municipal water supply which caused the cryptosporidiosis epidemic in Milwaukee last year. More than 400,000 residents became ill with the parasitic infection and 100 immuno-compromised individuals, many of them with HIV/AIDS, have died of complications from crypto.

The report indicated that while the Howard Avenue Water Treatment Plant was operating within standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of Natural Resources, failures of equipment and

slow response by personnel contributed to the crypto outbreak. "Water quality standards and the testing of patients for cryptosporidium were not adequate to detect this outbreak," the report concluded.

The report said that equipment meant to check the turbidity (cloudiness) of the water on a continuous basis had not been operating for almost a year. Special equipment to monitor whether enough coagulant has been added during the water purification process was also installed improperly, giving Water Works personnel a false sense of security. In addition, because human stool samples are not routinely checked for crypto, health workers were slow to recognize that a water-borne parasitic disease was spreading. None of these factors created the crypto-laden water. They merely disguised it and delayed recognition of it.

The findings of the report are likely to be used by those suing the City of Milwaukee for negligence.

Gay Republican to Challenge Notestein for State Assembly

Milwaukee — Scott Evertz, a 31-year-old Republican, will be the first openly Gay man to run for a seat in the State Assembly. Evertz filed nomination papers to run against State Rep. Barbara Notestein, a Democrat who has held the 19th District Assembly seat since 1984.

Evertz was born in Washington, DC but came to Milwaukee in 1980 to attend Marquette University where he studied political science and theology. He has been a volunteer for the Milwaukee AIDS Project and is Vice President of the Log Cabin Club of Milwaukee, a group that promotes the Republican Party within the Gay community and promotes Gay rights within the GOP.

Evertz promises to be a strong supporter of Gay rights. He says he prefers legislation to legalize same gender marriage over domestic partnership provisions but would support whichever proposal had the best chance of passage. Crime, welfare reform and property tax relief will be the major issues he will address during the campaign.

Evertz will face Notestein in the September 13 primary. The 19th District, which runs along Milwaukee's east side between St. Francis in the south to UW-Milwaukee in the north, is heavily Democratic. Notestein is currently Assistant Majority Leader in the State Assembly and has strong ties to women's groups, labor, and senior citizens.

Also Around the State...

Milwaukee — Mayor John Norquist has appointed Bob Moore, President of

Milwaukee GAMMA and coordinator of the Gay Bicycling Network, to the newly created Bicycling Task Force. The purpose of the Task Force is to oversee a bicycling plan for the city that will improve safety and promote bicycling for commuting and recreation while helping Milwaukee meet its clean air goals. Moore can be reached at (414) 963-9833.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

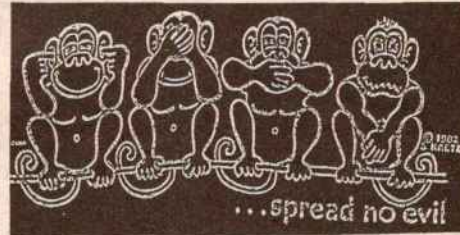
NATIONAL News Briefs

Committee Pulls Olympics from Cobb County

Atlanta, GA —On July 29 the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (ACOG) decided to move the 1996 Olympic Volleyball Games from Cobb County, Georgia.

Last year, the Cobb County Commission passed a resolution condemning the "Gay lifestyle" as incompatible with community standards and has refused to rescind the measure

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despite mounting opposition. Gay and Lesbian residents of Cobb County formed the Olympics Out Of Cobb Coalition with the goal of removing the prestigious Olympic games from the county in light of its anti-Gay stance.

"We commend the Olympic Committee for taking this principled stand and agreeing that Cobb County does not deserve the honor of hosting the Olympic Games," said Peri Jude Radecic, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Executive Director. "It would have been an international disgrace to host the multi cultural Olympics in a county where bigotry and prejudice are proclaimed through anti-Gay resolutions."

"This decision is a victory for Atlanta, ACOG, and all those who believe in human rights and dignity," said Pat Hussain, NGLTF board member and organizer of the Olympics Out of Cobb Coalition.

Citrus Commission Dumps Rush

Tallahassee, FL — The Florida Citrus Commission has decided not to renew its contract with conservative talk show host Rush Limbaugh who was paid \$1 million for hawking Florida orange juice on his radio and TV shows in the past six months.

The decision to hire Limbaugh had met with a firestorm of criticism from leaders of the feminist, African American and Gay and Lesbian communities because of Limbaugh's frequent disparagement of those groups. A boycott of Florida orange juice had been picking up steam in recent weeks, but a spokesman for the Citrus Commission denied the boycott was a factor in dumping Limbaugh.

Kim Gandy of the National Organization for Women said the Commission's decision not to renew Limbaugh's contract "sent a message that hate and intolerance will not be tolerated by thinking consumers."

"One hopes that the Florida Citrus Commission has learned a lesson. Bigotry is bad for business," said Mickey Wheatley of Gay and Lesbian Americans which joined in the boycott. "But then you would have thought they would have learned that lesson with Anita Bryant," he added, referring to the singer and orange juice spokeswoman who led battles against Gay rights laws in the 1970's.

Send your comments to the Florida Citrus Commission, Public Relations Department, P.O. Box 148, Lakeland, FL 33802-0148.

Senate Slashes Millions From NEA Budget

Washington, DC — On July 26, the US Senate approved by voice vote a funding bill that will cut the budget of the National Endowment for the Arts by 5%, or a whopping \$8.5 million. The House had previously cut the NEA budget by

2%, so a House/Senate conference committee must work out a compromise.

Democratic Sen. Robert C. Byrd (W-VA), who is chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee, led the attack on the NEA, citing a recent NEA-sponsored performance in Minneapolis in which actor Ron Athey allegedly drew blood from his skull and a fellow actor's body, soaked the blood with paper towels and hung them on a clothesline above the audience. The Walker Arts Center had paid Athey \$125-150 of an NEA grant for his show.

The Senate reductions in NEA funds will reduce three specific programs by up to 40%: visual arts, performing arts and presenting and commissioning. Byrd said these areas "have been at the center of recent controversies."

The Senate cuts would reduce the NEA budget from its current \$170 million to about \$161.5 million. The current budget is already much lower than in previous years because of earlier cuts brought about by conservative critics like Sen. Jesse Helms. The current budget of the NEA is actually less than what the Pentagon allocates for the armed services' marching bands alone.

FBI Searching for Serial Killer of Gays

Quantico, VA — The FBI has joined authorities in Virginia, Maryland, Georgia and Florida in the search for a man who is suspected of murdering at least five Gay men along the east and southeast coasts since early this year.

Warrants for first-degree murder have been issued for Gary R. Bowles, 32, in Nassau County, Florida, Savannah, Georgia and Montgomery County, Maryland. The FBI is seeking Bowles for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. Each of his alleged victims are white men who Bowles apparently met in Gay bars. The victims' cars, credit cards and other valuables were also stolen. The victims were alternately beaten, strangled and/or shot to death.

Bowles, a construction worker, was released from a Florida prison last December after serving two years for a robbery and probation violations. Publicity about his alleged murder spree has led authorities in other jurisdictions to re-examine unsolved homicide cases. The FBI is reviewing a series of murders of Gay men in the Washington, DC and Arlington, Virginia area to determine whether Bowles might be implicated. Gay organizations and newspapers are warning Gay men to be careful of who they meet and take home.

Interfaith Alliance to Counter Christian Coalition

Washington, DC — A coalition of Jewish, Catholic and Protestant leaders have formed an Interfaith Alliance to provide a counterweight to the political

and social activism of evangelicals and fundamentalist Christians organized as the Christian Coalition.

"Our concern is that the radical right lays claim to the fact that they uniquely speak for people of faith in this country, in essence that 'God is on our side,'" Joan Brown Campbell of the National Council of Churches told the **New York Times**. "We feel we must come together as an interfaith group and say to this country there is an alternate religious voice."

"Putting it another way," said Dr. Herbert Valentine of the Baltimore Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (USA), "we're against spiritual intimidation."

Among the Board members of the new Interfaith Alliance are Bishop Thomas J. Gumbleton of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit, Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, former President of the American Jewish Congress, and Rev. Leonard Jackson of the First African Methodist Episcopal Church of Los Angeles.

Two Gay/Lesbian Health Foundations Merge

Washington, DC — The National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation and the National Alliance of Lesbian and Gay Health Clinics have merged into a new entity, the National Lesbian and Gay Health Association, to be headquartered in the District of Columbia.

The Lesbian and Gay Health Association plans to provide leadership on policies and funding in the areas of Gay and Lesbian health issues. This goal includes lobbying Congress and federal agencies for monies and programs to benefit Gay and Lesbian health consumers.

The group will continue to assist in the development of Gay and Lesbian health clinics and services nationwide and hopes to publish an annual report on the state of Gay health in America. The Association's first director is attorney Christopher Portelli, who formerly served as general counsel for the National Association of People with AIDS.

Virginia Governor Attacks Gays as "Unnatural"

Richmond, VA — Republican Gov. George Allen, speaking on his monthly radio call-in show, said that Gay relationships are "unnatural" and that it is "not in the best interests of a child" to be raised by same gender parents.

Allen's comments came in response to a question about the custody battle over 3-year-old Tyler Doustou, whose Lesbian mother was ruled an "unfit" parent by a Virginia judge. Sharon Bottoms won her appeal but because the boy's grandmother is appealing that ruling, Bottoms does not yet have custody of Tyler.

"As a matter of government policy, I don't think we should condone that kind of behavior," said Allen about Gay parenting. "Furthermore, it's against the criminal laws in Virginia that homosexual acts are illegal, and I think it should stay illegal."

In a rebuke to Allen's anti-Gay views, the Virginia Housing Development Authority recently dropped the word "family" from its lending regulations, replacing it with the broader term "household." The vote was 6-1, with commissioners saying the change would not just benefit Gay and Lesbian couples but all people who choose to live together or who are forced to live together because of economic necessity.

Stories of Anti-Gay Violence in Workplace Needed

Washington, DC — The Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the arm of the Department of Labor which regulates safety and health threats on the job, is considering including anti-Gay violence (along with violence based on race and gender) in its revised guidelines about the workplace environment.

Joe Dear, Assistant Secretary of OSHA, was recently asked about the inclusion of such a provision. Dear said he would seriously consider it but would like more information, such as evidence that homophobic violence does occur on the job.

Gays and Lesbians are encouraged to write descriptions of incidents of anti-Gay violence they have experienced on the job. Stories should note whether the incident was a physical or verbal assault or threat and whether the perpetrator was an employer, a co-worker or an outsider. The year of the incident is also important information to include.

For further information, contact Doug Young at 131 Hartford Street, #C, San Francisco, CA 94114, or call: (415) 626-3137.

Also on the Newswire...

Minneapolis, MN — Hennepin County Judge Deborah Hedlund has ruled that because state law does not explicitly recognize same sex marriages, the City Council of Minneapolis exceeded its authority by voting to extend health benefits to the domestic partners of municipal employees. The ordinance will not go into effect, pending an appeal of Hedlund's decision.

Greenville, SC — A state representative is proposing legislation which would put state controls on what is aired over South Carolina Educational TV, the PBS affiliate, after viewing the documentary on Gay/Lesbian history, *Before Stonewall*. "The whole tenor of the program was to promote homosexuality as a superior lifestyle,"

"AIDS doesn't give a damn how young and pretty you are."



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fumed Republican Rep. Terry Haskins. "Some of what was said was just outrageous."

El Paso, TX — The *El Paso Times* has joined the growing list of daily newspapers in the country which publish announcements of unions between same sex couples. Publisher Don Flores said: "We strive to be inclusive of people regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, physical disability, age or economic standing."

Boise, ID — Rev. Todd Brown, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Idaho, has issued a statement opposing an anti-Gay initiative which will appear on the ballot in November. However, Brown also said Gays should not be recognized as a "new protected class" and that he opposes the extension of benefits to the domestic partners of

same sex couples.

Boston, MA — The administration of Northeastern University has announced it will recruit openly Gay and Lesbian faculty members by advertising openings through Gay publications and organizations and spreading the news that Northeastern provides benefits to the domestic partners of its faculty members. The outreach to Gays coincides with a broader effort to recruit veterans and disabled people as well.

New York, NY — William Rubenstein, director of the American Civil Liberties Union's Lesbian and Gay Rights Project and AIDS Project for the past four years, has announced his resignation. The projects are staffed by four attorneys, have a budget of more than \$1 million and have been instrumental in cases challenging the

military's ban on Gays, in adoption/custody issues and discrimination against people with AIDS. The ACLU is seeking a replacement.

New York, NY — The Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS, which hoped to raise \$1 million on entertainment events during the Gay Games/Stonewall 25 celebration, lost more than \$60,000 and has had to cut back staff and grants because of the loss. DIFFA dispenses funds to AIDS service groups.

Washington, DC — John James Vasey, a closeted Gay man who lived in a hotel for transients in Portland, Oregon in the years before his death in 1992, bequeathed his Illinois farmland to the Human Rights Campaign Fund. The farm is worth more than \$400,000.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

Where Corporations Are Located:



Corporations With Written Sexual Orientation Policies.

1993 Wall Street Project Census

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Survey Reveals Gay Protections at Fortune 500 Companies

One in Four Workers Covered, Policies Triple Since 1990

By Jamakaya

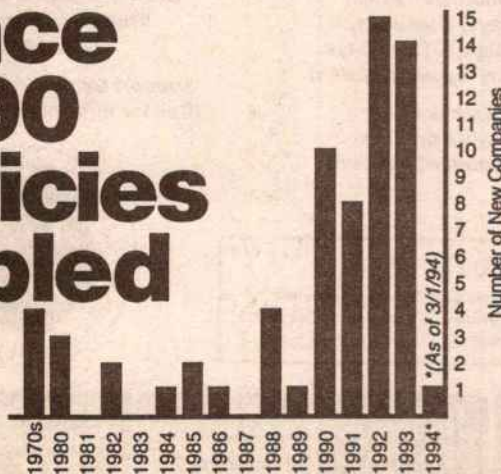
New York, NY — Census findings released by the Wall Street Project indicate that over 5.7 million — about one in four — employees of Fortune 500 Service and Industrial Corporations are protected by a written sexual orientation non-discrimination policy.

The national survey found that 134 of the Fortune 500 companies now have written sexual orientation policies — triple the number that existed in 1990. Those companies range from General Motors with 750,000 employees to Bay View Capital Corporation, with just 275 employees. Other firms with such policies include Sears Roebuck, Walt Disney and Milwaukee's own Harley Davidson.

Leaders in non-discrimination protections are the fields of Finance, High Tech and Diversified Services, representing 28%, 12% and 12% respectively. Virtually every type of field is represented, however.

Diane Bratcher, co-chair of the Wall Street Project, commented: "The number of companies now offering non-discrimination policies shows that real change has occurred in corporate America when it comes to giving Gays and Lesbians real protection from unfair treatment...It is not just large corporations doing so. Smaller firms such

Since 1990 Policies Tripled

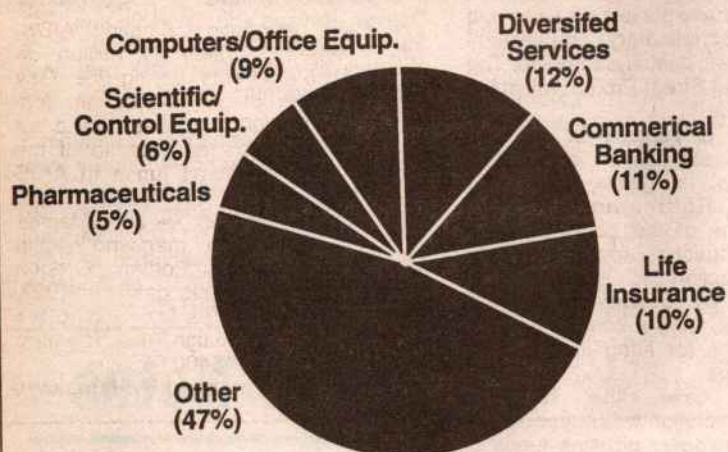


Most Corporations Have Adopted Written Sexual Orientation Non-Discrimination Policies Since 1990.

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Leading Industry Sectors With Sexual Orientation Policies



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are based in the states of California and New York alone.

"Change may be coming slower in the South," said Nick Curto, co-chair of the Wall Street Project. "But with Southern companies such as Knight-Ridder, Tandy and Intergraph having policies in place, we feel it won't be long before other companies in the South will grant Gays and Lesbians protection from discrimination."

Of the 134 Fortune 500 companies with non-discrimination guidelines, 72 are in the service sector and 62 are in the industrial sector. The leading service fields with Gay-positive policies are commercial banking, life insurance and other diversified services. The leading fields in the industrial sector include computers and office equipment, pharmaceuticals and scientific and control equipment.

The number of Fortune 500 companies which conduct sexual orientation diversity training for employees is 84. The number of companies with Gay and Lesbian employee groups is 29.

Corporations were also asked about whether they offer any benefits to the domestic partners of employees. Thirty-two companies said they do. Benefits include bereavement leave, family leave, health coverage and use of company facilities. Each of the 32 companies offered at least one of these

as Trek Bicycle and Johnson & Higgins have also joined the growing trend and adopted policies."

"It is also interesting to note," said Bratcher, "that in the majority of cases employees asked for the policy and their request was granted. This proves that the time for employees to speak up on this issue has come."

NORTHEAST, WEST LEAD NATION

The census shows a fairly even distribution of the policies across the country, with the notable exception of the South. When divided into regions of the Northeast, West, Midwest and South, companies with sexual orientation policies are distributed 43%, 30%, 22% and 5% respectively. Forty-two percent



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benefits; some offered several. Only Eastman Kodak and Silicon Graphics offered them all.

At least two corporations based in Wisconsin failed to make the honor roll of progressive policies on Gays. The Wall Street Project report indicates that the A.O. Smith company "refused to answer" the survey and the Fort Howard paper company gave an "unclear response." Land O'Lakes also provided an "unclear response."

Among other corporations which refused to answer were Coca Cola, Monsanto, Quaker Oats and Safeway. McDonald's, Avon, Borden, Helene Curtis, Clark Oil and Texaco said they had no policies on sexual orientation.

