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COVER STORY

Our cover features activist/author Michelangelo Signorile, who we feature in an interview this issue. Signorile, best known for his outing activities, is the author of *Queer in America* a hard cover Anchor Book released in June of 1993, and recently released in paperback.

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News

LesBiGay Community MUST Lobby Congress on Health Care, Job Bias Bills

Contact Representatives During August Recess

By Jamakaya

Washington, DC — Leaders of national Gay and Lesbian groups are urging supporters of Gay rights to lobby their legislators on the critical issues of health care reform and the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, which bans job bias based on sexual orientation.

"It is vital that our community's voice be heard, forcefully and immediately, by members of Congress," said Peri Jude Radevic, Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

The August recess, which runs from August 20 to September 9 will be an excellent opportunity for constituents to lobby their representatives while they are back in their home districts. *(Please utilize the list of contact numbers and addresses for the Wisconsin delegation which accompanies this article.)*

The contentious debate over health care reform is expected to come to a head this fall, and both the Senate and the House will be holding more hearings into the issue of anti-Gay discrimination in the workforce prior to committee votes on ENDA.

HISTORIC HEARING

On July 29, a historic hearing took place before the Senate's Labor and Human Resources Committee, which is considering whether to endorse the Employment Non-Discrimination Act. (The bill is S- 2238 in the Senate, HR-4636 in the House.)

Among those testifying were Cheryl Summerville of Atlanta, who was fired from her job at a Cracker Barrel restaurant after her manager learned she was Gay, and Ernest Dillon of Detroit, who was harassed and beaten on the job because of his sexual orientation.

"I worked hard at my job, and my reward was getting fired for no good reason," Summerville told the Committee. "The right to hold a job shouldn't be based on whether someone

is black or white, male or female, Gay or straight. It should be based on ability and dedication. I hope that you will take action to ensure that people like me — a fellow American — can have the same rights as everybody else."

Summerville occasionally broke into tears while testifying about her firing. When she did, Committee Chairman Sen. Ted Kennedy (D- MA) tried to console her, at one point saying: "It is wrong, it is evil, it is un-American to discriminate against people because of their sexual preference. The chairman of the board of Cracker Barrel ought to hang his head in shame."

Dillon filed a claim with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission after he was harassed and beaten on the job. But a federal court dismissed his claim, saying that the discrimination he experienced was not prohibited by federal civil rights laws.

"I turned to my union, my supervisors, my doctor and the court, only to find that in America I am not entitled to work without fearing for my life," said Dillon. "I look to Congress for leadership in stopping the pain and prejudice, and in passing a federal law to protect me."

Also testifying were two businessmen who spoke of the advantages of workplace protections covering sexual orientation, a representative of the AFL-CIO which strongly supports ENDA, an activist for the disabled, and Georgetown legal scholar Chai Feldblum.

Several speakers opposed ENDA. Robert Knight of the Family Research Council said ENDA was less about ending bias than about "forcing acceptance of homosexuality on tens of millions of unwilling Americans."

Law Professor Joseph Broadus argued that since Gays allegedly have higher education and income levels, they constitute an "elite" which needs no civil rights protections. That contention brought an angry rebuke from Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN) who said: "That's precisely the kind of argument that's been made about Jewish people."

Feldblum also countered Broadus with: "Anyone who heard Cheryl Summerville testify would know she's not a member of an elite group."

ENDA prohibits employers, employment agencies and labor unions from using sexual orientation as a basis for decisions on hiring, firing, promotion or compensation. It prohibits any preferential treatment like quotas, and exempts religious organizations and businesses with less than 15 employees.

ENDA only prohibits bias in the workplace. It was drafted and intended as a shift in strategy because a broader bill banning bias in jobs, housing and employment has languished in Congress for 20 years. Supporters hope the more narrow focus of ENDA, along with

continuing polls which indicate that the majority of Americans believe job bias against Gays and Lesbians is wrong, will lead to its ultimate passage.

More hearings on ENDA will take place in the fall. So far, Sen. Russ Feingold is the only member of Wisconsin's delegation to co-sponsor ENDA. The state's other representatives should be urged to support it.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

The other issue of major concern to Gays and Lesbians is the continuing debate over health care reform. No major action was expected to be taken until Congress returns from its recess in September, but the recess period is a great time to communicate opinions to representatives. Many spend time in their home states.

A variety of health care proposals have been presented and amended. Some have already been discarded. Debate now seems to swirl around proposals sponsored by Rep. Richard Gephardt (D-MO), Sen. Bob Dole (R-KS) and Sen. George Mitchell (D-ME). Dole's proposal is unlikely to proceed because the majority of Democrats oppose it and President Clinton has said he will veto any measure that does not provide for universal coverage.

The Gephardt bill aims to guarantee all Americans coverage by 1999, with employers paying 80% of the cost of insuring their workers. The Mitchell bill plans to provide coverage for 95% of Americans by 2000, primarily by offering federal subsidies for people to purchase private insurance. If the 95% goal is not met, employers would be required to pay 50% of their workers' premiums.

Republicans have countered that both of these plans are apt to bankrupt the government, and many revisions and compromises are likely before a final bill comes up for a vote this fall.

The leaders of Gay and Lesbian lobbying groups in Washington recommend that support be given to the bill which adheres to the following five criteria:

▼ **Universal Coverage**, providing health care to all Americans;

▼ **No Restrictions for Pre-Existing Conditions**;

▼ **Comprehensive Benefits** allowing for a broad range of treatments, including non-Western and alternative therapies;

▼ **Permanence**, ensuring that coverage cannot be taken away; and

▼ **Non-Discrimination Language**, barring discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Both the Gephardt and Mitchell bills include sexual orientation in their non-bias clauses, but Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and other conservatives have vowed to pass amendments that would delete such provisions.

When lobbying legislators,

emphasize the five criteria and ask that representatives stand firm against any attempts by the right wing to exclude sexual orientation protections. A recent study by the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights found that 67% of the doctors surveyed knew LesBiGay patients who had received substandard care or who had been denied care because of their sexual orientation.

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Your Lobbying Can Have a Positive Impact

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UW Madison Partners Insurance Shot Down

UW Milwaukee Plan Also Attacked

By John Cain

Madison—A plan by the University of Wisconsin-Madison to offer insurance coverage to the domestic partners of its students has died. Physicians Plus, which has been the first HMO in the state to offer domestic partnership coverage, said August 4 that it had dropped the idea because of a dispute with the Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI). State Representative Tammy Baldwin has attacked the OCI, saying that it bowed to political pressure in its decisions around extending coverage.

Physicians Plus had said that the dispute centered on "continuation and conversion coverage." A provision for such coverage allows insured people to stay on a policy 18 months after the contract expires. Physicians Plus had argued that, because of the lack of statistical information on domestic partners, compelling it to offer continuation and conversion coverage

would have made it too difficult for the company to assess its risks.

However, Baldwin's legislative aide, Mike Vermeer, believes that OCI deliberately made it difficult for Physicians Plus to offer the coverage. He said that OCI originally told Physicians Plus that it would require no proof of domestic partnership. Physicians Plus then decided to base its definition of partnership on Madison's domestic partners ordinance. The insurance company would have required partners living in Madison to be registered with the city, and partners outside the city to sign an affidavit that their partnership met the conditions of Madison's ordinance. Only at that point did OCI step in to demand additional documentation. "They were going to require bank statements and things like that," said Vermeer.

Physicians Plus also had decided to consider domestic partners as "spouses" under its policy. OCI again stepped in and said Physicians Plus could not do so because Wisconsin statutes define "spouse" as a "husband or wife." OCI instructed the company that they would have to define a domestic partner as a "group member." "Group members" have more rights than "spouses" under Physicians Plus policies, which added to the pressure on the company to scuttle the idea.

Baldwin has condemned the actions of OCI, saying that the office gave in to political pressure from Republican legislators to block the precedent-setting coverage. "As we watch Congress do what it can to try to provide coverage for the uninsured, it is so ironic to see our OCI do something that restricts access," she told the *Milwaukee Journal*.

Neither OCI officials nor Physicians Plus could be reached for comment before press time.

"ASSAULT ON THE FAMILY"

The plan has been under attack by Republicans, particularly Representative Bonnie Ludwig of Caledonia, as an "assault on the family" since it was announced in May. Baldwin will be meeting with OCI officials next week to try to work through some of the "unnecessary legal roadblocks" that office has thrown up. "Other states have managed to interpret their own statutes in order to... expand access to quality health care to domestic partners," she said.

Meanwhile, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is also under attack for its plan to offer domestic partnership insurance starting September 1. OCI is raising the same objections to the UW-M plan as it did to that of the UW. Additionally, as of press time, UW-M had not filed the documentation on the plan mandated by state statute with OCI.

Report Confirms Deadly Effect of Crypto on PWAs

FDA Approves Two Anti-Crypto Drugs for Testing

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — Results of a study conducted by three Milwaukee physicians to measure the effect of cryptosporidiosis confirm the devastating impact the parasitic infection has had on people with AIDS.

More than 400,000 Milwaukeeans were felled by cryptosporidiosis last March and April after the municipal water supply became contaminated. More than 100 people with compromised immune systems, many of them people with AIDS, died as a result of the crypto infection.

The study examined 73 people with AIDS, 33 of whom were infected with crypto and 40 who were not. Before the epidemic hit, all had similar T-cell counts, indicating that their immune systems were in fairly comparable shape. All the subjects were patients of either Ian Gilson, Brian Buggy and Charles Brummitt, physicians who specialize in internal medicine and infectious diseases.

Among the group which contracted crypto, more than half were terminally ill or dead within six months. A full year after the outbreak of crypto, the mortality rate was 61% for the group that had crypto, 21% for the group that remained crypto-free.

Anti-crypto medications (paromomycin, azithromycin) had only limited effects, with some patients temporarily rebounding, only to be felled by the crypto again.

People with AIDS infected by cryptosporidium were hospitalized at a rate five and a half times greater than the AIDS patients unaffected by crypto. Their medical costs were correspondingly much higher.

Dr. Gilson presented these findings to a session of the International AIDS Conference in Yokohama, Japan on August 10, hoping to alert other scientists and medical personnel to the special risks faced by people with HIV/AIDS who contract cryptosporidiosis.

NEW DRUG TRIALS OK'D

In Washington, the Food and Drug Administration recently granted approval for two companies to begin human trials with two newly developed anti-crypto medications.

Immuno-C has been developed by

Biomune Systems, Inc. of Salt Lake City. CryptoGam is produced by ImmuCell of Portland, Maine. Both are derived from antibodies to cryptosporidium found in cow's milk. An initial study of CryptoGam in humans will be completed by the end of this year. The pilot study of ImmunoCell will take place in Salt Lake City and then be conducted at other locations around the country.

Biomune President David Derrick expressed confidence: "We are hopeful we can repeat the efficacy results in humans that were evidenced by Immuno-C in our animal studies. If we are successful, doctors could have the edge needed to fight many infectious diseases."

Meanwhile on August 8, Carol M. Browner, chief of the Environmental Protection Agency, toured Milwaukee's water treatment plants and touted a Clinton administration initiative to spend \$4 billion on water pollution abatement and to upgrade technology to ensure a safer supply of drinking water.

"I'm here to make sure the lessons learned in Milwaukee will be reflected in all actions taken by Congress and the EPA," said Browner, "to make sure that the drinking water crisis that took place in Milwaukee over a year ago is never repeated — here or in any other American city."

The \$4 billion initiative would provide low or interest-free loans to municipalities to upgrade water treatment facilities. Priority would be given to those cities and towns most vulnerable to water contamination.

An engineering firm hired by the City of Milwaukee to assess needed improvements in the Howard Avenue and Linnwood water treatment plants estimated the cost could be \$89 million.

Just days before Browner's visit, the US Senate approved a measure promoted by Wisconsin Sen. Herb Kohl which would provide \$500,000 for an EPA study of the impact of cryptosporidium on Milwaukee.

CLASS ACTION SUIT

In related news, on July 28, Milwaukee County Circuit Judge William Gardner ruled that numerous lawsuits brought against the City of Milwaukee for damages sustained by individuals during the crypto epidemic do indeed constitute a class action suit. All the plaintiffs share a common interest in suing the city for liability, said Gardner, and trying so many cases separately would be impractical.

The City of Milwaukee has continually disavowed liability for the water contamination. More than 1,400 people filed damage claims against the city which were dismissed by the City Attorney. At least ten lawsuits, each with multiple plaintiffs, will be incorporated into the class action suit.

Gardner's wording was broad

enough to include in the suit potentially all 400,000 who suffered ill effects from the crypto outbreak. He defined the class as "all persons who suffered injury as a result of contamination with cryptosporidium of the water supply..." and whose reaction to the parasite ranged from "distress to death."

Judge Gardner appointed the Chicago law firm of Lawrence Walner and Associates as lead counsel representing the plaintiffs.

Meanwhile, the Milwaukee AIDS Project continues to advise clients to avoid drinking Milwaukee tap water unless it is thoroughly boiled.

MAP is developing what it calls a "Pyramid of Risk" to alert people with HIV disease to the potential risks of consuming tap water. For example, to be 100% safe, individuals should only drink boiled water; to be 80% safe, individuals should drink boiled water in the home and bottled water in public areas such as restaurants when boiled water is unavailable.

MAP also reminds its clients that the safety of bottled water has not been fully determined because regulations governing bottling procedures and shelf life have not been regulated.

For answers to your questions about water, call MAP at (414) 273-1991 or the Milwaukee Health Department at (414) 286-3616.

STATE News Briefs

Civil Rights Advocates Back Tom Hecht for Congress

Madison — A high-powered coalition of Gay and Lesbian leaders and civil rights advocates have endorsed the candidacy of Democrat Tom Hecht, who hopes to unseat Republican incumbent Scott Klug in Wisconsin's 2nd Congressional District this fall.

A bastion of liberalism for decades while represented by Democrat Robert Kastenmaier, the 2nd District elected Klug, a self-styled GOP moderate, in 1990. Hecht is challenging Klug's claim to moderation, pointing out that Klug voted to codify the ban on Gays in the military and voted with the anti-Gay Conservative Coalition 64% of the time in 1993. Hecht promises a "return to the progressive politics that are such a rich part of our tradition."

Noting Hecht's support for sexual orientation protections, domestic partners benefits, universal health care and an increase in penalties for hate crimes, State Rep. Tammy Baldwin, Dane County Supervisor Mark Pocan, former Supervisor Dick Wagner, Madison Alderman Ricardo Gonzalez, Wisconsin NOW President Margaret McMurray and former State Rep. David Clarenbach have all endorsed Hecht.

Hecht is currently on leave as Wisconsin's Assistant Secretary of State. He previously worked as an aide to former US Sen. William Proxmire.

UW-M Student Elected Co-Chair of National LesBiGay Caucus

Milwaukee — Kevin A. Osten, a UW-Milwaukee student, was elected as one of three co-chairs on the Board of Directors of the National Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Student Caucus at the 47th annual US Student Association Congress in Flagstaff, Arizona.

The LesBiGay Student Caucus addresses such topics as curriculum issues, eliminating ROTC from campus, gaining domestic partners coverage on students' insurance policies, as well as broader issues like statewide anti-Gay initiatives.

Osten served as former co-chair of the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Community at UW-M and was Midwest Regional Director for the LesBiGay Student Caucus for the past year. He is currently a student senator and participates in a faculty/student task force designed to evaluate how the UW-M campus deals with LesBiGay issues. He can be reached at (414) 229-4366.

Milwaukee Won't Appeal Reinstatement of Dahmer Cops

Milwaukee — On July 28, the Milwaukee Common Council, in a tight vote, decided not to allocate funds for an appeal of Judge Robert Parins' decision to reinstate the two police officers known as the "Dahmer cops." The vote was 9-8, with all five African American Council members along with white liberals supporting the appeal.

Joseph Gabrish and John Balcerzak were fired by Police Chief Philip Arreola in September, 1991 after it was learned they had bungled an encounter with serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer and 14-year-old Konerak Sinthasomphone. The Fire and Police Commission found them guilty of multiple counts of negligence and upheld their terminations, but that decision was reversed by Judge Parins earlier this year.

The Council was under pressure to pursue the appeal by segments of the community intent on full justice in the events surrounding the Dahmer case. Opponents felt it would be a needless expenditure of funds and would only extend the city's agony over Dahmer's crimes.

