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Our cover this week promotes MAPFest, the annual fundraiser for the Milwaukee AIDS Project. The one-day festival is held on the Performing Arts Center outdoor Peck Pavilion stage and Riverfront grounds. The Sunday, September 4 festival also features an indoor concert this year, with The Flirtations and Suede.

For full details on the festival, turn to page 13 of this issue.

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New Research Refutes Idea of Gays as Economic "Elite"

While Harvard Study Boosts Our Percentage in the Population

By Jamakava

Two fascinating new studies were released in August, one which disproves the notion that Gays and Lesbians constitute a wealthy elite and one which is sure to add fuel to the ongoing debate over exactly how many people are really

Gay or Lesbian.

The findings of an independent study at the University of Maryland at College Park seem to refute the contention often made by conservative opponents of Gay rights that Gays and Lesbians constitute an exceptionally affluent elite which is not in need of any protective legislation. Such arguments have been used (so far unsuccessfully) in court cases in Colorado and Cincinnati attorneys defending anti-Gay initiatives.

The University of Maryland study, "Economic Evidence of Orientation Discrimination," is the first scientific research conducted into such job bias. It found that Gay men actually earn 11-27% less than non-Gay colleagues of similar age, education, occupations, marital status and location of residence. Lesbians earned 5-14% less than their straight counterparts

"Far from having some mysterious advantage in the labor market, Gay workers face discrimination that actually hits them where it hurts - in their paychecks," says Professor of Public Affairs Lee Badgett, who conducted the

study

Badgett examined data from the General Social Survey, a national random sample of the US population collected by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. The Center began asking respondents about their sexual behavior in 1989, enabling Badgett to compare social and economic data provided by hetero- and homosexuals.

Badgett applied research methods developed in the study of race and sex discrimination to the area of sexual orientation bias. She went beyond merely comparing the annual household incomes of Gays and straights to analyze the differing income levels that were evident at similar ages and stages in the

subject's careers.

Representative data and statistical techniques reveal an economically diverse Lesbian and Gay community with people who are poor as well as rich, with most falling in the middle," Badgett concluded. "The real economic difference

between Gay and straight Americans is the daily struggle of Lesbians and Gay men against the psychological and economic effects of discrimination."

WHAT GAY ELITE?

Gay and Lesbian leaders touted Badgett's study as a welcome counterweight to the widely held misperception that Gays and Lesbians

"The myth of the Gay elite has gained a surprising amount of currency in the minds of average Americans, Doug Hattaway of the Human Rights Campaign Fund told the Washington Blade, "and we as a community have to refute any and all stereotypes about us."

The stereotype of Gay prosperity is based on marketing surveys of Gay magazine readers and people attending Gay events," Badgett contends. "Those marketing surveys are biased toward

people with higher incomes.'

Jeffrey Vitale, President of Overlooked Opinions, a Gay-owned market research firm in Chicago, agrees. He is outraged that right wing groups have used statistics generated by Overlooked Opinions to misrepresent the Gay and Lesbian community: "This data is not of the Gay community, it is from the readers of specific Gay publications. To compare these figures to the average individual income in the US is ludicrous."

Opponents of equal rights for Gay Lesbian citizens have spread stereotypes and exploited misunderstanding about the problem of job discrimination," says Gov. Barbara Roberts of Oregon, whose state has been a battlefield in the radical right's quest to deny legal protections to Gays

and Lesbians.

These stereotypes are used to divert attention from the real problem of discrimination and to oppose equal protection under the law. The truth is that sexual orientation does not correlate directly to income, education, or any other class-related characteristic. Gay and Lesbian citizens are found in every type of workplace and in every community.

The findings of Badgett's study are likely to be used in the drive to pass the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, or ENDA, which is now before Congress. ENDA will be a federal statute prohibiting discrimination based on

orientation in employment.

THE NUMBERS GAME

Coinciding with the release of Badgett's study about anti-Gay discrimination was a separate study by researchers at Harvard and the Center for Health Policy Studies offering yet another set of statistics about how many people in the population are homosexual.

The latest findings should cheer up Gays and Lesbians who faced the indignity of being reduced to just 1% of the human race in a study released last year. But the new study is unlikely to end the numbers game.

Randall Sell, a co-author of the new study had this to say to USA Today about the discrepancies in statistics on Gays: "It all depends on what your definition of homosexuality is. Using different measures, you come up with

different results."

Sell's study surveyed 1,834 men and women between the ages of 16 and 50. They were asked a variety of questions about their sexual feelings and attractions as well as their actual sexual experiences over different periods of time (in the past five years or since the age of 15, for instance).

Here are some of the findings:

▼ More than 18% of the men and over 17% of the women said they had either had sex with someone of the same gender or been sexually attracted to someone of the same gender since the age of 15;

▼ 6.2% of the men and 3.6% of the women said they had had a sexual experience with someone of the same gender within the previous five years, but less than 1% of those men and less than 1% of those women admitted to being exclusively homosexual during that time;

▼ Just 4.1% of the men and 2.3% of the women had sex with same gender partners exclusively since the age of 15:

▼ About 9% of the men and 11% of the women admitted to being attracted to someone of the same gender but had never acted on it by engaging in same-sex relations.

The new findings about men who exclusively homosexual dovetail neatly with what Alfred Kinsey reported in 1948, that 4% of the men he surveyed were exclusively homosexual throughout their lives. (The widely misquoted 10% figure from Kinsey's report referred to percentage of white males exclusively homosexual for at least three years between the ages of 16 and 55.)

The Harvard study's figure of 4.1% of men who are exclusively homosexual is much higher than the figure of 1.1% reported by the Batelle Human Affairs Research Institute last year. But it's also much lower than the figure of 9% quoted in the Janus Report, a sex survey of 4,000 individuals, approximately half of them men, published a few years back. The Janus Report found that 5% of its female respondents identified as exclusively Lesbian.

Robin Kane of the National Gay and Task Force put some perspective on the continuing numbers game: "Regardless of whether the number is 2% or 20%, the issue for us is

trying to end discrimination."

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Young Gay, Bisexual Men Engaging in High Risk Behaviors

African Americans Have Highest Infection Rates

San Francisco, CA - A study of young Gay and Bisexual men in the San Francisco/Berkeley area has revealed that many young men continue to engage in behaviors which put them at higher risk of contracting HIV, the virus that is believed to cause AIDS. The results of the study were published in the August 10 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The survey included 425 Gay and Bisexual men between the ages of 17 and 22 who were polled at public venues such as parks, streets and dance clubs in the San Francisco/Berkeley area in 1992-93. Participants were interviewed and blood specimens were drawn and tested for HIV, the level of CD4 or T-helper cells and markers of Hepatitis B and syphilis.

Of the 425 respondents overall, 9.4% tested positive for HIV. However, the percentage of African American subjects testing positive for HIV was a whopping 21.2%, much higher than for other ethnic and racial groups. (For whites, it was 8.1%, for Latinos 9.5%, for Asians, who were under-represented in the survey, 4.2%.)

The study found that almost one third of the men surveyed, 32.7%, had engaged in unprotected anal intercourse in the previous six months. Many admitted to being high on alcohol or nitrates — "poppers" — at the time they had unprotected sex.

strongest predictor of unprotected intercourse among young men was a lack of peer support or encouragement to "play safe." As in other studies, some men expressed feelings of "invulnerability" to the virus and cited their sexual partner's "healthy appearance" as a rationalization for engaging in sex without a condom. Inadequate communication skills, feelings of alienation and histories of being victimized by sexual abuse were also identified as underlying factors leading to unprotected sex.

In addition to the risks of unprotected sex, almost 12% of those surveyed reported injecting drugs in the previous six months, 14% of those without the benefit of clean needles.

The rate of HIV infection was significantly higher among men who reported a history of anal sex with men, injection drug use or a history of sexually transmitted diseases than it was among those without such a history.

At the time of the interviews, 70% of the HIV-infected men did not know they were HIV-positive, and only 22.5% were receiving any medical care for their HIV infection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The authors of the study make these recommendations:

"More emphasis should be placed on changing peer norms for safe sex, on providing targeted HIV counseling and testing services, and on addressing the psychosocial needs of young homosexual and Bisexual men, including support and counseling to address issues of abuse and forced sex, programs to improve and develop communication/negotiation skills, and programs to address substance use. primarily with regard to the abuse of such substances as alcohol and nitrites.

'Current HIV prevention messages, which have lacked a youth focus, appear to be failing in this population. Prevention programs and health services need to be tailored to the specific needs of a new generation of homosexual and Bisexual men.'

results of the San Francisco/Berkeley study reinforce the findings of previous research on risk behaviors among Gay youth and Gay men of color. Although the need for targeted and culturally sensitive education is obvious, only a tiny fraction of any federal funding for AIDS prevention or services is devoted to outreach to these most vulnerable communities, a reality that AIDS activists and lobbying groups have been working hard to change.

But whether more money for education alone will stem the tide of HIV infections among Gay and Bisexual youth is questionable. As the authors of the San Francisco/Berkeley study note: "...it is disturbing that the prevalence of risk behaviors is so high in a city known for its large array of prevention programs within the Gay community."

Wisconsin AIDS Walk is September 18

Great Exercise, Entertainment. People-Watching -All for a Good Cause!

Anticipation is Milwaukee building among the thousands of people who have already registered to participate in the 5th Annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk along Milwaukee's lakefront on Sunday, September 18.

Organizers are promising great exercise and entertainment along with a scenic view and plenty of good company for the 10k Pledge Walk which raises funds for AIDS prevention, research and support services in the Badger State.

"It's not too late to register for this year's walk," says Louise Searing, Director of Special Events at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. "Registration forms are available at all Kohl's Food Stores and Walgreens Stores throughout Wisconsin, or by calling 1-800-348-WALK.

"Once we get your registration, we'll send you everything you need to have a fundraising experience: successful pledge forms, information on how to and updates raise money, entertainment, celebrity walkers and what you can expect the day of the event."

BREAKFAST & WALK

The big day begins with a special breakfast at the Italian Community Center, 631 E. Chicago Street, at 9:30a.m. Anchorwoman Carole Meekins of Today's TMJ4 will be the Master of Ceremonies and guest speakers will Brewer Darryl include Milwaukee Hamilton and Dan Bross, Executive Director of the AIDS Action Council.

The annual AIDS Walk Breakfast attracts many celebrities and politicians. Tickets are \$50 per person and should be reserved by September 12.

The Walk itself will begin and end at the Summerfest grounds, formally known as Maier Festival Park. Sign-up begins at 10:30a.m. Entertainment, activities for kids and an aerobics warm-up (featuring members of the St. Luke's Sports Medicine Department and the Sports Medicine Institute at Sinai- Samaritan) will immediately precede the Opening Ceremonies at Noon.

Then, at 12:30, walkers will stream out of Maier Park and proceed along the scenic 10k (6.2 mile) Walk route north up Lincoln Memorial Drive to Lake Park and then back to the festival grounds.

GREAT ENTERTAINMENT

A variety of local musicians will entertain walkers at the festival grounds and at rest stops along the Walk route. Before the Walk, Hat Trick, with its unique cajun-zydeco rhythms, perform on the Miller stage. After the Walk, Five Guys With Day Jobs will perform pop favorites from the 1950's, 60's and 70's.

In addition, the Happy Tap Dancers, the Brew City Sisters (country artists), Lovermonkey, the Mighty Vumbas and the Milwaukee Mandolin Orchestra will all be on hand to inspire walkers along the

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TEAMS & PRIZES

Businesses, community groups, students, families and friends are encouraged to register for the AIDS Walk as teams, challenging other groups in friendly competition to raise the most pledge money. Teams can range in size from 10 to several hundred people. The top three fundraising teams will get special awards. Last year's top Walk team, Dan's Dream Team, raised over \$7,500.

Perhaps the most unique team will be inmates and staff members at the Racine Correctional Institution in Sturtevant, who, for the second year, are planning to participate in their own AIDS Walk fundraiser on the prison grounds. Last year inmate Joe Woller reported to In Step that the walkers there raised \$1,300 in the fight against AIDS.

Every walker raising at least \$100 will receive an AIDS Walk Wisconsin t-shirt. Walkers raising \$250 or more will get an AIDS Walk sweatshirt.

Other prizes include a Vivitar LA Brites 35mm camera for \$500 in pledges,

a Bearcat 330 cordless phone for \$1,000 in pledges, and a Fisher Boombox with CD player and AM/FM and cassette for \$2,000 in pledges. Grand prize is a trip to Jamaica, a three-night Apple Vacations package for two at Swept Away Resort.

WHO BENEFITS?

Since the AIDS Walk began in 1990, participants have raised over \$1.4 million for AIDS prevention and support services in Wisconsin. Last year alone, 8,000 walkers raised \$537,000 in desperately needed funds.

Proceeds from the Walk will go to six major AIDS service organization in Wisconsin: the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the Madison AIDS Support Network, the Center Project in Green Bay, the Southest Wisconsin AIDS Project in Kenosha, the Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project in Eau Claire and the Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium.

Funds are also shared with these community groups which provide either services to people with HIV/AIDS or advocacy on behalf of AIDS issues: Camp Heartland, the Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation, OIC of Racine

County, ACT UP Milwaukee, the Central Wisconsin AIDS Network in Wausau, the Midwest Hispanic AIDS Coalition, the Milwaukee Indian Health Board, the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, the Northern AIDS Network in Superior/Rhinelander, the AIDS/HIV MInistry Task Force of the Wisconsin Conference of Churches, the Beloit Inner City Council, the East Central Wellness Project in Winnebago, the Visiting Nurse Association and Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin.

SPONSORS

Corporate sponsors help underwrite the expenses involved in organizing the Wisconsin AIDS Walk. This year, principal sponsors include Aurora Health Care, Miller Brewing Company, the Rath Foundation, Stein Medical and Today's TMJ4.

Other sponsors include Bank One, Ameritech, Ace Chemical Products and the MGIC Investment Corporation. Supporters include the Presto Foundation, Klein Metal Finishing, United Parcel Service, Physicians Plus Medical Group, Madison Gas and Electric Foundation, SSI Technologies and Park Bank.

STATE News Briefs

Gay/Lesbian Certificate Program Still in Limbo

Milwaukee — The proposed Gay and Lesbian Studies certificate program at UW-Milwaukee remains in bureaucratic limbo with administrators at the university telling In Step that certain aspects of the proposal are being re-evaluated and that final approval may not come until the end of this year.

In Step has repeatedly interviewed six different chancellors, assistant chancellors and/or committee heads (both at the Milwaukee campus and at the UW System office in Madison) since March. All have stated on numerous occasions that approval was just a matter of weeks away. Supporters of the program suspect that opposition from conservative elements is causing the delay and apparent indecision.

The proposal was long ago approved by UW-M's Academic Program and Curriculum Committee, the Course and Curriculum Committee of the College of Letters and Science and the Faculty Senate. However, in our latest interview with Vice Chancellor Kenneth Watters, Watters said he kicked the proposal back to Associate Vice Chancellor Paul Haubrich for reconsideration. Watters said he wanted to learn more about similar programs at other universities and wanted to be assured of the approval

and cooperation of UW-M department heads. Once he is satisfied with those issues, he must still submit the proposal to the UW System's Vice President of Academic Affairs for review.

Watters admitted he is taking time with the proposal: "Given the flap that we had when it was even announced that we might do such a program, we expect a lot of scrutiny and want to make sure we are able to answer whatever questions are asked."

Madison PWAs to Benefit From New HUD Housing Grant

Madison — A funding proposal submitted by the Madison AIDS Support Network is among dozens of projects nationwide which will benefit from a new grant program just unveiled by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The \$999,000 grant will be administered by the City of Madison which is to work with community groups like MASN to provide "a range of housing options" for low income people with HIV/AIDS.