(A newly published book called **The 100 Best Companies for Gay Men and Lesbians** by Ed Mickens includes Harley-Davidson, the YWCA of Greater Milwaukee and CUNA Mutual Insurance Group of Madison.)

PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY

The Wall Street Project is a non-profit program sponsored by the Community Lesbian and Gay Rights Institute. It aims to help educate Americans on the need to provide non-discrimination policies to Gay and Lesbian employees. It seeks to inform corporations of the financial clout and investing power of Gays, Lesbians, their friends and families.

The Wall Street Project also hopes that by publicizing the Fortune 500's personnel policies regarding sexual orientation it may influence investors into making socially responsible decisions with their money.

Prominent members of the Gay and Lesbian community see the change in corporate employment policies as purely economic.

Michael Goff, editor of **Out** magazine says: "This census proves that equality for Gays and Lesbians is good for the country and the economy. Unlike government, these Fortune 500 service and industrial companies change policies only for good business reasons. Clearly, they feel that providing these employment protections is good for business."

Diane Bratcher sees many companies, like Levi Strauss and The Gap, as recognizing the buying power of Gays and Lesbians and taking aggressive advertising and marketing positions aimed at these communities.

"We want Americans to take these policies into consideration when purchasing and investing decisions are made," said Bratcher. "We urge consumers and investors alike to contact companies and ask them to adopt non-discrimination policies."

Alan G. Hevesi, New York City's Comptroller, praised the Wall Street Project for identifying Fortune 500 companies that protect the rights of Gays. "All corporations should adopt

similar policies."

"New York City pension funds want the companies in which we invest to choose employees from the widest possible talent pool," said Hevesi. The pension funds have played a leading role in fighting discriminatory employment practices and will continue to do so. The work of the Wall Street Project will make that effort easier."

This type of support for non-bias policies was seen on a large scale recently when the New York City Employees Retirement System (NYCERS), one of the country's most powerful institutional investors, took shareholder action to end anti-Gay discrimination by Cracker Barrel Old Country Stores, Inc., a company which made headlines for firing its Gay and Lesbian workers.

In this case, the NYCERS shareholder resolution was supported by the multi-billion dollar pension funds of the states of California, Minnesota, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and TIAA-CREF, the largest institutional investor in the US.

"We see more large scale support coming forward on this issue," said Nick Curto. "NYCERS is keenly interested in the results of the Wall Street Project's national census as are several socially responsible investment firms."

"Today I am proud that we can say 25% of Americans in major corporations have been given basic human rights. We will continue to work towards the goal of 100%."

The Wall Street Project intends to conduct its survey of Fortune 500 corporations every year and fully anticipates that the results of each year's census will show greater progress for Gay and Lesbian equality in the workforce.

GLAAD Goes National

New York, NY — The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, which monitors the images of Gays and Lesbians in the media, has formed a strong national group from the merger of its New York City and Los Angeles chapters and is embarking on an aggressive campaign to strengthen smaller chapters throughout the country.

The recent merger and national effort were spurred by "new challenges in the post-Stonewall era," according to a GLAAD release. GLAAD will continue to fight for fair, accurate and inclusive representation of Gay and Lesbian lives in the media and entertainment industries and bestow its annual Media Awards for the best depictions of Gays and Lesbians.

GLAAD will maintain headquarters in both New York and Los Angeles. "A presence is essential in New York, the nation's media capital, and Los Angeles, the entertainment capital," said Ellen

Carton, longtime leader of the New York group.

In addition to New York and Los Angeles, GLAAD currently has chapters in eight cities: Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Kansas City, Washington, DC, San Diego and San Francisco. Each chapter will get at least one seat on a national governing board of the new group.

For more information, to become a member, or to learn how to start a local chapter, contact GLAAD in New York at 150 W. 26th Street, Suite 503, NY, NY 10001. (212) 807-1700. Contact GLAAD's Los Angeles office at 8455 Beverly Blvd., Suite 305, Los Angeles, CA 90048. (213) 658-6775.

Group Notes

Old Fashion Pig Roast AIDS Benefit August 13

Seeks Performers To Fill Out Schedule

The *First Annual Old Fashion Pig Roast* planned for Saturday, August 13 from 11am to 8pm at Crossroads Bar in Lake Mills, is looking for entertainers to help fill out their 9 hour long stage schedule. Bands, groups and solo acts are encouraged to volunteer by calling John or Pete (CountrySide Home Improvements) at (414) 568-0294; or Harold at Friends Bar at (414) 563-2231.

Organizers are encouraging people to purchase tickets well in advance (like Now) so they have a better idea of how many pigs and chickens to buy for the fest. Three acres of party land next to Crossroads Bar have been set aside for the activities which include: Pig/Chicken/Corn Roast; plenty of side dishes; beer and soda; entertainment, door prizes and lots of games. Festivities begin at 11am and continue through 8pm. All this food and fun costs just \$15. Kids under 12 are \$10, and free admission for those under 3. *Proceeds from the event will be split between the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) and the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP).*

Tickets are on sale in Madison at MASN and Rod's; Runway 51 in Janesville; Friends Bar in Ft. Atkinson; and at Crossroads Bar (the host of the event) in Lake Mills. In Milwaukee, tickets are available at In Step, 1100 Club, The Ballgame, Wreck Room, Marble Arcade, C'est La Vie, Trio Travel & Imports, 3B's Bar and Walker's Point Cafe.

TAKE THE BUS FROM MILWAUKEE

A bus sponsored by the Milwaukee bars will be going to the Roast from Milwaukee, and the fare is only \$3 per person round trip. The bus will pick up Pig Roast Partyers from 9:15-9:30am Saturday, August 13 at the 1100 Club on South 1st and Washington. The 1100 Club is open at 6am so you can stop in for breakfast before you go. The bus will be making a second stop at The Ballgame on 2nd and Pittsburgh from 9:45-10am only. The Ballgame will open early to accommodate participants. You can pay for fare when you board the bus. Roast tickets will also be available on the bus for those who didn't get a chance to purchase them in advance.

See you at The Roast!

DIRECTIONS

The Country Pig Roast is being held on the grounds of Crossroads Bar in Lake Mills, Wisconsin. From Madison, take I94 east (30 minutes) to Lake Mills exit (Hwy 89), then left at McDonalds. From Milwaukee, take I94 West (45 minutes) to Aztalan Park Exit (Hwy 26), then left to B. The roast is right next to Aztalan Park, at the intersection of Highways B&Q.

Statewide LesBiGay Organization to Gather in Stevens Point

Action Wisconsin Meets August 13

Madison — Action Wisconsin, the statewide LesBiGay organization, will gather in Stevens Point on Saturday, August 13, at 2pm in the College of Professional Studies (COP) Building at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Room 116 (lower lecture hall).

Dorothy Dean, Democratic Candidate for Lieutenant Governor will also speak to Action Wisconsin as part of this program. Dean is a strong supporter of LesBiGay issues.

Action Wisconsin is a network of individuals from across the state and have met in the state Capitol since January to form a congress linking groups from Racine to Superior. Organizing quickly to respond to the Radical Right, Action Wisconsin has developed a database of organizations from throughout Wisconsin, produced promotional materials and created a united voice throughout the state via the press.

During its meeting in Stevens Point, members from a growing number of areas across Wisconsin will gather to talk about critical issues important to our community in Stevens Point and

surrounding areas; discuss critical statewide issues that will impact our community in coming months; develop strategies to increase membership in Action Wisconsin; and affirm Action's platform.

Action will continue to meet across the state. "We will create an incredible communications network that reaches every community — every Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual person and allies. In the coming months we'll be traveling throughout the state to meet with local activists in the smallest villages and the largest cities," said Juliet Brodie, Action Wisconsin Steering Committee Member.

"We're meeting and organizing

across the state to fight for legislation that will promote legal recognition of families, to monitor the Radical Right and their agenda, to work for public school education about our [culture] and history, to assure current laws protecting our rights are enforced, and to create a massive network," said Dale Johnson Action Wisconsin Steering Committee Member and President of The United, a Madison LesBiGay organization for social change.

Individuals interested in receiving more information about Action Wisconsin can write to PO Box 342, Madison, WI 53701.

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The Flirtations and Suede to Headline MAPFest 1994

7pm Concert September 4

Milwaukee — *The Flirtations* and *Suede* will perform at a special concert at the **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin's (ARCW) 9th annual MAPFest**, a concert and festival to benefit AIDS. Performances by the two groups will culminate a day full of games, laughs and super entertainment on Sunday, September 4, noon to 10:30pm at the Performing Arts Center in downtown Milwaukee. Held annually as a celebration of pride and caring, MAPFest honors the Gay and Lesbian community and friends for years of loyal support throughout the AIDS epidemic.

The concert, sponsored by the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund, Inc., **In Step Magazine** and **The Wisconsin Light**, will be held on Sunday evening, September 4 at 7:30 in Vogel Hall at the Performing Arts Center in Milwaukee.

Suede, an extraordinary jazz/pop vocalist and musician, has showcased at numerous women's festivals. In her first Milwaukee performance, her smooth voice will win your heart. She is a self-taught musician and writer on piano, guitar and trumpet. Suede has touched audiences both nationally and internationally from Cape Cod to Atlanta; New Orleans to Minneapolis; San Francisco to L.A. to Washington DC; New York to the British Isles, performing in concerts, festivals, colleges and clubs.

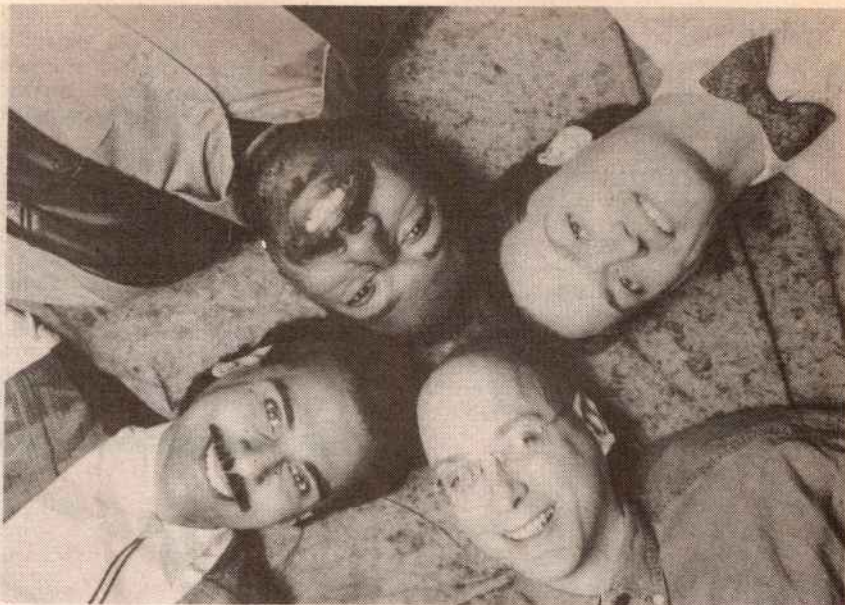
The Flirtations, as seen in the award-winning movie, *Philadelphia*, are back at MAPFest by popular demand as the world's first and only politically active, multicultural, all-Gay *cappella* vocal quartet. The Flirtations have been thrilling audiences across the continent with their unique blend of politics, musical artistry and humor since their first street corner appearances in Greenwich Village in the spring of 1988. Their glorious voices, striking onstage honesty and their equal commitment to social change and to just plain fun, leave audiences and critics everywhere on their feet cheering for more.

Concert-goers will be able to spend the day enjoying a variety of activities at MAPFest, including the best in female illusionist performances and musical showcases, a hilarious dog show, raffles an expanded game arcade, the marketplace and entertainment by the Shoreline Dancers, Cream City Chorus, Rufus & the Gospel Singing Machine & Co., and the Fest City Singers with highlights from "History, Herstory, Ourstory."

NEW ADDITIONS

MAPFest's newest attraction — the

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The Flirtations are coming back for MAPFest's concert again Labor Day Weekend.

Dance Tent — will be rocking with everyone's favorite dance tunes from 1 to 10pm. Festgoers will have the opportunity to dedicate a balloon in the name of a loved one. The balloons will be released at 7pm in a colorful tribute, and will be followed by the concert, indoors.

A pre-Fest raffle will offer a variety of prizes including round trip tickets for two to Florida compliments of Bottom Line Travel and an Edelweiss cocktail cruise for two.

TICKETS ON SALE

Tickets for *Suede* and *The Flirtations* are available at the Milwaukee AIDS Project (315 W. Court Street),



Vocalist "Suede" will perform along with The Flirts at MAPFest '94.

LAMM (414) 264-2600, AfterWords (2710 N. Murray Avenue), People's Books (1808 N. Farwell Ave.), Outpost Natural Foods (100 E. Capitol Dr.) and the PAC Box Office (414) 273-7206. Advance tickets are \$15 which includes admission to MAPFest. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for \$15, not including MAPFest admission.

Admission to MAPFest is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. Enjoy a \$1 discount on MAPFest admission with three non-perishable food items for the MAP food pantry.

MAPFest is sponsored by Miller Brewing Company, Bottom Line Travel, Milwaukee Performing Arts Center, **In Step** magazine and **The Wisconsin Light**. MAPFest is produced as a fundraiser to benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project, Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project, Kenosha, Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project, Eau Claire and Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium.

For Marketplace booth rental, more information or to volunteer at the event, call (414) 291-2848 or (800) 359-9272.

Madison Video and Wrestling Club

Madison — The **Madison Wrestling Club** will not meet during the month of August, but returns to regular bi-weekly practices Saturday, September 3 at 8pm. After that, the club will meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month this fall.

The **Gay Video Club** will screen *Stonewall 25* on Saturday, August 27 during its Fall Kickoff Party in an all new format at 8pm. The video club will meet on the second and fourth Saturdays.

For more information on either group, call (608) 244-8675 evenings.

Public Officials Reception

Planned for October 11

Milwaukee — The Human Rights League for Lesbians and Gays is organizing a reception for local elected and appointed public officials as a part of the celebration of National Coming Out Day on Tuesday, October 11. The reception will be held at Village Church, 130 E. Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee, from 5:30 to 7:30pm. It will give officials a chance to know their Lesbian and Gay constituents better, and to provide an opportunity for community building between the many Lesbian and Gay groups in the Milwaukee area. Hors d'oeuvres and entertainment will be provided.

The Public Officials Reception Committee has held a reception in prior years in connection with PrideFest. This year, the committee has combined forces with the Human Rights League to host this event. The Mayor, the County Executive, various legislators, councilmen, county supervisors, and judges have attended previous receptions.

The organizers are attempting to reach all Lesbian and Gay groups and invite them to help sponsor this event. However, they may not have a complete listing of groups. If you are interested in co-sponsoring or in attending this event, as an individual or as a representative of a group, please contact the Human Rights League at (414) 228-1921.

Outdoors Cooperative To Unite With Milwaukee GAMMA

Milwaukee — Outdoors, a Milwaukee based organization specializing in rugged and extended activities such as sea kayaking, Western mountain climbing, skiing and white-water rafting, will combine its future events with **GAMMA**, who, for the last sixteen years has offered the Milwaukee area Gay and Lesbian community a variety of sports, outdoor, cultural and social activities.

In a joint statement, the officers of both groups said, "The interests of the two groups are so similar that for ease of administration and communication, there appears to be no need for two organizations." One of the benefits of the new arrangement is that a wider variety of events will now be available to members of each organization and to the entire Milwaukee Gay and Lesbian community.

Anyone interested primarily in

Outdoor activities, will be welcome to join **GAMMA**, obtain the **GAMMA Newsletter**, and participate only in non-subsidized outdoor activities (both the shorter ones sponsored by **GAMMA** and the longer ones sponsored by **Outdoors**) at a discounted rate of \$12 per year. The "cooperative" feature of **Outdoors** will continue; each member will be expected to contribute to the administrative aspects of at least one event per year. For more information on **GAMMA** or on **Outdoors**, please call (414) 963-9833.

Anonymous HIV Tests Available At Third Ward Block Party

Milwaukee — BESTD Clinic volunteers will offer free anonymous HIV antibody tests during the Historic Third Ward Block party. Times for testing will be 1 until 6pm on both Friday and Saturday, August 5th and 6th. Registration and information tables will be setup at the South end of Broadway on Menomonee.

Counseling and testing will be done at 266 East Erie. All tests will be processed with an anonymous code provided by the client. No names, addresses or information identifying the client will be used.

BESTD Clinic is located at 1240 East Brady Street and has been operating as a volunteer health organization since 1974. It is one of the most active and accessible anonymous HIV testing sites in Metropolitan Milwaukee. The Third Ward event is another attempt by **BESTD** volunteers to reach people at any risk for HIV infection and provide both risk reduction and HIV transmission education in addition to the HIV antibody test. Additional counseling and referral will be done when results are given at times selected by and convenient to each client.

Green Bay's "Miss Gay Guernsey" Gala

Benefits Center Project

Green Bay — The annual Miss Gay Guernsey Gala "pageant" will be held Saturday, August 20 at Za's in Green Bay. This fundraising event attempts to raise badly needed money for the Center Project Emergency Fund.

Brandy's II, Napalese, Sass and Za's each have nominated two contenders for the Guernsey crown. Each contender then "sells" votes at \$1 each, and the one who raises the most by the August 20 pageant is crowned the winner. (Very similar to Milwaukee's Possum Queen MAP Benefit.)

Bartenders at the above participating bars have tickets available for purchase. Everyone is encouraged to buy multiple votes.

The final "pageant" is expected to draw many eager fans to catch some legendary performers like "The Grande Madame" or "Connie Franchise", but the real action is in the vote purchases.

GAMMA plans 14th Annual Harbor Cruise August 20th

Milwaukee — Join **GAMMA** for adventure and romance on the high seas — well, on Milwaukee Harbor, as we turn the S.S. Iroquois into a festival of fun and frolic on "full moon" Saturday, August 20. This two-hour cruise will begin loading at 6:30pm at the Clybourn Street and Milwaukee River dock — and return at 9pm. Music, dancing, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar will be provided.