Both officers were reinstated, but Gabrish has since decided to take a job with the Grafton Police Department. Both men have appealed the 60-day suspensions they received from the Commission in lieu of their terminations.

Also Around the State...

Eau Claire — The Eau Claire County Sheriff's Department has arrested four men on charges of disorderly conduct for engaging in sexual activity in a wayside restroom on U.S. 12 and Elco Road in the town of Washington. The Department says it has received numerous complaints and will patrol and monitor the area more frequently. The **Leader-Telegram** exploited the situation with an August 3 front page headline: "Men Meet at Wayside for Sex, Authorities Say."

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NATIONAL News Briefs

Helms Measure Threatens Help for LesBiGay Teens

Washington, DC — On August 1 and 2, the US Senate passed several amendments to the Education Reauthorization Bill which may have the effect of cutting off all support services, including counseling and referrals, for Gays and Lesbians in elementary or secondary schools. The measures were promoted by Sens. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and Bob Smith (R-NH).

As passed by the Senate, with the support of Wisconsin Sen. Herb Kohl (see related story), the amendments ban any federal funds from being used in schools that "carry out a program or activity that has either the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive alternative lifestyle." They also ban "counseling or other services on school grounds, or referral of a pupil to an organization that affirms a homosexual lifestyle."

Local school districts receive anywhere from 5-15% of their funding from the federal government. The bill could jeopardize special Gay programs, like Project 10 in Los Angeles and the Harvey Milk High School in New York. It could also result in the banning of Gay student groups or prohibit counselors from helping Gay teens who are suicidal.

Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA) introduced another amendment which may blunt the effect of the anti-Gay measure. And because the House version of the education bill contains different anti-Gay elements, a Senate/House conference committee will ultimately decide this fall the final wording and impact of the bill. Gays and Lesbians are urged to contact their representatives and express opposition to the anti-Gay amendments. (See list of Wisconsin delegation in this issue.)

Judge Strikes Down Cincinnati Anti-Gay Ordinance

Cincinnati, OH — On August 9, a federal judge struck down an anti-Gay initiative passed by Cincinnati voters in last November's election. The measure aimed to repeal a city ordinance which extended non-discrimination protections based on sexual orientation and would have prohibited Cincinnati lawmakers from adopting any similar protections in the future.

In a 75-page decision, US District Judge S. Arthur Spiegel, a former member of the city's Human Rights Commission, ruled that Issue 3 was unconstitutionally vague and denied homosexuals the right to full participation in the political process.

"This ruling provides a critical boost to our challenges to anti-Gay measures across the country," said Suzanne Goldberg of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund. "It shores up the other court decisions which have found these initiatives to be blatantly discriminatory and offensive to our Constitution."

Recent judicial decisions in California, Florida, Oregon and Colorado have rejected similar anti-Gay measures. A decision is expected soon from the Colorado Supreme Court which, earlier this summer, heard an appeal by right wing groups of a lower court ruling that voided that state's anti-Gay Amendment 2.

Log Cabin Clubs Hold National Convention

Los Angeles, CA — The 1994 Log Cabin National Convention, held August 5-7, was the largest political gathering of Gay and Lesbian Republican activists ever held. Over 150 leaders from clubs in 31 states gathered to report on the progress of the Gay Republican movement, to attend political seminars and to elect a new slate of officers.

Leading Republicans sent messages of support. Gov. William Weld (R-MA) cited Log Cabin as "a critical factor in creating a more inclusive Republican Party," and Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan said of the GOP: "Diversity is our strength. A cornerstone of that diversity is the Gay and Lesbian community, in which Log Cabin plays such an essential role." Former Senator and conservative leader Barry Goldwater also sent greetings.

The convention offered workshops on how to lobby, how to work on a campaign and how to run for office.

Delegates also shared success stories about openly Gay and Lesbian individuals being elected to GOP county and state organizations.

Abner Mason, a co-founder of the Massachusetts Black Republican Council, was re-elected President of the national group. Dr. H. Evelyn Kotch, President of the Philadelphia Log Cabin Club, was elected Vice-President.

"Normal People" Denied Permit for Gay Pride Parade

San Diego, CA — A record number of more than 60,000 people marched in San Diego's Gay Pride Parade in mid-July, with attendance boosted by the failed attempt of a group calling themselves "Normal People" to gain legal permission to participate.

The "Normal People," a group of right wing heterosexuals, led by former San Diego Mayor Roger Hedgecock, had applied to march in the parade. When their application was rejected by parade organizers, they sued in court, claiming they were being discriminated against because of their sexual orientation — heterosexual — in violation of the city's Human Dignity Ordinance.

One day before the parade, Superior Court Judge Charles Wickersham dismissed the lawsuit, saying the parade was not a city service but a private event. As such, parade organizers had the right to include or exclude whoever they wanted. The same logic was cited by a federal judge who allowed New York City's Ancient Order of Hibernians to exclude an Irish Gay and Lesbian group from that city's St. Patrick's Day Parade.



The 1994 Lavender Hill Committee organized the recent "Lavender Fairy Tales" themed party at the UW Milwaukee Union. Back (L to R): Ron Leurquin, Tom DeCicco, Larry Giantomas, Chris Picard, Chris Koelsch, Steve Steinhauer, Mike Hammer, Adie Olson. Kneeling: Cory Haywood, Jim Martin and Therese Scherbert.

MCC Gets Hostile Reception in Alabama

Huntsville, AL — Self-identified "Christians" are giving a hostile reception to a new church, the Metropolitan Community Church, which has just been built in their neighborhood in northwest Huntsville. The MCC has a primary ministry to Gay and Lesbian Christians, but welcomes all people.

"I'll be out there in my rocking chair with my sign that says 'I don't like homosexuals,'" Edith Wharton, who lives across the street told the Associated Press. "I will say one thing, they won't have a minute's peace as long as I'm living. That's a promise to God."

"There's no way Christianity and homosexuality can go together," said Rev. Lee Hudson, pastor of the nearby Pine View Baptist Church.

"We just want to be good neighbors and help out in any way we can," said Rev. Janet Suess-Pierce of the MCC, whose congregation built the \$140,000 church to accommodate its expanding membership.

Throughout the US and Canada, MCC churches have been subject to harassment, vandalism and even arson attacks. Rev. Suess-Pierce hopes to open communication with locals to avert that kind of extremism.

Labor, Energy Departments Ban Anti-Gay Bias

Washington, DC — The Departments of Labor and Energy have joined the growing list of federal departments and agencies which have amended their non-discrimination guidelines to include a ban on anti-Gay bias in employment.

Secretary of Labor Robert Reich recently declared that "discrimination because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, disability and sexual orientation is prohibited." Reich further said that supervisors would be "rated on their effective implementation of this policy" on their annual evaluations.

Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary also issued a "diversity policy statement" saying that all the forms of discrimination stated above "violate[s] the law as well as the policies of this department" which will have "zero tolerance for discrimination or harassment in any form."

Labor and Energy become the 15th and 16th major federal offices which have adopted policies forbidding sexual orientation discrimination. Many of these agencies have been encouraged to add such protections by associations of Gay and Lesbian federal workers.

Florida Prosecutor Accused of Gay Bashing

Boca Raton, FL — A Broward County prosecutor was among four men arrested in July and charged with disorderly conduct for the harassment of patrons at a Gay nightclub and for the destruction of property at the club.

Mark T. McHugh, 32, is an assistant state attorney for Broward County. If convicted, he would be dismissed from his job. McHugh and the other men, all members of a local rugby team who were in drag after having participated in a spoof of the Ladies Professional Golf Association, entered the Paradise Club

late in the evening of July 17. They verbally insulted many of the patrons while tearing down pictures and ripping out plants and flower arrangements.

The **Boca Raton Herald** editorialized: "Drunks in dresses proved what Gays have known for years: Bigotry lives."

The Broward County Log Cabin Club of Gay Republicans, which urged community leaders to condemn the assault, stated: "The Boca Rugby 'Gay Nacht' cannot be laid to rest on the heads of Mark McHugh and friends alone but on the heads of religious leaders whose silence and intolerance nourish the seeds of bigotry and hate."

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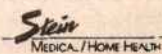


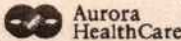
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Also Around the Nation...

Washington, DC — President Clinton has appointed Patricia S. Fleming to serve as interim AIDS Policy Coordinator as the search continues for a permanent replacement for Kristine Gebbie. Fleming, who has been a Congressional staff member and is currently a special assistant to Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, expects to serve as AIDS czar only a few months.

Kansas City, MO — On August 2, Tim Van Zandt, an openly Gay man whose candidacy was endorsed by the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, swept to victory in the Democratic primary for a seat in the Missouri House of Representatives. Because he faces no Republican opponent in the November run-off, Van Zandt has been elected to office. He will represent a largely Democratic district in Kansas City.

New York, NY — Praised for its "witty, smart, funny" content and its exceptional "depth and range," *Out* magazine has been named Best General Editorial Magazine in *Folio's* 1994 Editorial Excellence Awards. *Out*, which recently surpassed the veteran LesBiGay magazine *The Advocate* in circulation, was chosen for the honor from among 270 entrants.

Charlottesville, VA — The City Council of Charlottesville unanimously passed an amendment to a city ordinance banning discrimination based on sexual orientation in city employment and contracts. Any contractor doing \$10,000 or more business with the city is required to abide by the non-discrimination clause.

Washington, DC — Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala, generally viewed as an ally of the LesBiGay community, angered Gays and Lesbians when, in testimony before a House Committee considering welfare reform, she suggested that no children should be conceived or raised outside of heterosexual marriage. Said Shalala: "I don't think anyone in public life today ought to condone children born out of wedlock...even if the family is financially able."

Las Vegas, NV — A recent poll of 809 Nevadans revealed that 79% agree that homosexuals should have equal access to job opportunities. Fifty-two percent said they would support legislation protecting Gays from discrimination in jobs, education and housing, although 48% of those still said they found homosexuality to be "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse."

Morrow, GA — The associate manager of a Cracker Barrel restaurant, David Shively, says he was fired by the company recently because he is Gay. Shively had worked at the Morrow restaurant for four years. Cracker Barrel has said it will not employ people "whose sexual preferences fail to demonstrate normal heterosexual values."

Green Bay Lesbians Denied Marriage Licenses

Green Bay — Three Green Bay Lesbian couples sought, and were denied, marriage licenses August 11 in a prelude to a class-action lawsuit challenging Wisconsin's failure to give legal recognition to same-sex marriages.

The couples appeared at the Brown County Clerk's office to obtain marriage license applications. A clerk refused to even give them the paperwork to apply for the licenses because Wisconsin statutes define a married couple as a "husband and wife".

The three couples included Annette and Georgina Grinkley, who recently lost their appeal to Wisconsin's Supreme Court to allow Annette to adopt Georgina's daughter. The court ruled that Annette could not adopt Georgina's daughter because Annette is not legally Georgina's "husband or wife". The couple is appealing that decision to the United States Supreme Court.

Mike Verveer, aide to State Representative Tammy Baldwin, said, "It's exciting that there are advocates around the state that are pursuing [equal marriage rights]." He noted that Baldwin is set to introduce both same-sex marriage and domestic partnership legislation early in the next legislative session, possibly on Valentine's Day.

"Marriage is the fundamental way in which society tells couples which are legitimate and which are illegitimate," Action Wisconsin member Juliet Brodie told WISC-TV's Live at Five. She said that Action Wisconsin, the statewide coalition for LesBiGay concerns, will work to pass Baldwin's bills.

Herb Kohl Gets "F" Grade for Anti-Gay Voting Record

Offers Lame Excuses for Alliance With Homophobes

Commentary/Analysis by
Jamakaya

Old Herbie's done it again.

The allegedly liberal Democrat and senior Senator from the Gay Rights State has again cast his lot with Jesse Helms and the homophobes, this time voting for an amendment to an education bill which will deny federal funds to schools which provide any type of support services to Gay and Lesbian youth. (See *National News Briefs* for details.)

Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN), like our own Russ Feingold, a true friend of the LesBiGay community, called the Helms measure "cruel" and "mean-spirited...Sometimes I think we talk about Gay and Lesbian people on the floor of the Senate as if they are less than fully human."

Didn't seem to faze Herbie too much. His spokesman offered the lame excuse that Kohl does not believe the government should "encourage any type of sexual activity," which is a totally bogus issue. Back when I was in high school, I was too busy dodging the verbal and physical assaults of Lesbian-baiting peers to think much

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about sex. Programs and referrals that might help confused and oppressed kids — like the kind of kid I was and that many of us were — would be strictly prohibited if the bill passes as is.

It's said that if you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem, and Herb Kohl is an increasingly problematic character.

A SORRY RECORD

Kohl did not make just one bad judgment this time around. His recent votes supporting 4 of 5 resolutions sponsored by Jesse Helms have earned him the grade of "F" on a Senatorial report card issued by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. What's especially astonishing is that these four lamentable votes all occurred in the short span of August 1-2! They were for anti-Gay amendments attached to an agriculture bill, funding for the National Endowment for the Arts and the education bill.

You've got to hand it to Herbie. he certainly spreads his gutlessness around.

These anti-Gay votes come on the heels of his votes last fall to codify the ban on Gays and Lesbians in the military. After that shameless performance, Kohl refused for weeks to offer an explanation for his betrayal. He was finally confronted by some angry women at an AFL-CIO conference in Manitowoc last October, where the bold dykes refused to accept any of his inept excuses and apologies. "You know, we all go through learning experiences," was one of his idiotic non-responses.

(That conference in Manitowoc was also where I got to ask Herb about the perception that he himself is queer. "You mean am I Gay or Lesbian?" asked the apparently gender-conflicted Senator. After pausing, he replied "No" to his own question. I can't help thinking that our own deep sense that Kohl is in fact a closet case magnifies our disappointment in him.)

Last year, Herb Kohl voted to prohibit people with HIV/AIDS from immigrating to the US or visiting our fair shores without a special permit stamped "AIDS." More recently, as chair of the Senate's Subcommittee on District of Columbia Appropriations, he voted to cut funds and close the D.C. School of Law, the only law school in the District which operates an HIV/AIDS legal clinic serving low income people.

Just as Kohl begins to resemble one of those hideous, conscience-less caricatures in a Dickens novel, we must consider his votes in favor of our interests.

BUT WHAT ABOUT...?

Kohl *did* vote in favor of the confirmations of Lesbian Roberta Achtenberg as Assistant Secretary of Fair Housing and the homophobe-bashing, tell-it-like-it-is Joycelyn Elders as Surgeon General. He voted for the Hate Crimes Sentencing

Enhancement Act and in support of lifting a ban on federal funds to implement the District of Columbia's domestic partners law (though the latter failed).

Kohl is currently working cooperatively with Wisconsin's AIDS service organizations to seek revisions in the Ryan White CARE Act so that federal expenditures for AIDS support services are distributed more equitably. He's working on it but, as usual, followed Russ Feingold's lead.

Unlike the fearless and principled Feingold, Kohl is not in the least bit vocal or visible about the few pro-Gay positions he's taken. Why rock the boat, or help fuel the ever present rumors

about his closeted status?

Kohl has not yet signed on as a co-sponsor of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, the new federal bill that will ban job bias based on sexual orientation. This is a proposal that Kohl, representing the Original Gay Rights State, should really be pushed to take a stand on.

Herbie is running for re-election this November. Gays and Lesbians should keep up the pressure on Kohl while exploring the views of Matt Gunderson, who is a potentially viable Republican alternative, as well as third party candidates.

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INTERNATIONAL News Briefs

Italy, Britain May Ban Insemination for Lesbians

London/Rome — Government officials in Britain and Italy are recommending that guidelines be drawn or laws be passed which explicitly forbid Lesbians from utilizing artificial insemination to become pregnant.

In Britain, a government spokesman said it may prohibit the National Health Service from allowing Lesbians and other single women access to artificial insemination. "We are considering limiting treatment to families with a mother and father, and we would expect them to get married," the spokesman told Reuters. Any such restriction would require that Parliament amend the Human Fertilization and Embriology Act.

Meanwhile in Italy, the National Committee on Bio-Ethics advised the government that artificial insemination should be limited to "adult couples of different sex who are married or at least bound by a stable and loving relationship."

The panel specifically cited Lesbians as unfit for insemination services, and the Secretary of Health said insemination must "serve to safeguard the family as the natural pillar of society." The recommendation followed a firestorm of publicity about a Lesbian who had had a child through state-sponsored insemination and who declared her intention to raise the girl with her female partner. Pope John Paul II had also made vociferous statements against Gay and Lesbian parents generally.