On August 17, HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros announced that his department was releasing \$25.6 million in federal funds to 31 states, localities and non-profit groups to provide services and housing to low income people with HIV/AIDS. Funds can be used for rental assistance, mortgage and utility payments, rehabilitating and constructing housing facilities and for program administration.

"This program will help people with HIV/AIDS maximize independent living through increased housing alternatives and increase their influence on social programs which directly affect their lives," said Cisneros.

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin previously received a HUD grant of \$945,000 which is being used to establish an independent living residence in Milwaukee for the families of people living with HIV/AIDS.

Madison Police Department is Recruiting New Cops Madison — The City of Madison

Madison — The City of Madison Police Department is currently recruiting up to 20 new officers for hiring in spring of next year. After training, those recruits could hit the streets in early 1996.

MPD Officer Cathy Canavan made a point of calling In Step to let readers know that Gays and Lesbians are encouraged to apply. "The Madison Police Department is on the cutting edge of diversity," she said. "Women make up 26% of the department and about half of those women are Lesbians."

Entry level officers start at a salary of \$26,866 with an increase to \$29,873 after just six months. An educational incentive provides for a salary of \$38,319 after 42 months for those officers with undergraduate degrees.

The MPD would like applicants with good written and verbal communication skills and a desire to work with the

community. Applications can be picked up in the Office of the Chief of Police, Room GR28 of the City County Building. People outside Dane County can call (608) 266-4379 for an application.

FBI Still Searching for

Gary Ray Bowles
Milwaukee — Special Agent Bill Eubanks, in charge of the Milwaukee Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, told In Step that members of the Gay community should continue to be on the lookout for accused killer Gary Ray Bowles, 32, who is known to prey on Gay men. As of In Step's presstime, the fugitive had not yet been apprehended.

Warrants against Bowles for first degree murder have been issued by authorities in Florida, Maryland and Georgia. He is wanted for questioning in other murders as well. The FBI is seeking him for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. Bowles is considered armed and dangerous and was recently profiled on the TV show America's Most Wanted.



Serial Murder Suspect Gary Ray Bowles (photo from March '94) may be in the Wisconsin area, and is being sought by the FBI.

In mid-August, the FBI suspected that Bowles may have headed north to Illinois, where his mother lives, and then to Wisconsin. Agents visited Gay bars in Chicago and southeastern Wisconsin distributing Bowles's picture and warning people to be on the lookout.

Bowles is white, 5'9"-5'11" and weighs between 145 and 165 pounds. He has brown hair and hazel eyes. He has a recessed chin and a pronounced Adam's apple. He has tattoos of a heart and a ribbon on his left arm and a cross on his left wrist as well as a cancerous scar on his right wrist. He has allegedly met some of his victims at Gay bars and accompanied them to their homes either on the pretext of having sex or doing some work for them. Bowles has listed his occupation as "laborer."

Anyone with information should call the Milwaukee FBI office at (414) 276-4684.

Wade Davids Wins Seats on National Student Caucuses

Milwaukee - Wade D. Davids, a UW-Milwaukeestudent, has been elected to one of three chair seats on the Executive Board of Directors of the National Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students of Color Caucus and was also allotted a seat on the Board of the US Student Association, the nation's largest student organization.

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students of Color group is a caucus of Student Association emphasizes issues of particular concern

to LesBiGays of color. The caucus conducts networking among students of color and trains students in leadership

Davids is a senator in the UW-M Student Association and is co-chair of the university's Diversity Committee.

Also Around the State...

Milwaukee - Residents in a north side neighborhood are upset about the recent opening of a home for people with HIV/AIDS. The shelter, sponsored by Health Care for the Homeless, is located contd. on page ▶ 8

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at 711 W. Capitol Drive. One area resident, Bobbie Funches-McElroy who is an AIDS educator herself, said while she knows people have nothing to fear from PWAs, the sponsoring agency should have met with and prepared the shelter's neighbors.

-Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

NATIONAL News Briefs

Death Sentence for Killer of Gay Texan

Kerrville, TX — In August, a jury in Texas found 29-year- old Donald Aldrich guilty of murder in the shooting death of a Gay man and sentenced him to death.

Last November, Nicholus West, 23, a medical records clerk, was kidnapped from a park near the city of Tyler by three armed men who drove him to an isolated area, robbed him, and pumped nine bullets into his body. The men admitted they targeted homosexuals because they are "known for carrying quite a bit of money on them." Aldrich's attorney tried to shift the blame to his client's two cohorts who will be tried separately.

The brutal murder of West had galvanized Gays and Lesbians in east Texas into holding protest rallies and safety awareness campaigns. Anti-Gay attitudes run deep in the area and, until West's murder, most Gays remained

closeted.

"In Texas, there is a history of devaluing the rights of Gay men and Lesbians, which means people who murder Gay men and Lesbians tend to receive lighter sentences because of who their victims are," Dianne Hardy-Garcia of the Lesbian/Gay Human Rights Lobby of Texas told the Washington Blade. "But today was different, it was definitely historic. Justice was done."

Nashville Fundies Cry "Foul!" Over Gay World Series

Nashville, TN — Conservative denizens of the city which proudly calls itself the "Buckle of the Bible Belt" were up in arms last month over the presence of thousands of Gays participating in the 1994 Gay and Lesbian Softball World Series.

More than 100 softball teams from across the nation gathered in Nashville for the 18th annual event, sponsored by the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Association. A previous tournament in the south, in Atlanta, occurred without protests. The World Series pumped an estimated \$5-10 million into Nashville's

struggling economy.

But Baptist minister Ken Massey was alarmed: "Nashville will never be the same after they have openly come here," he told the Associated Press, "The community's image of a place with a Judeo-Christian lifestyle will be tarnished."

Barbara Jones of Nashville's Parks and Recreation Board disregarded petitions circulated by religious groups which sought to ban the event. "We're a public facility," she said. "Anybody has the right to reserve the field as long as they obey the rules and don't make any trouble."

Of the Gay ball players Jones said:
"They have a committee to pick up trash after the tournament and make sure the place is left clean. You can bet none of the other ones do that."

Big Changes in Leadership at HRCF and NGLTF

Washington, DC — The Executive Directors of the Human Rights Campaign Fund and the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the two largest lobbying groups for Gay and Lesbian rights in the nation's capital, have announced their intentions to take different jobs. NGLTF is also undergoing major budget cuts and staff reductions.

Tim McFeeley, head of the Human Rights Campaign Fund for more than five years, will leave the group after the November elections. During McFeeley's tenure, HRCF's budget increased from \$1.5 to \$8.5 million. Its staff grew from 15 to 45 employees, and its membership grew from 12,000 to 85,000 individuals. McFeeley is honoring a commitment he made when he was first hired: that he would leave after five years to allow fresh ideas and energy to infuse HRCF.

At NGLTF, Peri Jude Radecic has stepped down from the position of Executive Director but will remain on staff as Director of Public Policy. Radecic has been with NGLTF in various positions for four years and took the helm last year after Torie Osborn's

abrupt resignation.

The search for a new chief at NGLTF comes at a time of crisis for the organization. Twice this year its Board of Directors has slashed the budget, from a high of \$4.3 million to \$3.1 million. Three veteran staffers were laid off in June, and NGLTF's Co- Chair and Director of Communications announced their resignations last month.

Gay Labor Group Seeks Support for ENDA

San Francisco, CA — A new Gay and Lesbian labor organization, established during the Stonewall 25 celebration this summer, is calling on

Gays and Lesbians nationwide to lobby their unions to endorse the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA). ENDA is a bill in Congress which will ban job discrimination based on sexual orientation.

A statement sent out by the Lesbian/Gay Labor Alliance said: "We seek support statements from the labor movement at all levels...in order to bring the full influence of organized labor upon Congressional delegations. This is just one more statement of labor's historical support for the rights of Lesbians and Gay men in the workplace."

On July 29, a representative of the AFL-CIO testified before a Congressional committee in support of ENDA. Across the country, progress in adopting non-discriminatory job policies and domestic partners provisions has often been gained through collective

bargaining agreements.

Copies of union endorsements of ENDA should be sent to the Lesbian/Gay Labor Alliance at 655 14th Street, San Francisco, CA 94122.

Cancer Claims Rikki Streicher, Actress Danitra Vance

San Francisco, CA — Pioneer Lesbian activist Rikki Streicher and Lesbian actress and comedian Danitra Vance both succumbed to cancer on August 21. Streicher was 68. Vance, who died of breast cancer, was 35.

Rikki Streicher was the owner of two legendary Lesbian bars in San Francisco, Maud's and Amanda's. Maud's, which opened in 1966 and closed in 1989, was the subject of the recent documentary film Last Call at Maud's.

Streicher was active in organizing the first Gay Games in San Francisco in 1982 and was a founder of the Federation of Gay Games. She won a special award at Gay Games IV in New York in June. She is survived by her longtime lover, Mary Sager.

Vance is best known as the first African American woman to be a regular cast member on Saturday Night Live. Vance was born in Chicago and performed for many years with the Second City comedy troupe. She also appeared in several New York Shakespeare Festival productions and won an Obie Award for her work in Spunk, an adaptation of stories by Zora Neale Hurston.

After Vance discovered she had breast cancer, she created a special performance piece called *The Radical Girl's Guide to Radical Mastectomy*. She is survived by her companion, Jones Miller.

Lenient Sentences for Murders of Gays Stir Outrage

Salt Lake City, UT — The families of Gay murder victims along with Gay and Lesbian activists are outraged at the lenient sentences judges in Utah and New Jersey have given to the convicted

killers of two Gay men.

In Utah, Judge David Young sentenced David Nelson Thacker to no more than six years in prison despite the fact that Thacker pleaded guilty to manslaughter and admitted he intentionally stalked and shot Douglas Koehler because Koehler was Gay. Judge Young could have sentenced Thacker to 15 years but said he was convinced Thacker will not kill again.

"What Judge Young has said is that it's okay to kill faggots," David Nelson of Gay and Lesbian Utah Democrats told the AP. "This is beyond insult." Nelson's group is lodging complaints with the Utah Judicial Conduct Commission, the Utah Judicial Council and the American Bar

Association.

In New Jersey, James Winrow was sentenced to just five years in jail for the reckless manslaughter of James Semptimphelter, a Gay teacher. Winrow was also sentenced to five years for stealing his victim's car, but will be eligible for parole in 15 months. In this case, prosecutor James Gerrow suggested that the "victim played a role in his own death" by consenting to sex with his killer.

Victims of Clinic Shooting Were P-FFLAG Members

Pensacola, FL — The clinic escort who was allegedly murdered by anti-abortion activist Paul Hill, and his wife who was wounded in the same attack outside a Pensacola clinic, were members of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FFLAG).

James and June Barrett were gunned down along with Dr. John Britton, who was killed, on July 29. Hill is charged with multiple counts of murder and attempted murder as well as federal firearms and civil rights violations.

June Barrett married James four years ago after her own husband died. She had also reportedly lost a son to AIDS. The Barretts not only volunteered as clinic escorts but for the local P-FFLAG chapter. "They were a nice, nice couple," Bonnie Bryant of Pensacola P-FFLAG told the **Washington Blade**. "They were very caring — about all types of families."

June Barrett, who has recovered from gunshot wounds, has counseled other family members of Gays and Lesbians and talked about Gay rights to her Unitarian Universalist Church.

Also on the Newswire...

Austin, TX — Three Gay and Lesbian couples have filed a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of a May referendum in which Austin residents voted to repeal the city's domestic partnership ordinance. The suit accuses the city of breach of contract and unfair insurance practices on behalf of couples who will lose partner benefits.

Hartford, CT — Superior Court Judge Frances Allen has ruled that the armed services may not recruit on the University of Connecticut campus because the Pentagon's ban on Gays and Lesbians violates the state's civil rights laws. Judge Allen amended a 1992 temporary injunction barring military recruiters, making the injunction

permanent.

Atlanta, GA — The Turner Broadcasting System, which owns the Atlanta Braves and Hawks, Cable News Network, TNT, World Championship Wrestling and WTBS, has adopted a policy forbidding job discrimination based on sexual orientation. The order protects more than 6,500 employees worldwide. "Turner Broadcasting is firmly committed to providing diversity in the workplace," said a spokesperson.

Raleigh, NC — A new investigation by the Federal Election Commission has identified several possible violations of campaign financing laws by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) during his 1990 reelection campaign. Helms, the US Senate's leading opponent of Gay rights, was previously fined \$25,000 for illegalities in funding his 1984 election.

Manitou Springs, CO — A spokesman for the anti-Gay group Colorado for Family Values has sent a letter of protest to city officials of Manitou Springs for using the phrase "Rainbow Vision Plan" on an improvement project. "Using the word 'rainbow' to describe your plan is not wise if you do not have an intentional pro-homosexual slant," wrote CFV spokesman Kevin Tebedo. City officials refused to change the name.

New Haven, CT — The United Way of Greater New Haven has decided to withhold \$58,000 from local Boy Scout chapters because of the organization's policy of excluding Gays. United Way says the Boy Scouts are "not in compliance" with its newly revised non-discrimination guidelines.

Bentonville, AR — Jean Larson, a

Bentonville, AR — Jean Larson, a Lesbian mother, has filed an appeal to the Arkansas Supreme Court to regain custody of her children. Michael Larson demanded and won custody of the children after he learned his former wife had applied for a marriage license to wed a woman lover. Jean Larson is allowed to visit her children, but the presence of any Lesbian friends during visitation is strictly forbidden.

Hart, MI — Six transsexual women were allowed to enter the grounds of the 19th annual Michigan Womyn's Music Festival in August after a weeklong protest of the fest's "womyn-born womyn only" admission policy. Transsexuals have set up a protest camp across from the entrance to the main fest each year since 1991 when a transsexual woman was physically ejected from the grounds.

Washington, DC — While attending a dinner for the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in August, Attorney General Janet Reno could be seen wearing a large sticker on her lapel that read: "Stop Anti-Gay Job Bias." Last year, Reno signed an order prohibiting anti-Gay job bias in the Justice Department and all its branches.

-Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

"Musicians United Against AIDS" to Benefit BESTD Clinic

Dinner and Concert Celebrate Clinic's 20th Anniversary

Milwaukee — A special symphony concert, Musicians United Against AIDS will be held on Monday, September 26 at 7:30p.m. at the Pabst Theater. The concert will benefit the Brady East STD Clinic, better known as the BESTD Clinic, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary of providing health services to Gays and Lesbians and members of the wider Milwaukee community.

Musicians United Against AIDS will feature members of the Milwaukee Symphony and Milwaukee Ballet Orchestras along with guest violinist Ralph Evans. The concert is being produced and conducted by Timothy

Cobb

Evans was a medalist in the 1982 Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow and has toured extensively, both as a soloist and as the first violinist of the Fine Arts Quartet. He has recorded over 30 solo and chamber works. Cobb is currently Artistic Director of the Music Associates of Milwaukee and Music Director of the Waukesha Area Youth Orchestra.

A pre-concert dinner will be held at Mimma's Cafe, located just across the street from the BESTD Clinic. A \$100 donation to the clinic entitles you to dinner at one of Milwaukee's highest rated restaurants, a concert ticket, transportation to and from the Pabst, and coffee and dessert following the show. Concert tickets alone range from \$15 to \$75.

Musicians Against AIDS...

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The BESTD Clinic is an all volunteer organization of health professionals and support staff which originated in the Gay community two decades ago as a project of the Gay People's Union. It has provided free and low-cost screening and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases since its inception.

In the 1980's, workers at the BESTD Clinic formed an AIDS project which expanded and eventually became the independent entity known as the Milwaukee AIDS Project. The BESTD Clinic continues to provide anonymous HIV testing at the clinic itself and at outreach sites.