Advanced tickets at \$10 each may be purchased at the Triangle, the M&M Club, or by mailing your check to **GAMMA** at P.O. Box 1900, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Although a sell-out of 145 Gay and Lesbian party-goers is expected, tickets, at \$12, may be available at the dock beginning at 6:15pm. For more information, call **GAMMA** at (414) 963-9833.

August Happenings at AfterWords

AfterWords is especially pleased to announce the photographic exhibit, *Lesbian Couples of Southeastern Wisconsin* by Carolyn Ruck opened on August 1st. The exhibit at **AfterWords** is the first gallery showing of Ms. Ruck's black & white portraits of 12 lesbian couples combined with printed narratives of the couples' stories. This exhibit helps illustrate the diversity and the strength of the Lesbian relationship within the Lesbian community.

There will be an Artist Reception at **AfterWords** for Carolyn on Sunday, August 7th from 1-3pm. This even is free and everyone is encouraged to attend to see this wonderful exhibit and to talk with the photographer.

The August meeting of the **AfterWords** Bookclub will feature a discussion of Bennett L. Singer's marvelous literary anthology, **Growing Up Gay/Growing Up Lesbian**. Singer includes fiction, essays and autobiographical sketches from both Lesbian and Gay writers including Martina Navratilova, David Kopay, Paul Monette, Audre Lorde and many, many others. The **AfterWords** Book Club will meet on Monday, August 8th at 7:30pm.

Everyone is encouraged to join the discussion. New members are always welcome.

After a variety of problems and delays, AfterWords is pleased to finally unveil the AfterWords Video Club. The AfterWords Video Club will feature the best selection of Lesbian and Gay videos in the Milwaukee area at reasonable rates. Initially the AfterWords Video Club will offer over 135 video titles.

Finally, AfterWords will be featuring a hot, summer special in August with all T-shirts discounted 10%. AfterWords is featuring many new designs since Pride, so come and check us out.

Donations Sought For NARAL Auction

Milwaukee — The **National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League** is seeking donations of all types of products and services for its fifth annual auction. The auction will take place on Friday, November 18, at 6:30pm at the Italian Community Center, 631 E. Chicago St., Milwaukee.

Both individuals and businesses are invited to make contributions. Previous year's auction items have included works of art, jewelry, beer-making lessons, gift certificates, recreation equipment, photography, advertising space, concert tickets, books, and vacation getaways. Donors are listed in the program book unless the contributor wishes to remain anonymous.

Funds raised will be used to support pro-choice political candidates and educate the public about issues surrounding choice — particularly health care reform.

If you would like to make a donation, please call NARAL at (414) 271-4811.

Local Dancers Attend D.C. Square Dance Convention

By Donald Dilges

The **IAGSDC (International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs)** convention in Washington, DC was held over the Fourth of July weekend. People came from as far away as Australia. Total Lesbian and Gay dancer attendance was close to 1,200 people.

Those that attended from **Cream City Squares** had a glorious time, and are looking forward to the 1995 IAGSDC Convention in Chicago, next Memorial Day weekend.

The Squares also danced in Madison for Magic Picnic. Madison may be forming a square dance club of its own this winter, and they will be starting lessons this fall, about the same time

Cream City Squares class starts in Milwaukee this September.

The Squares are going to the 35th Wisconsin State Square & Round Dance Convention, August 19, 20, and 21st, at UP-SP in Stevens Point, WI. It will be their first time dancing as Cream City Squares in Central WI. Look out Pointers!

Cream City Squares will also be dancing in Chicago, IL two weeks later at Chi-Town Squares fly-in, over Labor Day weekend.

Fly-ins are a city's invitation to all Lesbian and Gay clubs that are members of IAGSDC, to come see the city and dance with them for a whole weekend. It is like a mini-convention vacation. They are happening all year long in various parts of the country.

Members of The Cream City Squares have gone to Albuquerque, Chicago, Cleveland, Grand Rapids, Minneapolis, Phoenix, Seattle, and Toronto. Dancers are on the move, forever having fun.

Cream City Squares usually dance every Sunday at 3B's from 2 to 5pm.

Square Dancing is a social mixer of people Gay/Lesbian clubs don't require you to have a partner (if you do, here is an activity you can do together). You'll be dancing with at least seven other people each dance.

Chest Men of America Club

Chest Men of America, the world's only club for men who appreciate the muscular male chest, is instituting monthly gatherings for members and non-members in four U.S. cities, in addition to the ongoing monthly gatherings which have been held in New York City for the past 18 months.

The newly instituted meetings, beginning this August, will be held in cities where the club's members are the most concentrated: Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, and Ft. Lauderdale/Miami. Chicago and Midwest area club members will assemble at Deeks, 3401 N. Sheffield, Chicago, on the first Sunday of every month.

The stated manifesto of CMA, "to unite all chest men throughout the country and throughout the world," obviates the club's desire to welcome all non-members to these gatherings. CMA recognizes chest men as a distinct subgroup within the Gay population, characterizing their members as being masculine-oriented men who tend to stay as physically fit and as healthy as possible, no matter what their age. Nearly all are into weight lifting and pec development, and a majority of the men are also into nipple enlarging techniques.

For more information on CMA, call the club office in Chicago at (312) 644-7282, or write, CMA, P.O. Box 138442, Chicago, IL 60613.

Milwaukee Women's Center Announces Expanding Services

Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Community Outreach

Milwaukee — The **Resolutions Outpatient Clinic**, a service of the **Milwaukee Women's Center, Inc. (MWCI)**, is pleased to announce the expansion of clinical services which highlight support groups specifically for Gay men, Lesbians and Bisexuals. Understanding the need for quality, confidential mental health and substance abuse services, the MWC Resolutions Outpatient Clinic is offering services that are sensitive, diverse, feminist-informed and respectful.

The Milwaukee Women's Center founded in 1980, has historically served same-sex families with a variety of support services in the areas of family violence, substance abuse and mental health counseling.

With the rise in consciousness within the Gay community evolving from the March on Washington, Stonewall 25 and the Unity Games, the Milwaukee Women's Center is renewing and expanding its commitment to the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual community. "The demand for services for the Gay community has risen dramatically with this rise in consciousness," said Dave Rompa, clinical coordinator of MWCI Gay and Lesbian services, "MWCI is taking a lead role in filling this need."

Dave Rompa, a certified Chemical Dependent/Substance Abuse CADIC III counselor, has been a therapist since 1978 and has worked extensively with Gay advocacy and AIDS education since 1986. Rompa, who joined the MWCI Resolutions Outpatient staff in 1993, will lead group discussions on a variety of topics. Maggie Williams, MSW, CADIC III and Michael Johnson, MSW, RADC, will also be available for individual appointments.

Support groups will highlight "Surviving AIDS-Surviving the losses of Friends, Family and Loved Ones;" "How Out is Out???"- Struggling with Homophobia and the Desire to be More Accepting of Self;" and "Substance Abusing While Living with HIV." the cost for each group is \$15 per 1 1/2 hour session. Groups meet once a week for 4-6 weeks beginning Wednesday, August 17th.

If you, or someone you know is in need of assistance in mental health, substance abuse or support services, plan to join one or more of these groups at the MWCI Resolutions Outpatient Clinic. New groups will be offered on an on-going basis concerning issues that are important to you.

The MWCI Resolutions Outpatient Clinic accepts various insurance, HMO coverage, and Title 19. Call (414) 272-6199 for more information or to arrange a confidential individual appointment. The Milwaukee Women's Center offices are located, downtown at 611 N. Broadway, Suite 230. The MWCI Resolutions Outpatient Clinic will also be at the Mapfest Marketplace on September 4th.

Chicago's AXIOS Plans Toga Party

Group for LesBiGay Greeks

Chicago — A full array of Greek and Mediterranean hors d'oeuvre will be available at the Toga! Party on Sunday, September 4 in the Pyramid Room of the Cairo Nightclub, 720 N. Wells, Chicago.

Presented by AXIOS! of Chicago, the organization for Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals of Greek or Eastern Orthodox background, the party will present a full assortment of foods from the Greek mainland, islands, and other Mediterranean countries. Food will be provided by Master Caterers.

The ticket price of \$10 includes the full food buffet, plus hot disco music by two DJ's, live entertainment, go-go gladiators, prize drawings, classical period movies, plus many other features to provide a unique evening, Greek-style.

The party starts at 8pm, with continuous music and entertainment.

For more information or tickets about TOGA, The Party of the Century or the AXIOS! group, contact (312) 477-3097. Togas are encouraged.

Midwest Men's Center of Chicago

Midwest Men's Summer Festival

Chicago — Welcome to the 16th in a series of chemically-free gatherings for Gay/Bi/Straight men from all over the Midwest for a weekend of men meeting men for friendship and camaraderie, an opportunity to make new acquaintances, to party, rest and relax in a safe, supportive space.

It will take place over four days and three nights from September 2-5, at Camp Ronora (friendly to all types of people), located 100 easy miles from Chicago in SW Michigan.

Accommodations include 3 nights' lodging (Friday, Saturday, Sunday), 3 meals daily and all the fun and sunshine you can pack into four days of hiking, sunbathing, swimming, star gazing and horseback riding. In addition, we will offer workshops in body massage techniques.

Cost is \$175 per person for cabin space or \$130 in your own tent. A 50% non-refundable deposit will hold all reservations. Contact the Men's Center at (708) 451-1138.



Left to Right: Maggie Williams, Dave Rompa and Michael Johnson from the Milwaukee Women's Center.

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Viewpoint

How Things Stand:

The Current Position of Gays in America

By Richard D. Mohr

This period tumbling between the celebration of Stonewall 25 and the Fall elections is perhaps an apt time for general reflection on the state of Gays in America. What are we doing? What is to become of us? Where are we headed?

I in particular have been prompted to such musing because a number of Gay pundits — people I respect — have found my political writings unwarrantedly gloomy. The pundits are right to point out that some progress, gradual progress, is being made here and there in lots of different, if sometimes small, ways.

But Gays are naive if we adopt the American myth that the future is a single, unbent, unwavering vector of betterment. For we know — should know — from history that Gay life can take hairpin turns for the worse, as occurred during the early 'thirties both under Right Wing populist ascendancy in Germany and under Left Wing populist ascendancy in the U.S. led by F.D.R. It is ironic — which is to say totally predictable — that Gays should have had our worst political year since Stonewall during the very year that another populist Democrat took the White House — this time with massive organized Gay help.

Yet, despite the military disaster and the referendum drives, change is in the air. Paradoxically, America has

experienced some sort of ground shift on Gay issues over the last couple of years. What is it? To sloganize: *Gays are winning the cultural wars, even as we are losing the political ones.* The good news is that in the long run social practices, political power, and received opinions align themselves with broader cultural forms and values — the general body of ideas by which a civilization defines itself and whose maintenance constitutes a civilization's life.

Take, for example, the changing relation between the Bible and the institution of slavery. When slavery was a defining part of culture, certain passages of the Bible were interpreted as supporting the social practice. Slavery didn't stop because people ceased interpreting the Bible as approving of it; rather when civilization gave up on slavery, people ceased using Bible passages to justify it. The passages became cultural dead letters — addressee unknown. The Bible didn't change, the culture did. The bad news is that in general culture is a slowpoke.

Still, the clearest sign that Gays are winning the cultural wars is the near total collapse in the mainstream of the taboo covering the discussion of Gay issues.

The *New York Times* now carries more Gay news than does the *Advocate*. Everybody — except Bill Clinton — is talking about Gay issues. The effect of this structural change in public life cannot be over estimated. Taboos encourage, indeed enforce, the aping of opinions from one person to the next, causing them to circulate independently of both critical assessment and authentic feeling. With the collapse of the taboo, straight people can for the first time really listen to Gay lives, change their views, and in turn express publicly their own real feelings.

Also with the taboo's collapse, for the first time there will be a press toward the development of coherent, rational public policy on Gay issues. Public policy, like God, abhors a vacuum. And reason, argument, and justice are all on the side of Gays. In this cultural shift, the role of Gay ideas and of arguments for Gays' justice is not so much to change Average Joe's beliefs but to provide a seed crystal around which a new configuration of cultural forms and values may grow. Then Average Joe will change his mind.

The Right senses and fears the cultural shift underway. Just look where Christian Supremacists and other rightists are investing their energies. They are **not** trying to "punish the sin" by restoring sodomy laws to states without them. Rather they want to get "the sinner" to shut up. They need to reestablish the taboo, seeing it as essential to their world. Thus, they focus on representations of Gay life. They target museum exhibitions, public television, school curricula, Gay books, and our presence in parades. Their referendum drives too are part of this pattern — attempts to sweep the whole "Gay thing" off the political agenda, out of the arena of public discussion. But, however successful as politics, their strategies necessarily trip over themselves as a cultural project. For the more they talk about things Gay, the more the taboo collapses. The more they


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debate in public, the more they have to appeal to the tenets of reasoned discourse.

Our own political strategies can be improved, if we understand that political results follow cultural norms. We should view politics not narrowly as a means of garnering votes but broadly as a way of transforming culture. A placard that says "No on 2: Stop Discrimination" does no educating, changes no culture. Placards that say, "I'm Gay" or "My son is Gay" or "Straights for Gay Rights" do both.

In this broad view, much that we might not at first think of as political actually is so. Urvashi Vaid recently moaned that Gay youth, though leading open lives, are completely apolitical. But these brave youth are key to culture's change on Gay issues. Thanks to them, nearly everyone now knows someone for whom being Gay is an issue. Their measure has made the Gay movement achieve critical mass.

And some Gay critics rued the fact that virtually all the mainstream media coverage of Stonewall 25 — though extensive — was "soft news": personality profiles and entertainment coverage, nothing political, nothing about Gay rights. But "soft news" changes culture. A newspaper feature in "Lifestyles" about a Lesbian couple who run a real estate business is at least as culturally important as a Gay parade pictured on page one. The parade is the extraordinary; the Lesbians are America's neighbors. To acknowledge their everydayness is to change the everyday.

Will Rogers was probably right when he said "People's minds are changed through observation, not through argument." Certainly arguing Bible passages with Fundamentalists has no point or prospect. But I think Will Rogers was wrong when he also claimed that "We do more talking progress than we do progressing." On Gay issues at least, America is taking the talking cure.

Richard D. Mohr's most recent book is **A More Perfect Union: Why Straight America Must Stand Up for Gay Rights** (Beacon Press).

Letters

Thank You To The Leathermen & Women Of Milwaukee

On behalf of the Board of Directors and as a native of Wisconsin, I would like to extend my most sincere thanks to all of the men and women of the Milwaukee Leather Community who helped our campaign to keep hate out of our state.

Due to the considerable amounts of money our campaign raised, we were

able to educate our voters on human rights issues, and make it very difficult for the extreme right wingers in the pacific northwest to gather enough signatures to try and put Initiative 608 & 610 on our ballots. Both 608 & 610 have died the death they both deserved, It is not right to put Human Rights up to a popular vote!

While I was in Milwaukee, judging the Wisconsin Daddy/Daddy's Boy contest in early May, I was given the opportunity to speak to the people in your community about our issues. After my speech, the dollars from the Leathermen & women began to flow in.

Milwaukee helped raise over \$300 for the Hands Off Washington Campaign. This did not and will not ever go unrecognized!

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Dear Community Members:

As Chairperson of the newly formed **Advisory Council for PrideFest**, I have the opportunity and privilege of exploring ideas that will promote and advance a sense of community for Gays and Lesbians. Pursuant to this mission, PrideFest is contemplating sponsoring a symposium on Gay and Lesbian issues. The symposium would coincide with PrideFest 95 and would take place in the War Memorial Center next to the PrideFest grounds. We presently contemplate symposium sessions on the Friday before and Saturday of PrideFest 95.

We are considering many subjects. All subjects should be conducive to furthering the interests of the Gay and Lesbian community. The interests include education and furtherance of charitable, social and political purposes. We are presently contemplating the following subjects:

1. A seminar to allow Milwaukee area Gay and Lesbian organizations to familiarize themselves with one another. The seminar would include opportunities for organizations to present themselves to other groups. A presentation might include the introduction of group leaders, purposes, accomplishments and goals. The intended audience would include members of other groups and the purpose of the seminar would be to advance and promote the process of building a sense of Gay and Lesbian community.
2. A presentation on the proposed Federal Human Rights Amendment.
3. A presentation on domestic rights legislation in the State of Wisconsin.
4. A fundraising and grant writing workshop for Gay and Lesbian organization members in order to introduce organization members to this essential — but somewhat difficult and obscure aspect of group management and advancement.

Other contemplated subjects include issues related to racial status, age, social stratification, and political and religious philosophies and values.

We are now inviting the input of members of Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community. Persons interested in obtaining a copy of our survey may contact me at (414) 482-3429 to leave a message. The input of the entire community is important to us in deciding whether this event will be undertaken and the exact form that it will have.

**Very truly yours,
PrideFest Advisory Council
Steven M. Brondino, Chairperson**

Editor:

Focus on the Family has done a brilliant job of ducking the issue concerning the damaging effect their fundraising efforts are having on our

children and our families. In a response from Focus vice president Tom Minnery dated July 25, attention is purposely diverted away from the charges made of their questionable fundraising tactics. Focus again fails to address the community problems they have created when parents and children are misled to what their real dangers, and perpetrators of child abuse are.

Focus is banking on the hysteria of fear they created with the continual exploitation of the homosexual lifestyle to finance their vast growing empire. The best corporate fundraiser of all time has been to point a finger while yelling "Child Molester!" much like the children of

Salem would yell "Witch!" Focus on the Family relies on frightening the lost sheep of society into donating money to fight the imaginary enemies they have placed in their heads.

My God! Just look at that lavish mega structure Focus resides in. Could such a vast wealthy kingdom be maintained with the humble donations raised to fight most child abuse coming from the inner family? The importance of fundraising has been placed above the importance of giving correct family guidance.

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BestD Answers Health Questions

By Bob Ambelang &
Dr. Kelly Balliet

Fear of Infection From Partners

We recently received a very long and troubling letter from a Gay man in Wisconsin. It is too long to reprint, but the thrust of it is that he had a previous relationship that ended and now has entered into a relationship with a man who is HIV positive. His problems are not unique. The writer of this letter has fears of becoming too emotionally attached to someone who is infected and he also has fears of becoming infected himself.