Romanian Court Upholds Sodomy Law

Bucharest — In July, the high court of Romania upheld that country's strict sodomy law, which provides for up to five years in jail for those found guilty of sexual relations with a member of their own gender. The Constitutional Court ruled that prohibiting even private behaviors that can lead to "public scandal" is a legitimate state interest.

"Causing a public scandal is such a broad term, it could lead to varying and contradictory judicial interpretations," according to Amnesty International, which has campaigned against the Romanian sodomy statute and adopted several individuals jailed for violating the law as "prisoners of conscience." There is no similar statute banning heterosexual conduct that causes "public

scandal."

Last year, Amnesty and other human rights groups pressured the Council of Europe not to admit Romania into membership because of its anti-sodomy law and other human rights abuses. The Council abides by the European Convention, which is on record in opposition to sodomy laws. But the Council admitted Romania anyway on condition that it repeal the statute.

In May, the Romanian Parliament passed a law banning any public presentation of homosexuality in a positive light. Shortly after, police in Bucharest disrupted a Gay cultural festival, blocking participants from entering the building in which it was to be held.

Letters of protest can be sent to: D-lui Ion Iliescu, Presedintele Romaniei, Piat Victoriei, Bucaresti, Romania.

Leaders of Blood Firm on Trial in Germany

Berlin — The trial of five executives of the company UB Plasma on charges that they knowingly distributed blood products containing the Human Immuno-Deficiency Virus, which is believed to cause AIDS, began on August 4 and is expected to last several months. The defendants, including one doctor, could receive up to ten years in prison if found guilty.

The executives are charged with ignoring information that blood donors were infected with HIV, failing to conduct screening tests on donated blood, and failing to do so in order to make a profit. They are each charged with three counts of personal injury to individuals known to have acquired AIDS after receiving HIV-infected blood from UB Plasma. They also face more than 71,000 counts of

attempted personal injury for each of those individuals who received blood that was not properly screened by the company.

Advocates for hemophiliacs and people with AIDS are angry that only businessmen and no government officials responsible for monitoring Germany's blood banks and blood supply are facing charges.

A spokesman for the country's hemophilia association told the **New York Times**: "The businessmen did their business, the bureaucrats remain asleep, and the patients pay with their lives."


AIDS Cases at 4 Million, Spreading Fastest in Asia

Geneva — The World Health Organization reports that the number of AIDS cases worldwide has risen by 60% so far this year, from 2.5 million to 4 million.

The disease appears to be spreading fastest in Asian nations which saw an exponential increase in new cases in the past year, from about 30,000 to more than 250,000. Cultural taboos regarding the discussion of sexuality in some Asian countries is hindering efforts at education and prevention.

Sub-Saharan Africa is the area that continues to be hit hardest, however, with the most recorded cases of AIDS. In central Africa, more than 2.5 million people have AIDS and another 10 million are infected with HIV.

Globally, at least 16 million adults and 1 million children are HIV-infected. WHO expects that by the turn of the century, between 30 and 40 million people could be HIV-infected.



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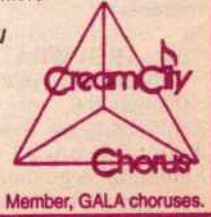
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Westminster Abbey to Honor Oscar Wilde

London — United Press International reports that the name of Gay wit and writer Oscar Wilde will join other distinguished writers on a memorial window at Westminster Abbey. Wilde's name will be inscribed on the window next February, the 100th anniversary of the opening of his now classic play, **The Importance of Being Earnest**.

The honor comes just as Gay groups in Britain were rebuffed in their attempt to have Queen Elizabeth grant a full pardon to Wilde. An official at the Home Office recently refused to grant the posthumous pardon.

Wilde, a novelist, poet and playwright famed for his lacerating wit and irony, was convicted of "indecent acts" with another man in 1895 and sentenced to prison. His reputation was destroyed and he died in poverty in 1900. His plays and novels, like **The Picture of Dorian Gray**, are widely taught in English literature classes today.

Also Around the World...

Taipei — An official of the Interior Ministry of Taiwan has denied a Gay man's request to marry his male partner. "Marriage is a matter of public order and good custom," said the Ministry's Deputy Director. "When you say marriage, that means a man and a woman. The law is very clear." Taiwan does not ban Gays from serving in the military but allows for a waiver of service if a psychiatrist confirms an individual's homosexuality.

Rome — More than 10,000 protesters took to the streets in July to demand official government recognition of same-gender couples. The protest was spurred by anti-Gay statements recently made by a member of Italy's ruling right wing government and by Pope John Paul II.

London — In June, a judge in Manchester granted joint custody of a 2-year-old boy to his biological mother and her Lesbian partner, the first such same-gender, joint custody decision to be granted in Britain. Judge Douglas Brown said in issuing the order that the interests of the child were his "first and paramount consideration." The mother told the *Times*: "We are so pleased — it means the world to us. I could have kissed the judge."

Copenhagen — As Denmark approaches the fifth anniversary of allowing same-gender couples to marry, the Danish newspaper *Pan Bladet* reports that about 3,000 couples have exchanged vows. The majority of those couples have been Gay men. Denmark legalized Gay and Lesbian marriages on October, 1989.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

October Declared "National Lesbian & Gay History Month"

Groups Endorse Education Effort

Chicago, IL — A coalition of historians, education associations and Gay and Lesbian groups have jointly declared this October to be the first annual celebration of National Lesbian & Gay History Month.

Modeled after similar celebrations like Black History Month (February) and

Women's History Month (March), Lesbian & Gay History Month is intended to promote the teaching of LesBiGay history in secondary and post-secondary schools as well as within the LesBiGay community and mainstream media and culture.

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Group Notes

Blacks Educating Blacks About AIDS

Presents "The Black Box"
August 28th

Milwaukee — Blacks Educating Blacks About AIDS (B.E.B.A.) invite folks to party on down to *The Black Box*, a safer sex dance extravaganza at the War Memorial, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive from 7-11pm on August 28th.

UJIMA, an African-American LesBiGay organization and creator of the B.E.B.A. project, want to spread the safe sex words in a funky kind of way.

Party-goers can groove to the house sounds of dj Dr. B while enjoying full cash bar and watching safer sex videos. Guests will also receive a safer sex package. A hot time is guaranteed. Let's learn to have fun safely!

Special invitation flyers will be available at various locations and the UJIMA office. Admission is \$5 with a flyer and \$7 without. Call the UJIMA office at 272-3009 to pick up a flyer.

Miss Midwest 1994 Region Pageant

Centennial Hall August 28

Milwaukee — Paragon Entertainment Productions, Inc. presents the *Miss Midwest Region 1994 Pageant* Sunday 28, 7pm, at the Main Library's Centennial Hall, 733 N. 8th Street in downtown Milwaukee. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door.

Special guest M.C. for the evening will be Otis Mack, of Heavy Diva Productions in Chicago. Guest entertainment includes Dexter St. John (Memphis), Simplicity, Foreplay Dancers, and others.

The pageant will feature some of the best in female impersonation with contestants from Milwaukee, Chicago, Memphis, St. Louis and other regional cities.

As of August 8, organizers had already lined up 9 contestants with an entry deadline of August 15. Contestants had to have their application and a \$50 entry fee paid by August 15 to be eligible to compete.

Contestants will compete in swimsuit, talent, evening gown and question. Prizes are \$1,000 for the winner, \$500 for 1st runner up, \$250 for 2nd runner up, \$100 for 3rd runner up, and \$100 for Miss Congeniality.

For more information, call Joseph Maddox at Paragon (414) 383-5887.

Church Task Force Offers LesBiGay Outreach Workshop

Madison — The Wisconsin Conference of Churches' task Force on Sexual Orientation is offering a one-day workshop *Opening the Doors Inclusive Ministry with Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals* on Saturday, September 10, at Pilgrim Center (United Church of Christ retreat center), near Green Lake, Wisconsin.

Keynote speaker: Melanie Morrison, ordained UCC minister; co-author of the UCC curriculum *Created in God's Image: A Human Sexuality Program for Ministry and Mission*. From Lansing, Michigan, she is a nationally known speaker and workshop leader.

The program will feature a theological overview, small-group questions-and-answers, and a sharing of effective strategies for creating safe space in order to address controversial topics in congregations. Clergy and laity are invited.

Cost of the day (which runs from 9am-3pm, with optional small group discussions until 4pm) is \$30 per person. Friday evening accommodations at Pilgrim Center are available in double and triple rooms for an additional \$30.

For additional information or a registration brochure which includes a detailed map to the Center, please call or write: Wisconsin Conference of Churches, 1955 W. Broadway, Suite 104, Madison WI 53713; phone (608) 222-9779.

Shoreline Hosts 2 Step Workshop

Sunday, August 28

Milwaukee — On Sunday, August 28, the *Shoreline Dancers* will sponsor a two-step workshop at the *3B's Bar* at 1753 South Kinnickinnic. The workshop will be run by Susan Lamay and Carol Anderson, of Minneapolis, the *North Star Gay Rodeo Association's* current two-step champions. They represented the NSGRA at the International Gay Rodeo Association Dance Finals in Little Rock, Arkansas at the end of July.

The workshop, run in segments, will run from noon to 4:30pm. Basic two-step (dance steps and body positions) will be taught from noon to 1pm; intermediate two-step (simple turns and hand placement) will run from 1pm-2:30pm, and advanced two-step (more complex and creative turns and positions) from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. Cost is \$2 per person and will be used to help Susan and Carol defray travel expenses. If you have further questions contact the 3B's Bar.

Free Spiritual Retreat for PWA's

Chicago — Damien Ministries Midwest invites Persons with AIDS to attend its next free retreat, *God And The AIDS Experience*, to be held September 28-29. The retreat is designed as an intentional spiritual experience for persons from the whole spectrum of HIV/AIDS infection, of different faith backgrounds and without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation or age.

It is offered as a learning opportunity with a focus on spiritual growth and involves individual reflection, thematic presentations, group discussion, creative activity, play, prayer, and worship.

For more information or to register call (708) 655-5939 (Liz) or (312) 465-8250 (Tom).

Being Gay in the Age of AIDS

Milwaukee — Having once believed that we might see a cure for AIDS in our lifetime, many of us have begun to brace ourselves for the sobering reality that the HIV epidemic may have no end in sight. Having lost so many of our friends and family, we as Gay men now must also struggle with the fact that AIDS has become a permanent part of both our individual and our community's identity. Most of us have heard about safer practices, yet many of us are returning to riskier sex, unable to adjust to the notion that safer sex must be a permanent way of life. Others of us continue to ignore the warnings, believing HIV infection only happens to other men.

The Gay Men's Discussion Group asks: "What does it mean to be Gay in the age of AIDS?" How can we continue to grieve the loss of those around us and maintain a sense of hope for the future? Has AIDS really become a permanent part of our identity as Gay men? How must we further adjust to the fact that safer sex isn't a temporary set of guidelines? And how can we put an end to the divisiveness which leads to our community being separated into those who are positive versus those who are not?

The discussion is scheduled for Sunday, August 28 from 6-8pm at The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 North Bartlett Avenue. Tim Baack, MS, a psychotherapist and Manager of Health Services with the Milwaukee AIDS Project, will assist with facilitating our discussion.

Preregistration is not required, and the cost is a \$2 donation. If you'd like more information, please call Bill Hanel at 271-2565.

Histories of Milwaukee Bars Being Collected

With the recent demise of the YP (Your Place), some people in the area have begun to reflect upon the past of Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community. Many of us have an intense curiosity about our past; we feel the need to ensure that we better understand our roots, and pass that heritage on to future Gay and Lesbian people as they develop, so they too are aware of the highs and lows and struggles for acceptance of those who came before them.

Quite a few people in the area feel that Milwaukee needs to develop a Gay and Lesbian archive of some type. We can probably not afford, as can some larger cities, to achieve a large organized library-type archive. However, these people think it is conceivable for the Gay and Lesbian people of Milwaukee to share the information each possesses with one or more people who are willing to collect and organize the information. This modest collection could sometime be used to develop one or more books.

As an initial step in this process, several people are beginning to collect and organize information on all businesses that have ever existed in the greater Milwaukee area that served Gay and/or Lesbian people in some organized fashion.

For each bar, restaurant, book store, bath house, retail establishment, etc., they ask that readers send in whatever information they have; specifically: The business's name; street address; type of establishment (bar, restaurant, etc.); one or more adjectives describing clientele (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, drag, very young, middle aged, older, mixed, etc.); for a bar, dance, piano, neighborhood, pool, etc.); was business exclusively, mostly, partially, or only incidentally Gay/lesbian?; Important dates: especially dates first opened and last closed, and any closings and reopenings with different names between (at least year and if available month); any other names under which the business operated; photos of the outside and inside of the business; and types of events, shows, etc. held.

Send submissions of information or materials: c/o Don Schwamb; P.O. Box 769; Milwaukee, WI 53201. They also welcome contact with anyone who has already begun collecting information or materials, so we can cooperate and not duplicate efforts.

This group plans on writing future articles that describe submissions received, share some of the information collected, and also ask readers to help fill in gaps that become apparent. Gatherings of people who remember and

wish to recollect the "old days" will also be organized. They welcome the community's support and cooperation in this effort.

(Editor's note: the person named above is known to the editor who feels any materials submitted will be well cared for.)

Touring Drag Revues Benefit AIDS

Milwaukee — The touring extravaganza "The Girls Next Door" drag revue featuring some of Wisconsin's finest Camp and Female Impersonators, hits the road featuring shows that will raise funds for AIDS charities in Wisconsin. All proceeds will go to charity, and are organized by Slammer Productions (414) 347-0261.

▼ **Sat., Sept. 17th**, Runway 51, Janesville, to benefit AIDS Support Network;

▼ **Sat., Oct. 1st**, Club 94, Kenosha, to benefit Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project;

▼ **Sat., Oct. 15**, Club 219 to benefit MAP.

Watch for additional dates to be added.

GALVANize Meeting August 30

Madison — GALVANize, the Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance, will hold a meeting on Tuesday evening, Aug. 30 from 7-8:30pm. The purpose of the meeting will be to wrap up business from this year's rally and march as well as initial planning for next year's event.

The meeting will be held at the Wisconsin Community Fund office, located at 122 State St., Suite 508. There are still a few t-shirts available from this year's event. For more information about the meeting, or t-shirts, call (608) 256-4289, or write to PO Box 1403, Madison, WI 53701.

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DECIDING BETWEEN a fixed or variable mortgage should be a last minute decision.

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Letters

Dear Editor:

The political story that all the papers seem to be missing is the education of Russ Feingold. The maverick seems to be learning fast how to be a traditional politician.

Many people have been concerned for the last 7 years about the increasing trend for television and radio to become house propaganda organs devoid of any diversity of opinion. Those rich enough can be heard with relative ease by buying their own talk shows, while those not rich enough are seldom heard at all.

To bring back to America's airwaves the public debate required for the formation of opinions based on more

than just one side of an issue, there has been a movement to restore the Fairness In Broadcasting Doctrine.

The destruction of the Fairness Doctrine was Ronald Reagan's 1987 gift to the religious broadcasters who had supported him so faithfully. And the religious broadcasters seem most worried about its restoration. Almost every night our local religious station airs a message on the evils of the fairness doctrine and urgently appeals to its listeners to raise objections to Congress about its restoration.

I wrote Senator Feingold for information on the Fairness Doctrine so I could write in support of it. Imagine my surprise when I received a form letter that began:

"Thank you for contacting me concerning S. 333, the Fairness in Broadcasting act of 1993. I agree with

your concerns about this bill and will strongly oppose this legislation... [which]... would require broadcasters to afford reasonable opportunity for the discussion of conflicting views on issues of public importance."

My impression is that Senators don't resort to form letters unless they must respond to a great many constituents, so I deduce that Feingold has been inundated with phone calls from the religious right speaking against the fairness doctrine.

I think it important that the people of Wisconsin should know that Feingold has caved in to the religious right on this issue.

Yours, All Geiersbach, Milwaukee

Health

More Basic Research, Studies of Long-Term Survivors Needed

By Jamakaya

Yokohama, Japan — People with HIV/AIDS, their caregivers and loved ones long ago abandoned the notion that any "magic bullet" will suddenly be found to cure the disease. Discussions at the 10th International Conference on AIDS held recently in Yokohama reinforced how complex the human immuno-deficiency virus is and how much more needs to be learned before better treatment options and vaccines are made available.