Proceeds from the benefit concert September 26 will be used to build up the Clinic's back-up reserve fund which has been depleted in recent years



Erv Uecker of the BESTD Clinic happily accepts a \$1,000 donation from H.I.T. representative Cindy Olsheski.

because of major renovation work on the 110-year-old building at 1240 East Brady Street and the recent retirement of the building's mortgage. The BESTD Clinic is a non-profit organization which, because of its volunteer staff, keeps expenses to a minimum. But it still depends on

community support.

The BESTD Clinic was recently the recipient of a \$1,000 donation from the Holiday Invitational Tournament, which will be a major sponsor of the Musicians United Against AIDS concert. HIT sponsors an annual Gay bowling tournament at Thanksgiving time. BESTD Clinic Board President Ross Walker expressed thanks to HIT, saying that it is especially gratifying to have one Gay institution support another.

Call the BESTD Clinic at (414) 272-2144 for concert tickets information about health services.

Group Notes

Resale Shop to Benefit AIDS

Milwaukee - Before you think about throwing out that old shirt, lamp or book collecting dust on the shelf, ask yourself a question: If this wasn't mine, would I think about buying it in a resale

shop?

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) is currently accepting donations of high quality items for its yet-to-be named resale shop this Fall. The shop will be located in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward at 246 East Chicago Street, an area known for resale and antique shops.

Donations of items including jewelry, clothing, small appliances, furniture, toys, games and artwork will all be accepted.

Tall, 15 foot ceilings will top the single-floor store. Props that ARCW has secured from the Dillinger movie, which was shot in Milwaukee, will fill the space. and counters and a built-in vault will hold jewels in the vintage-style store. As ARCW puts the finishing touches on the store, it is looking for donations of floor coverings, other props and paint to finish off the inside.

ARCW's move into the resale business started with a study of the idea two years ago. Part of the study showed the success of other AIDS organizations that have opened resale shops in Chicago, Seattle and Phoenix. ARCW's resale profits will be used

for every area of the agency, from the housing program to prevention to alternative therapies. The shop will also provide needed clothes and items for clients of its service agencies.

ARCW will need a corp of about 100 volunteers to be clerks, salespeople, a volunteer coordinator of volunteers and a volunteer coordinator of donations and others to do sorting, pricing and marking items. To volunteer, call Kathy Fortier, the store's manager, at (414) 273-1991, ext. 275.

The ARCW Resale Shop wants your stuff! Items needed include: men's, women's and children's clothing; household items; small electronics, including irons, toasters, blenders; bed frames (no mattresses or box springs); books; toys; jewelry; artwork; records, CDs, cassettes; tools; furniture including couches, dressers, tables, chairs; kitchenware, including silverware, dishes, pots and pans; blankets and comforters; cameras; televisions and radios; and,

Have a large, heavy piece that you really want to donate but are unable to transport? Call Kathy Fortier to make pick-up arrangements or for more information at (414) 273-1991, ext. 275.

Milwaukee Fundraiser for Rep. Tammy Baldwin

Milwaukee A Milwaukee fundraiser for Madison Area State Representative Tammy Baldwin will be held Sunday, September 11 from 4-7pm at Cafe Melange on Old World Third

Over \$4,000 was raised at a similar Milwaukee event two years ago when Baldwin first campaigned and later won election as the first openly Lesbian or Gay Wisconsin state legislator in

November of 1992.

Back from the Stonewall commemoration and the Gay Games IV, Baldwin is planning to introduce domestic partnership legislation and some gender marriage legislation, likely to be the first of its kind in the United States. As a member of the Constitutional Law and Corrections Committee, Baldwin successfully fought for changes in policies in prisons around persons with HIV and AIDS.

Larry Krueger of Cafe Melange will host the September 11 fundraiser with complimentary appetizers. While the fundraiser itself runs from 4-7pm, dinner service is available starting at 5pm. The Milwaukee duo, Blomberg & Mahaffey, perform at Cafe Melange at 8pm following the Baldwin fundraiser as a part of the regular second Sunday of the month performance of music and political satire. Attendees of the Baldwin fundraiser are welcome to stay for the show. Blomberg & Mahaffey are known for their irreverent comedy which is infused into their wide range of musical material from ballads to rock.

Approximately 65 individuals from Milwaukee are co-sponsors of the September 11 fundraiser, including many attorneys and other public officials as well as Gay and Lesbian citizens. The organizing committee, calling itself Milwaukeeans for Tammy Baldwin, is hoping for a huge response to the event to demonstrate Milwaukee's commitment to supporting openly Lesbian and Gay Wisconsin political candidates.

All contributions are welcome and the suggested donation for the fundraiser is \$25. For more information on the Baldwin fundraiser, the organizers can be reached at (414) 264-4354 or (414)

332-3007.

4th Annual Mr. Gay WI-USA

Award Winning King Productions has selected the date of Saturday, October 1st for the 4th Annual Mr. Gay Wisconsin-USA Pageant. The Pageant will once again be held at Za's in Green

Categories for the Mr. Pageant include: Personal Interview 20%; Swim Wear 20%; Creative Club Wear 10%; and Talent 50%.

The winner and first runner-up will represent Wisconsin at the Mr. Gay USA Pageant scheduled for next July.

Applications and/or information can be obtained by calling King Productions at (708) 872-1128 or Gregory James at (414) 432-2577.

Madison's 9th Annual Lesbian Variety Show

Madison - Help! Kissing Girls Productions is looking for wimmin to harmonize, move with grace and style, relate stories with a comedic flare, or other duties as deemed necessary to perform at this year's celebration. Your work begins immediately with a final evaluation performed at the 9th Annual Variety Show weekend, Lesbian November 18th through the 20th, 1994. Must have a moderate amount of talent and be able to share said talent with 800-900 of their closest friends. If interested, call (608) 244-0072 or (608) 242-9672 for an easy-to-fill-out application, or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: KGP, PO Box 6091, Madison, WI, 53716. Do it now!

Dairyland Cowboys Fall Square Dance Round-Up

Madison — The time has arrived for all good Madison area cowboys and cowgirls to take note of the upcoming Dairyland Cowboys Square Dance class schedule.

A 15-session series of square dance instruction will begin Sunday, September 11th. Joe Frazier of Milwaukee's Cream City Squares will be providing weekly instruction from 4-6pm at the Cardinal Bar, 418 East Wilson, in Madison.

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The September 11th class will be free and open to anyone who wants more information about the series without any further commitment. Joe will be sharing his style of teaching and providing at least 101 fun things to do with new square dance expertise.

For more information and registration, contact Lance at (608) 256-

2147.

This and all Dairyland Cowboys events are open to the Gay, Lesbian and friends community. Dairyland Cowboys is dedicated to providing country camaraderie in a fun and supportive environment.

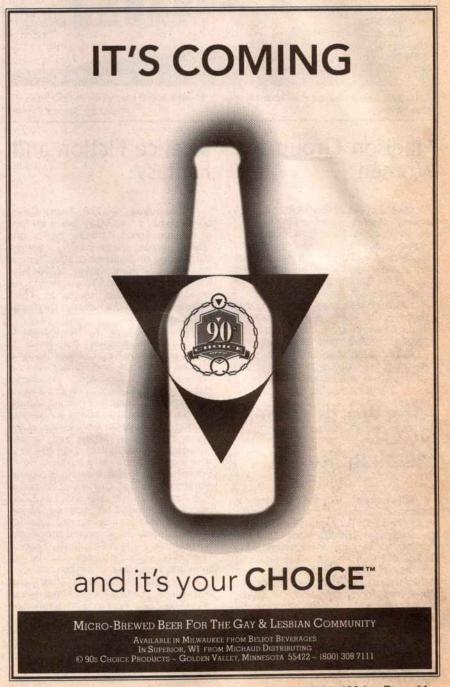
Outdoors Planning Meeting

Milwaukee — Outdoors
Cooperative will have a planning
meeting to discuss possible upcoming
winter and spring activities at 7pm on
Wednesday, September 14th at the
upstairs meeting room of the M&M
Lounge. Outdoors, now a part of
Milwaukee GAMMA, specializes in long
and more rugged activities.

Possible upcoming activities include a lodge-to-lodge Cross-Country ski-trip in

Minnesota, Vermont or Colorado; a sailing, snorkeling, and scuba diving trip to the Caribbean; a dog-sled trip in Northern Wisconsin; a back-packing trip in Big Bend National Park in Texas; joining Gay Ski Week in Whistler, British Columbia; sea kayaking trip to Belize or Bahia; or whatever other similar events people may have.

For more information, or to discuss possible ideas, call GAMMA at (414) 963-9833 for a referral to this coming season's Outdoor General Manager.





GAMMAs annual Harbor/Lakefront cruise is always a sell out, even in less than ideal weather. Photo by James Taylor

Madison Group for Women

Madison — LAVENDAR, an agency working against violence in Lesbian relationships, is forming a Lesbian/Bi support group for women who have experienced violence in a relationship with another woman. The group will begin in the end of September and run for 10 weeks.

LAVENDAR is always recruiting new volunteers to help with counseling, interviewing, community education/publicity, and office support.

If interested in volunteering, or in the support group, please LAVENDAR at (608) 255-7447.

AfterWords to Sell NCOD Merchandise

Milwaukee - AfterWords is pleased to announce that it has been designated as a Regional Retail sponsor for National Coming Out Day on October 11. In addition to carrying the full line of NCOD merchandise featuring the distinct Keith Haring logo, which includes two styles of T-shirts, coffee mugs, pins, hats, cards and note cards, AfterWords will also be hosting its Second Annual National Coming Out Day

On Sunday, September 4, AfterWords will be hosting a booth at MAPFest as well as holding usual Noon to 6pm hours.

Science Fiction and Fantasy

Milwaukee - The Third Coast Gaylaxians, a LesBiGay group for fans of science fiction, fantasy, horror and related genres, will be holding a special fall meeting on September 19th, 7pm, at the UWM Student Union, 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard. This meeting will introduce interested people to Third Coast as well as the national Gaylactic Network.

In keeping with the theme of meeting new people, the topic of discussion will be First Contact Stories in Movies, Literature, and Reality. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. Planned are both discussion and a visual montage of popular first contact stories.

Third Coast Gaylaxians will also be presenting two panel discussions at the upcoming science fiction and fantasy convention, First Contact, Sept 30-Oct 2. Grand Milwaukee Scheduled for Friday evening is a panel entitled Come Out, Come Out Wherever You Are, which will deal with LesBiGav issues in general in science fiction, fantasy and fandom. Scheduled Saturday is a panel discussion devoted specifically to Alternate Family Structures: Form & Function, which includes but is not limited to LesBiGay arrangements.

For more information on Third Coast Gaylaxians, contact Emory Churness at (414) 962-7272. For more information on First Contact, write to MSFCI, PO Box 92726, Milwaukee, WI, 53202-0726. Fliers will be available at the Gaylaxians

meeting.

Square Dancing

Milwaukee - September 14. Cream City Squares will hold an introduction to square dancing, at 3B's Bar. A new square dance class will start for beginners, September 21st. The class runs every Wednesday, from 7:30-9:30pm, for 30 weeks (about 18 weeks, teaching basic; about 12 weeks mainstream level). New calls are added to those previously learned, in each lesson. It takes some commitment to learn it, you build up week-by-week until you become fluent in it. This is fun learning. Once you master mainstream level, you can dance anywhere in the world with any square dance club.

Because calls are memorized instead of a whole dance, every dance is different, so it doesn't get boring. If you want more variety there are more levels of dance to learn (plus, advanced,

Individuals, couples, groups are all welcome to join in the fun of square dancing. Every dance you get to dance with seven or more people. It's a true

Cream City Squares is a member of IAGSDC, International Association of Gay Square Dancing Clubs. Clubs exist in Canada, Australia, and the USA.

Those that take lessons with us this fall will be ready to dance mainstream level by the next annual IAGSDC Convention, to be held in Chicago, 1995 Memorial Day weekend. If you're busy that weekend you surely would be a good dancer by the 1996 IAGSDC Convention in San Francisco.

We hope to keep growing and expanding in the future. The more dancers the more fun it is. Square dancing is a real community builder.

Our club generally dances Sundays between 2-5pm at 3B's, if we are not out of town dancing.

For further information, call (414) 521-1259.





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Tickets Selling Fast for Flirtations/Suede Concert at MAPFest

Sunday, September 4

Milwaukee - Tickets to the MAPFest concert featuring the Flirtations and Suede are still available, but are going fast. The Flirtations and Suede will perform on Sunday, September 4, at 7:30pm in Vogel Hall at the Performing Arts Center in Milwaukee following a day full of fun and entertainment at the ninth annual MAPFest, an outdoor concert and festival to benefit AIDS.

The Flirtations and Suede are definitely a highlight of this year's Fest," said Louise Searing, director of special events at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. "Last year the crowd loved the Flirtations and we've been encouraged to bring them back so people can bring their

friends to this year's show."

Suede is a true entertainer whose musicality and quick wit are unmatched. She will stun you with her sensitive styling of a ballad and the next moment have you laughing over a spontaneous comment sparked by something happening with the audience.

The world's first and only politically active, multicultural all-Gay a capella vocal quartet, the Flirtations

are back at MAPFest by popular demand.

The Suede/Flirtations concert is sponsored by the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund, Inc. In Step and The Wisconsin Light. Tickets are \$15 in advance and include admission to MAPFest.

DAY LONG FESTIVAL

MAPFest features entertainment throughout the day including old favorites such as the dog show and the Marketplace. New this year are a balloon release at 7pm and a dance tent which will be rocking from 1-10pm. The outdoor festival runs from Noon-10:30pm at the PAC's Peck Pavilion grounds. The PAC is located downtown between State & Kilbourn, the Milwaukee River and Water Street.

As always the best in female illusionist performances and musical showcase will be featured and fest-goers won't want to miss out on any of the great entertainment going on throughout the day at the Peck

PECK PAVILION SCHEDULE

1:45-2:45pm: Rufus and the Gospel Singers

2:45-3pm: The Shoreline Dancers

3-4pm: Dog Show 4-4:30pm: Fest City Singers

4:30-4:45pm: The Shoreline Dancers

5-5:55pm: Regional Contest 1 6-6:55pm: Regional Contest 2 7-7:55pm: Regional Contest 3 8-8:55pm: Baby Jane Hudson

9-10pm: "I'm the Queen, Goddamit" Revue-A Tribute to Miss

10pm: Closing Ceremonies

The hilarious MAPFest Dog Show will feature the best in canine fashion and poise at 3pm on the Mainstage. Dogs will vie for many coveted titles including Butchest, Nelliest, Dog/Owner Look-A-Like, Most Likely to Date a Pit Bull, and Daintiest Pedicure. Think your dog has what it takes? Register at MAPFest.

· Festgoers will be able to shop for bargains and unique MAPFest mementos at the Marketplace all day long. Over 30 merchants and organizations will display their wares, including Crystal Wood, Ear-things, Etc., Mary Hood, Gala



Honoring the Gay & Lesbian Community & Friends

Traditions, We're Everywhere, Douglas Krimmer, Afterwards, Tie Me Down, Toni Seebantz, Bottom Line Travel, Viktor-Viktoria, INSINC, PrideFest, Artworks. Information booths will provide information on Human Rights League, Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, Milwaukee GAMMA, The Counseling Center, ACT-Up Milwaukee, Medical College of Wisconsin, Waukesha County Council on Alcoholism & Other Drug Abuse, Log Cabin Club of Milwaukee, Milwaukee Indian Health Board, Inc., ARCW, Commitment'95, Metropolitan Community Church, Milwaukee Women's Center, Human Rights Campaign, UWM Film, Mobilization for Survival, and Cream City Foundation.