This letter is troubling to us because there are no cut and dried answers. There is no reference book that says if you take step A and then step B it will happily lead to C. The important thing is to realize that you have something worthwhile in your partner and you have to explore just how important that is to you. The purpose of this column is not to get into couples counseling, nor are we able to do so, but I strongly urge you to find a sympathetic counselor that you can talk with from the standpoint of relationship issues. There are a number of resources listed in the back of this issue that can direct you to someone in your area with whom you can discuss your concerns. Some organizations, like MASN, CPI, ARCW and BESTD, have support groups for partners of Gay HIV positive men. If you can, I would urge you to join one of these groups. In a group you will meet others who share your same concerns and fears and you can discuss ways of resolving and dealing with these issues.

The writer's other concern is one that is important to all of us, and that is how to prevent infection or re-infection with the HIV virus. Every time we have sex, we should assume that our partner is HIV infected. That is the only way to stop the virus from spreading. Far too many people are careless. Among Gay men the virus is known to spread only two ways: blood to blood transmission and semen to blood transmission. To have an enjoyable sex life that is safer you have to put these two transmission factors into a sexual context. Blood to blood transmission is not generally considered a sexual transmission factor among Gay males, but it is. It does present risk to the partner that is penetrating the other. It can also occur by sharing piercing needles or pins, anal toys or whips to name but a few instances. Semen to blood is the highest

risk factor and the greatest cause of infection.

Anal sex is the highest risk factor for the receptive partner. Inevitably when someone is penetrated anally the rectal canal experiences some trauma. These sometimes microscopic breaks in the lining of the rectal wall serve as a doorway for the virus to enter the person's blood stream and cause infection. By all means a latex condom should always be used for anal sex. The insertive partner is at somewhat a lower risk, but if he has any sore or scratch on his penis and it comes in contact with any blood in his partner's anal canal, he has a good chance of becoming infected. These do not have to be large sores or scratches, microscopic breaks in the skin are all that are needed. Use only water-based, water-soluble lubricants with latex condoms and lube sufficiently to reduce the stress on the condom. It is important that if you and your partner are going to engage in anal sex, that either of you withdraw prior to cumming. This reduces somewhat the risk of anal intercourse.

ORAL SEX

Oral sex is being linked as a significant risk factor in HIV transmission. Many men who claim to have practiced only unprotected oral sex in the last ten years are becoming infected. Again it is the semen that is the infectious agent. (Both cum and pre-cum have been shown to harbor the virus.) We cannot

know the relative health of the inside of our mouth. We may have small sores, scratches or abrasions from sharp food objects or tears from brushing or flossing. These breaks could be the entry way for infection to occur. Unlubricated condoms for oral sex are recommended and again withdrawal prior to orgasm is important because teeth can cause tears in the condom which may leak semen.

So, what is left? Plenty! The men I talk with at the clinic are finding very full and rich sex lives by limiting or eliminating penetration from their sexual activities. There is simply being naked together and holding each other. There is licking, caressing, kissing and hugging. There is mutual masturbation or solo masturbation while your partner watches. And there are fantasies! To utilize fantasies properly requires dialogue between partners. This is very difficult for most of us to do because we were brought up not to talk about sex. But discuss these turn ons with your partner and agree upon what you can both get into. You might need to go out and buy a cop uniform or a wedding gown, but who cares if it enhances your sex life? There are many couples out there that have mixed, sero-status relationships and they are experiencing happy, fulfilled lives together.



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The Arts

By Carmen A. Murguia

Our September 1st issue will feature an informative and exciting fall/winter performing arts subscriber series schedule. Now is the time to send in your press releases and vital information to include your theatre, dance, poetry and arts gatherings to Carmen Alicia Murguia, Arts Editor, *In Step Magazine*, 225 S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee, 53202 or fax them over to (414) 278-5868!

It's Day Break for Wisconsin's Cream City Chorus

If you're planning on attending the **Barry Manilow** concert at the Wisconsin State Fair on August 12, you'll be getting an added treat — back up music provided by Wisconsin's very own **Cream City Chorus**!

Last year, the **Chorus** was invited to sing back-up for **Barry Manilow's Greatest Hits Tour** at the Marcus Amphitheater. **Manilow** liked what he heard, and invited the **Chorus** to join him on stage again! For those of you who attended the **Chorus'** spring concert, *No More Walls*, you've heard their reprise of **Manilow's Let Freedom Ring**.

And according to the **Wisconsin Cream City Chorus**, the timing of **Barry Manilow's** concert couldn't be better. With the State Fair performance as a warm-up, the **Chorus** will continue rehearsals for the Fall '94 season. If you're interested in joining or would like to check them out, simply drop by the First Unitarian Church of Milwaukee, 1342 N. Astor on Wednesday, August 17 from 7-10pm... so let them shine, shine, shine all around the world!

Concerts in the Park Season Finale

Milwaukee County Parks' free *Concerts in the Park* series closes on Saturday, August 20 when the **Heritage Chorale** performs at the Washington Park bandshell at 8pm. The inspiring program will feature gospel and jazz choral music under the stars.

Directed by **Ella Washington**, the **Heritage Chorale** brings this year's *Concerts in the Park* to a grand finale with an African-American musical revue. Accompanied by a jazz trio, the **Chorale** will perform everything from early African-American musicals such as *Ain't Misbehavin'* to more contemporary tunes in an entertaining and variety-packed evening.

The Washington Park bandshell is located at Sherman and Lloyd Streets. So bring a blanket and your sweetie for an unforgettable evening of music under

the stars. For more information, call the County Hotline at 257-6100.

Everything's Coming Up Roses for LAMM-EF

The **Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund** is sponsoring Milwaukee's first lesbian variety show, *On Broadway — Everything's Coming Up Roses*. The show will feature singer **Diana Jones**, **The Shoreline Dancers**, and many talented others.

The place to be is The Skylight Opera Theater in the Historic Third Ward, 158 N. Broadway (how appropriate!). Advance tickets are available at Afterwords, 2710 N. Murray, Outpost Natural Foods Coop, 100 E. Capitol. The program has ad space available, for price information call (414) 264-2600.

Summer Mood at the Mode Theatre

A *Grand Opening* evening of fluid, intuitive dream images by **Margo Williamson** and **Janet Hughes** takes place on Saturday, August 6, from 7-9pm.

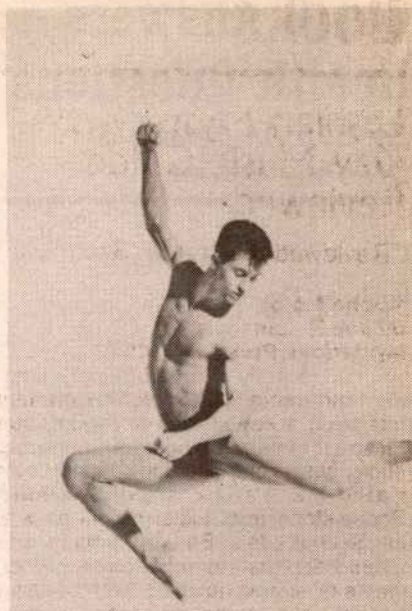
Margo Williamson's paintings are dreamy interior landscapes of watercolor, charcoal, powdered pigments and other mediums that give voice to her creative spirit. **Janet Hughes** paints flowing images on fine silks and cloth to invent art that can adorn body and home.

For an eclectic and inviting evening of art in the quiet surroundings of Waterloo, visit the opening at **The Mode Theatre**, a residential gallery/performance space, 121 S. Monroe, 478-9632.

Dance For Life Chicago AIDS Benefit

Dance For Life, a benefit evening of dance showcasing Chicago's premiere dance companies, will be presented by **Chicago Dancers United** on Saturday, August 13 at 8pm. The site is the Skyline Stage on Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Avenue, Chicago.

Chicago Dancers United is comprised of volunteers from Chicago's dance community and dance enthusiasts dedicated to raising awareness and funds for HIV/AIDS education and prevention. *Dance For Life* has sold out its two previous performances towards the fight against AIDS, and is produced by **Chicago Dancers United** founder **Keith Elliot**. Tickets, priced at \$100 or \$25, are available by calling STOP AIDS (312) 871-3300.



"Dance for Life" on Saturday, August 13 on Navy Pier in Chicago will benefit STOP AIDS.

On Broadway:

LAMM Variety Show August 27

Milwaukee — Get your tickets now for Milwaukee's first Lesbian variety show, *On Broadway — Everything's Coming Up Roses*, sponsored by the **Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund** on August 27, 7:30pm at the Skylight Opera Theater, 158 North Broadway. The band **Mook** and the **Shoreline Dancers** are among the many talented Milwaukeeans performing. Advance tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at any of these fine establishments: **AfterWords**, 2710 N. Murray Avenue; **3B's bar**, 1753 S. Kinnickinnic; and **Outpost Natural Foods**, 100 East Capitol Drive.

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by Joe R. Lansdale
Mysterious Press, HC \$19.95

The genre of the Lesbian mystery has been a key component in Lesbian Fiction for the past 20 years, producing such bestselling authors as Naiad's Katherine V. Forrest, Sandra Scoppetone from Little, Brown as well as Seal Press's Barbara Wilson and Ellen Hart, just to name a few. Gay men's mysteries have lagged far behind despite such longtime Gay mystery writers, George Baxt and Joseph Hansen whose ground-breaking Dave Brandstetter mystery series featured a non-stereotypical Gay man in the years immediately following Stonewall.

While the protagonist in the typical Lesbian mystery is invariably a strong, self-sufficient, and independent woman possessing many qualities to appeal a Lesbian readership, the protagonists in Gay mysteries aren't always so lucky. Excluding Michael Nava's immensely popular series featuring a very appealing Henry Rios, the typical role for the gay protagonist is virtually sexless, as with Hansen's stiff and neutered Dave Brandstetter, and usually subordinate in nature, often functioning as the straight cop's comic sidekick, as in Stan Cutler's Goodman-Bradley mysteries set in Hollywood. Grant Michael's Stan Kraychik is a hairdresser-cum-detective who solves murder mysteries but not before acting as nemesis to the very straight Lieutenant Branco. Redeeming Michael's **A Body To Die For** and **Dead On Your Feet** is a marvelous sexual tension created between Kraychik and Branco.

All of this leads us to Lansdale's new mystery, **Mucho Mojo**. Radiating an intriguing Texas gothic quality, **Mucho Mojo** features a series of particularly loathsome crimes: the sexual abuse and murder of young, black boys in a rural Texas backwater called LaBorde. Leonard's Uncle Chester has died and left his previously despised Gay nephew Leonard his much dilapidated old house. Enlisting his white trash friend Hap to help with necessary repairs, Leonard is in for quite a surprise when the two turn up the corpse of a young male in a trunk filled with pages from dozens of kiddie porn magazines. Sure that his Uncle Chester could not have been responsible, despite appearances to the contrary, Leonard along with Hap set out

to solve this gruesome mystery.

There is much to recommend

Mucho Mojo. Lansdale has carefully created a highly charged atmospheric piece set against the hot and dusty Texas summer and has skillfully plotted the puzzle to gradually, almost imperceptively transforming **Mucho Mojo** into a real nail-biting, page turner. Along the way the reader is introduced to some truly memorable characters including Leonard's lawyer Florida, who briefly has a fling with Hap, the ancient yet saintly McMaw Carter and especially Hap. In Hap, Lansdale has created a truly intriguing, original voice, not educated but filled with humor and a wry, worldly wisdom.

Nevertheless **Mucho Mojo** is replete with mixed messages, particularly for Gay readers. Despite Leonard's central role in the murder mystery, he is Lansdale's least interesting or developed character, subordinate to Hap is in fact serves as Lansdale's narrator. That Leonard is Gay is established on page 4 yet Lansdale gives Leonard no Gay friends, no previous Gay relationship (as he does with both Hap and Florida) and no Gay prospects for the future. Leonard possesses no Gay identity other than to repeatedly tell people that he is Gay. His Gayness seems to function primarily as a plotting device, serving to counter any potential negative flack for the book's horrendous, Gay-related pedophile murders. Ultimately **Mucho Mojo** singularly lacks any real Gay sensibility. As a sidenote, it also seems curious that in a story filled with black characters that a white man, the book's lone white character, serves as narrator.

Joe Lansdale's **Mucho Mojo** is a superbly crafted and compelling murder mystery, sure to please fans of the genre and still a worthwhile addition to the

category of the Gay mystery, despite drawbacks. *Recommended.*

Gay Music Guide
by Will Grega
Pop Front Press, Pb. \$11.95

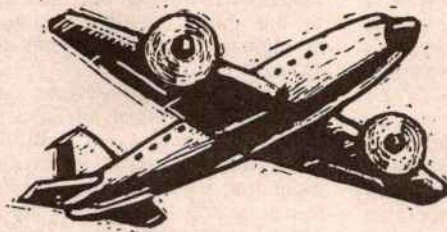
For those that define the term Gay music as either the hits of the disco divas or recordings by one of the notable Gay choruses, Will Grega's **Gay Music Guide** should come as quite a shock. Gay music encompasses the whole spectrum of music, from Country to Punk to Rock to Folk.

In **Gay Music Guide**, Will Grega has featured over a hundred recordings featuring Gay and Lesbian musicians performing Gay-positive music. Although Grega takes his role as cheerleader for these artists a bit too much to heart (Grega is awfully kind to recordings that are often lacking) this is an indispensable one-of-a-kind guide. Included are profiles of some of the artists, plus information on where to order some of the more obscure CDs and cassettes not even available from sources featuring Gay and Lesbian music.

An added bonus, Grega has compiled a 24-song Gay music sampler and provided a free coupon for this tape at the end of the book. This sampler is a wonderful introduction to Gay music and shouldn't be missed. A *must* book for anyone with an interest in Gay music.

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"Tales of the City" and "Band Played On" Nominated for Emmy Awards

Los Angeles, CA — Two Gay-themed television miniseries, *Armistead Maupin's Tales of the City* and journalist Randy Shilts's *And the Band Played On* have been nominated for Emmy Awards. The awards will be presented in September.

Tales of the City, Armistead Maupin's beloved story about the zany residents of 28 Barbary Lane in San Francisco in the 1970's, was nominated as Best Miniseries. Produced in Britain, but presented on PBS earlier this year, *Tales* earned the highest ratings of any PBS show in almost five years. PBS has refused to fund its sequel, however.

Among the four other shows competing with *Tales* as Best Miniseries is *Prime Suspect 3*, another British-made PBS show. *Prime Suspect 3* featured the dogged Detective Chief Inspector Jane Tennison (Helen Mirren) combing London's Gay underground for the killer of young rent boys.

And *the Band Played On*, the chronicle of the early years of the AIDS epidemic produced by HBO, won Emmy nominations as Best Dramatic Special and for many of the players in its all-star cast. Matthew Modine was nominated as Best Actor in a Miniseries or Special. Richard Gere, Ian McKellen and Alan Alda were nominated as Best Supporting Actors and Lily Tomlin as Best Supporting Actress.

September "Out" Profiles Surge in Gay/Lesbian TV

New York, NY — The September issue of *Out* magazine contains a detailed profile of the many new Gay and Lesbian television shows and videos being produced by Gays and Lesbians for cable and public access TV channels.

The article, "I Want My Gay TV" by Larry Closs, reviews the origins of Gay TV programs and credits the development of cable and public access TV, the greater accessibility of camcorders and increasing sponsorship by individuals and businesses for the proliferation of Gay and Lesbian TV programs in the past few years.

Closs discusses the Gay Cable Network, responsible for eight weekly programs on cable and public access channels, including *Men & Films*, the hour-long news show *Gay USA* and the late night talk show *Stonewall Place After Dark*. He writes about Gay

Entertainment Television whose programs, like *Party Talk*, the fashion show *Makostyle* and *Inside/Out*, are available in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Miami.

Closs also reviews *Dyke TV*, produced in New York but now available in 15 cities and on satellite; *In the Life*, the monthly newsmagazine seen on 70 PBS stations; *Tricks*, a Gay version of *Studs*, shot in Los Angeles and seen in five cities; *Lavender Lounge*, the San Francisco-based variety show; *One in Ten People*, produced in Fairfax, Virginia and available on 25 stations nationwide; and Network Q, the monthly mail-order video magazine out of Albuquerque.

The *Out* article covers issues like creative content, financing, distribution, publicity and right wing opposition to Gay and Lesbian shows. It includes commentary by many of the shows' producers, advertisers and viewers. It is the most comprehensive article about Gay and Lesbian TV published so far.

The September issue of *Out* is currently available on newsstands.

GLAAD Urges Action on Media Issues

Give Networks Your Feedback on Stonewall 25 Coverage

New York, NY — The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation reports that for the most part, the major TV networks offered competent coverage of the Stonewall 25 celebration, but Gay Games IV was virtually ignored, except by some of the print media.

The *CBS Evening News* featured diverse spokespersons for the queer community, including an African-American Lesbian activist. CBS also pointed out that despite the success of the June events the international struggle for Gay rights is "only in its early stages."

The *NBC Nightly News* focused on the increased visibility of Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals at every level of society. NBC also featured an interview with an older drag queen, acknowledging the role the drag and transgender communities played in the Stonewall Rebellion.

ABC World News aired a lengthy piece on the history of Gay and Lesbian activism, though it was not shown in major markets like New York and Chicago.

Despite the fact that the Gay Games ranked among the largest sporting events of the year, they were given relatively little coverage on network TV,

although the *New York Times* ran at least eight feature stories that some other newspapers picked up.

And many Gay and Lesbian viewers were disappointed that C-Span, which ran six hours worth of coverage of the rally at the March on Washington last year, telecast none of this year's Stonewall or Gay Games events.


Send feedback to Eric Ober, President, CBS News, 51 W. 52nd St., New York, NY 10019, (212) 975-4321; Andrew Lack, President, NBC News, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, NY, NY 10021, (212) 664-4444; Roone Arledge, President, ABC News, 47 W. 66th St., NY, NY 10023, (212) 456-7777; Gene Roberts, Managing Editor, *New York Times*, 229 W. 43rd St., NY, NY 10036; CSPN, 400 N. Capitol St. N.W., Suite 650, Washington, DC 20001. (202) 737-3220.