Most research so far has concentrated on the immune system's response to the virus, but the consensus among scientists at the conference is that more needs to be learned about the virus itself.

Dr. William Paul, chief of the Office of AIDS Research in the US, said that greater progress is only likely to be made once scientists have learned more about the basic mechanisms of HIV — precisely how it enters cells, replicates and cripples the immune system.

Paul is committed to transferring more federal funds from clinical research and drug trials to more basic research into the nature of HIV. Such knowledge is likely to yield more effective medications.

Mark Harrington, an activist with the Treatment Action Group in New York, agreed, telling the *New York Times*: "The treatments for the virus itself are so mediocre that it's clear we need more basic research."

No Big Breakthroughs at Yokohama AIDS Confab

The need for more basic research into HIV was cited as a reason for canceling plans to expand vaccine trials in the US. Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases said the lack of scientific evidence and the massive costs associated with large-scale trials of drugs which may be of dubious value was simply not warranted at this time. Vaccine research continues, but large-scale trials have been put on hold.

LONG-TERM SURVIVAL

If more needs to be learned about HIV, scientists are also focusing increasingly on those HIV-infected individuals who have survived for 12 years or more relatively symptom-free.

"It's very clear there's a group of people for whom it was not a death sentence," said Susan Buckbinder of the San Francisco AIDS Office, who is evaluating a group of long-term survivors for any clues that might reveal why some people with HIV are able to stay free of disease.

Early studies suggest some hope may lie in the development of protease inhibitors as a drug therapy to slow the onset of AIDS. These substances, six variations of which are just beginning human trials, block the enzyme protease which appears to help in the replication of HIV.

Early data on the protease inhibitors indicate they appear to be effective for a limited period of time in boosting T-cell counts and the immune system's response to HIV. But just as with approved medications like AZT, ddC or ddI, the virus seems to develop a resistance to them after a while.

Scientists are experimenting with combinations of the drugs to determine which may offer the longest period of remission when taken in tandem.

Several scientists reported on their work in the area of gene therapy, a relatively new field in the war against AIDS. Theories and experiments are only in their very early stages, so it may be several years before solid findings can be presented about the potential impact of gene therapy in treating HIV/AIDS.

MANY CHALLENGES

One unquestionably positive note of progress at the Yokohama conference was the news that AZT administered to pregnant women can dramatically reduce the chances that HIV will be transmitted to their babies. But there was a downside to this news as well. A representative from Africa pointed out that the cost of AZT is prohibitive and the drug itself is inaccessible to women in the developing nations of Africa and Asia where the need is greatest.

Many women delegates also spoke out against the sexism inherent in AIDS research and drug trials. Virtually all the research and experiments are being conducted on male subjects. Because increasing evidence reveals that HIV reacts differently in women and exhibits different manifestations, conclusions drawn from research conducted solely on men might not be applicable to women.

Another challenge facing scientists working to combat AIDS is the frightening ability of the HIV virus to mutate and develop into different strains. While the majority of scientists are sure that two viruses, HIV-1 and HIV-2, are the causes of AIDS, there are many subtypes to HIV-1, including 30 different

variants of subtype O.

The wide variability of the virus throughout the world will make it much more difficult to develop effective treatments and vaccines. No one vaccine is likely to guarantee protection from the different strains. Scientists are also concerned that current blood tests which identify antibodies to HIV may not be able to detect the new HIV subtypes that are growing more prevalent in central Africa.

Dr. Jonathan Mann of the Harvard School of Public Health told the conference: "The gap between the expanding pandemic and the global response is growing rapidly."

Mann said that preventive programs were having little effect in the face of widespread poverty, illiteracy, discrimination, cultural taboos regarding sex, drugs and disease and even government resistance.

The World Health Organization reports that 17 million people worldwide are now infected with HIV. One million of those are children. Africa remains the hardest hit, with 2.5 million people with AIDS and another 10 million HIV-infected. And Japan was chosen as the site of the 10th annual AIDS conference in part to highlight the fact that AIDS is now spreading fastest in Asia.

As if to underscore the lack of progress, conference organizers agreed to hold the next international conference not one but two years from now in Vancouver, British Columbia. Regional conferences and meetings of scientists working in specialized areas of HIV/AIDS research will, of course, continue. Watch for the *AIDS Briefs* which appear occasionally in *In Step* to keep up with the latest findings.

Center For AIDS Intervention Research (CAIR)

August Research Conferences

Milwaukee — The Medical College of Wisconsin's Department of Psychiatry & Mental Health Services, has announced August Conferences:

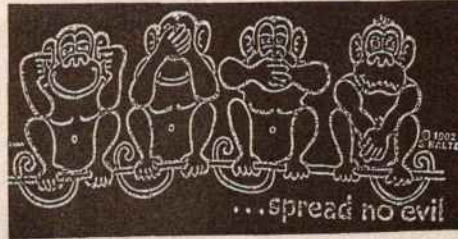
▼ Thursday, August 18th, 3-4:30pm;
Breaking Barriers: New Partnerships for HIV Prevention. Effective strategies for CBO's and academic researchers in Developing interventions that work. Presented by M. Isa Fernandez, Ph.D., Director of Research and Evaluation, Professional and Scientific Associates, McLean, VA.

▼ Thursday, August 25th, 3-4:30pm;
Community-Based Efforts to Assist Gay Men to Maintain Safer Sexual Practices presented by Robin L. Miller, Ph.D., Director of Evaluation Research, Gay Men's Health Crisis, New York, NY.

CAIR Research Conferences are held in the Conference Room of CAIR's Franklin Building, 1249 N. Franklin, Milwaukee (at the corner of N. Prospect/Franklin and Knapp Streets, which is four doors north of the CAIR Downer Mansion building). Telephone 287-4680.

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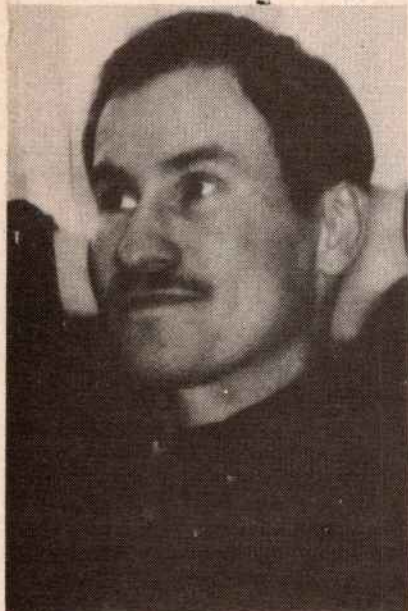


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Stephen Huwiler (Huey)

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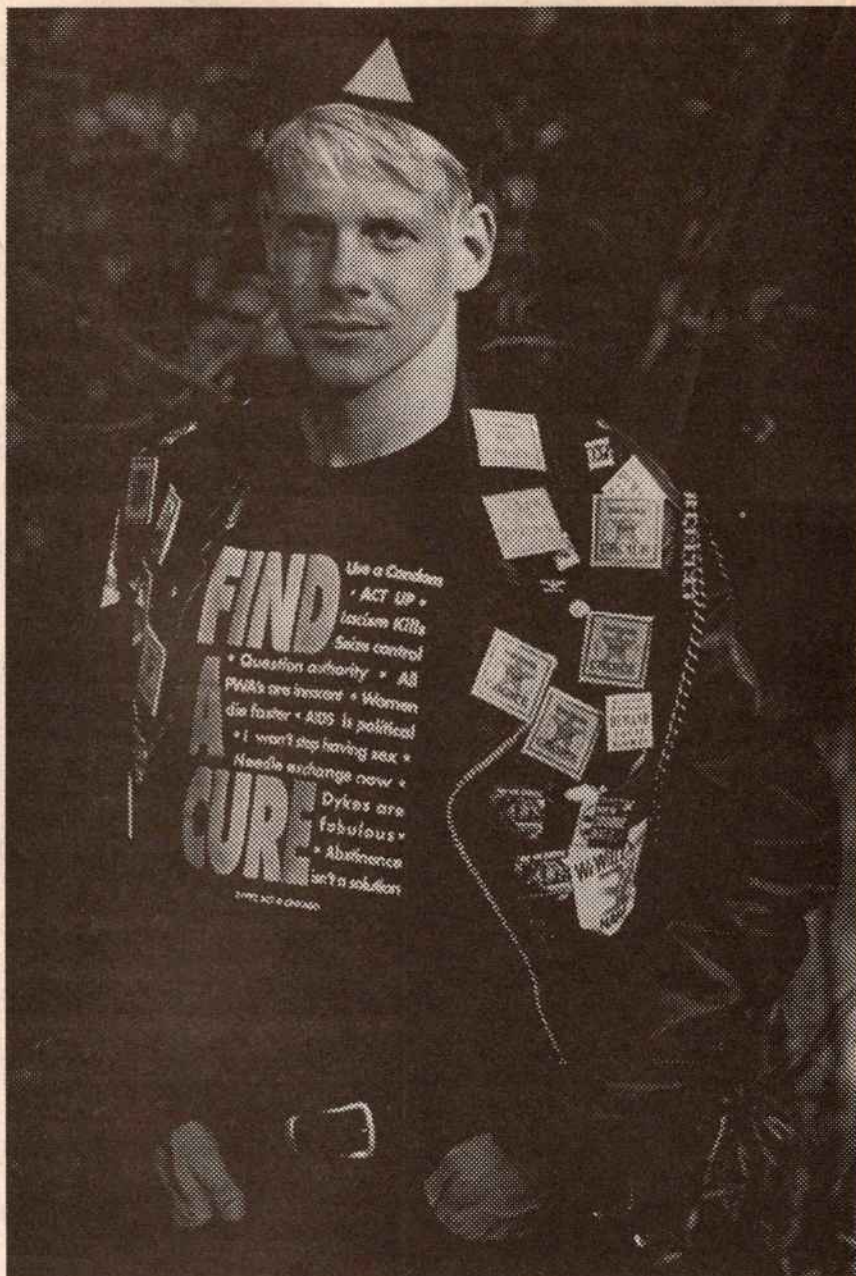


Stephen (Huey) Huwiler

"Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glints on snow. Of quiet birds in circled flight, I am the soft stars that shine at night."

Huey's gone but not forgot. With thousands of words and memories forever treasured in that special place in my heart. Good' bye, Huey.

Love, Steven & Friends



Gregory Jay Hanson May 6, 1963-August 12, 1994

"So what do you do for a living?" the doctor asked and Jay answered in his best little boy voice: "I make buttons." What an understatement. Jay made buttons, puppets, masks, poetry, signs, love, banners, jackets, and especially friends. He also made a lot of noise.

On the artistic front Jay first made his name in puppetry studying under Jim Henson, working in the touring production of *Pinocchio* and working with Friends Mime Theater. His interests expanded to include street theater, buttons and banners, and poetry. He was working on an anthology of AIDS related poetry and art entitled *Out of the Shadows* which will be published shortly.

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Jay was one of the first members of the Different Drummer Theater Alliance and he originated the role of Columbia in the Celluloid Jam at the Oriental Theater. Jay collaborated on Bill T. Jones' most recent dance piece which will premiere in Milwaukee this October. The collaboration was documented by Bill Moyers for broadcast on PBS.

Immediately noticeable because of his multi-hued punk hairstyles, tattoos, piercings and brash manner, Jay was devoted to political action. He was a member of ACT UP everywhere, the PLWA Coalition, Queer Nation Milwaukee, and the Milwaukee Clinic Protection Coalition. He took part in the

New Pacifica Academy for young Queer activists. Jay was arrested in numerous AIDS demonstrations where he was often subjected to police brutality and serious injuries.

Jay was well known in leather and pagan circles. He was frequently spotted roller skating on local dance floors, sipping double lattes, or eating ten star Thai food.

Jay is survived by his mother, Hope; his sister, Wendy; his husband, Jim Rogers; and uncountable friends. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Jay's name to the Milwaukee AIDS Project or ACT UP Milwaukee.

Come celebrate Jay's life and times with family and friends Wednesday, August 24th at 8PM at Cafe Melange in the Hotel Wisconsin.

Doctors Gather to Improve Lesbian and Gay Health

San Francisco — Lesbian and Gay physicians from all specialties and from across the U.S. and Canada will gather in New York City for a three-day conference on critical Lesbian and Gay health issues Sept. 2-4.

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Legal

By Arlene Zarembka

Lessons From Missouri

Missouri was supposed to be easy pickin's for the radical right. Rev. Lou Sheldon, of the Traditional Values Coalition, told the St. Louis *Post-Dispatch* that Missouri was a "perfect fit" for them, and that if Missouri's The Amendment Coalition (TAC) got the proposed Colorado-style anti-Gay constitutional amendment on the ballot, they would have a better chance of winning in Missouri than anywhere else. National Gay groups considered Missouri the one state where the initiative was sure to get on the ballot. *It didn't.* What happened?

THE COUNTERATTACK

TAC expected a cakewalk through Missouri. It instead found itself engaged in "heavy-duty head-knocking with Satan," as Kerry Messer, one of the leaders of TAC wrote in the May, 1994 issue of the St. Louis *Metrovoice*, a rightwing Christian newspaper.

The first statewide Gay and Lesbian organizing conference had been held less than a month before TAC announced its campaign in June, 1993. Upon hearing word of the initiative, the community sprang into action. Literally minutes after TAC held a press conference to announce its campaign, the St. Louis-based Privacy Rights Education Project and Kansas City-based Human Rights Project held a joint press conference to denounce the campaign.

St. Louis' local weekly, *The Riverfront Times*, headlined its front-page article about the initiative, "Homophobes Gear up for a Fight: Right-Wingers Declare War by Pushing an Anti-Gay Amendment." Rattled by this adverse media coverage, TAC held a press conference to denounce the media, only to find itself surrounded by dozens of Gay and Lesbian activists and supporters.

A Legal Team formed immediately. Within a week after the Secretary of State and Attorney General approved the initiative petition for circulation, ignoring the legal problems the Legal Team had delineated, the Legal Team filed suit. TAC, which claimed that procrastination was the reason it did not get the signatures, may have lost valuable time waiting for the court decision on the lawsuit. In May, the judge put the suit on hold to see if TAC got its signatures.

A new religious coalition, Missourians for Freedom and Justice, formed to oppose the initiative within weeks of TAC's announcement of its campaign. By August, a statewide committee, Show Me Equality, was

established to coordinate work against the initiative. Throughout the year, new pro-Gay groups sprang up throughout Missouri.

MONEY

When announcing the initiative drive, Messer confidently predicted that corporate donations would flow in, because, as he told the *Post-Dispatch*, businesses "don't want to be forced to hire homosexuals." Thanks to Boycott Colorado's crucial work and the later Cincinnati boycott, political and civic leaders in Missouri were acutely aware of the disastrous effect the amendment would have on Missouri's convention business. Although virtually all politicians refused to take a public stand against the initiative (with the notable exceptions of Republican Senator John Danforth and Democratic Senate candidate Alan Wheat), most Democratic politicians, including Democratic Governor Mel Carnahan, privately hoped it would die. The St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission, although adopting no official position, took it upon itself to educate the hospitality industry about the economic impact the amendment could have.

TAC's fundraising efforts ran into another snag. Rightwing forces have other fish to fry in Missouri this year: public education and gambling. The rightwing successfully mounted a major effort to place an anti-tax and anti-spend initiative on the November ballot, in response to an education tax increase passed last year. Moreover, many religious conservatives have been battling pro-gambling initiatives that would allow slot machines on Missouri's gambling boats. Some of the money and effort that might have gone into TAC's initiative undoubtedly went to these efforts. An educated citizenry and the gambling boats sitting on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers are far more clear and present dangers to conservatives than are Missouri's mostly closeted Gay men and Lesbians.

In short, TAC's expected pots of gold did not materialize. By the final month of the campaign, TAC was having difficulty paying its bills.

DISORGANIZATION

TAC's first director and its president both resigned in mid-winter. Paul Summers, who had headed up a successful winter campaign to repeal Springfield's bias crime ordinance, took over as director. TAC moved its state office to Springfield, located in the most rightwing part of the state, but far away from the other five Congressional districts where it needed to collect signatures.