 This year's Game Arcade can't be missed. Many old favorites will be featured as well as some new attractions giving patrons the opportunity to win great prizes. The Bulldozer, Over & Under, the Money Table and Dart Poker are some of the close to thirty games that will test players'

 Balloon Release. Balloons that can be dedicated to a loved one will be on sale throughout the day and will be released at 7pm in a colorful tribute. "The balloon release is new this year," said Searing, "and will be a colorful kickoff to the Flirtations/Suede concert in the evening."

RAFFLE

A pre-Fest raffle will offer a variety of prizes including roundtrip tickets for two to Florida compliments of Bottom Line Travel, an Edelweiss cruiser for two, a one-night stay for two at the Chanticleer Guest House in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, and a bookshelf stereo system courtesy of Colder's Furniture, Appliances and Electronics.

CONCERT TICKETS

Tickets for Suede and the Flirtations are available at the Milwaukee AIDS Project (315 West Court Street), LAMM ((414) 264-2600, Afterwords (2710 North Murray Avenue), People's Books (1808 North Farwell Avenue), and the PAC Box Office ((414) 273-7206). Advance tickets are \$15 which includes admission to MAPFest. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for \$15, not including MAPFest admission.

FESTIVAL ADMISSION

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

food pantry

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

For more information, to obtain a booth in the Marketplace, or to volunteer at the event, call (414) 291-2848

or (800) 359-9272.

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Viewpoint

ENDing Discrimination in the Work Place

On July 29, the Senate held historic hearings on the Employment Non-Discrimination Act of 1994 (ENDA). We are finally on our way to ending discrimination on the basis of

sexual orientation in the work place.

We enthusiastically support ENDA — and with good cause. ENDA is an important step forward in the fight for civil rights for Gay men, Lesbians, and Bi-sexuals. The bill will provide an unprecedented level of protection to all Americans against sexual orientation-based employment discrimination. When ENDA passes, it will be illegal for an employer to fire, refuse to hire, or alter the employment terms of an individual because he or she is Gay, Bi-sexual, or straight. An employer will not be able to use someone's sexual orientation as the basis for a promotion or training decision. Harassment on the basis of sexual orientation in the work place will become illegal.

The urgent need for ENDA is readily apparent to the many Gay men, Lesbians and Bi-sexuals who have learned first hand that neither the U.S. Constitution nor federal civil rights law protect them from employment discrimination. Ernest Dillon was harassed and physically assaulted by co-workers who believed he was gay. His case was thrown out of federal court in 1992. Ramona Moshi was fired from her job with a major corporation, allegedly because she was a Lesbian. In 1990, her case was also dismissed by a federal judge who explained that neither the U.S. Constitution nor federal law prohibited her employer from discharging her. Passage of ENDA would mean these individuals and all other Americans would have the legal right to work in an environment free from sexual orientation discrimination.

The response to ENDA among the Gay and Lesbian community has been overwhelmingly positive. Even so, some voices have raised concerns that ENDA does not go far enough. We agree. We wish ENDA could do more in some areas. As individuals and organizations who spent almost eighteen months working with members of Congress to develop this bill, however, we knew that difficult compromises would be necessary. But an even handed assessment demonstrates just how little these compromises detract from the overall protections provided by ENDA.

Religious organizations will not be covered under ENDA. This was not an easy decision; it took a year of discussion to come to this consensus. But part of the reason ENDA is doing so well on Capitol Hill is that this issue was addressed head-on. The positive response to the bill has included not only traditional supporters of Gay civil rights measures, but a considerable number of moderate members of Congress who have not been staunch supporters in the past.

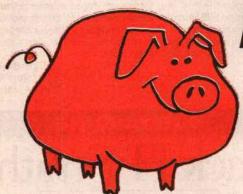
ENDA also will not mandate benefits for domestic partners. However, it will not preclude companies from providing such benefits. This was a pragmatic decision to focus on the bill's central purpose — providing immediate job security for Gay men, Lesbians, and Bi-sexuals. At the same time, we remain committed to getting more and more companies to voluntarily provide Gay men and Lesbians with equal benefits. Passage of ENDA will help in that struggle.

ENDA will not allow challenges of an employment practice that appears to be neutral, but has a disproportionate impact on Gay men and Lesbians. "Disparate impact" claims traditionally rely heavily on statistical comparisons of an employer's work force with its applicant pool. ENDA's exclusion of disparate impact claims reflects the fact that privacy concerns ordinarily would preclude an accurate statistical assessment of the sexual orientation of the members of an

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Viewpoint...

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employer's work force and applicant pool.

The bill will prohibit the use of quotas and preferential treatment in employment decisions. One of the most potent weapons in the arsenal of those who oppose equal rights for Gay people is that bills like ENDA accord Gay men and Lesbians "special rights." By neutralizing this claim, ENDA is immeasurably strengthened. Furthermore, ENDA does not prohibit employers from continuing to increase the diversity of their applicant pools by reaching out to the Gay community. What is prohibited is granting preferential treatment to Gay, Lesbian, Bi-sexual or straight individuals in the selection process.

The effort to pass ENDA has led to the development of an historic partnership of Gay and Lesbian groups, civil rights groups, religious groups, women's groups and members of Congress over the past year and a half. Many of us signing this letter were part of this process. We are proud that when ENDA began its historic Senate hearings it did so with thirty Senators and more than 120 Representatives as co-sponsors and with the testimonial support of major civil rights groups. The result of this partnership is a bill that is clear, straightforward, and garnering bipartisan support on the Hill. (Congress is expected to take up ENDA after it returns from the Labor Day Recess.)

The road toward full acceptance of civil rights for Gay men and Lesbians has been long and arduous. We have travelled far, step-by-step, but there is still a long way to go. ENDA is an important stride forward on that journey. For the first time ever, Gay men and Lesbians in every state will be protected against employment discrimination. Enactment of ENDA will bring us one crucial step closer to our ultimate goal of securing freedom from sexual orientation-based discrimination for every American.

> Tim McFeeley, HRCF Peri Jude Radecic, NGLTF William B. Rubenstein, ACLU Kevin Cathcart, LLDEF Mandy Carter, BGLLF Liz Hendrickson, NCLR Sandra Gillis, PFFLAG Richard Tafel, LCR Ralph G. Neas, LCCR Arthur Kropp, PAW Judy Lichtman, WLDF Marcia Greenberger, NWLC; and Rabbi David Saperstein, UAHC

(A complete list of Wisconsin's Congressional delegation, with address, local and Washington phone numbers, was printed on page 5 of the August 13-31 issue of In Step.)

Letters

To the Editor:

I enjoyed the commentary written by Bill Meunier in a recent issue of the Wisconsin Light, dealing with the continued betrayal of Senator Herb Kohl.

I'd like to expand on a point made by Bill, making a strong recommendation in the process. He mentioned that there is a Republican candidate who has expressed views supportive of many Gay and Lesbian issues in Matt Gunderson.

Unfortunately, Mr. Gunderson is not regarded as the front runner in his Party's primary; that position is usually acceded to State Rep. Bob Welch or State Treasurer Cathy Zeuske, neither of whom is supportable by anyone interested in civil rights and

As soon as I confirmed that Senator Kohl had caved in again, being told by a staff member that this vote was decidedly political and that the Senator (and his staff) doesn't really "feel that way," I decided to vote in the Republican Primary Election in September, the first time I've made that choice since 1972. I will flip the Republican switch in the voting booth, and I will be voting for Matt Gunderson. Primary Elections usually have an even lower turnout than the General Election, and there's no question that a relatively small number of concentrated (one issue?) voters can have a huge impact. The conservative/religious right have shown us that in recent years.

I hope that other Lesbians and Gay men will make the same choice, as well as parents of Gay men and Lesbians and other friends and allies. Herb Kohl deserves nothing from Gay men and Lesbians. Any other minority group member should take notice — if the polls suggest backing away from you, wave bye-bye to Herb. He can't be trusted; he's nobody's Senator but his own. And, even if one looks at the bigger picture, there's nothing there! He's a dud.

If Matt Gunderson wins the Primary Election, I'll work for his election. If he loses, I'll not vote for that office in November, even if it looks like Welch or Zeuske might prevail. At this point in my life, I'm much more interested in being represented by principled officials and much less in self-serving, wishy washy politicians with their fingers in the air. At least with Welch/Zeuske I'll know what to expect and won't be disappointed and angry, just angry.

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Legal

By Arlene Zarembka

Religious Freedom Versus Civil Rights: The Emerging Conflict

Can citizens use their First Amendment right to freedom of religion to justify violating civil rights laws? This defense is being raised by landlords, and sometimes employers, in enforcement actions involving civil rights laws prohibiting discrimination based on marital status. A new federal law may give further impetus to these defenses.

The Religious Freedom Restoration Act, passed by Congress in November, prohibits governments from substantially burdening a person's exercise of religion, unless: 1) the law furthers a compelling government interest, and b) it is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling government interest. Congress passed the law in response to a 1990 Supreme Court decision that refused to grant a religious exemption from criminal drug laws for the use of peyote in a Native American religious ceremony. The purpose of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act is to ensure that laws are not allowed to infringe on religious freedom unless there is a compelling reason to do so. A noble purpose, but one that may come to haunt Gay men, Lesbians, Bisexuals, and unmarried heterosexual couples.

Under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, if a religious objector to a law convinces a court that a local, state, or federal law substantially burdens that exercise of the objector's religious beliefs, then the government has to prove that, nonetheless, there shouldn't be a religious exemption from the law. The government has to convince the court that it has a compelling interest in overriding the objector's freedom of religious expression and that the law uses the least restrictive means to accomplish the government's interest.

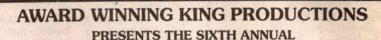
Precursors to likely federal litigation involving religious exceptions to civil rights laws can be seen in a number of state court cases. Some Christians have asserted religious freedom as a defense to charges of violating state laws prohibiting marital status discrimination. The most recent court to rule on this type of claim was the Alaska Supreme Court, which rejected a religious exemption. Courts in Minnesota and California, on the other hand, have granted religious exemptions.

The February decision from the Alaska Supreme Court (Swanner v Anchorage Equal Rights Commission) involved a landlord who had refused to

rent to an unmarried opposite sex couple. The Anchorage Equal Rights Commission ruled that he had violated Anchorage's law prohibiting discrimination based on marital status. The landlord defended his actions on two ground: a) that his refusal to rent to the couple was not based on their status (single, married, divorced, widowed, or separated), but rather on their conduct (cohabitation); and b) that his fundamental First Amendment right to the free exercise of his Christian religion should exempt him from complying with the law. That is, he argued that cohabitation by unmarried people is conduct that is immoral and repugnant to

his religious beliefs.

The Alaska Supreme Court said that marital status and conduct are "inextricably combined," and ruled that the law against marital status discrimination prohibited not only discrimination based on the marital status of a person, but also on the conduct of unmarried persons cohabiting. Although the court found that the landlord's refusal to rent was based on sincere religious beliefs, the court refused to grant him a religious exemption from compliance with the civil rights law. It held that the government's interest in eliminating marital status discrimination in housing is compelling.



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The court ruled that because the landlord voluntarily engaged in commercial activity (property rental) that was not an essential part of his religion, granting a religious exemption was not appropriate.

The Minnesota Supreme Court, by contrast, ruled in 1990 (State by Copper v French) that a Minnesota law prohibiting marital status discrimination in housing did not protect cohabitation by unmarried couples, and that the government must grant an exemption from the anti-discrimination law to those who do not comply due to religious beliefs. In essence, the Minnesota Supreme Court found that the state does not have a compelling state interest in eliminating marital status discrimination. It wrote:

"It is simply astonishing... that the argument is made that the legislature intended to protect fornication and promote a lifestyle which corrodes the institutions which have sustained our civilization, namely, marriage and family life... We are not told what is so pernicious about refusing to treat unmarried, cohabiting couples as if they were legally married. The state does not even attempt to reconcile this notion with this court's express recognition of the 'preferred status' of the institution of marriage..."

A California appellate court in 1991 likewise granted a landlord a religious

exemption form compliance with a marital status anti-discrimination law (Donahue v Fair Employment and Housing Commission). It wrote that the government's interest in eradicating marital status discrimination "does not rank very high." It therefore refused to apply the 1983 Supreme Court race discrimination decision in the Bob Jones University case to marital status discrimination. The Court in that case had upheld the IRS' refusal to grant tax exempt status to a religious university that practiced race discrimination. It ruled that the government has a compelling interest in eliminating discrimination in education. which justified the burden that denial of tax exempt status might place on the university's religious freedom.

With the passage of the Religious freedom Restoration Act, a future Supreme Court showdown on this issue is likely. Hopefully the Supreme Court will rule that all anti-discrimination laws serve a compelling government interest in ensuring equal rights. Hopefully, it will not set up a two-tired system of enforcement of civil rights laws, allowing for religious exemptions from some types of anti-discrimination laws, while rejecting it for a there.

it for others.

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(Top): The four contestants for the title of Miss B, held at 3B's Bar. (Bottom Left)
Winner Brittney Morgan, and first runner up Meisha, (Right) Bobby (one of the B's
in 3B's, tries on the tiara. (Looks Lovely!)

Photo by James Taylor

In Memoriam



Dean Mawhiney

Dean Michael (DeannaMae) Mawhiney

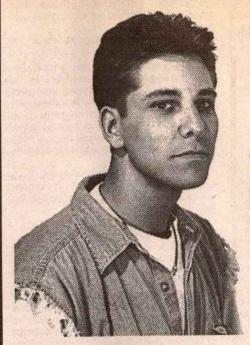
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Dean Michael Mawhiney (aka DeannaMae) left this world on July 6. Dean's contributions to the Milwaukee Gay community are numerous. He held many positions on the board of the Holiday Invitational Tournament, including Director in 1991-92. His belief that organizations should work together to accomplish mutual goals is seen throughout the community today.

throughout the community today.

Born April 21, 1963 to Robert &
Florence, he is also survived by immediate family members, Patrick (Cathy) and Beth (Mike). He is also survived by extended family members in Milwaukee and throughout the county. Dean touched people's lives wherever he went

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BestD Answers Health Questions

By Bob Ambelang & Dr. Kelly Balliet

Tattoos, Piercing and HIV Infection

Tattoos have been gaining in popularity over the years. At one point in the not distant past only a few servicemen, convicts and bikers carried examples of "Skin Art." Be Aware: Excepting for local ordinances, there are no controls on tattoo parlors or tattoo And, unfortunately, ordinances vary from community to community and from very strict to very lax. The city of Milwaukee banned tattoo parlors in the 50's because it was thought to have brought an undesirable element into the city. Try telling that to Cherl

The method of HIV transmission in getting a tattoo would be referred to as a "blood-to-blood" transmission risk. In the process of tattooing, hollow needles are dipped into an indelible ink. These needles are machine driven and the artist then pierces the skin and the hollow needles deposit the ink under the top layer of skin. These hollow needles. due to rapid insertion and withdrawal, create a vacuum and blood is usually sucked into the needle. The needle is then re-dipped into ink and the artist continues with the design. There is no problem up to now as long as you are the only person the needle has been used on and it has not been used on anyone else, and also that the ink pot has not been used for anyone else. Your blood, or the blood from someone else could be deposited in the ink pot. This blood in the ink or the needle could be the factor that spreads HIV, Hepatitis and

So, how do you protect yourself? Well, we recommend that you visit or call the tattoo parlor with a few questions before stripping off your shirt or pants for that "must have" tattoo! You might even want to call the city health department and ask them if they inspect and monitor the establishment in question and what type of requirements are necessary. But by all means ask these questions and if possible, observe the artist at work to see if these criteria are being met:

 Are all needles cleaned in an antiseptic solution and then heated to kill germs? (Tattoo needles are very expensive and must be reused.)

▼ Does the artist use one general ink pot or does he/she put a little ink into a small container for you only and discard the balance?