Applaud HBO for Westenhoefer/Smith Comedy Shows

New York, NY — Home Box Office continued its growing commitment to Gay and Lesbian programming by presenting back-to-back comedy shows featuring Lesbian comic Suzanne Westenhoefer and Gay funnyman Bob Smith in July.

One of Westenhoefer's best lines: "I really like straight people. I just don't want them teaching our kids." Smith said that in high school he discovered a "Head Start program for Gay kids — the Drama Club!"

In the past year, HBO has aired *The Broadcast Tapes of Dr. Peter*, a chronicle of one man's fight against AIDS; *The Coming Out of Heidi Leiter*, the true story of two young Lesbians who attended their prom together; the documentary *Why Am I Gay? Stories of*



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Coming Out in America; and the dramatization of Randy Shilts's *And the Band Played On*, which has garnered multiple nominations for Emmy Awards.

GLAAD suggests letters of thanks and encouragement for future Gay programming should be sent to HBO. Send letters to HBO Viewer Opinions, 1100 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036. Or call (212) 512-1208.

Concern Over Ad Revenues Cut "Melrose Place" Kiss

Los Angeles, CA — The FOX network's programming chief, Sandy Grushow, has continued to defend the network's decision to edit a same sex kiss from the May 18 episode of its popular drama *Melrose Place*.

Compared to the non-stop sexual shenanigans of all of the show's straight characters, Gay Matt Fielding (Doug Savant) has been relegated to virginity by producers afraid of stirring controversy and losing advertising revenue. A kissing scene between Matt and his boyfriend Rob which was written into the script and filmed was cut from the final production that aired.

Grushow was grilled about the unseen kiss by reporters gathered at a recent TV Critics Association meeting. "The bottom line is, we're in a business," Grushow said. "We would have lost up to

\$1 million by airing that kiss," a loss FOX could not absorb.

GLAAD says *Melrose Place* fans should contact Sandy Grushow at the FOX Network, P.O. Box 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90213, (213) 203-3377. Also contact Darren Starr, Executive Producer, *Melrose Place*, Spelling Enterprises, 5700 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036.

Jay Leno Aims Jabs at FOX, Homophobes

Los Angeles, CA — Comedian and talk show host Jay Leno had some fun with FOX's decision to edit the Gay kiss from *Melrose Place*.

"What kills me is the hypocrisy of the whole thing," said Leno during his monologue on *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno*. "Everybody in the building has slept with each other at least twice. One of the tenants is a hooker, another pregnant by a guy who is a murderer. Two characters tried to commit murder last night. Another is having a nightmare about child molestation, and the producers said, 'We're going to stick to traditional family values on the program!'"

Leno has frequently made homophobes like Sen. Jesse Helms and Jerry Falwell the butt of his jokes. On July 13, he featured Gay comic Bob Smith on his show.

GLAAD says words of thanks and

encouragement should be sent to: Jay Leno, NBC-TV, 3000 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, CA 91523.

More Media Tidbits...

Buffalo, NY — The Gay and Lesbian Task Force of the American Library Association is seeking nominations for its 1994 Gay and Lesbian Book Awards. Contact Ellen Greenblatt, Central Technical Services, Lockwood Library Bldg., Box 602200, SUNY- Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14260-2200.

El Paso, TX — The *El Paso Times*, a member of the Gannett Group, recently decided to include same-gender commitment ceremony announcements alongside heterosexual wedding announcements in its social pages. Send comments to: Don Flores, Editor, *El Paso Times*, P.O. Box 20, El Paso, TX 79999. 800- 351-1677.

San Francisco, CA — Lesbian Visual Artists is seeking submissions by August 15 for a November exhibition called "Public/Private," which "seeks to present work in all media which explores the experience of Lesbians' public and private lives at the end of the 20th century." For details, contact: LVA, 3543 18th St., Box 5, San Francisco, CA 94110. (415) 821-2975.

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By Arnie Malmon

Watch Out For Those Speed Bumps

As I sort of indicated last time, on life's road one occasionally encounters speed bumps. The purpose of these little intruders is to provide a little dose of reality. My retinitis was my speed bump. After finding the active patch in my good eye and my doing the double dose of foscarnet, which seemed to help ever so slightly, I had to seriously start thinking about treatment alternatives, and there are few of them. Actually at this point there is only one. It's combination therapy: gancyclovir infusion following the foscarnet infusion everyday. As the doctor said, there isn't much information on dosages and long term effects because almost nobody has lived long term. Boy, I really wanted to know that. I told him he better get a paper for presentation out of this.

Well, as of this writing, I've been on combination therapy for two weeks. There's been a small amount of progress with controlling the retinitis and I've also not had any noticeable side effects. This lack of side affects is encouraging even though I'm convinced the human body simply is not designed to ingest the quantity of drugs some of us must do.

Anyway back to CMV Retinitis. I've suffered a slight vision loss in my left

eye, which is where the retinitis began 2 1/2 years ago. It isn't really significant, but combined with the new patch in my right eye, it forced me to seriously consider the possibility of losing my sight. I started looking (bad pun and unintentional) for blind people to talk with about making the adjustment should the loss occur. One theme that I found, and I include myself in this belief, is that we'd croak before we went blind. Now I'm not so sure. As quality and quantity of life improves we need to be more concerned about our vision.

If you start developing problems, contact your local AIDS Service Organization for information on services for the sight impaired. Many state and county agencies exist to provide assistance. Here in Milwaukee there are several groups that provide counseling and classes to make the adjustment; the local vocational technical college also has a course in living without vision. Although my retina doc now feels that vision loss may not be so imminent, the scare made me do some research that is best done while you can see.

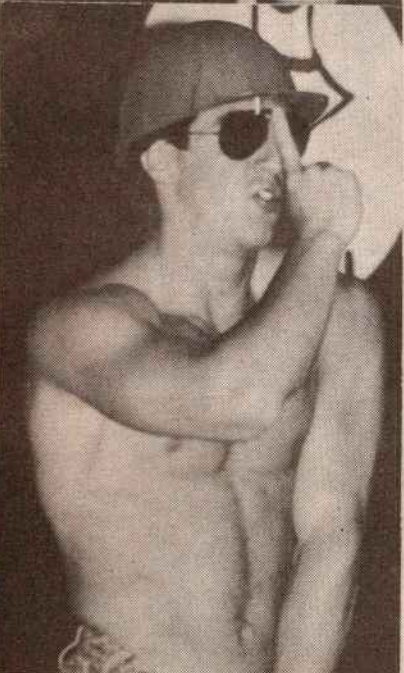
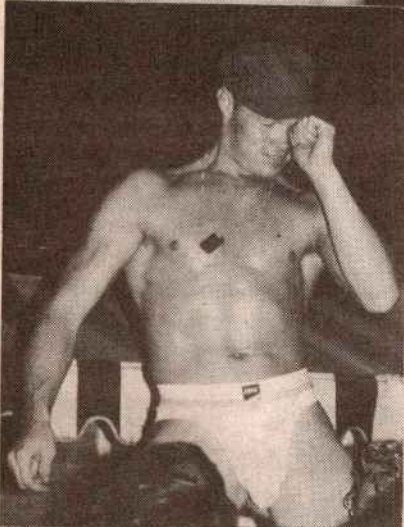
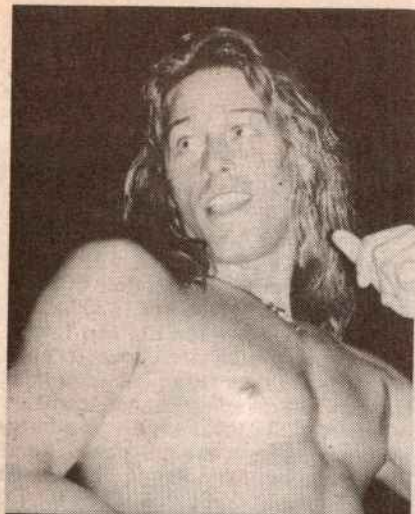
PITTSBURGH?

Yes, I really went to Pittsburgh as promised. How did I find Pittsburgh? I went to Lake Erie and turned right. I arrived late on a Friday night and returned Monday morning. The weather was great, 80's and sunny. We drove around to see various neighborhoods, rode a little cable car up a hill that overlooks the point where the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers come together to form the Ohio River. The view of the new downtown is spectacular and in stark contrast (you remember Stark Contrast, he used to be in vaudeville) to its former self. We looked at photos of the downtown from the 1940's when it was dark at noon because of smoke and coal dust from the steel mills, which are now gone.

We went to the new Andy Warhol Museum. If you like Warhol this is a must. They spent \$12 million dollars to renovate an old warehouse, and created an amazing space where you start on the 7th floor and work your way down. All of Warhol's major works are on exhibit.

Sunday we drove an hour to see the house Frank Lloyd Wright designed called Falling Waters. It's situated over a small waterfall on a stream which is still clean, and the surrounding forest is protected land. It was a most spectacular summer home for the Kaufman family who had it built. Their decision to donate it to the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy is a gift to us all. Well, no more trips for a while.

Coming soon will be more commentary on political correctness and other silly stuff.



Surly bar wenches at Zippers stand and model waiting for the Grand Prize Drawing during Zippers 1st Anniversary.

Photo by James Taylor

Body Sweat dancers performed at Club 219 and Club 94, working up the crowds.

Photos by Jeff Butler

Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

The hazy, lazy days of Summer... are sure going by quickly! Only 30 days until Labor Day and MAPFest! See the Group Notes section of this issue for an update on MAPFest. Last year they added an afternoon concert to the event featuring *The Flirtations*. This year, they've expanded the indoor concert segment to again feature *The Flirts*, in addition to the Milwaukee premiere of *Suede*, an extraordinary jazz/pop vocalist showcased at numerous women's festivals. Several new highlights for MAPFest include a balloon release (with balloons dedicated in the name of a loved one) which will immediately precede the concert, and a dance tent, which will pound out music from 1-10pm. Advance concert tickets, on sale now, include MAPFest admission.

Pictures from the **Sherman Park Rainbow Association's** 1 year anniversary appeared in the last issue, as did photos from the **MAGIC Picnic and GALVANize March**. Deadline for this column was before those events, but we held space open for photos and a News article about the Madison activities. The Rainbow Association has over 130 members — quite an achievement for a LesBiGay neighborhood group in less than a year. The group celebrated with a picnic at **Loose Ends** their neighborhood bar. July 29-31 a number of the Association's members pitched in to help organize and run *Shermanfest* Milwaukee's premiere Blues Fest.

Our Madison reporter, John Cain, reported on the MAGIC Picnic and GALVANize March/Rally in the last issue, but somehow **In Step** was left out of the process regarding the **UW Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alumni Council** and its third annual brunch for LesBiGay alumnus. The brunch was held the morning of Sunday, July 17, prior to the GALVANize March. Over 250 people attended including VIP's such as State Rep. Tammy Baldwin, Congressman Barney Frank, author Evelyn Torton Beck

and Clinton appointee Bruce Lehman, who is the U.S. Asst. Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

Lehman and Beck were awarded the Alumni Council's 1994 Distinguished Alumni Awards.

Would someone from the Alumni Council make sure **In Step** is on their News Release list in the future?

Rod's and the **New Bar** both hosted MAGIC/GALVANize events and specials all weekend; while **Club 3054** offered specials and a Sunday night Benefit Show for the 3054 Legal Defense Fund. Lawyers don't come cheap!

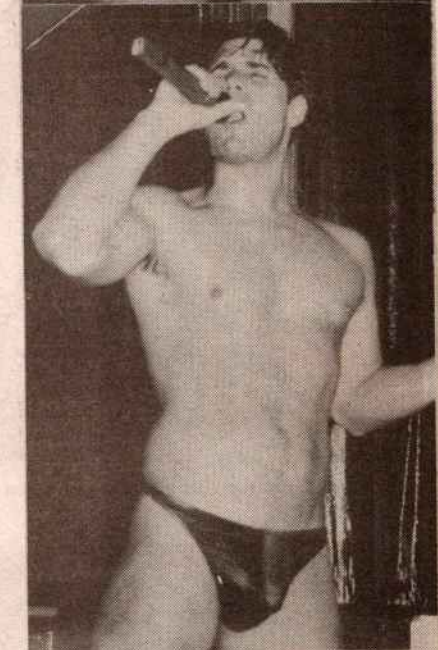
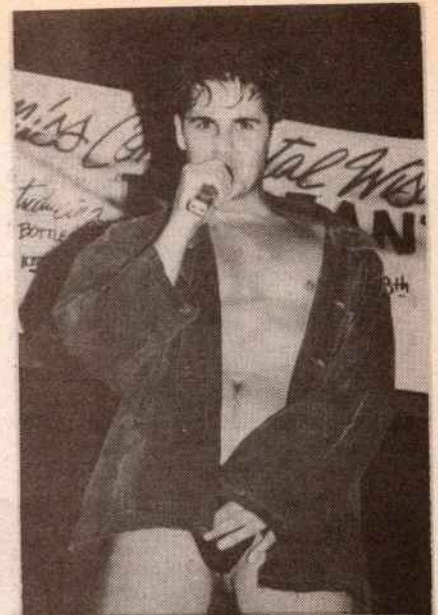
Dance music recording artist/ porn star David Burrill was back in the saddle again, this time for an appearance at **Club 219** on the 16th. According to 219 DJ Kim, David will be back this way again in September, and 219 will be one of his stops. If you missed him in the past, keep your eye on **In Step** for the September gig.

The **Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM)** held its 3rd annual Picnic and Softball Tournament in Greenfield Park the same day as the MAGIC Picnic. Hopefully, next year, they won't be held on the same day so revelers can attend both events.

The **Ballgame** hosted the **Saturday Softball Beer League's** annual *Mr. SSBL Contest* on that same busy Saturday. Six contestants where in the running selling raffle tickets for what has become the league's biggest fundraiser. The contestant who sells the most raffle tickets is the winner. Marshall, of Rick's Rangers team was the top seller, with Mark of the Ballgame team coming in second place.

Runway 51 had a busy weekend with a July 15 Birthday Bash and a Saturday night *Shoot for the Stars* anything goes Talent Search with prizes.

Annabelle Havicek's **Top Hat Productions** *Miss Wisconsin Continental Pageant* drew a standing room only crowd to Club 219 on Monday, July 18. Five lovely contestants from Wisconsin and Chicago entered the competition, with Milwaukee's own Mary Richards capturing the crown. Chicago's Kiara Fontaine was named first runner



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Dance Music Recording Artist/ porn star, David Burrill was back in Wisconsin for a show at Club 219.

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The '93 Miss Wisconsin Continental, Erika Cartier gave up her crown, and performed along with several other special guests, including: Miss Continental USA Monica Munro (*Grrrr!!*); Vanessa Alexandre; Miss Gay Great Lakes Shannon DuPree; and Miss Gay WI-USA DuWanna Moore.

Annabelle also awarded the special artist sculpted Ginger Spice "Gingie" award posthumously to Miss M in commemoration of her commitment to the LesBiGay & AIDS efforts.

Both Mary and Kiarra will be entering the Miss Continental USA pageant finals in Chicago Labor Day weekend.

Za's celebrated its 5th Anniversary

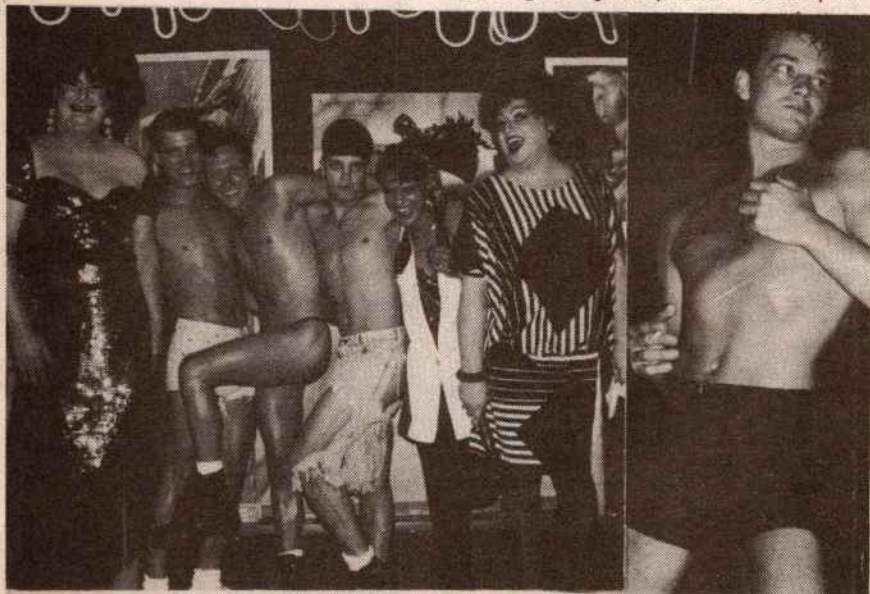
with a weekend of events July 22-24, including the C.C. Rae Show, drink specials, champagne, male dancers and a special T-Dance with an early evening buffet. The bar has been busy redecorating the second level and putting in a second dance floor. Sunday nights in Za's are now Dry Nights for those 16 and up, with alcohol being served upstairs in Java's. Congratulations to Mark (Za) and Ken and their fine crew on a great five years — and may you celebrate many more multiples of 5!