DEMORALIZATION

Messer's *Metrovoice* article reflected the discouragement that set in with TAC's leadership. He wrote that the


"spiritual battle has been more real than any of us has ever experienced," and that the initiative had proved to be a "real war": "No more drills and dry runs, this is the real thing." He bemoaned the lawsuit that had been filed against the initiative, the debates that had been "rigged" against TAC, the "financial hardship" that the leadership faced, and the fact that the "physical health of each of the coalition leaders has been demonically attacked." He desperately pleaded with readers to help with the campaign and send in petitions. Not enough responded by the July 8 deadline.

LESSONS LEARNED

The lessons to be learned? Start the counterattack immediately against rightwing campaigns. Form a legal team to file suit at the earliest opportunity. Debate the rightwing in Gay-friendly forums to wear them down and sharpen our wits. Be upbeat: nothing disconcerts them more than to see happy confident Gay people. Boycott places that pass anti-Gay initiatives, so politicians and civic leaders elsewhere won't support the initiatives.

Missouri, the Show Me State, was considered a "bellwether state" by both sides: now it has shown what can be done!

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The Arts

By Carmen A. Murguia

Lesbian Variety Show

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The performers have dedicated their time and efforts to support LAMM-EF which provides community education to schools and community groups, police recruitment and training, as well as health education and information.

How did this great idea come about? In a recent conversation with Shelly Marquardt, the shows producer and LAMM-EF's fundraising char, the discussion was, "Madison has always done it, and its always a success. There is enough local (Milwaukee) talent. We (LAMM) wanted to support the Lesbian community by offering an opportunity for the artists to showcase their work, and it gives us a chance to raise funds for the education fund as well."

Curtains go us at 7:30pm at the Skylight Opera Theater in the Historic Third Ward (158 N. Broadway). Advance tickets, at \$10 are available at AfterWords Books, 3B's Bar, or by calling LAMM at (414) 264-2600.

Flirts and Suede at MAPFest

One of the most event-filled and not-to-be-missed events honoring the Gay and Lesbian Community and Friends: ARCW's 9th annual **MAPFest — A Festival & Concert to Benefit AIDS** on Sunday, September 4, from non to 10:30pm at the Performing Arts Center outdoor pavilion. What I discovered over the years at MAPFest, is that no matter what time you arrive there is always something to do, to watch, to eat, to drink, to buy, to laugh at, and when the



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Bay Players to Hold Auditions

The **Bay Players** of Whitefish Bay will hold auditions for the musical *No, No, Nanette*. *Nanette* is a campy 1920's show with lots of tap dancing and chorus boys and girls. The leads are all glitzy, show-biz, Hollywood types, and the costumes are colorful, 1920's flapper clothes.

An open call for all roles takes place on August 22 & 23 at 7:15pm in the Whitefish Bay High School Auditorium, 1200 E. Fairmount. The production will open in late October. For further information, call 365-2580.

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Lunch With Michelangelo Signorile

By Owen Keehnen

*Controversial author/activist Michelangelo Signorile has been making headlines ever since his notorious **Outweek** column sparked a national debate on the ethics of outing. When the dust settled celebrities such as Malcolm Forbes, David Geffen, Barry Diller, Pete Williams, and Jodie Foster had been called to task for their closeted hypocrisy, and the closet in both the media and the entertainment industries had been opened considerably.*

*Last year Signorile's long awaited and insightful opus **Queer In America**, a discourse on the closets of power and how to dismantle them, was released. It received resounding praise and became a national best seller. Last month Anchor Books released the paperback.*

Recently Michelangelo Signorile and I talked over a couple bowls of cream of mushroom soup. It was good to see he hadn't lost his edge. And the soup was great.

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Owen: You have said that 'outing' was a misnaming of a process you considered more equal reporting. How did the misnaming shift the intent of 'outing'?

Michelangelo: The word immediately set it up as a campaign, as something activists had come up with, that now they were going to rip people out of the closet who didn't do what they said. Certainly there was rhetoric like that coming out of some segments of the Gay community. But the issue of outing went in a million different directions. Journalists like me were doing our thing, activists in the streets were doing their thing, the tabloids were doing theirs. The media looked at all of this as a campaign rather than seeing it as a number of things happening simultaneously.

In "Queer In America" you speak of the three pods of closeting: the media in NY; politics centered in DC; and entertainment in LA, and the interdependence of the three. Which of these branches is the most fortified and which is the most vulnerable?

Washington is the hardest to break down, simply because government is impenetrable. It requires grass roots movement to change it, and requires changing the way people vote. A lot of complicated things. The media and Hollywood are much more vulnerable because they're private industries and are worried about their product. When you threaten their product their public relations will change. The media has changed more than Hollywood. I think it's because more people in the media have come out and pushed editors to stand up for Gay and Lesbian rights, or at least not to ignore them.

Why are a disproportionate number of Gays and Lesbians in those three branches which all have strong internal Gay workings yet traditionally have presented homophobic facades?

The closet. Once people come out that changes. When everyone in Hollywood and the media was closeted completely it was easy for antiGay stories to get in because no one would speak out against them. In fact, they'll do whatever they can to look like one of the crowd. Once people come out they represent something, and suddenly it's harder to be antiGay.

Where do you think the media and visibility breakthroughs of ACT-UP and Queer Nation have taken the movement?

We really saw a chain reaction occur in the past six years. All over Gay people were really pushing the limits and things fell into place. Under Reagan and Bush there was such repression, and it was just getting pushed down tighter and tighter until there was an explosion. ACT-UP and Queer Nation really took to the streets and forced themselves into the faces of America. They had an effect on the entire Gay community. People were either invigorated or angered by it, but it had the effect of getting them out of the closet and having them take a stand. In the media this meant showing images to represent the Gay community beyond activism. It was a business too. When people come out in news rooms they often come out as Gay reporters wanting to cover Gay issues. It's a competition. Now every paper covers Gay issues and the best coverage is usually done by Gay reporters. That period was an entire chain reaction. The Clinton election was the capping of all this. It showed a cultural change. It suddenly became easier to champion Gay rights.

Do you think Clinton's presidency has defused Gay and Lesbian activism?

Yeah. We only knew how to operate under Reagan/Bush. The moderates in Washington under Reagan/Bush only knew the strategy of run and duck for cover. As we saw with the military issue, when they were finally offered to be at the table and part of the process they didn't know what to do. Same with the activists, all they knew was to go for the jugular on someone who was so hateful that people would get the message and wouldn't think you were exaggerating. It's been strange because since Stonewall we've never had a time not under repression. People don't know how to deal with it and Clinton throws out a lot of new age stuff and how much he's with us and believes this and that, but he still doesn't do anything. But it's hard to call him a monster and a homophobe and a bigot because when you say that your credibility is shot. What we're seeing now is a real regrouping, but people will find their way.

What's going to respark that?

The religious right and how it's organizing in states across the country. It's such a clear cut issue that I think it's going to get people involved. It's not until people feel under attack that they really start to move.

Explain your theory of E-Mail as a solution to counter the organizational skills of the religious right.

Even since the book has come out that stuff has advanced in remarkable ways. I talk in the book about the unique environment of Silicon Valley and why Gay people have been attracted to that industry, why they dominate that industry, and how they are using it to come out and organize politically. Groups like Digital Queers and others have connected and gotten NGLTF on line. People around the country talk every day about strategies. People are asking others on line how to come out, things like that too. I think where it's heading is eventually people will be waking up in the morning and going to their computer and pressing a button to launch a zap against some governor or congressman, or to send money to a cause. This is the kind of proactive organizing that suits our particular lifestyles. The armies of the religious right who write letters are mainly older women who sit at home and are afraid the world is coming to an end. They have nothing else to do except sit and write letters. We've found it impossible to match that. With computers we can do that now, and faster, while their armies tend to be technophobic. Who knows though? Tomorrow Pat Robertson could buy Silicon Valley.

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Don't even say that. Pete Williams was probably the apex of outing, but you've also had your finger on the equalizing of Malcolm Forbes, Jodie Foster, David Geffen, Barry Diller, Liz Smith. Those are some powerful people. Have you ever been physically threatened?

No. It's funny but I think those people, powerful as they are, and closeted as they were, still understood or had a respect for me as an activist and knew that I was respected by a large part of the activist community, and often by people they respected. I swear David Geffen and I are two degrees of separation with so many people. I think they might have threatened a reporter from *The National Enquirer* who was doing it to make money.

Speaking of, what do you think of the tabloid outings of such celebrities as Chastity Bono, Raymond Burr, John Travolta, Kristy McNichol...

Tabloids are wild cards, they can be wildly homophobic or, as with the Chastity Bono case, they give tips to parents who find out their children are Gay and how to deal with it. Bottom line — their goal is to make money and they're going to be sensational no matter what. In many ways the fact that we're included in that now is a plus. We went from being unspeakably scandalous to being acceptably scandalous. As time goes on the more they churn out those stories the less sensational homosexuality becomes, but you can't cut out that process, it needs to happen.

What's the full story behind the folding of "Outweek"? Was it a lack of advertisers due to the controversy over outing?

In the end it really was just bad business. There were definitely advertisers who wouldn't advertise there because of the outing issue, but there were a lot more who wouldn't advertise because of the Gay issue. It took *Out* magazine to really start breaking the advertising barrier. They were in the right place at the right time when things started changing.

What are you working on now?

I'm doing a monthly column for *Out*. I'm also going to be doing two books which have me going in two different directions, one as self help guru of the closet and the other as a sexual analyst. The first is *Outing Yourself*, it's a step by step explanation book about how to come out to your family, friends, and coworkers. It will be out sometime next year. The other book is tentatively titled *God Against Sex: The Holy War Against Human Sexuality In America*. It's much larger and goes beyond the trinity of the closet, focusing on the creators of the closet. It will be about The Catholic Church and the religious right. It's broader than just homosexuality. It's going to talk about how all sexuality is in the closet and how women are as under attack as Gay people in terms of sexuality. It will deal with feminism as well as Gay rights.

It sounds fascinating, good luck, and thanks.

Thank you Owen.



OCTOBER 11

Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

August winds down, and the club business picks back up after a Summer of festivals, fairs, sun and lots of community events. It also means our post-Stonewall slow period comes to an end, with our September 1 issue, featuring a full calendar of Labor Day Weekend and other events including MAPFest and then the Wisconsin AIDS Walk in mid-month.

The last two preliminaries for the Wisconsin-USA pageant were held July 30 at Club 94 and August 6 at Za's. The Miss Gay Green Bay WI-USA pageant at Za's featured five contestants, with Shannon DuPree capturing the crown and Rhonda Moore coming in as first runner up. Kylie West, the '93 titleholder gave up her crown before an appreciative audience. Club 94 hosted the Miss Gay Kenosha WI-USA pageant, with Green Bay's Gloria Hallway winning the Kenosha title.

(The sixth annual Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA pageant finals, with all preliminary winners and first runners up eligible to complete, will be held September 10-11 in Appleton. The Preliminary Night competition will be held September 10 at the Pivot Club beginning at 7pm. The finals will be held September 11 at the Paper Valley Hotel in downtown Appleton. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 6pm with pageant at 8. Tickets are \$15 and are available through Jason at (414) 272-2875. Special guest performers include Coco, Miss Gay USA; DuWanna Moore, the '93 Miss Gay WI-USA; '93 Miss Gay USA, Sweet Savage; and former Miss Gay WI-USA's Tania Michaels, Larinda Kelly, Mary Richards and Dominique Mahon.)

The weekend of July 30-31 was a busy one, with Club Xpress in Escanaba hosting their Bikini Beach Party. The Travlur in Rockford hosted their 5th Anniversary with a live Lesbian band on Saturday and their annual picnic with outdoor games on Sunday.

Lots of people traveled to Chicago for their annual Halsted Street Market Days. Those who didn't were at the Triangle Softball Team's fundraiser, with a raffle and a pie toss; or Runway 51 for the Erotic Body Shop revue of male dancers. Another big community event was the annual Lake Geneva Twilight Cruise a benefit for the SEWAP.

Fannie's hosted the demo release performance of Dianna Jones & The Reign's new cassette release for a 7pm show on Sunday. Dianna and her band knocked 'em dead with her powerful vocal range.

Simply Divine's benefit show at The New Bar Sunday night helped raise money so Divine could enter the Entertainer of the Year Pageant, a

respected pageant held in Florida. The well attended show featured a huge cast of local and regional entertainers.

Saw lots of you at the Third Ward Block Party August 5-6. M&M Club once again sponsored a large food stand at the southern end of the grounds right in front of the Menomonee Street Stage. Bob and his crew were busy every time I stopped by and they sold tons of Monte Cristo sandwiches! The Wreck Room made their back bar area available during the Block Party for the BESTD Clinic to use for HIV testing and counseling, giving the clinic an opportunity to do outreach into a different pool of clients.

Miss Sage LaRue held her fabulous birthday bash at the Pivot Club that Friday night, with a cast of showstoppers. The old girl also "man"ned the grill for the Sunday patio cookout.

Rod's was busy that weekend with the 2nd annual Mr. & Ms. Leather Madison Contest on the patio in the evening, after an afternoon of leather workshops and leather fair. There was only one Ms. and three Mr. contestants, with Beth Kelly named Ms. and Alvin Robinson named Mr. Leather Madison. Phillip Carey was first runner up. On Sunday, six men vied for the title of Mr. Rod's, with Derrick Brown capturing the

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Mr. Rod's title; Todd Wiehr first runner up and Andrew Butler second runner up. Local entertainers rounded out both evenings, and the weather cooperated, yet again.

Runway 51 hosted Nashville's openly Gay country singer, Jeff Miller in his return Wisconsin engagement after a successful tour last year. Country CAN be done with a Gay sensibility!

The annual Lavender Hill Benefit, with a theme this year of *Lavender Fairy Tales* was a big hit at the UW Union's Wisconsin Room where the space was more flexible (Thank god for movable walls!). This was the first year the benefit was held there after outgrowing Steve's backyard years past, and more recently, Renaissance Place.

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Outpost Foods called our office August 9 and asked us to stop distribution of *In Step* in their lobby area, because of several complaints from some customers, and staff. This fine bastion of east side liberalism has decided to censor our magazine and boot us out of their lobby! They also explained they've asked other publications to be removed, but the reason we started distribution there a year ago was because of numerous requests from our readers who are also their customers!

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Dianna Jones (2nd from right) and "The Reign" perform numbers from their recently released cassette at a premiere performance at Fannies.

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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.

THURS., AUGUST 18

Wreck Room: Back bar is now open Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun., 8-close.
Club Xpress (Escanaba, MI): Upper Peninsula State Fair through 8/21. Show your ride coupons from the fair & receive drink specials.

FRI., AUGUST 19

Club 219: Body Sweat Male Dancers, 11:30pm.
Sass (Green Bay): All Womyn Revue, 10:30pm. Featuring Vickee from the Madhatter & a host of female entertainers.

SAT., AUGUST 20

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

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

Boot Camp: Rodeo Riders of Chicago Club Night. Prizes, party starts 10pm.
ZA's (Green Bay): Miss Gay Guernsey Gala, 10:30pm, no cover. Benefit CPI's Emergency Fund. Vote for your favorites.

GAMMAS 14th Annual Cruise: On the Iroquois, departs 6:30pm for 2 hour Lake Michigan & harbor cruise. Music, dancing, hors d'oeuvres; cash bar. Tickets \$12 at the dock (if any are left). FMI call 963-9833.

SUN., AUGUST 21

3B's: 1st "Miss B" Contest, 8pm. \$3 donation for MAP. Contestants apply at bar.

Milw. P-FLAG Meeting: 7-9pm featuring screening of the video *Straight From The Heart*, Martin Luther Lutheran Church, 9235 W. Bluemound Rd.

The New Bar (Madison): Stars of Wisconsin Show, 10:30pm.

THURS., AUGUST 25

M&M Club: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling from 8:30-11:30pm.

FRI., AUGUST 26

Club 219: Grant Dixon's *Victims of Desire* Male Dancers, 11:30pm.
Frontiers (Madison): A weekend in Saugatuck, Michigan. In cooperation with GAMMA & Out & About. FMI call Dave (608) 241-2500.

SAT., AUGUST 27

M&M Club: Singstational Productions performs.

Ballgame: Sheephead Tournament.
SSBL Fan Appreciation Day: All fans, players & ex-players invited to Mitchell Park softball field (behind the Domes), for a farewell to Mitchell Park Ball Fields. Games from 11 to 4; beer, soda, food. 4pm awards. In case of rain, party and awards will be held at Club 219, 3pm-on.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Grant Dixon's *Victims of Desire* Male Dancers.
3B's Bar: 3rd Anniversary Party. Give-aways & country dancing all night long.
Club 219: Miss 219 Contest.