 Does the artist practice "universal precautions" otherwise, such as latex gloves and other sterile equipment and

Under no circumstances should the artist put the needle he is using on you into a general ink pot, nor should the Vaseline used for design transfer be from a general pot. If in doubt, take your own jar of Vaseline along. Be absolutely certain that the establishment you patronize follows these criteria at least, and you might want to ask them if they follow any other health safety measures as well.

The risk for HIV infection from tattoos is very real, but if proper precautions are taken, there should be little or no risk to you.

PIERCING

This is a good time to discuss this popular form of body adornment/modification as well. Here the risk factor is exactly the same as in tattooing, "blood-to-blood" transmission. If piercing equipment is used on one person, and then another, infectious body fluids (blood) can carry any number of viruses and bacteria from one person to another. The simplest way of piercing safely is to not share piercing equipment and not have reusable equipment used on you. If that is not possible, be absolutely certain that the piercing needle has been thoroughly disinfected and sterilized. The rings or bars that are inserted into the piercing should also have been thoroughly sterilized before being inserted (even if they have never been used on anyone else). Again there is little if any control on piercing establishments and it is up to the locale govern and inspect these establishments. In some communities there is no inspection or requirements for

It is also best to avoid "freelancers" who offer to pierce you if you buy the equipment. This person may be your friend or an acquaintance, but may not know the first thing about proper precautions or health safety factors. At least in an established business you may have recourse if some type of infection

So, to sum it all up, use your head and don't be afraid to ask questions. If you're considering getting a tattoo or body piercing, try to observe the person who will be delivering this service, at work. Watch how they handle their equipment and how they conduct their business. If in doubt, wait, and find another place or person to do the work. Don't forget, Play Safely.

We welcome your questions or comments. Letters do not have to be signed to be considered for publication in this column. You may write to us in care of BESTD Clinic, 1240 East Brady Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Positively

By Arnie Malmon

Bits & Pieces

Well here I go again with more interesting, informative and hopefully, on occasion, entertaining stuff. The first item of business is a retinitis update on me. It is now a month since I started the combination foscarnet/gancyclovir therapy. I've had no problems from the drugs, which pleases me to no end. However, more importantly my retinitis is once again inactive. This is the state of the infection I prefer.

So why do people think because we're terminally ill that we have nothing better to do that wait for services? don't know, but I don't think we should put up with bad treatment. The worst offenders for us are some doctors, followed by home lab visits and then transportation services. It's not as though we are getting the services for free and should be ever so grateful, because they're being paid for, usually by insurance. If you've been having problems, talk to your doctor or AIDS Service Organization regarding alternatives to the service you're using. We need to let providers know that we are people (and customers) and wish to be treated that way. A simple phone call to say we're running late with a time estimate would be appreciated. I don't want to be sitting waiting for someone who isn't coming as scheduled. Since many doctors have someone to call a day ahead to remind us of appointments, couldn't they also call day of and say don't rush, we're running 30 minutes behind? We deserve some courtesy.

In the medical news department there is some new information on steroids and Myobacterium avium complex (MAC). I'll have some more complete information on testosterone and other steroid use for people suffering from the wasting syndrome. However, in the meantime, if your weight is dangerously low and you have little appetite, discuss steroid use with your doctor. Also, if your T-cells are 100 or less and you are not taking Mycobutin as preventative of MAC, you should ask your doctor about it, too. The evidence is now indicating that MAC is surpassing PCP pneumonia as the leading cause of death for AIDS patients.

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Much like my eyesight, I've tended to take my teeth for granted. I figured they would last longer than I would, but, and I hate to admit it, they're in need of some work. The amount of deterioration

that occurred between x-rays is quite substantial for a time frame of only 14 months. Whether or not this is HIV related we don't know, but it just adds to the wonderful world of living with an inconvenient illness. So, you ask, where is this tidbit going and what do I care about Arnie's dental condition? Well, you don't need to care about mine, but you should care about yours. If you are an HIV/AIDS person and haven't been to a dentist lately — GO (make sure they know your HIV status). Remember, if you ignore your teeth, they will go away.

Recently, a 15-year old Florida boy died of kidney problems. What draws attention to this case was that he made decisions about his life. He had two kidney transplants, did not want a third and wanted to stop taking all of the drugs he was on, particularly the antirejection drugs required in transplants. The State of Florida tried to force him to stay in a hospital and take the drugs, but he went to court and won the right to make his own decisions. He died at home 4 months after stopping all medications. He died without pain, but more importantly, with his family. The reason I bring this up is not to encourage people to discontinue meds, but to remind us all that we have the final say in our health care decisions.

I did promise some further comments on political correctness and other silly things. Well, here goes. I volunteered to help man a booth for ACT-UP at two AIDS fund raising events. I said I will not staff it, person it or people it, but I will man it. I'm hardly gender insensitive, but some terms I grew up with were never intended to slight anyone, so that I will not change. By the way, organizations should have a chairman. This could be either a Mr. Chairman or a Madam Chairman, but a chairman nonetheless. I will admit to being decorum-impaired and leave it at that. Besides, it's time for Jeopardy.

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The Arts

By Carmen A. Murguia

The '94-95 Season

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The curtains go up on Milwaukee Ballet: The Triumph of 25: Series I: A Show of Emotion, September 15-18, 1994, Series II: How High The Moon, October 27-30, A Holiday Tradition: The Nutcracker, December 8-29, Series III: Some Romantic Evening, February 16-19, 1995, Series IV: The Night We Turn 25, April 6-9, Series V: The Night Of Your Dreams, May 25-28.

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We must admit, no one kicks off a Season Opener and Party the way Present Music does! The date is Saturday, September 10, 1994 at 8pm, in the Milwaukee Art Museum, Vogel/Helfaer Galleries. The musical extravaganza continues throughout the year...Halloween II, October 28-29, MAM; Music Is Enough I, November 26, PAC; Music Is Enough II, January 25,

1995 PAC; Tod Machover, Composer, March 25, PAC; Season Finale and Party, May 27, MAM. For information on the Premium Series, Bargain Series, or Favorite Four, call (414) 271-0711.

The Milwaukee Repertory Theater's 1994/95 Season celebrates the world's most illuminating and enduring writers in the Powerhouse and Stiemke Theaters. Opening the 6-play Powerhouse Theater Season on September 11-October 16, 1994 is The Gambler by Fyodor Dostoevsky, dramatic adaptation by Lev Stoukalov. Following The Gamblerwill be The Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare, October 23-November 27; The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde, December 4, 1994-January 8, 1995; The African Company Presents Richard The Third by Carlyle Brown, January 15-February 19; Six Characters In Search Of An Author by Luigi Pirandello, February 26-April 2; Don Juan On Trial, by Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt, translated by Jeremy Sams, April 9-May 14. The Stiemke Theater presents 3 Plays: On Their Eyes by Barbara Damashek, October 30-November 20, 1994; A Moon For The Misbegotten by Eugene O'Neill, January 22-February 12, 1995; War Stories From The 20th Century by W. Frank, April 16-May 7. For a Season Sampler, 6-Play and 3-Play Series, call (414) 224-1761.

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The Milwaukee Art Museum hosts a First Friday Season showcasing a different major art exhibition each month as well as Milwaukee's top musical talent. The Sizzlin' Season Opener with the Suzanne Grzanna Quartet, featured exhibition: Thornton Dial: Image of the Tiger, September 9; College Night with the Clams, featured exhibition: Dorothea Lange: American Photographs, October 7; New Member Birthday Party with The Michael Drake Band, November 4; Straight Ahead with Jack Grassel, Berkeley Fudge and Harold Miller, featured exhibition: From Hannibal to Saint Augustine: Ancient Art of North Africa from the Musee du Louvre. Dec. 2.

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Show time is 8pm with a special midnight show on September 10 at which Act 2 will present The Fox Valley AIDS Project their check. Tickets are \$10 which includes a red ribbon for the buyer, and are available at The Fox Valley AIDS Project, 120 N. Morrison Street, Appleton or call to reserve your seats, (800) 845-6923 and (414) 738-9804.

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Drag Queens Cavort in "Adventures of Priscilla"

Aussie Road Movie is Both Tacky and Touching

Reviewed by Jamakaya

The new Australian film The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert is a delightful combination of many genres — the musical comedy, the road movie, the buddy film — all gussied up as a drag extravaganza.

The movie follows the misadventures of three drag queens (one is actually a transsexual) as they travel from the bright lights and cosmopolitan atmosphere of Sydney across the vast stretches of the Australian outback to a cabaret booking in the resort town of Alice Springs. Priscilla is the overtaxed bus, chockful of costumes and make-up and liquor and props, that carries them to



Patricia/Adam (Guy Pearce) makes a striking figure atop Priscilla while cruising across the Australian outback in "Priscilla".

their destination and to their separate fates.

The world-weary Bernadette (Terence Stamp) is a former member of the Les Girls drag troupe who has since undergone sex-change surgery. She agrees to accompany her two friends, in part, to shake the blues after the recent

death of a would-be husband (from peroxide fumes!). Bernadette, a jaded survivor, provides the emotional center of the film.

Hugo Weaving plays Tick, aka Mitzi, who, along the way, admits to his traveling companions that he arranged the gig through his wife, who books



Mitzi/Tick (Hugo Weaving) breaks into song... and bloom in "The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" a

Gramercy Pictures release opening September 16.

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entertainers in the cabaret. The revelation that the very queer Tick has a wife and an 8-year-old son leads to plenty of ribbing by his friends. It also provides the film's most compelling dramatic tension: how will Tick respond to seeing his son and what will the boy think of his drag queen father?

The third character, Adam, is played by the blindingly handsome Guy Pearce, who is a big soap opera star Down Under. Adam, aka Felicia, is a hopeless provocateur with the sharpest tongue and the bitchiest lines by far. His youthful impetuosity gets him into serious trouble with some nasty homophobes who aren't going to put up with any "faggots."

The trio's trip across the desert is punctuated with much catty and droll dialogue, musical interludes to old disco tunes in the goofiest costumes imaginable, and encounters with locals who are alternately hostile, uncomprehending or delighted with the daffy drag queens.

DISCO HEAVEN

The production numbers include songs by the Village People, Ceci Peniston, Gloria Gaynor and ABBA — the virtues of ABBA being one of the film's running jokes. The choreography is fairly plodding and predictable but the musical segments still manage to feel upbeat and energized. Much of the humor arises from the incongruity of the settings in which the trio performs: on vast, barren plains or in the light of campfires among bemused aborigines.

I had a couple problems with *Priscilla*. Its depiction of women characters as grotesques borders on the misogynistic. It was a relief in the end to finally meet Tick's wife, who, in contrast to the other women along the way, proves to be warm and humorous and accepting (and who, we find out in one of the movie's funniest asides, has just gotten over her own Lesbian affair!).

I'm concerned at the negative stereotype of drag queens as unhappy, heavy-drinking, foul-mouthed bitches, especially in the first part of the movie. Anyone who stays with it will see the characters broaden and, hopefully, empathize with them as they face their individual struggles. I just worry that for some viewers the initial negative image may persist.

Another problem I had was that everything is wrapped up so neatly in the end. This provides us with the requisite happy ending but seems a little too pat considering some of the issues raised.

But *Priscilla* is not an Ingmar Bergman movie, with all the angst and guilt and unresolved human drama associated with the old Swedish master. It's a light, bright divertisement from a brash young bisexual director, Stephan Elliott, from the sunny continent Down Under. And overall, it's heart is in the right place.

The movie's ad slogan puts it all in perspective: "Finally...A Comedy That Will Change the Way You Think, the Way You Feel, and Most Importantly, the Way You Dress."

When you see *The Adventures of Priscilla*, opening September 16 at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre and other screens, leave your critical faculties at home and have a good time!

(The September 15 issue of In Step will feature an interview with the director, Stephan Elliott.)

"Zero Patience" is Witty, Daring Musical About AIDS

Plays at UW-M Cinema

Review by Jamakaya
I had heard a lot of good things about the satirical movie musical on AIDS, Zero Patience, but was blown away by how really good it is.

Anyone who has HIV/AIDS and anyone who knows



Zero Patience...

people with HIV/AIDS or who provides care or services to them - hell, anyone who appreciates good movies - should mark their calendars and hustle their buns over to the UW-Milwaukee Cinema September 16-18, when Zero Patience plays a limited run. Showings are at 7pm each night.

Zero Patience is full of great music and biting social commentary about the AIDS epidemic. The title is a play on the famous Patient Zero, a French Canadian airline attendant whose sexual history enabled scientists to determine that the AIDS virus was sexually transmitted. Included in Randy Shilts's book And the Band Played On, Patient Zero was soon vilified as the man responsible for starting and spreading the AIDS epidemic in North America.

The movie begins with Zero (Normand Fauteux) caught between limbo and the primordial void singing: "Tell the story, clear my name/Why do they need someone to blame?/I wasn't evil or mad/Tell the tale, save my life/A

life I could have had ... "

Enter 19th century scientist/adventurer Sir Richard Francis Burton who, as a result of finding the fabled Fountain of Youth, is still alive in the late 20th century, spreading his ill-conceived theories. Burton, a latent homosexual, is busy coordinating a museum exhibit called "The Hall of Contagion," and is determined to find the origin of AIDS so as to create an appropriate diorama.

Burton, played with gusto by John Robinson. symbolizes western rationalism and the arrogance, bumbling and bigotry of the "experts" who have so far failed to tame HIV. In the biting "Culture of Certainty," he sings: "Let's all be Empiricists/Victors of the brain/Through our wit and brilliance/We can know the world again/We'll classify and label/And the answer's out/A culture of certainty/will banish every doubt."

POPPING A BONER

The uptight Burton searches Gay bathhouses for clues about AIDS and is treated to a hilarious ditty about bathhouse etiquette, "Pop a Boner": "When you pop a boner in the shower/Hoist it like a flag for all to see/Give us a good peek at your tumescence/Be nonchalant, act

Along the way, Burton is confronted by people with HIV/AIDS and members of an ACT UP chapter who sing a bitter song about AIDS profiteering called "Control." The dead Zero makes himself visible to Burton and accompanies him on his search for the truth only to see how Burton's findings are distorted and misused

Burton and Zero find themselves in bed together one night and in one of the



Three Shower Guys sing "Pop A Boner", a barbershop ditty about bathhouse etiquette, in the film "Zero Patience" running Sept. 16-18 at UW-M Union Cinema.

most bizarre but hysterically funny scenes I've ever seen in movies, their assholes perform a duet about the virtues and vices of anal sex. This "Butthole Duet" has to be seen and heard to be believed! Another highlight has Burton looking at HIV through a microscope. And who should he see but Michael Callen resplendent in drag as Miss HIV and singing in his distinctive falsetto!

The ACT UP members end up trashing the Hall of Contagion and the movie ends with a jaunty rock tune, "Zero Patience," declaring the time for

patience is over.

I can't get over how brilliant the writing is, how good the music is and how excellent the overall production values are in this movie. It's especially outstanding because it is a fairly low-budget, independent production.

Major funding came from the Canadian government and arts councils and Britain's Channel Four. It's a Cinevista release

Zero Patience was written and directed by John Greyson, who previously directed The ADS Epidemic-Acquired Dread of Sex and Urinal. He wrote many of the biting lyrics in Zero Patience along with Glenn Schellenberg who composed all the music. The soundtrack is available on CD.

I plan on seeing the movie again and buying the CD. The music is really

that good.

Patience contains many Zero important messages about HIV/AIDS, western science, the media, sex, power, control and responsibility. It manages to be profoundly political while maintaining an irreverent sense of humor. Don't miss it!





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TV/Video

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Films and videos directed by women since 1991 will be eligible. Preference is given to independent projects in which the applicants have primary creative control. Entry fees are \$25 per entered work (\$15 for WIDC members or students with valid ID). All entries must be postmarked no later than October

14, 1994.
Entries will be reviewed by a jury of women with diverse backgrounds in film, video and related fields. For an entry form, call (312) 281-4988, or write to WIDC, 3435 N. Sheffield Ave. #3, Chicago, IL 60657.