Another anniversary was celebrated at Zippers on July 24 when Dan, George and crew had their 1st anniversary. The day long party featured a buffet, door prizes, drink specials and a grand prize drawing. The grand prize of round trip air

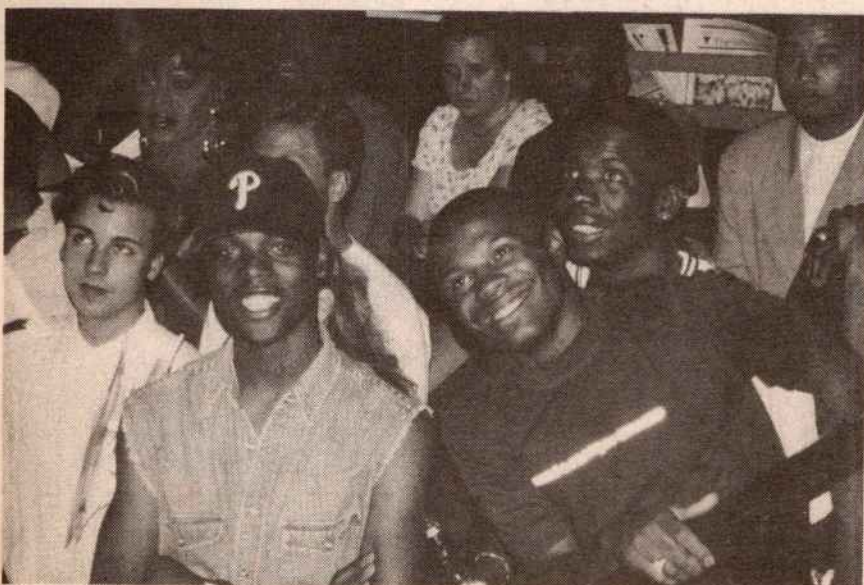
to anywhere in the USA was won shortly before midnight by Renee Polubinsky. Congratulations to Dan, Geo and the staff — the first one's always the roughest!

Another weekend, another picnic... The recently renamed **People of All Colors Together (PACT) Milwaukee** held a pot luck barbecue on July 24 with perfect weather in attendance. The group provided the meat and utensils and guests were asked to bring a dish to pass. (*I'm sure there was plenty of DISH passed...*)

"Baby" Jane Hudson (aren't you getting a little old for that name, girl?) presented *What's Goin On* a special



Baby Jane Hudson and friends gathered for what turned out to be the final show at *Your Place*.
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Some of the entertained crowd at Club 219 during the Wisconsin Continental Pageant.

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summer show before a good crowd at **Your Place** on July 24. Meanwhile, at **The New Bar** Morgan LeFay hosted a **Lingerie Show** to benefit **Briarpatch** a Madison youth services group.

Miguel has been putting together some interesting, and tasty South of the Border specials on Thursday nights at **1100 Club**. I had some excellent chicken fajitas last Thursday, but you never know what he'll throw on the menu.

In Step had to bid farewell to two of our contributors, cartoonist Camper, and Gay Youth columnist Nick. The last *Camper* cartoon appeared in our Stonewall issue, and Jennifer is taking a sabbatical from cartooning. "I don't know how long this break will last, it could be weeks or months, I don't know," she replied when I queried her. Eighteen year old Nick is moving to San Francisco, and his *Straight Talk for Gay Youth* goes with him. I'm considering several youth writers to take his place, and am open to submissions from other potential youth issues writers.

Cartoonist Tom Rezza and his *GaySide* are now back on a regular basis, after his Spring sabbatical and getting used to a new job schedule. This issue, I'm glad to introduce you to our new columnist, Kirk Stark, and his new monthly column, *Stark Reality*. Kirk is in his mid 20's and has experience writing

and editing for several local University-oriented weeklies. He's carrying a double major in psychology and journalism and I think he'll provide us with some interesting reading.

I've had several questions lately about the change in printing schedules of **Wisconsin Light** and **In Step**. As of late June, both papers have been coming out the same week, with a Thursday dateline. In the past, the two papers came out in opposite weeks.

What happened? Last Summer, after the March on Washington, I talked with **Light's** editor Terry Boughner about how to handle things in '94 for Stonewall 25 and The March on the UN. Terry and I commiserated with one another over the heavy amount of work involved in putting out our '93 MOW issues in a two week time span. I offered the suggestion that both papers, in '94 put out a 3 week issue (instead of a 2 week issue) during the Stonewall celebration time frame, allowing us both to do a more thorough job in a less stressful atmosphere.

Terry said he'd talk it over with his other half, publisher Jerry Johnson. Time drifted into late September, when I start planning **In Step's** deadline schedule for the coming year. I checked with Terry, and he said they hadn't decided for sure what they were going to do. I then set up **In Step's** '94 print/deadline schedule with

the three week issue in June. I like to mail these schedules out by early November, so I had the schedule typeset and mailed them out to advertisers and organizations. *After they were mailed*, I found out **Light** would continue on a two week production schedule, and not do a three week June '94 Stonewall issue. So, as of June '94 we found ourselves coming out with the same Thursday cover date.

Now, there are some advantages to this current schedule. Because of **In Step's** longer production period, both publications deadlines used to be the same day. Now, our deadlines are on opposite Wednesdays. **In Step** has always had a Thursday cover date, but the magazine is out on the streets in Milwaukee late Tuesday evening and most of the rest of our outlets, statewide, have the magazine by our Thursday cover date. **Light** has a Thursday cover date, too, but their distribution doesn't begin until Thursday afternoon.

In Step is locked into our current schedule through the end of our '94 schedule. Both papers skip an issue in late December/ early January for a holiday break. Hopefully, this scheduling thing can be worked out so, once again, we come out on opposite weeks if that's what the community wants. *There's no hard feelings on either side of this...* (we get along just fine, thank you!) it was just

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a lack of communication nearly a year ago, that caused the current situation.

Lose One, Gain One

Your Place, a Gay bar for 29 years, makes a big change as of August 3. On that date, the bar will switch to a "gentlemen's club" featuring female dancers. Some of the current YP staff will stay on under the new owner, according to present manager Gerry Lemmer. Gerry had been negotiating with the current owner, Jim Balistreri, to purchase the business when the new owners offered "an incredible amount of money" for the business.

Money Talks.

Our best wishes to Jim, Gerry and the staff and a big "Thank You" to all involved in the Y.P. the past 29 years starting with the original owner Jimmy Dorn, who sold it to Wayne Bernhagen, then to (Uncle) Al Sturtevant, and then

Jim. Thanks to all for their years of service to our community.

Just Us, a new "community based no attitude bar with a 50/50 mix of Gays and Lesbians" will be opening sometime in October in the 800 block of South 5th Street. It will occupy the space of the former Fabulous Pelican/ La Pinata. The bar will offer a dance floor, meeting space and hors d'oeuvres. Catering will be available, but full restaurant service won't kick in immediately.

Co-owners Janet Mueller and Steve Byers (who are both out attorneys) informed me there will be a smoke free area, and a crypto filtration system is being installed. The future dining room space will be available for community meetings, and according to the owners there is a 20x120 second floor that could be developed into even more meeting space.

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AfterWords Books and Espresso Bar now can add Video Club to their ever expanding name! The Gay and Lesbian Video Club is up and running, offering Milwaukee's best rental selection of LesBiGay films at the lowest rates. And don't forget their artist reception, 1-3pm Sunday August 7 for photographer Carolyn Ruck's exhibit, *Lesbian Couples of South East Wisconsin*. Ms. Ruck's work was featured on *In Step's* July 7 cover.

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Upper Left: Monica Munro, Miss Continental USA performed at the recent Miss Wisconsin Continental Pageant held by Top Hat Productions at Club 219. Upper Center: 1st runner up WI Continental, Kiarra Fontaine; upper right: Mary

Richards is crowned the new Miss WI Continental by '93s winner, Erika Cartier and Monica. Bottom Left: The five contestants; Bottom Right: Mary in her winning talent segment.

Photos by James Taylor

Calendar

WED., AUGUST 3

Triangle: Max's Quarter Century Birthday Party, 9-?

FRI., AUGUST 5

Wreck Room: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 1-6pm in the back bar during 3rd Ward Block party.

Pivot Club (Appleton): Sage La Rue's 28th Birthday bash with special guests galore, 10:30pm.

SAT., AUGUST 6

Rod's: 2nd Annual Mr. & Ms. Leather Madison Contest on Patio. Begins at 10; Leather workshops & fair during evening hours.

Wreck Room: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 1-6pm in the back bar during 3rd Ward Block party.

Za's (Green Bay): Miss Gay Green Bay WI-USA preliminary, 10:30pm, & 3 cover. The last WI-USA preliminary contest!

Runway 51 (Janesville): Nashville's Jeff Miller, encore performance of this openly Gay Country Music Singer. Two shows, 10:30 & midnight.

1100 Club: Marc's Birthday Toga Party 8-close, Togas or leather requested.

Womyn's Hot Summer's Night Dance: Hurricane Productions, 8pm-midnight, at Danceworks, 727 N. Milwaukee St., downtown. Tickets \$7 at the door.

Lavender Hill Benefit: *Lavender Fairy Tales*, 7pm, UW-Milw. Student Union, Wisconsin Room. A benefit for MAP. FMI call (414) 964-0772.

Ballgame: Sheepshead tournament.
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SUN., AUGUST 7

Rod's: 15th Mr. Rod's Contest; Patio opens 5pm, show/contest at 8pm. \$500 in total prizes.

GMDG's Movie Night: *The Crying Game*, The Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett. \$2 donation, popcorn & soda provided. Meet in room 100. Call Bill at 271-2565 FMI.

AfterWords: Artist reception, photographer Carolyn Ruck, 1-3pm.
SAGE/Milw.: Brief 1pm meeting at The Counseling Center, then car pool to Bradley Family Foundation Sculpture Gardens.

MON., AUGUST 8

AfterWords: Book Club discusses *Growing UP Gay/Growing Up Lesbian* by Bennett Singer, 7:30pm.

FRI., AUGUST 12

Pivot Club (Appleton): Camp Heartland Project Benefit Show, 10:30pm. Help send AIDS-impacted kids to camp.

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SAT., AUGUST 13

Runway 51 (Janesville): Sunset Dames in *The Movie Madness*, showtime 10:30pm.
1st Annual Old Fashion Country Pig Roast: Crossroads Bar, Lake Mills, corner of Highway B&Q, 194

Aztalan/Lake Mills exit. Benefit for MAP & MASN. Featuring Roast Pig, chicken, corn, potatoes & fixings including beer & soda. 11am-8pm, food at 4. Games, entertainment on outdoor stage. \$15 adults, \$10 kids under 12, fee for kids under 3.

Rod's (Madison): Hot Afternoons & Tropical Nights. Patio opens at 5,

tropical drink specials.

M&M Club: Singational Productions entertains.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Carmella Marcella Garcia & Devin J. Michaels entertainers from Florida in their encore WI performance.

SUN., AUGUST 14

The New Bar (Madison): Ryan Idol! Show at 10:30.

1100 Club: Steve's on vacation party!

WED., AUGUST 17

MAP Education Series: Introductory AIDS Education Program, 6:30pm, MAP, 315 W. Court St., Milw. FMI call MAP, (414) 273-1991, extension 257. Registration is recommended.

AIDS Activist TV (Milw.): Warner Cable Channel 47, 8:30pm. Features Dr. Jeff Kelly discussing his pioneering efforts to keep Gay men uninfected with HIV. Live call-in.

SAT., AUGUST 20

Ballgame: Sheepshead tournament.
Runway 51 (Janesville): "Reach for the Stars" Talent Search, 10:30 showtime.

Rod's (Madison): Full Moon/ Lights Out Flashlight Party, 10pm-close.



Six contestants vied for the title of Mr. SSBL contest held at the Ballgame. Marshall (3rd from right) was selected winner by the number of raffle tickets he sold.

Photo by Jeff Butler



The many faces of C.C. Rae during her show at Za's over their 5th Anniversary Weekend. Bottom Left: Java's, the

upstairs bar at Za's is undergoing remodeling; Right: Most of Za's staff.

Photos by Baby AI (Brian)

Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

Summer Movie Salad

What would happen if you took the summer's hottest movies, the **National Enquirer**, a copy of **Honcho** magazine and **W.W. Wells** brain, and then put them in a Salad Shooter? The following column that's what! Pass the Thousand Island dressing and a box of popcorn please...

Forrest Gump on Speed

This **Keanu Reeves** bio-pic stars **Tom Hanks** as **Reeves**, buzzed and buff to the t-shirt, sporting an abnormally low IQ. Sort of a *Die Hard* on a bus as viewed through the eyes of the *Rainman*. Best line in the movie, "Whoa dude... life is like a box of chocolates... you never know what you're gonna get until **Dennis Hopper** blows it up with 10,000 sticks of dynamite!!!"

Go Fishing

Five, hip urban Lesbians looking for romance instead become politically incorrect, environment outcasts when they appear on *Babe Winkleman's Gone Fishing* and accidentally catch *Flipper* with a *Ronco Pocket Fisherman*. **Sandra Bernahrd** guest stars as the *Horny Little Mermaid*.

Mrs. Doubtfire's True Lies

This action/comedy, written and directed by *Terminator* creator **James Cameron**, features **Arnold Schwarzenegger** in drag, accessorized with semi-automatic weapons. Brain

dead, **Jamie Lee Curtis** has no idea of his secret identity as a drag queen/top secret government agent until an international incident unravels his fetish for high heels and flavored lipstick. **Sally Field** reprises her role as *The Flying Nun* as Cameron arms her high tech habit with Sidewinder missiles during the heart pounding highrise showdown with Arab terrorists. **Ru Paul** co-stars as a combination make-up consultant-intelligence officer and **Tom Arnold** can be seen hiding from **Roseanne**.

The Little Rascals

This movie remake featuring those mischievous preteens is the hot summer ticket for those perverts over at NAMBLA.

The Clients

Hot shot criminal lawyer, **Robert Shapiro** refuses to reveal how much he charges per hour but admits he used some **OJ's** money to buy the entire state of Montana and even had enough left over for a couple of tickets to a **Barbra Streisand** concert.

Lassie

Riding a wave of canine flicks **Jack Nicholson** becomes the lovable collie, when he takes a dip in a pool filled with Minoxidil and sprouts more beautiful blow dried fur than you'd find on **Ed Asner's** back. For some unknown reason this makes **Michelle Pfeiffer** really horny. Ex-Lassie mom, **June Lockhart** makes a cameo appearance when the *Jupiter 9* makes an emergency landing on **Roddy McDowell's** front porch.

City Slickers 3-Way

Oscar winner **Jack Palance** does pushups with one hand and grabs a fistful of Crisco with the other, as he

hoses country boys **Jeff Stryker** and **Ryan Idol** in their porn comeback video by the sexperts at Falcon Studios. **Harvey Fierstein** puts in a flaming cameo as a nellie, but understanding next door neighbor.

When a Man Loves a Woman

A shocking documentary aimed at Gays and Lesbians to explain what really goes on between heterosexuals in the bedroom. *Not for the squeamish!*

The Lion Queens

Fearing another EuroDisney, Mickey Mouse CEO, **Michael Eisner** undergoes another heart bypass surgery after homophobic middle America gets a load of this new exhaustingly hyped animated sequel set in a New York drag palace. Starring the voices of **Richard Gere, Greg Louganis, Jason Priestly, Richard Simmons, John Waters, The Galloping Gourmet, David Geffen** and **Barry Diller**. New songs by **Elton John, Boy George, Johnny Mathis, Morrissey**, and attitude supplied by **Ru Paul**.

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Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

Sexual Orientation

I never met a Japanese Lesbian I didn't like. In fact, I never met a Japanese Lesbian. Not for lack of trying, of course.

Now it should come as no surprise that I am President and Chief Operating Officer of Lesbian Uncovery Service. It's just one of those small but critical responsibilities I feel obligated to take up on your behalf. No, no, don't feel required to share this treasured G2 Info with anybody I might happen to be married to at this time. She knows. Trust me. Has already accepted the fact that I am an unregenerate Lesbian quester. But, like the proverbial Great Dane chasing sports cars, it's okay, as long as I don't catch one.

I know that we are *everywhere*. And I also know that, even now, I am continuously surprised, impressed and astounded really, at who we often turn out to be, what we actually look like, and what extraordinary things we've accomplished in our masks and disguises.

So when I get a chance, I seek us out. Besides, I get some extraordinary opportunities.

I should have started this column by telling you that I went out looking for *resbians*. But, of course, a) the editor, assuming typos, would correct my spelling, and b) you'd think I was violating Roberts' Rules of the Politically Correct. Before you get your socks in a snarl, I come by the term legit. I saw it at Stonewall. It was the very best sign in the whole procedure. Carried by a Japanese woman, it read "*Resbian Lights!*" I rest my case.

I wouldn't have brought this up, but I am writing to you from... ahem... (I just

love getting to say this:)... *Tokyo*. Right. That *Tokyo*. The one in *Japan*.

Don't start throwing bread rolls and hissing. I am *not* making this up just to impress you. Since you can't see where I'm typing from, I could just say it and how would you ever know? Besides, it's not as though I were writing to you *next* week, figuring out how to work, "*Last week when I was in Tokyo...*" into a sentence. (Not that I won't, of course, next week. But by then I will have earned missiles and catcalls.) For now, *arrigato goziamas*.

I'm here on somebody else's business, natch, being way too cheap... you try living on what Gay and Lesbian papers can pay... to buy a business class ticket for myself, or twist myself into a pretzel for a twelve hour lark in Cattle Car Class. Who I'm here for isn't all that important. That I can expand our legognition (sic(k)) code by whole continents is.

Let me tell you, any Caucasian who ever said all Asians look alike never spent one day outnumbered in a Pacific Rim country. I have seen a Japanese counterpart for every type I ever went to high school with, or saw when I was last in Akron, Ohio. Fat ones. Skinny ones. Ones who climb on rocks. Short ones. Tall ones. Even ones with chicken pox. (Well, okay, not that one. You can only carry an Oscar Meyer analogy so far.)

In four days there, I've seen Japanese who remind me of ever aunt I ever owned, that neurotic Jewish kid we all chose last on the baseball team, dozens of your favorite fashion models, Generation X-hibitionists in black with crayon-red wigs. I've seen ladies in kimonos whose faces, except for the eyes, looked just like my grade school teachers. I've had taxi drivers who could have been my dad's brother if his father had been a bit more Asian influenced. In fact, I've seen every kind of identifiable type. Except, of course, us.

I couldn't just shake hands with strangers here. And the Japanese *never* make eye-contact in public, a gross violation of private space in a very crowded country. Voilla! *Invisibirity*. Maybe there aren't any Lesbians in Japan. Maybe they both marched at

Stonewall and haven't come home yet.

I tried a club. It was closed. I walked at night to a safe section of Tokyo I wouldn't risk if it were in New York. Or for that matter Cleveland. It was in the midst of Tokyo's Gay section with glass fronted sex shops, and open men's clubs. Beautiful young men paced most street corners late for appointments judging from how anxiously they glanced at their watches, waiting no doubt, for Mom to buzz by in the Honda to pick them up after practice. (Wanna buy a bridge?)