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Madison Gay Video Club: Fall kick off party, all new format; featuring *Stonewall 25*, 8pm, call (608) 244-8675 (eves.).

SUN., AUGUST 28

3B's Bar: NSGRA & Shoreline's 2 Step Workshop, noon-6pm; \$2 donation.

Miss Midwest Region 1994 Pageant: Centennial Hall, Milw. Downtown Main Library, 733 N. 8th St. Tickets \$10, 7pm. Presented by Paragon Entertainment Productions, Inc. Special guest M.C. Otis Mack from Chicago's Heavy Diva Productions. Guest Entertainers: Dexter St. John (Memphis); Simplicity; Foreplay Dancers & more.

GMDG: *Being Gay In The Age of AIDS*. See Group Notes for details.

The Black Box/B.E.B.A.: See Group Notes for details.

Wisconsin Leather Men's Assn.: Beer bust on the Boot Camp's Patio, 3-7pm, \$5.



The newly crowned Ms. Leather Madison, Beth Kelly; Mr. Leather Madison, Alvin Robinson; and 1st runner up Mr. Phillip Carey. The third annual contest was held at Rod's patio.

TUE., AUGUST 30

GALVANize Meeting (Madison): See Group Notes for details.

Club 219 Plus: BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing & counseling 9pm-12am.

WED., AUGUST 31

MAP AIDS Education Series:

Advanced AIDS Education Program, 6:30pm. MAP office, 315 W. Court St. in Milw. Call 273-1991; ext. 257 for registration.

THURS., SEPTEMBER 1

Boot Camp Saloon: 10th Anniversary.
Club 3054 (Madison): Closing/Labor Day Weekend; Final Karaoke, \$25 Best Singer.

FRI., SEPTEMBER 2

Pivot Club (Appleton): Stars of Wisconsin Show, 10:30pm.

Frontiers (Madison): Whitewater Rafting Weekend Sept. 2-5. FMI & to make reservations, call Dave now at (608) 241-2500.

Club 3054 (Madison): Grant Dixon's *Victims of Desire* Male & female dancers, 10:30 show, \$3 cover.

SAT., SEPTEMBER 3

Club 3054 (Madison): Cheri, Terry, Tyrone, Steve, Greg & Tommy's Birthday Bash Blowout; 5pm-on; Free BBQ & Tap Beer.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Farewell to DuWanna, Stars of Wisconsin Show, 10:30.

Bunkhouse (Rockford, IL): 2nd Anniversary Party.

Madison Wrestling Club: Returns to bi-weekly practices, 8pm. Now will meet 1st & 3rd Saturdays during fall.

ZA's (Green Bay): A benefit show for Neely O'Hara, Miss Emerald City, to help send her to Miss Gay WI-USA.

SUN., SEPTEMBER 4

Club 3054 (Madison): Closing/Labor Day Weekend, Double Beer Bust 3-8 & 9-close plus video flashbacks.

MAPFest: Noon-10:30pm, Milw's Performing Arts Center (PAC). Food, games, entertainment, dance tent, dog show. Admission \$4 adults, \$2 children 12 & under.

MAPFest Concert: Suede and The Flirtations, PAC Vogel Hall, 7:30pm. Tickets \$15 advance includes MAPFest admission. Call (414) 273-7206 (PAC Box Office) for concert tickets. See Arts for details.

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By W.W. Wells III

W.W.'s Mailbag

It's been a long time since I've checked my mail. Well, for obvious reasons with all those nasty libel and slander lawsuits and everything. But, I'm pretty desperate this week and when it comes right down to it, I'll scrape the bottom of the barrel for a joke... which (according to my therapist) probably explains most of my old boyfriends.

Dear W. W. Wells:

I am writing this letter in hopes that you will set everyone **Straight** about our marriage. You see I love Richard and we are **completely, 100% monogamous and Heterosexual**. I have never in my life even thought about having sex with women and I can assure you neither has Richard.

Cindy Crawford
Upstairs Bedroom,
The House of Style

Dear Mr. Wells:

We appreciate your interest in my client, but Mr. Louganis is very busy right now and will be unable to fulfill your request for a nude interview... Enclosed please find an autographed picture of Greg in a tight pair of Speedo's... hope that will do.

Sincerely,
Greg Louganis's Manager
New York, New York

Dear W. W. Wells:

I saw your pathetic performance last night. You looked like hell, your eye shadow was too damn blue and your lip

synching was God awful! All I can say is that it's people like you who give drag a bad name.

Fondly,
J. Edgar Hoover
The Big Girl's Department
Heaven or Hell

Dear Mr. Wells:

Now that all the hoopla over the 25th anniversary has died down and the March on the UN is over, can you tell me... just who was this Stonewall guy?

Sincerely,
Seymour Butts,
Queer Spokesman for Generation X
New Haven, CT

Dear W. W. Wells:

After throwing out dozens of my boyfriends old underpants, I've discovered there are plenty of dirty old men who will pay good money for them. Just thought you might like to know.

Sincerely,
Harry P. Ness
Appleton, WI

Dear Mr. Wells:

We appreciate your interest in my client, but Keanu is very busy right now and will be unable to fulfill your request for a nude interview and I am returning your Polaroids.

Sincerely,
Keanu Reeves' Manager
Hollywood, CA

Dear Mr. Wells:

I object to your assertion that in order to be calculated accurately, Gay relationships "should be measured in dog years." Where does that leave Benji and me? We've been lovers for three years now... that comes to 21 years according to your theory. If we had been together for twenty one years do you really think we'd still be doing the nasty every night

like dogs in heat? I think not! Our sex life is great and your theory is all dog crap.

Lassie
Fire Hydrant, CA
P.S. There's no way I'm doing a nude interview with you either, you pervert!

Hey Baby:

I know you've been requesting nude interviews from everybody from Bryant Gumbel to Barney the Dinosaur... but somehow you forgot to ask me. Well I want you **STUD!** I want to **-censored-** your **-censored-**!!! I want to lick your **-censored-** and yank your **-censored-** until you **-censored-** all over my **-censored-**. Then you can lube up that Polaroid camera and **-censored-** my **-censored-**. Sure I've bedded just about everyone in the country, but my life won't be complete until I've had you. You don't think I'm a cheap, publicity hungry tramp for asking do you?

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Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

Queens For A Day

This year's homecoming queen at Cherry Grove was (gasp!) a woman.

Now, Cherry Grove, as you may know, is not just *Anytown, USA*. It's *Ourtown*. Full of Ferries and Faggots and Dykes, oh my.

Only, it mainly used to be a boys' club. No Girls Allowed! Some women tolerated. But only if they were a) rich, b) devoted, and c) willing to share make-up secrets and dish.

Then a good and a bad thing happened. You all know the bad thing, AIDS, so we won't save that for any awful surprise. But the good thing is that baby-booming Lesbians grew up and came into some money the old fashioned way... they earned it. Thanks to the Women's Movement, (another venue that needs to thank the Lesbians) Lesbians were allowed to become doctors, and lawyers, and merchant chiefs. And if they were very good when they grew up, they could become independently wealthy just like the men, and afford to buy property in the same safe-havens. Partially because they wanted to be where they were normal and Mr. and Mrs. Brady were the exception. And partially because, contrary to popular fiction, some of us actually do like men.

Just when the women were coming into mortgage qualifications of their own, and looking to buy available property, unfortunately, the property of a lot of men with no heirs came onto the market.

There aren't a whole lot of middle aged men living in Cherry Grove anymore. Young ones, firm in their belief that accidents happen to other, *older* guys. And monogamous, aging queens whose raging hormones had luckily subsided when their boomer brothers were stretching satyrdom's edges.

Fortunately, as the Cherry Grove gender balanced better, women where there to caretake. They saw to meals and meds and weeding, and, as usual, did what needed doing in bad times. Angels? Hardly. Mostly hard-working, hard-driving, sometimes hard-drinking dykes who just did what they could, then watched their best friends die.

Now in the list of Roberts' Rules of The Universe "No good deed shall go unpunished" ranks fairly high in instances like these. And that's where we get to the story of our fairy queens, and the 25th annual Homecoming. Well, okay, not quite yet. First you have to know how it all started.

There is an ancient rite in Cherry Grove called Walking To The Pines in Drag. The Pines is the chic neighboring Gay community a half-mile sand trudge away. It wasn't unusual in the olden days (or now) for men, freed from necktie bondage, to play dress-up and walk over.

So one day Dora Darling in magnificent array arrived in time for cocktails, hied himself to the nearest bar stool, and asked for something cold. She got shoulder. "No one served without shoes, shirts of their own designated gender," the invisible sign said. She stormed back to the Grove and on the following Fourth, a revolution began.

Every year from then on, a boatload of female impressionists (When on earth did we give them *that* impression?) invaded the Pines in full regalia. They'd charter a boat to take them from the Grove. They'd prance dockside in ermines and pearls, hats and hairdos, dresses to die for, the plank and peg pier playing havoc with their high heel. The costume party would depart to cheers, and arrive splendidly in the Pines for half an hour of free drinking, courtesy of the apologetic innkeepers. Each year it grew, and drew thousands from the mainland. High summer camp, and good business for both towns. For 25 years the dragsters elected one of their own as homecoming queen.

Enter Joan Van Ness, attractive, active Lesbian who is assistant fire chief, a director of the CG Arts Project, general island booster, good neighbor and personal friend to legions. Joan usually prefers *dyke* drag: chino cutoffs, print shirt and boy's haircut. She doesn't spend a lot of intimate time with Max Factor. But she did spend wonderful days with a dearly departed, playing queen-for-a-day. They'd powder and paint, and then he was gone, and it was homecoming election night, something silly they'd often shared.

"I woke up that morning thinking about Martin. Martin's gone now, but we'd been friends for a long time. Whenever I felt a bit campy, I'd go see Martin. He'd paint my face, put me in one of his gowns, and we'd have a good, silly time. I felt like doing something fun and campy to raise my spirits and to celebrate Martin."

Joan, after some urging, entered the contest as Scarlett Oh, and by acclaim of a 70-30 male/female crowd, was crowned.

Enter the villain in press clothing, a resident cross-dresser, and columnist for the local rag, who wasn't in attendance, got his drawers in an uproar and wrote, vitriolically, "First the boys got sick, they died, their houses sold, and now, kicked in the ass and their traditions taken away." Well, my dears, *kaboom*. Explosions came a little early to July Cherry Grove. An Alternative Invasion was proposed. A lipstick line drawn through the sands. *Newsday* sent a

reporter. Local tv sent a crew.

It was, as one newspaper put it, a tempest in a C-cup!

In this tiny townlet with no cinema or bowling alley, it was chat to dine out on. Would the men defect? Would the camp divide? Would the boys-on-one-side, girls-on-the-other elementary school rules reapply? Letters and responses to the editors flared. The columnist's business boycotted. Supporters surfaced. Pro and con accept-no-substitute posters were applied to fences. It was amusement d'jour.

On the Fourth, Scarlet Oh reigned supreme. Many commented on what a fine looking woman she made. 170 wolfs in she's clothing (the largest invading force in history) boycotted the faux foray, did the right thing and paid proper homage to her royalty. The official invasion set splendid sail while only five or six slightly sour supporters of the sulked on dockside stools.

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could work and play well with others. The **Newsday** headline read: *Cherry Grove Queen Proves She's No Drag.*

Cherry Grove is where I spent my summer vacation, the week after Stonewall 25. Wish you'd been there. We had a Gay old time.

Think of this as your postcard from camp.

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Ask Billy Holliday

Off-Key Advice From an Off-Color Life

Dear Billy:

I'm concerned about my appearance. I've thought about doing something about it. Do you approve of plastic surgery?

T.R., Orange Co., CA

Only if you have some plastic you want to get rid of. Seriously though, I personally have nothing against plastic surgery. Of course with my looks, who needs it honey! But shop around girl, shop around. Ask for references and talk to the surgeon. And make sure that what bothers you is really a problem. Plastic surgery can be like bulimia. You keep shaping it but you're never satisfied with the results. Know exactly what you want and be sure that the person you go to can give you that. It's like love, isn't it?

Dear Billy:

I've met someone I really like, but he does something that really bothers me, or I don't know if it bothers me or not but I feel like it should. He takes advantage of situations to 'profit' in ways I feel really may be a little wrong. I've seen him switch price tags and laugh about it as if it were a little game. That sort of thing. I don't know how to react to this. I really like him, but sometimes his behavior puts me off and makes me nervous.

T.M., San Antonio, TX

Well, Tex, unless you're Grace Kelly and he looks like Cary Grant, it looks like you've caught a real thief. People who play little games as though they were medieval immorality plays are likely to play the same game with your head later. If he is dishonest with the rest of the world, why do you think you can change him? You know the old saying; 'People don't change.' My advice is to call it quits before the choker he gives you turns out to be the noose at the end of a mob. And if you do look like Grace Kelly, I know a country with an opening for a princess. Just watch the hairpins.

Dear Billy:

I really enjoy phone sex. For some reason, I can make the guy on the other end of the line cum every time. Nobody ever hangs up on me. How can I translate that into in-person encounters?

P.H., Bethesda, MD

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Inside Out

By Yvonne Zipter

Success and the Nonsingle Girl

I now have first-hand knowledge of the phrase "What goes around comes around." And what came around my way the other day was the question, "To what do you owe the success of your relationship?" When I mention this query to a friend, she says of my relationship with my girlfriend, "But six and a half years isn't that long..." Perhaps. But it's a longer track record than the friend who asked the question and longer than any of my own previous past liaisons. Perspective is everything.

Anyway, as things boomeranging back at you go, I guess a question like that is pretty innocuous. Still, it's a question that's about as easy to answer as, How could Ronald Reagan be elected president not once but twice? Some things are just not meant to be understood, like why Mr. and Mrs. Howell had packed so much stuff for a three-hour cruise, including a suitcase full of money, or how the Professor could invent a device for making electricity but not be able to repair the ship's radio or, for that matter, just what it was the Professor was a professor of. Apparently not logic.

Nevertheless, when a friend asks you a serious question, you do your best to answer it. Unfortunately, at the time she asked the question, I think I fell into one of my trance-like states in which words are coming out of my mouth but I have no idea what they are. Having had additional time to ponder the answer since emerging from my trance, I thought I'd take another crack at it. And being honor-bound by the Girl Scout oath I took 30 years ago to help others at all times or some crap like that, I thought I'd share the secrets of our success with you as well.

Beginning very simply, what makes our relationship work is this: Kathy loves to cook — I love to eat; Kathy loves to grow vegetables — I love to eat them. Essentially, then, what we have going for us is a Jack Sprat and his wife kind of thing, revised only slightly to accommodate Lesbian vegetarians. Unlike Jack and spouse, however, Kathy and I actually want the same thing out of

life: good low-fat frozen dairy confections — and lots of 'em.

On a higher plain, what has made our relationship flourish is the fact that we are both reduced to spasms of laughter every time we recall Homer Simpson picking up the phone and saying, "Quick — operator — give me the number for 9-1-1" or every time we watch that scene from *Big* where Tom Hanks eats the baby corn hors d'oeuvre like corn on the cob. Although I'm sure the point of these examples is quite clear, let me just sum up: we share an appreciation for the finer things in life — for culture and the arts.

We don't share everything, however — such as, for instance, underpants and dental floss and a love of polka music. Well actually, we don't share that last because neither of us has it. I will admit, maybe, to having a soft spot in my heart for the polka, considering my Milwaukee roots and all, but "love?" — that's a word I reserve for Kathy. And eggplant parmesan. Anyway, not having all things in common is not a trouble spot for us because we respect each other's divergent interests. For example, I have no problem with Kathy's *bizarre* desire to stock up on free mulch for her garden whenever we pass a forest preserve in the summer, while for her part, Kathy has no qualms about lending an ear to my *neurotic* concerns about my writing. In other words, not being judgmental is also a key ingredient to our connubial bliss.