The Out in Video Festival of Lesbian/Gay Narrative Shorts invites submissions of dramatic works, under 30 minutes and on 3/4 inch NTSC videotape, for its first San Francisco screening in 1995. For each short, producers should send: a VHS preview copy, \$5 entry fee (check payable to Persona Press), description and biography, and a self-addressed mailer with return postage to: Out in Video Festival, Box 14022, San Francisco, CA 94114

To subscribe to Out in Video, a quarterly newsletter about the latest in Gay/Lesbian non-pornographic home videos, send a check or money order for \$10 to the address above.

Frameline Offers Grants to LesBiGay Filmmakers

San Francisco, CA — Frameline, the group which sponsors the annual Gay and Lesbian Film Festival in San Francisco, is providing grants of up to \$2,000 to LesBiGay film and video makers.

Individuals are encouraged to apply for a grant from Frameline's 1994 Film/Video Completion Fund. The deadline for applications is October 15. Contact: Frameline Film/Video Completion Fund, 346 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. Call (415) 703-8658, fax (415) 861-1404.

Official Stonewall 25 Video Can Be Ordered

New York, NY — The official commemorative video of the Stonewall 25 celebration entitled *The Future is Ours!* can now be ordered from the organizers of Stonewall 25. The video, which is just completing production, will feature 90 minutes from the March on the United Nations and the rally held in Central Park on June 26. Rally footage includes many speakers and entertainers.

Proceeds from the official video will help defray expenses left over from organizing the big event. The video costs \$19.95 plus \$2 postage and handling. Checks should be made out to Stonewall 25 and sent to P.O. Box 2038, New York, NY 10113.

Pro-Gay Video "Straight From the Heart" Available

San Francisco, CA — Lesbian activist Dee Mosbacher has produced a dramatic new videotape in response to the video wars launched by the Radical Right. Straight From the Heart is a 24-minute video which confronts the lies and distortions wrought by anti-Gay videos like The Gay Agenda

videos like The Gay Agenda.

Straight From the Heart profiles parents who have come to a new understanding of their Gay and Lesbian children and wish to share their stories. Mosbacher and fellow producer Frances Reid are distributing their video in states and cities facing anti-Gay ballot initiatives. They plan to targed legislators, educators, church members and others with their pro-Gay message of tolerance and acceptance.

Mosbacher is the daughter of Robert Mosbacher, former Secretary of Commerce under George Bush. An activist all her adult life, Dee Mosbacher strengthened her commitment to fight the Radical Right after watching the Gay-bashing rhetoric at the GOP's 1992 convention.

Individuals and groups can get a copy of Straight From the Heart for \$39.95 from Woman Vision, 3145 Geary Blvd., Box 421, San Francisco, CA 94118. Activists are encouraged to arrange group showings of the video with church and community groups.

"Celluloid Closet" Finally Begins Production

Los Angeles, CA — The long-awaited filming of The Celluloid Closet, Vito Russo's history of the depiction of Gays and Lesbians in Hollywood movies, is finally underway. The documentary is being underwritten by HBO and should be ready for broadcast in late 1995.

The Celluloid Closet is being produced and directed by Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman, who won the Oscar for Best Documentary Feature in 1989 for Common Threads: Stories From the Quilt. Epstein also directed the Oscar-winning The Times of Harvey Milk.

Epstein and Friedman struggled mightily to obtain funding for the project. Grants from the Playboy Foundation and Britain's Channel Four along with donations received from a fundraising letter sent out by Lily Tomlin (a close friend of Russo's at whose home he wrote much of the book) were augmented by completion funds provided by HBO.

HBO's commitment also helped secure the cooperation of the major Hollywood studios, which are providing film clips from movies dating back as far as 80 years. Clips from more than 100 films will be used to illustrate Hollywood's treatment of Gays and Lesbians over the years.

"Gay Hollywood Newsletter" Covers Queer Movie Scene

Laguna Hills, CA — September marks the debut of the Gay Hollywood Newsletter, a publication for Gay and Lesbian filmgoers and video collecters. The focus of the premiere issue is "Nudity in Gay and Lesbian Films." Future editions will spotlight "Homo Horror Films" and "The Best Gay and Lesbian Films of the Year — And of All

Each issue of the Gay Hollywood Newsletterwill contain reviews of current and upcoming theatrical and video releases with Gay/Lesbian themes and characters. Subscribers will also get timely reports about the national and international Gay and Lesbian Film Fests. The newsletter is edited by Steve Stewart, author of the Gay Hollywood Film & Video Guide.

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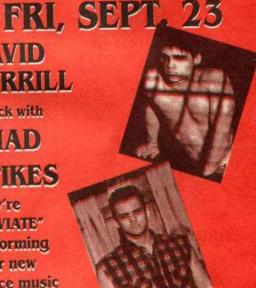
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Books

Escapist Fare

Say Uncle by Eric Shaw Quinn, Dutton, HC \$29.95 Auntie Mame by Patrick Dennis, Ballantine, Pb \$5.99

Reviews by Carl M. Szatmary

Summer and early Fall traditionally filled with barbecues, trips to the beach and much needed and anticipated vacations and therefore a time when light, comic if not down right trashy novels are the reading of choice. Usually publishers are quick to exploit this situation with multitudes of frothy, guilty pleasures. Yet this year finds Gay readers instead presented with some powerful and important works of nonfiction, including John Boswell's definitive study, Same-Sex Unions in Pre-Modern Europe, Paul Monette's angry, eloquent Last Watch of the Night and the insightful, Unchartered Lives: Understanding the Life Passages of Gay Men by Stanley Siegel and Ed Lowe, Jr.

For those looking for some respite, two works of escapist fare can be recommended, a debut novel by Eric Shaw Quinn, Say Uncle as well as a long overdue re-issue of Patrick Dennis's classic Auntie Mame.

Although Auntie Mame is not formally a Gay novel, lacking any overtly Gay characters or subplots, it must be the Gayest work of fiction to come out of the 1950's. In celebrating individuality and promoting unconventional lifestyles, Auntie Mame was certainly light years ahead of time. Outrageous, hilarious, and ever so sophisticated, Mame Dennis was very much the epitome of the kind of character many Gay men would seek to emulate over the next couple of decades. Even today, almost forty years later, Auntie Mame remains a marvelous and magical work, filled with ribald humor, zany farce and touching, heart-felt moments. Very highly recommended!

Perhaps Eric Shaw Quinn's Say Uncle isn't quite in Auntie Mame's



Eric Shaw Quinn, author of "Say Uncle"

class, yet this debut novel nevertheless some remarkably striking similarities in plot and style to Dennis's book. At the center of Say Uncle is Michael, a Gay man who is just as irrepressible and irresponsible a character as Mame Dennis, who likewise finds himself in the highly awkward and certainly unexpected position of legal guardian and his young nephew. The first section of Say Uncle follows Michael's initial reluctance to take on such a responsibility to his triumphant fight to remain legal guardian to young Scott, following a courtroom showdown with the closed-minded, conservative senator who happens to be the child's grandfather.

The second section of Say Uncle, narrated by the adolescent Scott, chronicles the very unconventional and unstructured family life of Scott, Uncle Michael and Gray, an interesting character who functions within this quirky family as cook, nanny and companion. However, the exact nature of Michael's and Gray's relationship is left frustratingly vague and mysterious. While nurtured in the warm, communal atmosphere of dinner theatre, Scott nevertheless longs for a normal, more traditional if slightly

boring childhood. Ever in awe of his flamboyant and invariably too extravagant Uncle Michael, Scott is increasingly embarrassed by his antics and continually seeks schools beyond his realm of influence. When Scott finally finds love, it is with the improbable Sims Simson, a veritable reincarnation of Patrick Dennis's monstrous creation, Gloria Upson. Despite navigating through some uneasy and oddly disturbing moments, Quinn ultimately brings Say Uncle to a happy, if not entirely satisfactory conclusion.

All in all, Say Uncle is a fun and refreshing book, filled with likable characters, kooky situations and surprisingly, with some awfully old-fashioned sentimentality thrown in for good measure. Although Say Uncle has some implausible plot twists that on occasion stretch belief, Quinn possesses a nice, assured style which manages to gloss over any truly awkward moments. Finally, although Say Uncle is quite Gaypositive, I'm not sure I would be quibbling in wishing that Quinn would have made Michael a more fully fleshed out Gay man. Recommended.

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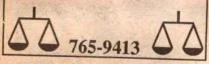
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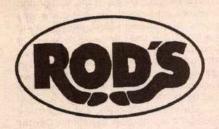
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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

The Labor Day Weekend is fast approaching, and with it, MAPFest, Club 3054's closing weekend, the Wreck Room's Anniversary street party and lots of other events (mostly outside the Milwaukee area) to wrap up the season. In Appleton, the Pivot has events scheduled from Sept. 8-11 to kick off WI-USA festivities. In Rockford, their annual On The Water Front Labor Day weekend draws over 400,000 people. Saturday is the Office's biggest day of the year. Don't forget, the Wisconsin-USA final preliminaries are Sept. 10 at the Pivot, and the finals are at the Paper Valley Hotel in downtown Appleton on Sept. 11. Be sure to check out our Calendar section this issue to get a full listing of all upcoming events.

And now, for a brief look at the social scene from my last deadline (August 11) through this deadline (August 25)... That country gal, Carmella Marcella Garcia, and her cute sidekick Devin Michaels were in the area August 12-13 for shows at Club 219 and Club 94. The crowd at 219 just loved the southern duo, who hadn't toured this area since Summer '93. You'll have to wait a whole year to see them up around

these parts again.

The Pivot Club hosted a Camp Heartland Project benefit show on August 12, to help send kids affected by HIV/AIDS to a summer camp here in Wisconsin, especially designed for them. Organizers would like to see the camp become a year round thing, but it all depends on benefits such as this (and corporate sponsors) if that will happen, or not.

The First Annual Old Fashion Country Pig Roast on August 13, drew less than 75 people to the Lake Mills/ Aztalan Park area after reports of major rain and thunder storms scared away large numbers of people. Crossroads Bar, host of the event, and the acres of party space it had available remained dry all day, but weather reports in Milwaukee forecast rain, rain, rain. The sponsors lost major money on this event, so there were no proceeds left over to donate to MAP & MASN. Those who did drop by had plenty of food to eat (they had enough food for 500 people) but organizers needed at least 200 people to meet costs. (Costs included tents, food, serving equipment, stage, sound system, and more.)

Sorry it turned out like that, but at least they made a strong effort. Maybe

Luscious porn star Ryan Idol was idolized by the throngs at The New Bar during his August 14th show. During the question and answer segment of his show, Idol made some remark about how there's always one person at his shows claiming to be from some little paper, snapping away with an old 110 camera. Meanwhile, In Step photographer Jamie Taylor travelled out from Milwaukee for the show, and In Step Madison corespondent, John Cain was also in the audience to "report" (ahem) on the event. (Both Jamie and John use 35mm cameras.) John told me, "After the show, when he [Idol] was signing autographs, I introduced myself and showed him my press card to prove I wasn't one of those lechers with a cheap camera. He got all happy and insisted on signing a copy of his newest publicity still for the boss." I'm sure John got his own signed photo, but he also sent one to me, which I have

been using for "inspiration". (Too bad Idol is straight!)

It felt like late Fall for GAMMAs 14th annual Iroquois cruise of the harbor and lakefront on August 20; but there was plenty of dancing, food and drink to warm up the near sell out crowd. The Iroquois crew put up a special canopy and kept closer to the shore because the rain and cool weather made for choppy conditions. It was a party, and fun was had by all no matter what the conditions!

Za's hosted the Miss Gay Guernsey Gala on the 20th as a benefit for Center emergency fund. contestants vied for the cattle crown, with Sue (yes, a Real Woman) elected Miss Guernsey '94. Speaking of cow hide, the Boot Camp hosted the Rodeo Riders of Chicago leather club for a special club night party that same night in Milwaukee.

On the 21st, The New Bar hosted a King Productions Stars of Wisconsin show featuring WI-USA titleholders and preliminary winners as they prepare for the finals in Appleton. The '93-94 Miss Gay WI-USA, DuWanna Moore, has carried the title with distinction, but must give up her crown on Sept. 10. That night in Milwaukee, 3B's Bar held its first "Miss B" contest with four contestants fighting for the honor. Brittney Morgan is the new Miss B, with Meesha 1st runner

That's a wrap for this issue, but there's plenty to do during this active month, so enjoy!



(Center) Si Smits, Boot Camp, welcomes Rodeo Riders of Chicago for a club night Photo by Jeff Butler



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Scenes from the Old Fashion Country Pig Roast at CrossRoads Bar in Lake Mills.

Photo by James Taylor

Calendar

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

MAP AIDS Education Series: Advanced AIDS Education Program, 6:30pm, MAP Office, 315 Wesr Court Street in Milwaukee. Call 273-1991, ext. 257 for registration.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 1

Boot Camp Saloon: 10th Anniversary. CAIR Research Conference:
"Spectrum of HIV Infection," with Dr. Barry Bernstein, 3-4:30pm. CAIR's Franklin Building, 1249 North Franklin, Milwaukee. FMI call 287-4680.
Club 3054 (Madison: Closing weekend; Final Karaoke, \$25 Best Singer.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 2

Pivot Club (Appleton): Stars of Wisconsin Show, 10:30pm, DuWanna Moore's farewell as Miss Gay WI-USA. Frontiers (Madison): Whitewater Rafting Weekend, Sept. 2-5. FMI and to make reservations, call Dave now at (608) 241-2500.

Club Xpress (Escanaba, MI):
Weekend Long Party, through Sunday.
Office (Rockford, IL): On the
Waterfront Kick Off Party, open 5pm.
Club 3054 (Madison): Closing
Weekend, Grant Dixon's Victims of
Desire Male & Female dancers,
10:30pm show, \$3 cover.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 3

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

Bunkhouse (Rockford, IL): 2nd

Anniversary Party

Volleyball Tournament.

Madison Wrestling Club: Returns to biweekly 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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Labor Day Weekend Party, open at Noon with drink specials and patio cook-out.

Office (Rockford, IL): On the Waterfront Weekend, open at Noon. Male & female dancers in the Dance Hall featuring erotic star Joey Morgan. Rockford's Annual Candlelight Vigil: Sponsored by AIDS Care Network, 7:15pm at Rockford's Symbol, Sinnissippi Gardens on Rock River. Club 3054 (Madison): Closing Weekend Birthday Blow-Out Bash, 5pm, Free BBQ & Tap Beer.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 4

MAPFest: Noon-10:30pm, Milw's Performing Arts Center (PAC). Food, games, entertainment, dance tents, 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.

Wreck Room: 22nd Anniversary Party, Food (3pm-?); Live Music (9-11pm). "The Naked Civil Servant": Movie Night at the Counseling Center, 2038 North Bartlett. \$2. Meet in Room 100. Call Bill at 271-2565 FMI.

Ballgame: Hors d'oeuvres served all weekend.

Triangle: Labor Day BBQ Party, 6pm. Sass (Green Bay): Labor Day Weekend Party. Cookout after

Packer/Viking Game.
Ray's Bar & Grille (Madison): Labor
Day Weekend Party, Volleyball
Tourney, Open at Noon, drink specials,

Pig Roast.

Office (Rockford): On the Waterfront,

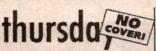
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Rod's (Madison): Beer Bash 4-9pm in the Alley. Patio opens at 5pm with 6pm BBQ cookout.

The New Bar (Madison): Festival for Life II, show produced by Alvin. All proceeds to benefit Children with AIDS, 9pm showtime, \$3 cover. contd.