I asked a clerk in a Gay sex shop for "Club Madonna?????" He was appalled when I walked in. You could tell how much by how he geisha'd a giggle while shaking negatives with his head. If he didn't know where the Lesbians were, how was I going to find them in a city where the cab drivers expect you to give them a map, and addresses are in a language foreign even to the natives.

That night, I did meet an equally bewildered young man from Hong Kong who timidly asked if I was a "*Irribian?*" in that special Asian middle sound that has no English consonant. Thinking I'd spotted a Mazda Mafia bouncer who could direct to me an ahsos deska dyke den, I nodded enthusiastically, only to discover that he, too, was a tourist, hoping to find a club for female Hong Kongene friends.

I found Club Madonna, but it never opened. So I never met a Japanese Lesbian. Even one I *didn't* like. It was disappointing. I know they're here. But I have to leave. I'll keep a world eye out for you though. And I'll let you know how I do.

Next week when I'm in London and Frankfurt.

Sayonara.

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Stark Reality

By Kirk Stark

Personal Ads

We've all felt it. Summer is here, and we watch couples crawl out of the woodwork like cockroaches — hand in hand, staring at each other like nothing else in the universe exists.

The rest of us — *the single people* — get to watch this panoply, irritating as it is, wondering why we can't join in. Thus, the manhunt (or womanhunt) begins.

And what a joy it is in this modern society to have so many options to meet that perfect love muffin. There are bars, social groups, and personal ads. Ah yes, *personal ads*...

The amazing thing about the personals is the scope of how many people you can get to notice you at one time. Why, with one personal ad, you can hit at least ten thousand people.

The problem is that many people can't read it seems. I've run a couple of ads in my time, and it amazes me the type of people who respond.

In my very first personal ad, *placed in this very magazine five years ago*, I received over 100 responses. Yes, *count 'em, one-hundred responses*.

All my ad said was: "Sincere, GWM 19, interested in meeting mature, romantic, GWM (20-40), who enjoys movies, candlelight dinners, long walks, and intelligent conversation. Must be interested in a potential commitment."

Now I don't know if it was dreams of finding the perfect man, or a flock of chicken hawks descending on what must have looked like fresh meat, but I found my post office box packed with letters every day for over a month.

From this deluge of responses I have found some important things.

First, many people can't read. A goodly portion of the people who wrote me were either too young, or too old for the criterion I listed in my ad. Five of the people who wrote to me couldn't even spell my name correctly, *even though it was spelled correctly in the ad*.

Second, many people equate relationship with sex. Twelve percent of the people who wrote to me described how big their dick was, with two giving complete run-downs on their genitalia. One found it necessary to send me a collection of pictures of his "good, juicy balls."

Best of all was a letter which included a crotch shot of the person writing. Yes, he felt his dick could say what his words could not. He was *wrong*.

In all, seven people sent me pictures of themselves in the buff. Now, since I didn't *ask* for that, I wonder what provoked them to send those along? The

only thing they did was provide hours of entertainment as my friends and I giggled ourselves into a stupor, trying to figure out how anyone could muster up the courage to take *that* to a Walgreen's for developing.

Third, is the age fixation that many of these men related. One letter said, "I am 30, still act like I'm 20," *as if there aren't enough emotionally stunted men in existence*.

Two other men wrote similar letters, one gentleman was twenty-eight, and the other was thirty-seven.

I was surprised at the time, reading those letters, and now I feel badly for those men. Obviously they fed into what the Gay culture-at-large was saying about the value of youth, and to feel as if they had worth, they had to fixate on their youthful looks. Insecure Gay people, *what a concept*.

Finally, the worst was the collection of letters that focused on one phrase: "straight acting and appearing." Oh, how I hate those terms.

The "straight acting/appearing" letters really annoy me. It's as if being a Gay male means being "overly feminine," and being "straight acting/appearing" means you are the mighty king of testosterone.

Since I am not straight acting or appearing, I don't seek out men that are. *Silly me*. I don't believe in labels. I decide to meet people solely on the basis of their writing ability and candor.

So, from now on I will be requesting a thousand word essay from all future respondents. The essay shall be titled: "What I want to be if I ever grow up."

The essay, which *will* be timed, shall cover the dreams, ambitions, and goals of the prospective date, and shall include a brief dating history, and a list of

hobbies.

Grading the essay shall be determined by three components: your writing skill, the strength of your message, and your penmanship.

Points will be taken away for any descriptions of your genitals, your favorite sexual positions, or any affiliations with the Republican Party, working for Cracker Barrel, or being a personal friend of Jesse Helms.

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Zodiacscope

By Charlene Lichtenstein

August Forecast

Don't talk to me about the dog days of August. I'd rather think of it as balmy and sensual, even though the planets may toss us an ice cube. Mercury is the planet to watch as it sweeps through three signs. I suppose we are all allowed to change our minds and our area of focus once... or twice... or more at this time. (If anyone complains, just blame it on Mercury.) Mars moves into sensitive Cancer so even if our minds are not totally made up, at least we can be sincerely sappy about it.

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Talk about pushy pushy. Aries are even more... effusive, (shall we say)... than usual this month. It seems that you just can't contain your desire to share your opinion with the immediate world. Share if you will, share if you must. You have carefully gathered all your facts, lined them up just so and are ready to aim them with a steady deadly shot. You are not known as The Ram for nothing, dear.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Although friendships still have their rather sticky moments, avoid the tendency to bite back by focusing your attention elsewhere. Buy! Buy! Buy! Acquisition becomes the be all end all this month. Plans for investing money and collecting objects of beauty will become more important to you. The real goal is to use all this loot to enhance your home surroundings. A lovely home make Taurus very happy.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Career momentum may hit the skids for a bit, but you have enough get up and go to get up and go. We can only put up with so much abuse. Personal drive will help you either look for greener pastures or redirect your energy into more profitable pursuits. Keep a low profile around authority figures. You just don't see eye to eye with them now. Tough — they'll just have to learn the hard way!

CANCER (June 22-July 21)

It may be a good idea to stay close to home for the month. Travel appears to be mired in problems and headaches. So what; Cancers prefer to stay close to home base anyway and now you have a good planetary excuse. Put your Gay energy where it counts — volunteer and nurture those in need. You have the drive and the stamina to put in the good fight on behalf of our community.

LEO (July 24-August 23)

You may be at little on the pooped side this August when it comes to love and deep commitment, but never fear; the glorious Leo personality will manifest around friends, if not around lovers. You can be the center of attention in the social swirl and will feel particularly energetic around large groups of people. I guess you must be starved for attention from the masses...

VIRGO (August 24-September 23)

Who wants to be president of the corporation? You do. Professional goals are energized now and you will do what it takes to win over those in authority. Be careful not to put all your efforts into the political basket. Relationships are strained and you need to give sufficient attention to partners before problems become worse.

LIBRA (September 24-October 23)

You would much prefer to hit the road and take off for parts unknown, but the job bears down on you. Problems don't seem to go away at work. No sooner do you feel that one brush fire is out, than another one flares up. Take all challenges as they come and keep your mind on the fabulous vacation. It's definitely worth taking a break, if you can.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 22)

Scorpios are in their element this month as sexual energy is high and well focused. There may be a tendency to go for the gusto and wear yourself out, but this is not advisable. Keep all social activities *entre nous* and don't go out of your way to invite the immediate world to your doorstep or seek the kindness of strangers all over town. Also, avoid any gambling. Games of chance hold no chance for you.

SAGITTARIUS

(November 23- December 22)

Partners give you the support you need and you are also there for them. The one hitch this month is that your home may still be an area of discord or disarray. Are there just too many projects to do around the house? The best advice is to roll up your sleeves and do what needs to be done once and for all. August is the finish up or else month.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23-January 20)

You still seem to be suffering from foot in mouth disease. It is best not to give your opinion right now — It is not wanted or will be misinterpreted. On the bright side, you can accomplish anything you want to on the job. You've got the energy; you've got the know how; now do what needs to get done. Whatever you do, just don't talk about it!

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19)

Party hearty is the keynote of the month. Energy is high and you are raring to go! There may be a tendency to spend much more on your fun than you intend to or than you can reasonably afford. Finances have been a problem for a while and don't seem to be going away. Keep a watchful eye on your wallet while you dance the night away.

PISCES (February 20-March 20)

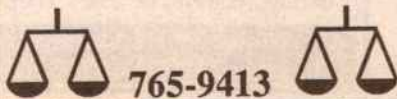
You are practically inspired to do a bit more around the house. It may be a good time to redecorate, or move a few pieces of furniture around to give your place a new, fresh look. Revamping your home may also help you gain a bit more self confidence. We know that a Pisces' home reflects their personal outlook. What does your home say about the real you?

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M&M dropped out of a first place tie with Club 219, as they were upset by Triangle on July 23rd. M&M must defeat Club 219 on July 30th (after In Step's deadline) to gain a share of the regular season title. Regardless of the outcome of that game, Club 219 will represent Milwaukee in the **Gay Softball World Series** in Nashville from August 16th-20th.

AUG. 27 MINI TOURNAMENT

The league will hold a mini-tournament on Saturday, August 27th as part of a fan appreciation day. The event, called *Field of Dreams and Memories* will be held at Mitchell Park, which will be used for the last time by the league for softball. There will be food, soda and beer available. There will also be photos and other memorabilia from games played at Mitchell Park from 1977 to 1994. This will include World Series games in 1979 and 1985, and Wreck Room and Milwaukee Classic games since 1978. It should be a great day, and everyone is invited.

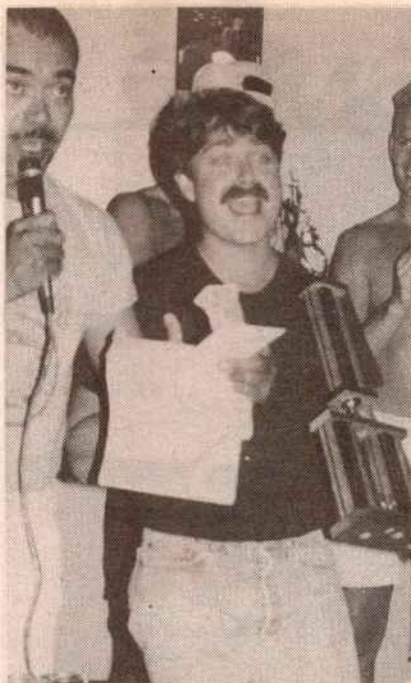
August 27th Schedule of Games

MITCHELL PARK LOWER DIAMOND

11AM Ballgame vs Rick's Rangers
12 Noon Your Place vs Marble Arcade
1pm Triangle vs Ballgame/ Rick's Ranger - winner
2pm M&M vs Your Place/ Marble Arcade - winner
3pm Championship game.

MR. SSBL CONTEST

Marshall of Rick's Rangers is the 1994 Mr. SSBL. The contest is an annual fundraiser, and is the league's most profitable fundraising event. Six contestants tried for the title on July 16th at the Ballgame. Dave and J.R. of Triangle, Mark of the Ballgame, Dion of Club 219, David of Your Place and Marshall of Rick's Rangers participated. The contestants sold raffle tickets and the person raising the most money,



Six contestants vied for the title of Mr. SSBL contest held at the Ballgame. Marshall (3rd from right) was selected winner by the number of raffle tickets he sold.

Photo by Jeff Butler

Marshall, was the winner. Mark of the Ballgame finished in 2nd place, and David of Your Place took 3rd.

Fall Bowling Leagues Forming

Milwaukee — The **B.E.S.T. Bowling League** will be bowling at Red Carpet Bowlero, at 11737 W. Burleigh. This league bowls *every other Sunday* at 6pm. It's just perfect for people who would like to get out twice a month to meet with friends and enjoy an evening of friendly bowling competition.

The league is a mixed league, in other words it is open to both male and female bowlers. Currently there are openings for teams and individual bowlers.

The organizational meeting will be August 28, at 6pm, at Bowlero. The first night of bowling will be September 11. For more information or to reserve your spot call Bob or Rick at 482-1964.

MONDAY LEAGUE

The **Monday Night League**, bowls *every Monday night*, 7pm, at Landmark Lanes on the Eastside. It's also a mixed league open to men & women.

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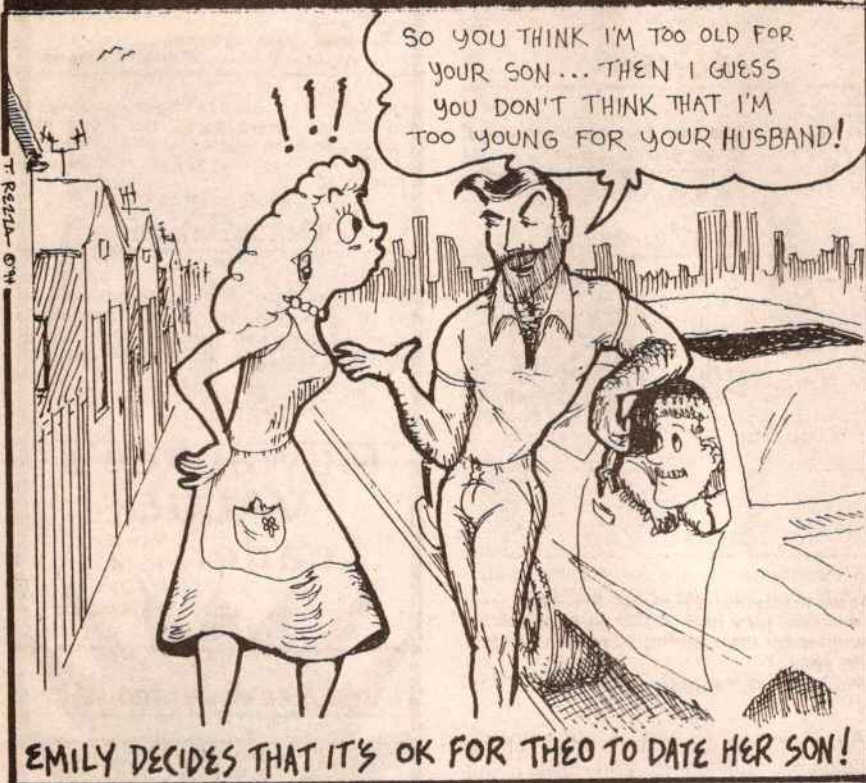
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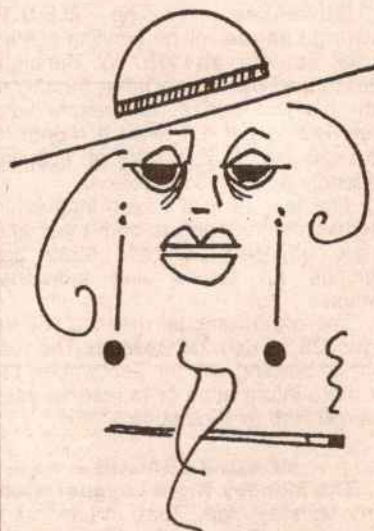
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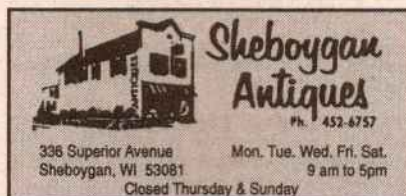
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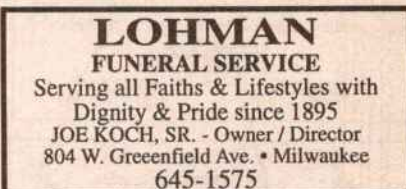
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GWM 38, 6" 150 lbs. Hairy, Italian, honest, employed, romantic, caring person, monogamous. Seeks GWM 40+, husky, stocky build with similar qualities. Letter and photo to: P.O. box 93832, Milw., WI 53202.

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41, GWM 180 lbs., 6'2", Black hair. HIV neg. Top. Into nature, romance and good times. Seeking 18-50, bottom into same. Contact: Duane Luse, 517 1/2 Hamilton St., Wausau, WI 54403; (715) 848-0608.

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Hotel Washington Staff: Thanks for a great BIG time!

Ron, Joe, Kim

Greg (Hotel Washington): Thanks for the tape.

Ron & Kim

Tammy: Bless you, my child for your patience. Was at Shady Acres for a rest. Was confused... again. Sybil-13

Sherry & Karen: Thank you for the many new things we like about our home away from home. Patrons of the bar

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JAE: Congratulations on your first year in ATLI! I'll see you at Thanksgiving!

Love, Bill

Station Sleuths: Ha! Ha! Tammy in Conundrum, Alice in Wonderland, looking for me is a puzzlement — even to me.