Another important component can be illustrated with the following story. One night in bed, I began speaking out loud from a dream state, waking Kathy up. "What stinks?" I queried rather vehemently. "What?" counterqueried Kathy, unaware that I was unawake. "That smell — coming from over there." "What are you talking about?" asked

Kathy, confused. "Those rotting onions and tomatoes on that chair over there." [Editor's note: There is not a chair in Kathy and Yvonne's bedroom.] "There is no chair," pointed out Kathy, sensibly. At which point, nearly awakened by my frustration, I responded angrily, "Can't a person dream around here?" What these nocturnal musings so colorfully show is that Kathy is very reality based while I am... not so much so. For someone like me, who has dreams (sleeping) in which co-workers can appear as bags of brown sugar and dreams (awake) of actually putting together the "easy-to-assemble" gas grill in an afternoon, having someone like Kathy in my life is invaluable, someone who can say, "There is no chair," and know that it's true. I, on the other hand, contribute to Kathy's emotional growth and well-being by expanding her horizons — suggesting, for instance, the possibility that onions *might* be rotting in our bedroom.

If you are right now despairing of ever finding yourself in such a fairy tale romance as ours, I wouldn't blame you: not everyone's as lucky as Kathy and I. And luck, I firmly believe, has a lot to do with it — luck and other supernatural phenomena. Because even though there are things we work on in the relationship — like me remembering to lock the doors at night and Kathy not saying *quite* so often "What were you *thinking?*" in reference to my near infidelity of two summers ago — I just plain can't think of any other good explanation of why two goofballs like us would end up being the envy of anyone...

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Stark Reality By Kirk Stark

Suggestions to Cure the Terminally Repressed

There are too many people out there who are obsessed with making this world over in their ideological view. They will go to any end to kill everything that is enjoyable, making sure that life is merely sustaining, rather than the cavalcade of fun it can be.

In the last several weeks, there have been countless illustrations of this problem.

▼ A group of impressionist paintings titled *Angels And Idols* were first covered and later removed from the art gallery in the lobby of the Blatz Apartments in Milwaukee after some of the residents complained about the nudity of the works.

▼ Milwaukee Police Chief Arreola plans to crack down on prostitution by taking the cars away from "johns," as well as printing their names and addresses in the local newspapers.

▼ Judging by the coverage, homosexuality must be a late afternoon concern in the two Milwaukee daily papers.

In a recent *Milwaukee Journal In My Opinion*, Kelly Rosati wrote a piece about why Gay men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals shouldn't have "special status." She compared the discrimination experienced by the gay community to that of "overweight people, bald people, or unattractive people..."

▼ Another Pensacola, Florida abortion doctor was murdered in front of his clinic by an anti-abortion protester who in the words of his pastor, "... wanted to make his own mark."

Running from the gamut of silly to frightening, these events are a sad indicator of people who are severely repressed. And I propose that "right thinking people" across the nation, if not the world, set them straight — *so to speak*.

It will be accomplished with a mass seminar that will be held in every city across the globe, linked across the world by satellite. With group sponsors such as *Playboy* and Haagen Dazs as well as seminar leaders Camille Paglia, Sandra Bernhard, and Senator Packwood it can't fail.

First, there will be a round of spankings. Think about it — they've done wonders for Madonna. But this is only a beginning to loosen up the crowd.

Next, breakfast will commence with cups of cappucino spiked with brandy and big, warm, gooey cinnamon rolls. As they consume thousands of sensually exotic calories their bodies have never allowed themselves, they will watch Catherine Deneuve and Susan Sarandon do the nasty in *The Hunger*, further destroying their inhibitions.

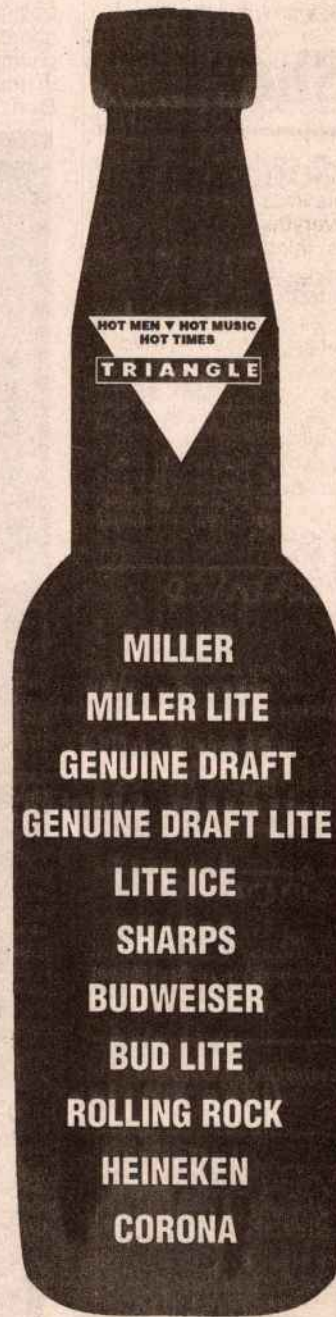
Then, after they've been thoroughly relaxed, it's storytime. The book for straight people will be *The Story of O*, with another room set up for conservative gays where the erotic short stories of Anais Nin shall be read aloud to show them some of the wonderful things in life that are ignored because of narrow zealotry.

After storytime, it's *lunchtime*. Lunch will consist of an infinite array of the most wonderful food in the universe: *chocolate*. There will be chocolate souffles, chocolate chip cookies, and the chosen food of the gods: Haagen Dazs Chocolate Chocolate Chip ice cream. But, there is a catch. They cannot feed themselves — they must feed someone else. In return, they must be fed. This will allow them to get to know each other in a new and special way.

Once lunch is over, the best part of the day will begin. Yes, it will be time for the aphrodisiac panel discussion between Susie Bright, Heidi Fleiss, Jeff Stryker, and Dr. Ruth Westheimer.

This part of the seminar, as the former parts, shall be hands on. There will be packets of aphrodisiacs at each place setting with time set aside to try each one and share it with a

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fetching tablemate.

At the end of the discussion, there will be rooms made available to work off... the tension.

After this day of reckoning, there will be mass changes on the planet. Stores like Good Vibrations and Naughty But Nice, condom makers, and chocolate manufactures will do business on a scale undreamt of. People will be free, the air will be fresher, and lubricants will become a popular party discussion topic.

And with all the newly happy people, no one will have time to protest. *After all, it's hard to protest with a full mouth.*

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Saturday Softball Beer League

Final Standings

Club 219	20 - 1
M&M	17 - 4
Triangle	14 - 7
Ballgame	13 - 8
Your Place	9 - 12
Marble Arcade	6 - 15
Rick's Rangers	5 - 16

Tournament Schedule August 27th - Mitchell Park

11am Ballgame vs Rick's Rangers
 12 Noon Your Place vs Marble Arcade
 1pm Triangle vs Ballgame/Rick's Rangers; winner
 2pm M&M vs Your Place/Marble Arcade; winner
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FAN APPRECIATION DAY

The league will hold a fan appreciation day called "Field of Dreams and Memories" on Saturday, August 27th at Mitchell Park. It will be the last games played by the league at Mitchell Park because the diamonds are being converted into soccer fields next year.

A mini-tournament will be held beginning at 11am. The championship game will be played at 3pm. The league champion, Club 219, will not participate in the tournament but will be serving food, soda and beer during the day.

There will also be photos and other memorabilia from the game played at Mitchell Park from 1978 to 1994, including the 1979 and 1985 World Series and the Wreck Room and Milwaukee Classics. League and tournament trophies and plaques will be presented following the championship games.

In case of rain (let's hope not), the games will be canceled but the party and league trophy presentations will be held at Club 219, starting at 3pm.

Everyone is welcome to join the SSBL as they celebrate the end of their 17th season.



Top: The six contestants for the Mr. Rod's title, with Chicago She Devil hostess Mike. Bottom Left: 2nd Runner Up, Andrew; the new Mr. Rod's Derrick Brown; and 1st r.u. Todd Wiehr. Bottom right, Nashville's out Gay country Singer Jeff Miller entertained during the contest.

Monday Nite Irregulars Bowling League

Milwaukee — The Monday Nite Irregulars Bowling League will be holding their organizational meeting Monday August 29, 7pm at Landmark Lanes.

Team captains, teams and any interested bowlers are encouraged to attend. Complimentary bowling will be available after the meeting.

The league is a five person team and runs approximately 28 weeks. For more information call David at 778-1525 or Roland at 647-0754.

Smelts Triathlon Weekend IV

Chicago — Join the largest gathering of Gay and Lesbian Triathletes in the World for the Smelts Triathlon Weekend IV in Chicago, August 19th through the 21st. The weekend's activities include a Reception/Welcoming Party, an All-You-Can-Eat Brunch, a Post-Triathlon Picnic and of course individual or relay team participation in Mrs. T's Chicago Triathlon — the largest triathlon in the World! Relay participation by individual runners (10K), bikers (25M), and swimmers (.9M) is highly encouraged and can be arranged by the Smelts Organizing Committee.

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History Month...

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teacher from St. Louis. "We hope to educate society about the contributions made by Lesbians, Bisexuals and Gay men to the history of our world, and reclaim our heroes whose contributions have been 'sanitized' of their sexual orientation."

"This is an ideal way to identify role models for the nation's Gay and Lesbian youth so that they can see a future where they are valued regardless of their sexual orientation," said Ken Boyer, Board President of the Gerber/Hart Gay & Lesbian Library and Archives in Chicago. "We encourage academic institutions to incorporate Lesbian & Gay History Month into their regular October curriculum."

Many people are curious as to why October was selected rather than June, the traditional month of Gay Pride celebrations which mark the Stonewall Rebellion of 1969. The answer is that very few secondary schools or colleges or universities are in session throughout June, but almost all academic institutions are operating in October.

"October has important anniversaries for the Lesbian and Gay community as well," said Johnda Boyce, a Lesbian & Gay History Month advocate from Columbus, Ohio. "The first and second marches on Washington for Gay and Lesbian Rights were in October (1979 and 1987), and National Coming Out Day is October 11." (October 11 is also the birthday of humanitarian First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, who had many close Lesbian friends and who may have had a Lesbian affair herself.)

MANY ENDORSEMENTS

Joining in the declaration of Lesbian & Gay History Month are the American Historical Association's Committee on Lesbian and Gay History, the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the International Gay and Lesbian Archives, Project 10 (which provides support to LesBiGay teens in high schools) and Chicago's Gerber/Hart Library and Archives, which helped instigate the idea and gain endorsements.

National Lesbian & Gay History Month has also been endorsed by noted Gay historians Martin Duberman, Jonathan Ned Katz and George Chauncey.

A National Coordinating Council has been formed to raise awareness and assist in the development of grassroots activities. Local councils already exist in Seattle, Chicago, St. Louis, Boston and Columbus. The National Council has resource materials available to individuals and groups interested in celebrating Lesbian & Gay History Month.

To obtain resource materials, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope (with 52¢ stamp) to: Lesbian & Gay History Month, c/o Gerber/Hart Library and Archives, 3352 N. Paulina, Chicago, IL 60657. Call (312) 883-3003 for further information.

Arts Column...

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Woodland Pattern Book Center Presents...

An evening of "largely improvisational" music and humor with **Sonic Harvest** and **Bucket of Balls** (*ahem, as in driving range*) on Wednesday, August 31, at 7:30pm at the Woodland Pattern Book Center, 720 E. Locust Street in Milwaukee. Admission is \$5 general public/ \$4 members. Need more info? Call Anne Kingsbury, Brooke Barker, or Bill Embly (414) 263-5001.

Danceworks Opens a World for Dancers

Kris World a nationally-known choreographer, will be auditioning dancers on Saturday, September 10, from noon-2pm at **Danceworks**, 727 N Milwaukee Street during her residency recently announced by the studio.

Dancers will be auditioning for a choreography/performance residency at Danceworks. The residency will involve two rehearsals per week from October 3 through November 20, and performances at Danceworks November 17-20.

The **Kris World** residency project was designed to promote diversity in Dancework's activities, faculty, student body, and audiences. Danceworks welcomes this opportunity to support the work of this talented young African-American choreographer and to add African technique to its curriculum.

World will also be offering an intensive workshop in technique, improvisation and composition at the studio August 22-26.

For more information call (414) 276-3191.

Summer Group Shows at Michael H. Lord Gallery

If you are looking for a unique way to spend your Summer afternoon or evenings indoors who not experience one of Milwaukee's leading-edge galleries — Michael N. Lord Gallery, where through September 3, paintings, prints and sculptures are featured by Alfred Jensen, Ad Reinhardt, Nicholas Africano, John Walker, Nam June Paik, Mark Mulhern, and new work by Rochelle Sennett and Richard Knight.

A Lord Photography Summer Group Show includes new work by Regina DeLuise, vintage photos of Marilyn Monroe by John Vachon and *Steam Trains* by O. Winston Link.

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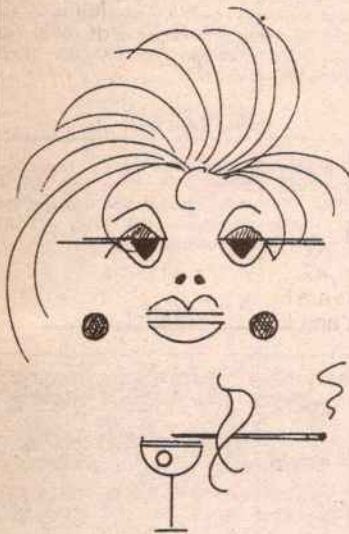
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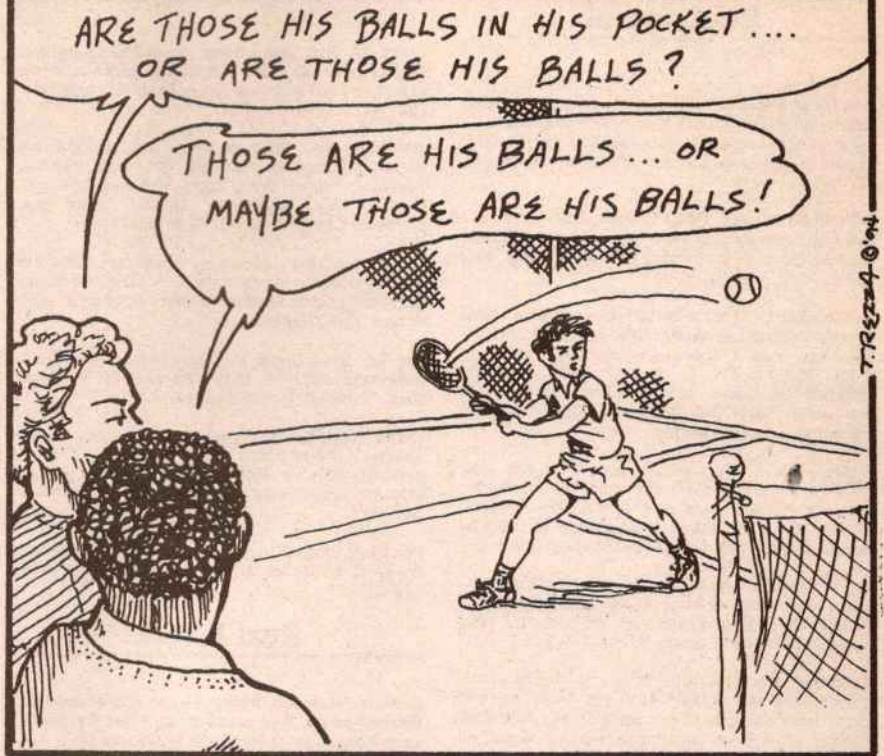
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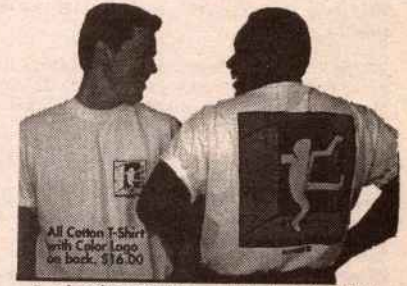


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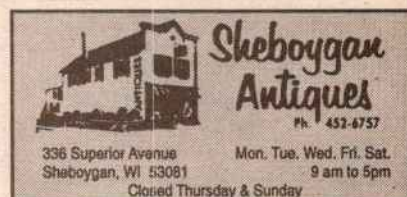
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Graffiti

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Happy 30th Sweet Heart! I love you... Will you marry me???

Sweet Shirt Guy in shorts at Booked Solid (West Allis): We saw each other there on Fri. evening 7/29. There was definitely a mutual attraction. Please meet me at the bookstore again on Fri. 8/19 at 6pm, so we can exchange phone numbers.

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Sybil 14 Station Sleuths: Watch for clues — After the last Sybil.