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SEPTEMBER 8-11
THURSDAY - SUNDAY

Sun., Sept. 4...

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Club 3054 (Madison): Closing Weekend Bartender Reunion Day, last Double Beer Bust (3 to 8, 9-Close), video flashbacks, DJ 9-Close. Station 2: Open 11:30am, Packer Beer Bust till end of game.

MONDAY, SEPT. 5

Rod's (Madison): Beer Bash 4-9pm in the Alley. Patio opens at 5pm with 6pm BBQ cookout.

Club 3054 (Madison): Closing Party. Glamor Girls Farewell Show at 9pm with many special guests. Great drink specials all day, everything goes at 50¢ and \$1.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 6

Wreck Room: Live music with guitarist/vocalist Dan Schwartz, 8-10pm.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7

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

THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

Action Wisconsin: "United We Are Strong," reception with Milwaukee's LesBiGay organizations. 6:30pm Refreshments/Socializing; 7-8:30pm Meeting & Networking. Milwaukee Enterprise Center, Suite 310, 2821 North 4th Street.



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Pivot Club (Appleton): Male Dancers, 10:30pm.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

Club 219: Stallions, Male Revue.
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through Sept. 11 at the Milwaukee War
Memorial.

Za's (Green Bay): USA on Tour, 10:30pm.

Pivot Club (Appleton): Boys in the Bathroom, from the Chicago Improv, performing live, 10:30pm.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

6th Annual Miss Gay WI-USA
Pageant: Preliminary Night Competition
at The Pivot Club, 7pm, \$4 admission,
\$10 reserved tables.

M&M Club: Singsational Productions performs.

Wreck Room: Oberons Club Night, 10pm-1am, \$5 Beer Bust. Kick Off 4th Annual Christmas Club for Children with AIDS Fundraiser.

Fannie's: Golf Outing. Club 3054 Rummage (Madison): Giant Rummage Sale on Patio, Noon-

Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

6th Annual Miss Gay WI-USA
Pageant: Finals at Paper Valley Hotel
in downtown Appleton.
Club 219: Stallions Male Revue.
Milw Fundraiser for Rep. Tammy
Baldwin: 4-7pm, Cafe Melange, see
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Frontiers (Madison): Biking around Lake Wingra & the Arboretium. Call (608) 241-2500 for details.

Pivot Club (Appleton): Post pageant champagne reception.

Fannies: Live music, 6-? with Blarney Castle.

The New Bar (Madison): Tony Dominico and the annual Drag Queen Appreciation Night, 10:30 showtime, \$3 cover.

Club 3054 Rummage: Giant Rummage Sale on Club 3054 Patio, Noon-6pm.

MONDAY, SEPT. 12

AfterWords: Book Club discusses Honor Bound, 7:30pm, all welcome. Rod's (Madison): Fresh Meat Week. Free shot for every mailing list update or new sign-up.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 15

Gay By God's Will: Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47, 5pm. Public information & Q&A Forum with the 2 candidates for the 19th District (Scott Evertz & incumbant Barbara Notestein).

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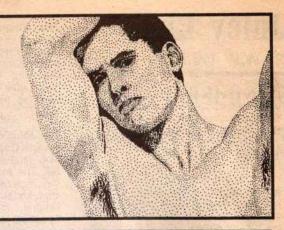
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Club 219: Grant Dixon's Victims of

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

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Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

SUMMER 1994

The Best and The Worst

While the calendar says the end of Summer is still weeks away, I believe Summer officially ends when school begins. If that theory holds true, then it's time for my annual look at the winners and losers of the Summer of '94.

Most Annoying Use of Facial Hair: Men who try to be hip by sprouting a goatee and/or other assorted coffee house chin hair. Here's a message in a bottle for you boys; If you've got to try to be hip, you're not... get yourself a Norelco and lay off the cafe latte.

Best Hispanic Accent: The hands down winner is dreamy, steamy Cuban immigrant, Pedro Zamora. MTV's HIV+Real World hunk has the best Cuban accent since Ricky Ricardo. It's so sexy it makes you want to fly to Florida and assist the Cuban refugees. Heck, if they're all as cute as him, I'll open a safe haven in my bedroom.



"CHICAGO'S LATE NIGHT SPOT TILL 4 A.AM" 3501 N. Halsted, Chicago, IL (312) 871-6116 The Summer's Most Well-Endowed Rumor: Belongs to 90210 humpster Jason Priestly. Videophiles swear his entire manhood swings in the straight to cable flop, Calendar Girl. Doesn't right now seem like a great time to see how well the freeze frame works on your VCR?

The John Wayne Bobbit Sliced Bacon Award: Goes to those nasty Republicans who slashed President Clinton's Crime Bill. The most unkindest cut coming at the expense of crime prone female impersonators as Congress sliced funding for Midnight Drag Queen Spaghetti Wrestling Leagues.

The Midwest's Most Queer-Phobic Homo Senator: Nahhhhh... I'll let you figure this one out for yourself.

The Oliver Stone Conspiracy Theory Award: Goes to all those people who still think someone else did it, despite the prosecution's recent high tech revelation of a NASA satellite surveillance video showing OJ Simpson at the murder scene brandishing a chain saw.

Most Frightened Hollywood Trend: Straight men playing drag queens in movies. First there was Robin Williams as Mrs. Doubtfire. Now there's Terence Stamp (looking a lot like a very tired Judy Collins) in Priscilla, Queen of the Desert... plus there's rumors of more flaming heterosexual movie stars in high heel performances coming this way. Hey... isn't Gay drag scary enough?

Worst Stalker Award: Goes to the 26 year old man claiming to be Madonna's husband. Don't you think it would have been much better if the stalker turned out to be David Letterman?

Best Use of the Clapper: Mick Jagger of the Rolling Stones who used it during their recent concert tour to turn off their instruments and laser light show from the comfort of his Craft-matic Adjustable Bed. I also understand that Depends Undergarments has signed on to sponsor the Stones' Social Security Concert Tour scheduled for 1997

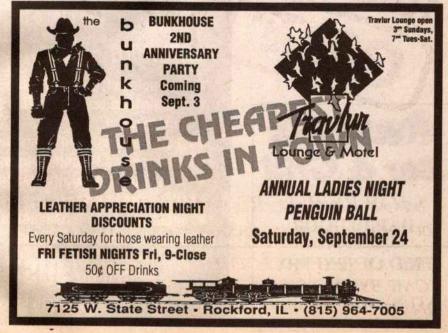
Worst Product Placement: In a snit at one of her Barbra Boutiques, La Femme de Back to Broadway nixed a bid for Lee Press On Nails to become the official Babs faux finger nail. Analysts say the move by She-Of-The-Long-Nails cost the company millions and front row seats during her tour.

Long in the Tooth Award: Goes to 50something Jack Nicholson who, in the wolf bites man thriller, Wolf, chases down a deer without breaking a sweat. That must have been one elderly deer.

Most Welcome Fade Away: Thankfully goes to Marky Mark, whose career as celebrity panties model has finally come to an end... but remember everybody gets a comeback. I wonder what he'll look like in a pair of Calvin's twenty years from now? Can you say sagging belly?

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Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

Safest Sex?

I have bad news.

Maybe you missed it in your local mainstream paper. It's about Lesbians, so if they carried it at all, it would have been hidden back in the Classified Information section, Section V or W or Z, somewhere around page two thousand. That's, of course, where they put articles about Lesbians unless we happen to be exceptionally cute that day, are wearing exceptionally low-cut dresses, happened to have murdered six or seven upstanding civilians. (If we murder each other, or even severely baseball bat a couple of well-deserving Cameros or four by fours, that could also move us right up there along with Bosnia, and Bill Clinton's weakly plea bargain.)

But this time it's a lessor story about death and destruction. It's about what's killing us. Now. So they probably didn't

run it.

Guess what? AIDS. I promised to tell you anything I found out. I found out something I didn't want to know. I spotted a very obscure mention that is of major magnitude to us. You see, AIDS has found a new back door to Lesbians, a new way into our ranks. It could mean that we aren't necessarily Heaven's most favored any more after all. So if you've been (like most of the rest of us) hanging out saying, "Nyah, nyah, nyah, nyah, Nyah, nyah, God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-loves-me-God-l

It's nothing so distant as raped nuns. Or bashed and battered sisters in other parts of town, exiting from bars we wouldn't go in to. Nor so close and obscure as shared toothbrushes, or razors in the already infected. (though that's the way it could go from now on for a lot of us if we aren't more careful.) It's not even about the understood dangerous liaisons of being bi-sexuals. It's about a totally unexplored corner of our own galaxy, one we thought was relatively safe from harm. Our insistent

passion for baby-booming.

It seems that semen has to be considered a bodily fluid. Well, no great surprise there, of course. We already knew that it can do great bodily harm in boys-and-boys, and boys-and-girls. I don't know how we missed the concept in girls-and-girls. Somehow we overlooked the fact that, even though we may not be doing any dirty deeds (and isn't no sex the safest sex? Or so we thought) we're injecting the stuff. Into our

bodies. In turkey basters, which have been the hypodermics of choice for an entire generation of Lesbians who wanted to become one of Heather's mommies.

And now, it seems, it could kill us. AIDS. You see, apparently there are, or were a lot of sperm banks that didn't bother screening for the deadly dreadful until just a few years ago. There may even still be some right now, even as you read this, that aren't testing at all. So the virus is getting through. It's hard to imagine that this is possible, that they wouldn't have screened for something this serious. But, then, that is probably what the hemophiliacs said.

Damn, I hate to be the one sharing this. It's just that I didn't see any banner headlines in my Daily Planet or your Clarion-Sentinel-Gazette. Just Lesbians, right? So who cares? Well, it looks like we may have to take a lesson from our brothers about caring for each other and ourselves. And this where I start. By spreading news. Even if it's

I don't want to be alarmist. This is only an inroad. No, that's not true. I want to be very alarmist. All the virus needed was an inroad way back when for the men.

Here's the lecture part. (Assume you're hearing this in your mother's voice. Only this time, of course, you can let yourself listen and actually hear.) We know it's a virus that can stay latent for decades. So if you inseminated early, whether you succeeded or not, please, scary as it seems, go get tested. You need to know in order to do what's necessary to take care of yourself and your baby. If you were successful, you also need to get the baby, or child, or adolescent tested... Because s/he needs to do whatever is necessary as well.

Some of you are smarter, or luckier. You asked the bank to make certain that all deposits were clean and safe. And many of the sperm banks figured it out sooner rather than later, and began screening. Some of you simply assumed. I'm sorry. You aren't going to like the

Since some of you are injecting even as we speak and check that vile. Everybody would prefer clean babies. Double check the source. Everyone says that they would die for their children. This is not what they mean.

I've heard a lot of conversation in the past couple of years about disappointment in the men's community because of the lack of reciprocity of caring. The men didn't seem to take our causes seriously when so many of them were withering. Unfortunately, this is not the way we want to establish equality.

I've lost too many brothers I had hoped to grow up knowing. I've released too many inscribed balloons to the sky, and shed too many tears to the ground to want to have to start now with my women.

Please, please, please, if you want babies they won't let you adopt, be sure the men among you have been tested negative. That part you already know.

But about the banks. Don't assume anything. Be certain the seed bank screens everything and anything they send out. Ask them. Out loud. Call them today and find out about when they started screening, and pray it was before they started sending you anything frozen in a Styrofoam box.

If you aren't involved in the practice, but know anyone who is, tell her, and tell her, and tell her again. Nag if you have to. Make certain that anything she uses is screened and clean. Let everyone you know who's been there and done that to get tested to find out for sure. This is a gateway. A deadly doorway. Once we

want to keep closed.

I didn't mean to have to tell you. But if I don't, who will?

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Stark Reality

By Kirk Stark

Gays in (Cyber) Space

The Information Superhighway has found a new use: hunting down true love. Or at least true lust... Whether it's on the Internet, American Online (AOL), or a

multitude of local electronic bulletin boards, Gay men are hunting each other down with all the intensity of Elmer Fudd on a wabbit hunt.

Using the Internet, men can "chat" with each other in such charming conference areas as "#gay," "#gaysex," or the terminally charming: "#jackoff."

The conversations in this area run

The conversations in this area run from the basic chatter to surreal cybersex scenes that include elements of S&M, scat, and watersports. I generally feel quite pure and wholesome after a few minutes online in certain conferences.

I won't say that I've never had a few

dozen impure thoughts... per day, but I will often wait until I know someone to ask them if that really is a rabbit in their pants. Silly me.

On a local computer bulletin board system (BBS) my first day online began by being greeted by another member of the system. His opening query to me regarded my personal dimensions. He was less than amused when I answered him with: 6'4" during my attempt at feigning stupidity.

Because I chose to maintain a sense of decorum, he quickly moved on to a new object of lust. But he was only the first of a string of men who decided that it was what was in their pants that really mattered. I was hit on by doctors,

lawyers, seminarians, and a couple of men who looked like ersatz versions of Village People members. But wait, it gets better.

During my time in cyberspace I've met men, who at the time seemed like they had true potential for more than a good session of Crisco Twister. I have been wrong up until this point.

When I was only on local BBSs, my dating life was *just* interesting. It was the same type of neurotic men I have always seen, interspersed with a few men who were either really kinky and quick to share their predilections. The dating rollercoaster became predictable, boring, and was as satisfying as Fat Free Doritos.

It was only when I went national, joining America Online (AOL) that life became interesting. I met intelligent men, emotionally deep men, and yes... the most psychotic men on the planet Earth.

One gentleman I met hailed from Atlanta. He was earnest, well spoken, and shared my twisted sense of humor. We got along well on the phone, talking for hours upon hours, enriching AT&T beyond their most avaricious dreams.

We met in person. It was magic. We had an amusing time together, which lead itself to the final conclusion. He left two days later, and then I called him.

At first he sounded fine, but as the conversation progressed, he became introverted. I asked what was wrong, and he went psychotic. He began talking manically about how I was pressuring him, and that I wasn't giving him enough space. I guess I thought two days and a thousand miles were enough. His words deluged me. I began to drown in the torrent of his babble.

I calmed him down, promised him I would give him more space, and escaped from the conversation. I kept my promise; it has been two years since I have called him. Love is never having to return a phone call.

But that's not the best/worst of it. I got even luckier.

As I was electronically canvassing the continent for an appropriate man, I ended up landing in my own backyard. Yes, I met a local man who was bright,



witty and could keep up his end of the conversation with ease. I thought I had hit a home run.

On the computer his dialogue flowed freely, and he told stories of his bad hair days, his slight queeniness, and his travails through life. I was interested and amused. We talked on the phone and met a few days later at a local restaurant.

I waited for him at the bar and knew it was him as he walked through the door. Although, had I not made a damn good guess I would have never figured it out. Since he claimed to be somewhat effeminate and was supposed to have big hair I was assuming he would actually possess these attributes. He

He had short hair, looked masculine, and was dressed in a calculatedly butch manner. What gave him away is what gives away the pseudo-butch across the country: his clothes were too expensive to really be butch.

We went to eat. As we talked I

realized two things:

▼ He had amazingly beautiful crystal blue eyes and looked like a model for International Male.

 He felt he was in dating purgatory with me.

Since I do actually have big hair, and I do veer a little more to the feminine side of life, I was what he purported to be. If the waiter hadn't appeared in a timely fashion silence would have reigned for the entire time of this torturous date.

Luckily the date was saved by two things. First, I had a slice of chocolate chip cheesecake which made up for my disappointment. Second, I wouldn't have to see him again.

Since this last fiasco I have been extremely careful. I generally don't encourage advances while I'm online, and when I do I have them take a battery of psychological tests and a drug screen.

They also have to know all the words to every Eurythmics song ever written. I find this generally separates the wheat from the chaff.