Sybil 1-13

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Mw	Mostly Men, Women Welcome
W	Prefer Women Only
Wm	Mostly Women, Men Welcome
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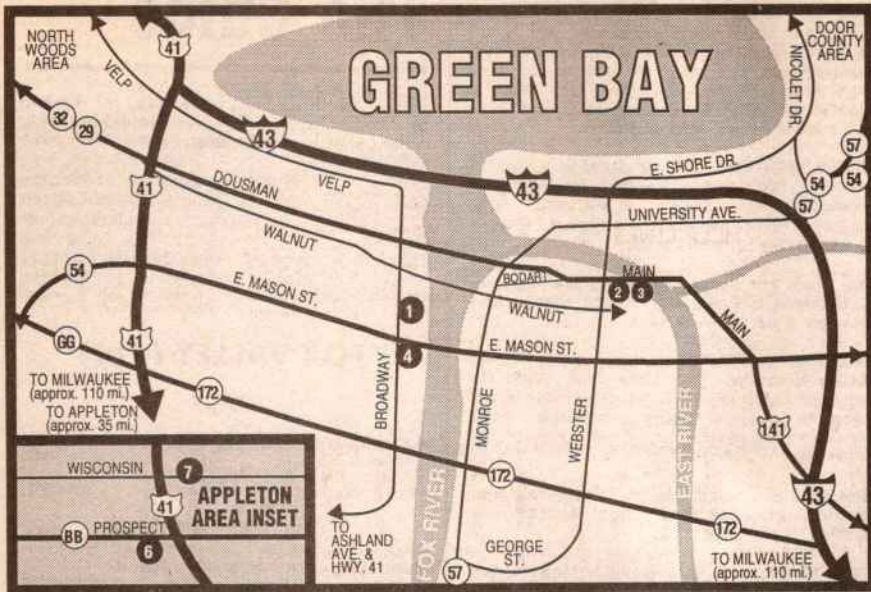
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Gay/Lesbian Support at UW-BG 465-2343
HIV/AA (weekly meetings) Ric 468-6316
Men's HIV+ Support 437-7400
Women's HIV+ Support 437-7400
Northern Womyn, Inc. (Lesbian Support/social Group) Box 10102, Green Bay 54307-0102
Parents & Friends of G/L 499-7080
Positive Voice P. O. Box 1381, 54305 499-5533



- LesGayBi Teen Support Group** (Briarpatch & Picada) (608)251-1126/246-7606
Lesbian, Gay and Bi Law Student Union
 UW Law School, Bascom Mall, Madison 53706
Lesbian Parents Network PO Box 572, 53701 (608)255-8582
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 PO Box 1786, 53701 (608)241-2500
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Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
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Unicorns of Madison (L/L club)
 PO Box 536, 53701
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 14 W. Mifflin St., Ste 103, 53703 (608)255-8582
UW LesBiGay Alumni Council Ken, (608) 263-4086
Womonsong (Woman's Choral Group) (608)246-2681

RELIGIOUS

- Integrity/Dignity** Box 730, 53701 (608)836-8886
Affirmation (L/G United Methodists)
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MADISON (608)

MEDICAL

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 PO Box 731, 53701 (303 Lathrop St.) (608)238-MASN
Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)
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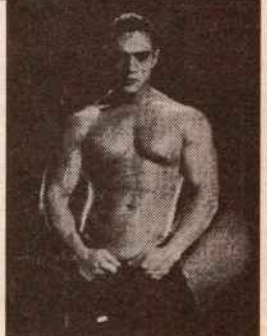
- Apple Island (Womens Cultural Center/Hall Rental)**
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Bi? Shy? Why? (Bisexual Support)
 PO Box 321, 53701 (608)251-3886
Campus Women's Center
 710 University Ave, #202, 53715 (608)262-8093
Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
 Box 513, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, Madison 53706
Different Spokes G/L/B bicycling club (608)241-8184
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Gay/Lesbian Information Recording
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G/L Educational Employees
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Gay Fathers c/o United (608)255-8582
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 PO Box 6091, 53716
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LesBiGay Issues Committee (UW Advisory Comm.)
 Dean of Students Office, 75 Bascom Hall
 Madison 53706 (608) 263-5700
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- ACT UP Milwaukee** PO Box 1707, 53201 769-8708
Alcoholics Anonymous (req. Gay meetings) 771-9119
Beer Town Badgers PO Box 166, 53201
Paul Bunyon Society (Social group for Big & Bear Men) PO Box 1252, 53201
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Black Gay Consciousness Raising 933-2136
Queer Program (Cable TV Show)
 PO Box 93951, 53203 964-8423
By Any Means Necessary Community Development Coalition Rodney 277-7671
Castaways M.C. (Levi/Leather club)
 PO Box 1697, 53202-1697
Counseling Center (Gay & Lesbian Support & discussion Groups) 2038 N. Bartlett, 53202 271-2565
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 2821 N. 4th St. #217B, or, Box 204, 53201 265-0880
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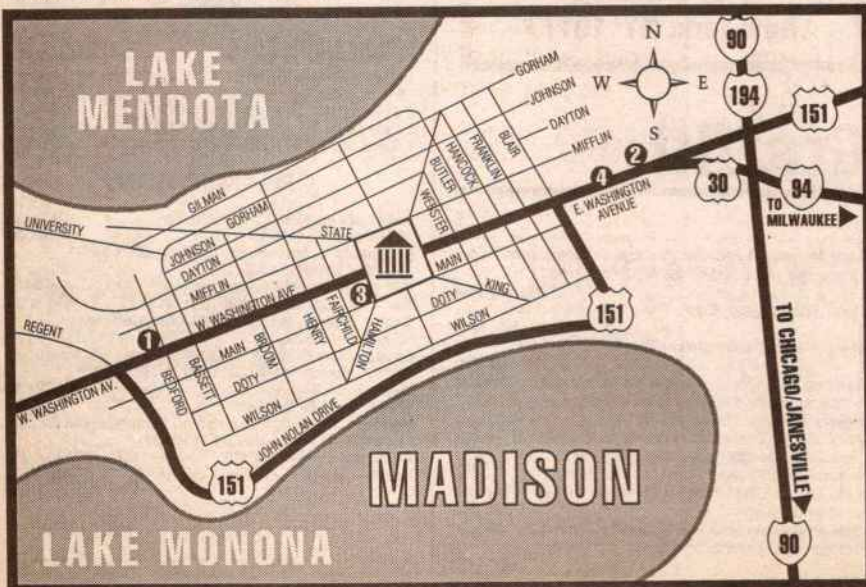
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- Triangle Tire Group** 3725 S Howell, 53207 481-8848
- Clinton St. Antiques** 1110 S. 1st St. 53204 647-1773

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- Gay Information Svcs.** (referrals) 444-7331
- Gay People's Union Hotline** 562-7010
- Gay Bash Hotline** (confidential) 444-7331
- Helpline** (Crisis Counseling) 271-3123
- Wisconsin AIDS Info Line** 273-AIDS
- Milw. Mayor's Office** LesBiGay Problem Resolution
Marge Beil 286-2200

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- Dr. Kelly Balliet** (Internal/Infectious Diseases)
Medical Center Specialties Clinic
945 N 12, 53233 283-7837
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Family Care Center, 1834 W Wisc., 53233 933-3600
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- BESTD Women's Clinic**
1240 E Brady, 53202 272-2144
- Gay Men's HIV+ Support Group**
BESTD Clinic 272-2144
- Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)**
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- 7 **Dance, Dance, Dance** (Mw, DJ) 801 S. 2nd 53204 383-8330
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- 20 **Station 2** (Wm, D) 1534 W. Grant 53215 278-9192
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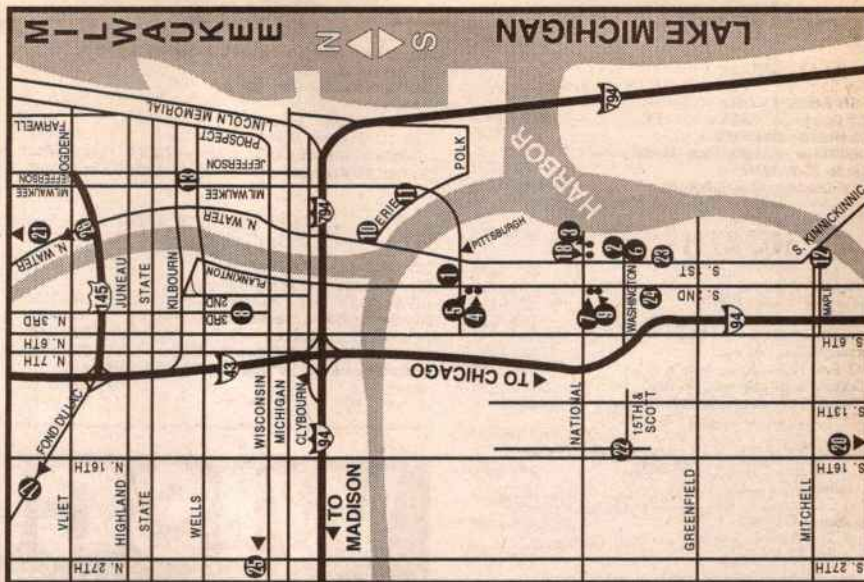
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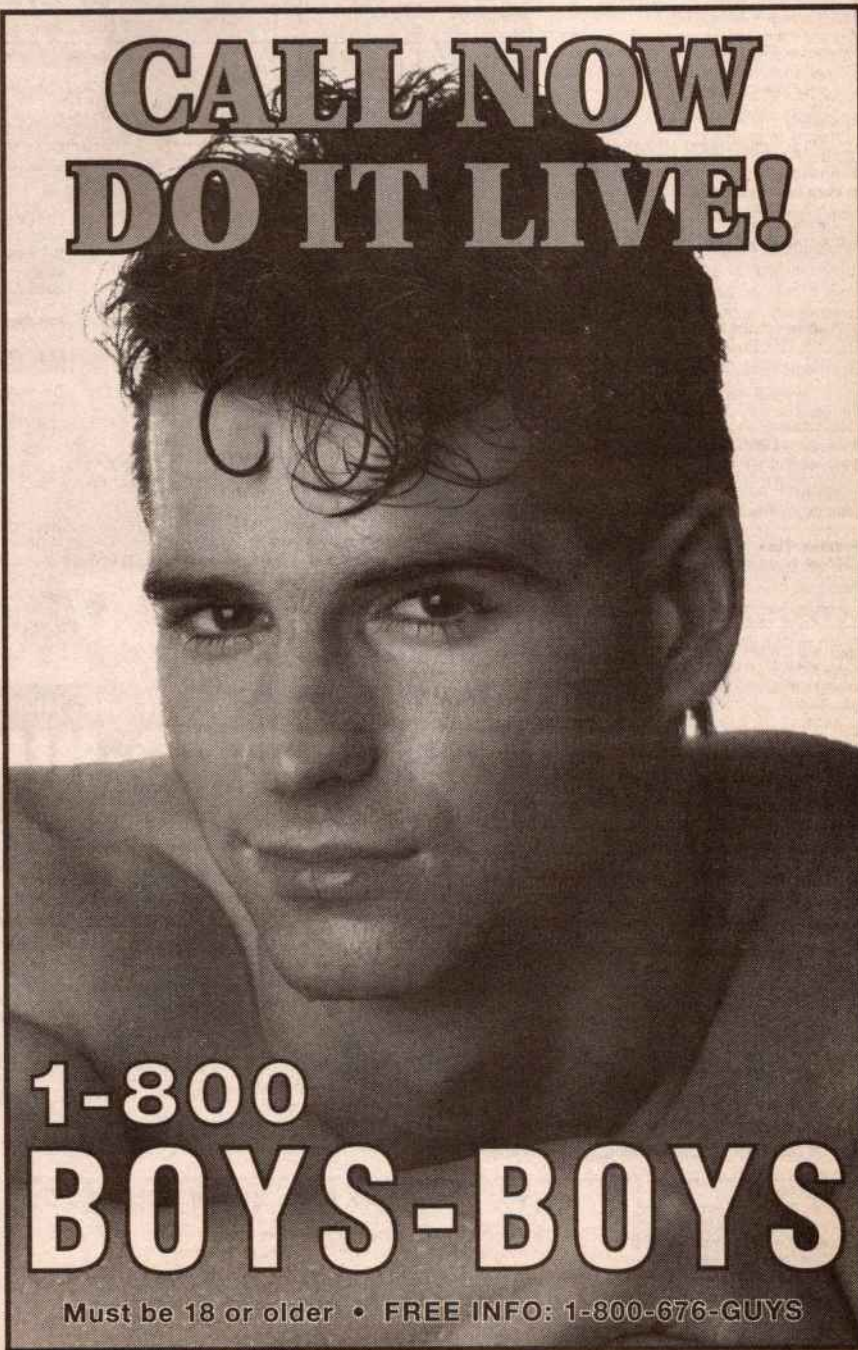
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Milwaukee GREEN HORN: Inexperienced college student, 5'9", looking for someone 18-24 yrs. old to have fun with. #33020

Appleton BI THE WAY: 25 yr. old, 5'11", Bln/Blu, bi male looking for guys in the area, 20-26 yrs. old, into outdoors and dancing. #33040

Milwaukee PASSION: Truthful male, 33, 6', looking for some passionate men to enjoy life with and who want to have good times together. #33083

Milwaukee SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY: 5'8", slim, looking for friends in the area to show me around a little. I am new here from Texas. #33118

Madison PARTY ON DUDE: Fun guy, college student, 20 yrs. old, into sports, working out, and partying, looking for someone who wants to have nothing but fun. #33703

Eau Claire PULL OVER: Police officer, 36, 6', seeking young 18-32 yr. old TP's. You must be very discreet. #33752

Milwaukee LIMITED PARTNERSHIP: 32 yr. old, 5'10", 150, Bln/Brn, professional looking seeks others in the area for a relationship. #33794

Appleton HEY, CLARK KENT: 26 yr. old, nice build, 5'7" looking for that super hero look alike, 25-35 yrs. old, to sweep me off my feet. #33960

Jefferson DOUBLE AXEL: 6'1", Blk/Brn, 200, self employed, into ice skating, taking walks, and being with someone who I really want to be with. You are kind, caring, honest, and sincere. #34044

Racine GLEN AND GLENDA: Randy, 5'10", 29 yrs. old, masc, looking for a TV, pre-op who likes to go out and have a good time. #34127

La Crosse HOLE IN ONE: GWM 31 non smoker 6' smooth seeking companion of any race for summer fun enjoy golf, bowling, shopping, movies and the quality time two men can share at home. #33942

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Madison SAME TIME NEXT WEEK?: Rick 38 bi wm vgl dk hair trim beard

looking for guys to get together on reg or occasional basis looking for gdlkg masc to mid 40's also. #34300

WI SATISFACTION GUARANTEED: Uncle Chuck gdlk 6'2 241 brn/blu looking for non white Tps to satisfy well built tall and hairy a +. give me a try! #34315

WI ISN'T IT ROMANTIC: 30 yr. old, 5'8", Brn/Brn, hairy, seeks an honest and sincere good looking guy. I am very romantic and am out of the bar scene. #26321

Madison LONESOME DOVE: Lonesome bi white male, 6', stach, into the country, looking for other cowboys for friendship or more. #26830

Milwaukee NOT JUST GOOD LOOKING...: 27 yr. old male, very good looking, looking for a very handsome man to spend quality time with. #32446

WI WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT: 21 yr. old looking for some one who is around my age who is into boating traveling and more. I am 5'11", Brn/Brn, toned. #32501

St. Louis I LOOK MARVELOUS: Nick, 50 yr. old who is a fantastic guy looking for a younger guy. I am financially fit. Long hair a big plus. #32550

WI ZIP ME UP, ZIP ME DOWN: Steve, GWM, looking for a CD who is handsome and good looking. Come on over for some good times. #11250

Madison OUT FOR A GOOD TIME: Tom, 5'10", good looking, athletic, looking for someone to have some fun with. #32656

Milwaukee ANY BRIGHT IDEAS?: 27 yr. old, 5'10", clean shaven, into reading and writing and creative, looking for someone to indulge in my interests or who can show me something new. #32690

Sheboygan HOW DO YOU DO?: 40's, 5'10", looking for someone similar for a committed relationship for dining out and quiet evenings. #32849

Green Bay PUMPING UP: 5'10", into working out, looking for someone 28-35 yrs. old. call and leave me a message. #32895

WI NEW PASSAGES: Matthew, 18, 6'3", muscular seeks a TP who can show me a good time on this my first experience. #31417

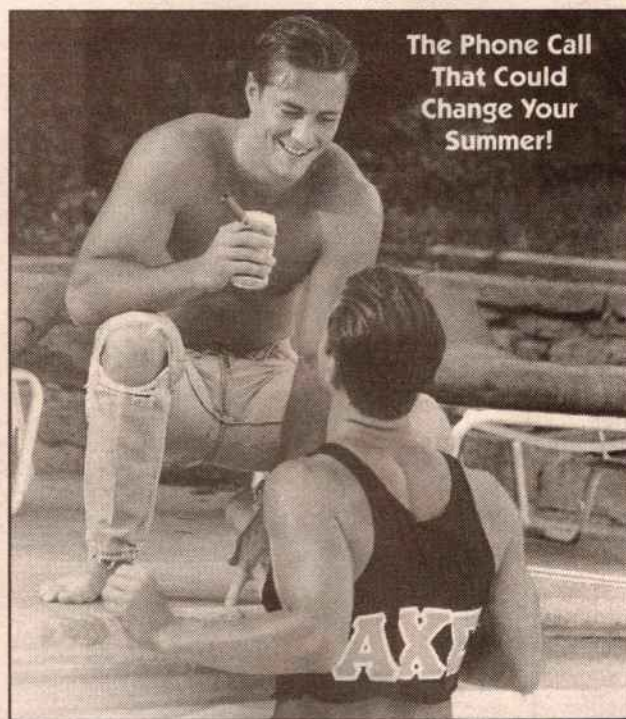
Milwaukee NEW TO THE AREA: Single GWM looking for someone to show me good times and my way around the area. I love the outdoors in general. #31497

WI TALKIN' 'BOUT TALKIN': 28 yr. old, 6'4", CDer into talking with people who know what they want to talk about. #31559

Marshfield SLIM INTERESTS: 26 yr. old GWM, 6", non drinker, seeks slim guys 21-29 yrs. old for friendship. I like walks and movies and you should too. #27563

Green Bay TAKE IT LIKE A MAN: Gary, looking for 18-25 yr. olds who are very honest and kind. Bln/Blu guys a big plus. #31662

Milwaukee A FINE HOW DO YOU DO IT: Bi white male, 28, 6', Brn/Brn, new to this, looking for a body builder, 25-40 yrs. old. Hope to hear from you. #31620



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Eau Claire SLIPPERY WHEN WET: Bob, looking for a guy 40-60 yrs. old who likes to have a good time. #32062

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Eau Claire **HAND ON THE CONTROLS:** Looking for a man 40-60 yrs. old who likes to take control. I like hiking, camping, and the movies. #31856

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Milwaukee **/I\ + (P) = FUN:** 18 yr. old, 6'3", GM looking for someone 18-35 yrs. old, attractive Hispanic or white honest and sincere for a relationship. #31914

WI **STOCKS AND BONDAGE:** 51 yr. old, 5'10", sub, into being stripped naked and strip searched. I've been very bad. #31931

Green Bay **RICK IS READY:** 20, 5'8", looking for any one in the area who is looking for a good time. You are 18-25 yrs. old. #32024

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Madison **HUNK HUNT:** GWM, 28, 5'10", looking for other men in the area 24-32 yrs. old who are attractive and level headed. #32260

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