Sybil 1-14

Hexy Hexy: Happy 4 months of being together.

Love, Your Weasel

Mark Pocan: Happy 30th Birthday!

In Step Staff

Yuri and Chris: Happy 2nd Anniversary! I hope you keep

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Wm	Mostly Women, Men Welcome
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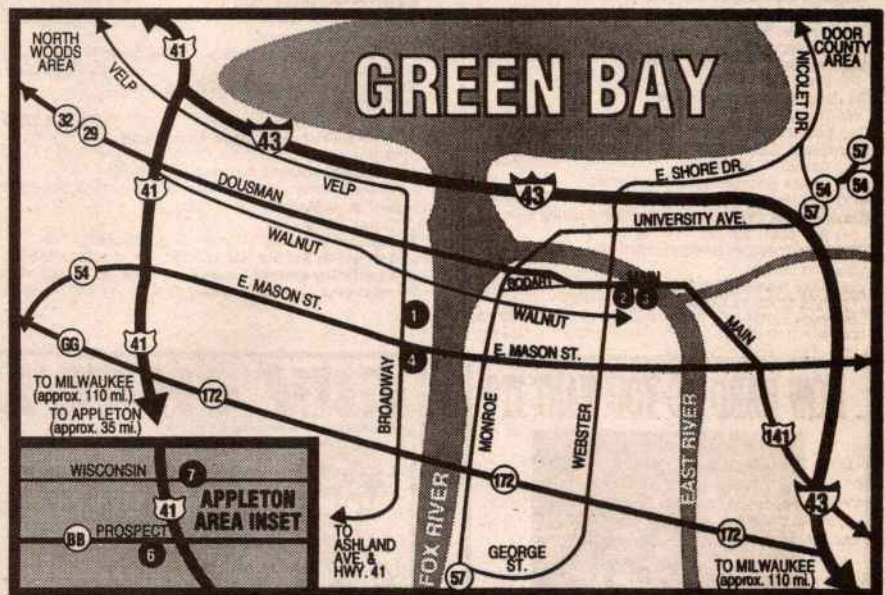
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6 Pivot Club (MW, DJ, V)	4815 W. Prospect (Hwy BB)	
	Appleton 54915	730-0440
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ORGANIZATIONS

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725 Butler Ave, Winnebago	54985	(414)235-5100
Men's HIV+ Support Group	Appleton	733-2068
Family HIV Support Group	Appleton	733-2068
PFLAG Fox Cities		
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Fox Valley AIDS Project		
120 N Morrison, #201,	Appleton 54911	733-2068
UW-Oshkosh 10% Society		
207 Reeve Union, UW-O,	54901	
Gay AA/Anon		494-9904
G.L.E.E.D.A. (Gay & Lesbian Education & Economic Development Alliance) PO Box 8286, Oshkosh 54903		
Gay/Lesbian Support Group		
UW-O Counseling Center		424-2061
Synergy (AIDS Support Network)		
PO Box 2137, Fond du Lac	54935	235-6100
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Lawrence Univ./Gay, Lesbian, Bi Group		
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2 Za's (MW, DJ, V) 1106 Main	54301	435-5476
4 Sass (WM) 840 S. Broadway	54304	437-7277

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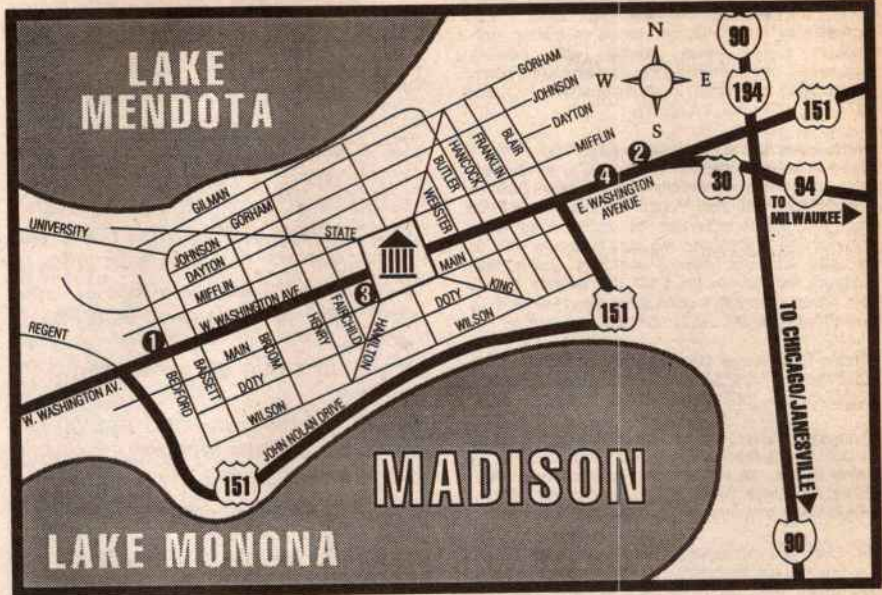
2 Club 3054 (MW, DJ, V) 241-4977
 3054 E. Washington 53714
1 Rod's (Mw, LL, D) 255-0609
 636 W. Washington (rear) 53703
1 The New Bar (MW, DJ, V) 256-8765
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Gay/Lesbian Resource Center PO Box 1722, 53701
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By Any Means Necessary Community Development Coalition Rodney 277-7671
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LOC/Women of Color 873-4942
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Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA) 276-6936
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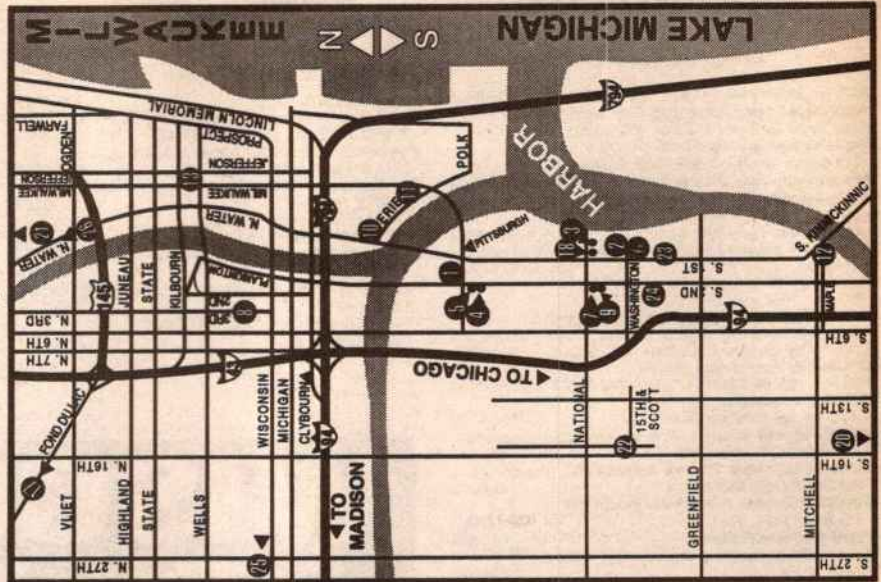
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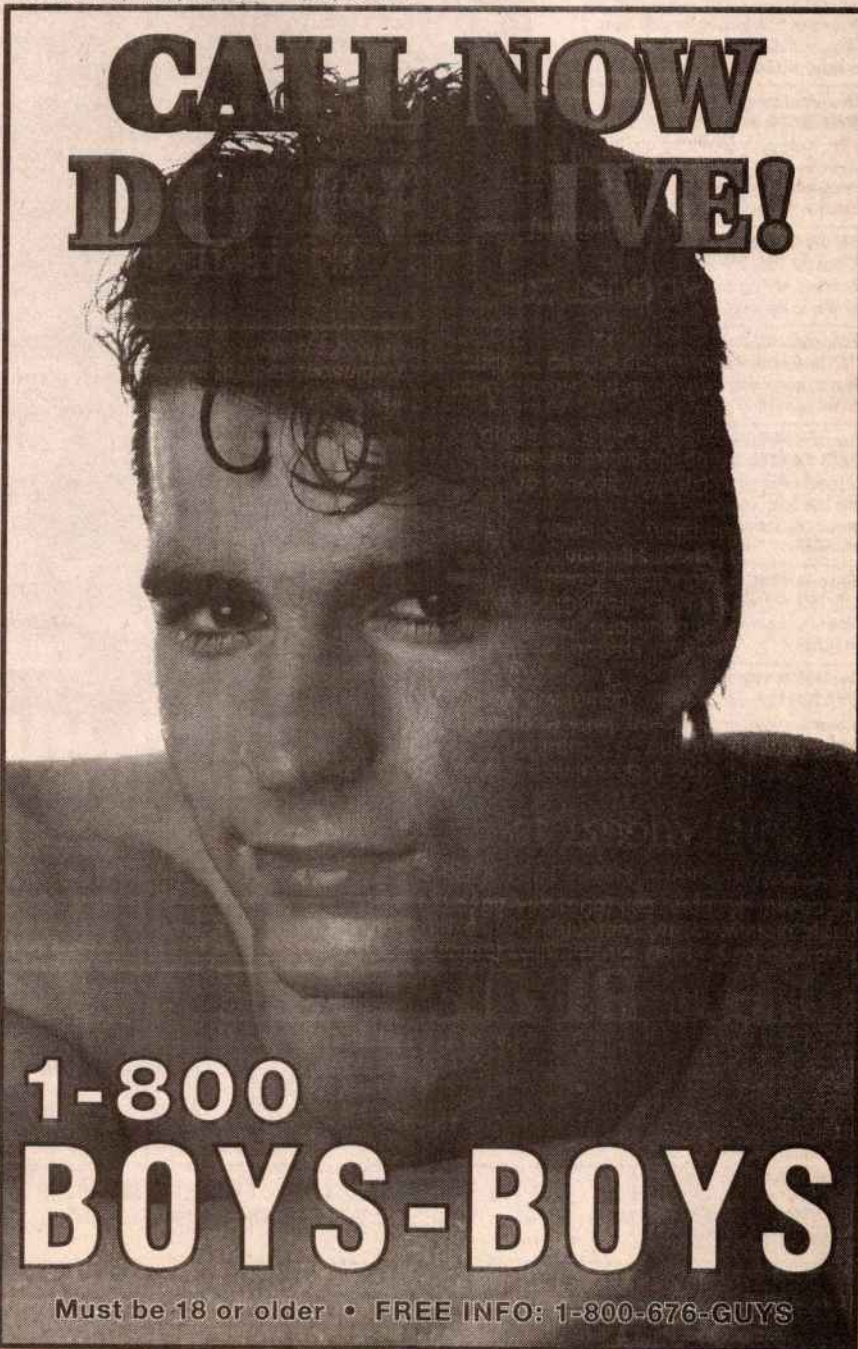
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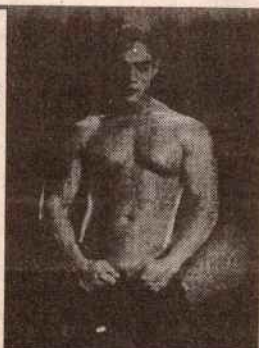
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Madison GOLLY GEE, MR. WIZARD! 26 Marco looking to meet a man around

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

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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

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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

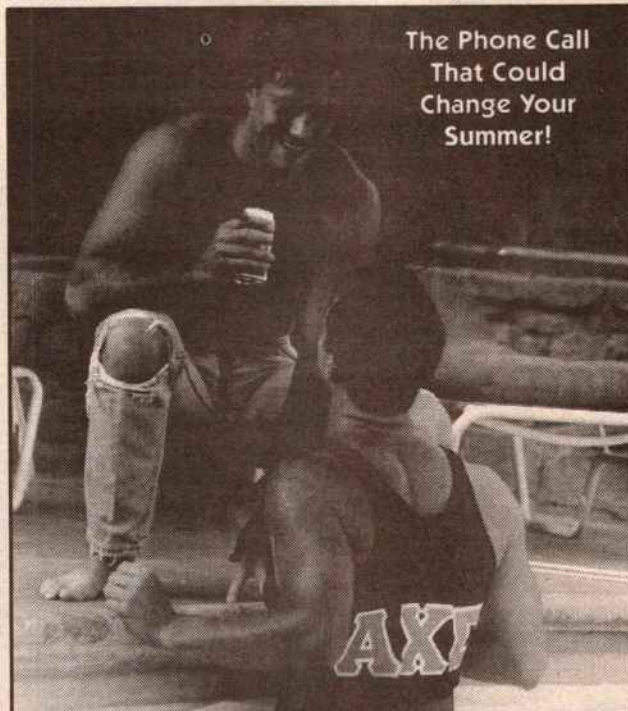
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Milwaukee LOOKING FOR A TV GUIDE: 27 virgin looking for a cross dresser to show me the ropes and the scene #43003

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

Look for Wisconsin's Personals in every issue.

HOW TO JOIN US...TOLL-FREE

- Call 1-800-546-6366. Our system assists you. It's easy, 100% automated and it's FREE! (24 hrs). You never speak to an operator to place your ad.
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Milwaukee **PICKIN' AND A GRINNIN'**: 43 yr. old GM, into sports and bluegrass music, looking for a relationship with someone in the area. #24086

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

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

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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- ★ HOME NUMBERS ★ TALK LIVE
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- ★ FIRST ★ FREE MESSAGE CHECK
- ★ FREE AD PLACEMENT ★
- ★ DISCREET CALL BACK SERVICE
- ★ CONFIDENTIAL
- ★ SORTED BY AREA CODE

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

Oshkosh **AVAILABLE**: Mature, stable, honest GWM, 35 yr. old, seeks guys with similar interests. #29027

La Crosse **LOADED AND READY TO FIRE**: 27 yr. old, 5'11", Brn/Brn, into hunting and fishing looking for masc guys 18-27 yrs. old who enjoy similar hobbies. #26338

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

Bayfield **ALL NIGHT DRIVE IN**: 6', 38 yrs. old, into traveling and restaurants and more, relatively new to the scene. #32418

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

SINGLE? YOUR AD SHOULD BE HERE.

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

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

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

Green Bay **IN AND OUT...OUT AND IN**: Looking for an athletic guy, 21-30 yrs. old, who is active both indoors and outdoors. I am 6'1", in good shape and healthy. #31777

Green Bay **HEAD HUNTING**: Bi white male, 5'11", 25, Blk/Blu, seeks other males 18-35 yrs. old for fun times. #31747

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



Questions You Always Wanted To Ask

We receive a lot of questions concerning how to place or answer ads in a publication such as this one.

How do I decide if I want to place an ad?

Writing your own ad can be fun, and it can attract just the type of guy you are looking for. Just decide who and what it is you wish to contact and then set it down on paper. Then when you record your ad it will come off smooth, clear and concise.

How do I place an ad and what should I say?

Keep your ad simple. Be sure to include the area you're from. Then briefly describe yourself, your interests and what you're looking for.

You'll get a general idea of how to write your ad from reading other ads. Be sure to list your race and preferences.

How do I answer an ad?

That's easy. Take the ads you really like to a place where you can think quietly, then make notes. You might decide to just write a letter, but you can speed things up, plus give the person a much better impression of you, if they hear your voice. That way, you'll get to the heart of the matter better and often faster.

Make notes about yourself and what you want to say. Remember, you don't want to sound rushed, too casual, indifferent or phony. So, on your message state when you will be home, if you live with someone, who can take messages, and when is the best time for you to receive phone calls.

Describe yourself fully. Everyone is curious and wants to know as much about you as possible. Also, the more you say, the more likely you will get a response. Leave several messages. Leave messages for as many people as you think you want to meet. Not everyone will like you, for whatever reason so, to insure getting some positive results, increase your odds with numbers.

First, be sure the ad is compatible with you. Write down the voice mailbox numbers (5-digit number at the bottom of each ad) of the advertisers you'll be leaving a message for. Press 3 and follow the easy voice instructions. To hear other greetings of thousands of other guys not printed in the paper, press 2. Remember, you can leave private messages for any of these advertisers!

Do people really answer the ads printed?

MANFINDER personal ads receive an average of 5 responses each week. Many advertisers are surprised at just how many responses they do receive.

What about a meeting?

The telephone is a great way to screen who you really want to meet, without being put in an awkward situation. Plan your first meeting in a public place,, maybe a coffee cafe, or a good bookstore. Arrive at the appointed place a little early. You'll learn a lot about the other person's dependability, consistency, trustworthiness.

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