But, one has again slipped through the cracks. He's intelligent, literate, and has an appreciation for things like truth, justice, and valor. Now I'm waiting to see if he appreciates the really good things in life, like good incense, good wine, and nasty me.



Carmen Marcella Garcia and Devin Michaels performed at Club 219 and Club 94 during their recent tour. The country duo (seen here in more elegant attire) are from Florida.

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September Forecast

It's nice that, although summer is winding down, there is still quite a bid of sun-baked energy left to go around. Planetarily, we have the usual toe dances of fast paced Mercury and domineering Mars. Just pace yourself this month — there will be several difficult aspects that may send you off course or frustrate you. Keep your eyes open and don't let the planets push you around.

ARIES, March 21-April 20

What kind of advantage can you gain this month in the area of love, sex and commitment? I suppose it depends upon what you intend to do to make things happen. By mid-month, you may feel like your thoughts are not based in reality or are leading you down the primrose path. You may have to choose between your privacy and personal desires.

TAURUS, April 21-May 21

The job keeps you on your toes, but your heart lies elsewhere. Taureans are very adept, though, at doing the old balancing act and you will triumph at work as you happily master any relationship needs. You feel you are able to relate to others on a deeply personal level, but be careful of voicing your opinion before you have thought things out.

GEMINI, May 22-June 21

Fun may cost much more than anticipated. I suggest you keep a watchful eye on finances, especially when they involve risks like gambling. On the bright side, you will certainly enjoy yourself this month, lavishly or otherwise. By the end of September, the job will beckon, but this is all for the best. There are good things in store for you there.

CANCER, June 22-July 23

You are spurred to action and will feel the warm glow of the spotlight in center stage. Personal magnetism soars! This is what you have been striving for — the love of many — but remember that it comes at the expense of your privacy and sense of security. Are you ready to compromise your rugged crab shell for an accolade or two?

LEO, July 24-August 23

It seems as if your intuition is a tad overactive this month. Events may take a different spin or two if you decide to react to that little voice and scream out your ideas to all and sundry. Let's take it one step at a time, shall we? Put your energies to better use by doing something good for the community. Volunteer to do something meaningful.

VIRGO, August 24-Sept 23

Friends are there when they need you and you may find yourself expending extra energy on their behalf. This is not a bad thing unless you find yourself more on the giving end and less and less on the receiving end. Virgos are very servicing and self-sacrificing, but don't be a sap to a sappy story and keep a watchful eye on finances.

LIBRA, Sept 24-Oct 23

Do you feel like you are working very hard, but not making very much progress in your ascent up the corporate ladder? Keep plugging away and try not to become discouraged. Mid-month may seem especially taxing, but the bottleneck will begin to abate by the end of September. Forge ahead and damn the sharks! Investments bear fruit.

SCORPIO, Oct 24-Nov 22

There are many alluring things out there in the greater world. You are quite prepared to taste them all! It is an excellent time to take a well deserved vacation, but expect a snag or two from some unexpected sources before you depart. Don't worry, a light will shine on those rough edges and you can dispatch any problem (or potential problem) before it gets too unruly.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov 23-Dec 22

Sex could get in the way of a perfectly delightful friendship. It's your choice to allow the rage of hormones to take the lead and lead you astray. Maybe in the furor of the moment, you will get a glimmer of personal insight and be able to change a direction in your life that no longer provides you with fulfillment or satisfaction. One intense path leads to another.

CAPRICORN, Dec 22-Jan 20

Partners and their needs may come into direct conflict with professional career concerns. You just won't be able to please both constituencies so decide now who comes first. Capricorns are so outer directed that the choice may be sadly easy — career and status rule! My advice is that life is one big balancing act so try not to sell personal relationships short; they may not always be there for you.

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AQUARIUS, Jan 21-Feb 19

The job becomes so mundane and labor intensive that it may deprive you from more universal projects. Don't allow that to happen — Aquarians need their global dreams and you need to be able to follow the sun. Maybe it's just a question of reprioritizing or delegating tasks to others. Conserve your energy and redirect it to what pleases you.

PISCES, Feb 20-March 20

The party hound is ready and raring to go but don't allow your passions to rule you. It is all well and good to sample those sexy morsels here and there but it could get out of hand. Pisces are known to go overboard in their desires. Try to maintain a certain level of moderation for your own sake. Psychological breakthroughs are possible now.

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Court Chatter

Milwaukee - With summer coming to an end, the Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club is gearing up for Fall and Winter indoor play. Great competition and fun were had by all this Summer as well as an opportunity to make new friends away from the bar scene. Anyone interested in playing tennis throughout the Fall and Winter should call Jack at (414) 482-0472 or Gary at (414) 228-1975.

Congratulations goes out to Ed Lefforge and Gary Ozuna for winning their Division in Doubles at the recent GLTA Tournament in Chicago on August 5-8, where over 200 people from around the country and Canada competed. Mr. Lefforge also won his division in Singles. Bill Wardlow, Tony Grable and Tom Baumgart from Milwaukee and Mark Miller from Madison also competed.

Mr. Miller will now compete in Los Angeles over Labor Day weekend while several others from Milwaukee will be competing in the Washington, DC Classic on September 16-18. For more information on upcoming GLTA tournaments around the country, please call Bill at (414) 697-0701.

Milwaukee - Los Angeles, New York, and Dallas captured championships in the 1994 Gay Softball World Series. Fifty-nine teams competed in the open division of the tournament which was held in Nashville on August 16-20. Los Angeles Stray Cats took the A division, Dugout of New York won the B division, and Arc Angels of Dallas were the C division winners.

Milwaukee's division B entry, Club 219, lost their first two games in a 3game round robin. They were defeated by defending Class A champion Norfolk, 16-9, and by a San Francisco team, 7-6. They rebounded to defeat the Annex Irish of Chicago team, 10-7. In the double elimination portion of the tournament, Club 219, after falling behind 11-0 to another San Francisco team, tied the game at 11-11, but then lost in 8 innings, 13-12. A 9-7 defeat to Toronto on Friday eliminated the Milwaukee team. A good "team" effort by Club 219

kept them close in every game. Next year the World Series will be held in Seattle, and Minneapolis/St. Paul was awarded the series in 1996.

TOURNAMENTS

Several teams will be participating in Labor Day tournaments. YP and Club 219 will be going to Cleveland for the MIST Tournament, and Rick's Rangers will be in Cincinnati for a tournament.

In October, over 30 players and fans will be heading west to San Diego for a softball tournament. Players from the Ballgame, M&M and Rick's Rangers will be participating.



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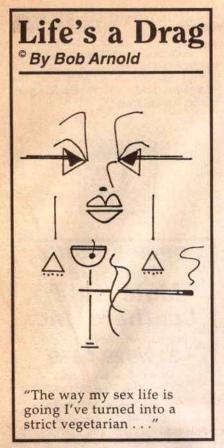
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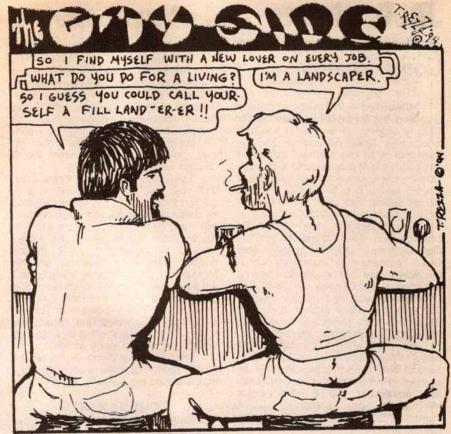
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Housing

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Deputy Director of Administration
AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc.
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The Milwaukee AIDS Project, a service agency of the AIDS Resource Center of WI, is seeking a full-time Registered Nurse for the daily coordination and service delivery in our Early Intervention Clinic and Counseling and Testing program. Responsibilities include coordinating our medical services directed toward newly diagnosed HIV positive individuals and implementation of a new Anonymous HIV Counseling and Testing program. Additional responsibilities include staff (1.5 FTE) supervision, assisting in the development of related programs, and networking with medical professionals and conducting outreach to targeted communities. Candidate must hold current RN licenesure and have demonstrated clinical and managerial skills. Masters Degreed Nursing Practitioners preferred. MINIMAL EVENING & WEEKEND HOURS NECESSARY. Send cover letter, resume and salary requirements by Friday, September 9th to:

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Graffiti

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Tom: Make sure when you're in the library at Northwestern, you're studying and not cruising all those hot college boys! Pick up some Tender Vittles for Murray when you come home for Thanksgiving.

Louden Clear and Nikki Sue Trott Tom: Here's a joke to remember me by: How did Madonna meet Naomi Campbell? When shopping for a car, Madonna asked the salesclerk if there was a black model she could ride. (Ha! Ha!)

Keep in touch, Nikki Sue Trott

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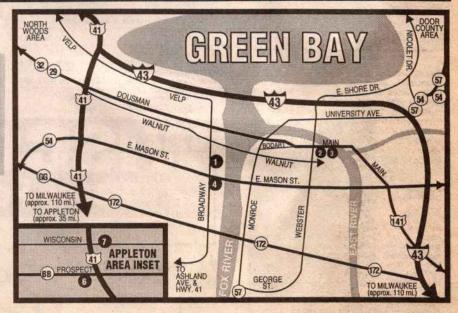
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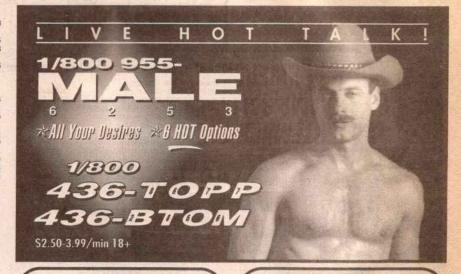
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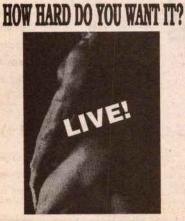
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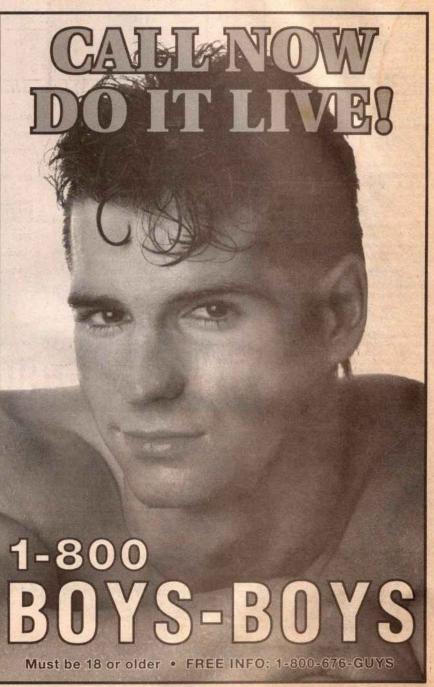
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Milwaukee TV IN THE BEDROOM: Cross dresser looking for others, and older men who are exp and love to cuddle

Waukesha **501 BLUE5:** New to area GHM 34 5'10 180 blk/brn mustache beard btm seeking GWM 28-38 tp must jeans and boots kinda guy beard a + ±43102

Milwaukee SLIPPERY WHEN WET: 27 lkg for young smooth guys 18-25 vgdlk \$1570

Appleton INNER BEAUTY: Jeff, 24 long blad hair into dancing and what's inside-

Madison I CAN SEE IT ALL, NOW: Lou 26 blnd/blu look good in biker pants, older or married men for safe times maybe relief's have some fuunnnn! #2108

Milwaukee HEAD OF THE
NEIGHBORHOOD: Mike, 24 GWM
6'183, lkng for a to guy in the area
brn/grn med bld, fairly active indiv#2557

414 Area Code TOM 18, 5'8 brn/brn 170 college student w/broad shoulders, wide chest musc legs 18-25 only hones sense of humor strong minded- no bi's non drink/smoke U B 2. ≠4095

Racine ROCK YOU LIKE A HURRICANE: Rock musician, slim, 6' long hair tan like music, seafood, boating, outdoors some Iv, pref smaller guys- thats it for right now- #1497

Racine HII LIKE TO MEET YOU-GWM 36 seeking area men to please and have a good time-#1549

Milwaukee STEVE 37 5'10 185 hairy short blu clean shave alot of fun many hats-like to have a good time lkg for masc daddy type teddy bear any race-like to ploy darts, movies some sports, like romantic times too-candlelight dinners-

715 Area Code WHAT'S YOURS? looking for a real nice hard body musc guy to have fun with-my name is Joe-#9284

Madison GWM 25 5'11 brn/brn 160 goatee lkg for 18-35 in my area, hairy, masc gdlkg discreet ≠12439

Racine THERE'S A PARTY AT MY PLACE AND I WANT YOU ALL TO COME: Come party with me GWM 36 seeking area men to invite to my party! #1549 Marshfield COME TO MY PARTY: Vichot 26 GWM, 6', 168, non-drinker blnd/blu seeks slim, avg built guys 21-29 for fun and friendship - interests are: music, walking, dancing, house parties and other fun activities. #27563 activities, visiting etc. looking to meet similar in my area. #34688

Fond du Loc BARSICK: Scott, 22 y/o, 6'2, 165 blu/bland, sick of bars looking for honest, long lasting relationship-if you're a SWM btwn 18-27 call me. #34713

Appleton BI GEORGE!: Bi WM looking for someone who likes to have fun. Are you the one? #34851

Kenosha YOUNGER BROTHER
WANTED- gay or bi of any race under
40 by 42y/o hairy beard must, 5'9 230
teddy bear for male bonding tlc
buddy/buddy good times & pleasure-tired
of the bars? me tool romantically inclined
-serious only reply. #35053

Appleton MR. MODEST: Greg Too good to be true reg guy workout, looking for workout buddy, enjoys sports athletic-looking for 6' or larger who likes to have fun likes to laugh. #36439

Milwaukee CENSORED BY THE FCC: submissive TV int in guys wild times bd seeking a fem TV or TV for sincere rel. into all kinds of things - anything thats wild - clean and discreet #42713

Milwaukee HANES YOUR WAY: Hisp man 30 seeking fem TV or she/male 18-25 slim petite into garters poss long term rel. #39930

Milwaukee THE BEAR FACTS: Brian 23 enjoy French A/P int in meeting older men >36 heavy set hairy, the bigger the better. #42632

Madison DISTINGUISHED
GENTLEMEN: James bi/wm Madison
area looking for older mature indiv 40-60

Milwaukee CREATIVE PLAYTHINGS: Gdlkg 35 6'2 - looking for hot intell hunks who like to be creative. #42850

Milwaukee INFORMAL ATTIRE: Don 30 bi/wm open minded, versatile seeking other guys into casual times - #42896

Kenosha HEY HEY HEY TIRED OF THE BARS? being alone and all the games and bs? looking for passion? int in a cuddly buddy pol 34 furry gwm teddy bear husky must beard brn/blue romantic. seeks brotherly buddy or pal any race under 35. =42957

Madison GOLLY GEE, MR. WIZARDI 26 Marco looking to meet a man around my age to experiment- not into scene for awhile up for anything - call me. #42973

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

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a lady - #34483

Warwick County COMPOUND INTERESTS: Mark, GWM 34, 5'11, 250, HIV-, looking for GWM any age in my area-like music cooking-walks, talks, waterfalls, gardening, list too numerous to mention #34667

NE WI COME OVER TO MY HOUSE: Clean cut, 185, 5'9, enjoy outdoor Kenosha HEY, WAYNE AND GARTH, LETS PARTY!: Bi-WM 40 and Bi-WM 21 seek other gay or Bi-WM under 25, not into bars- we're into heavy metal music and social drinking at our place. #34737

Lacrosse. SAIL AWAY WITH ME: John 25, 190, 6'2, blu/blnd - wide variety of interests - boating, traveling, talking etc. = 34748

WI THATS WHY THE LADY IS A TRAMP: Cameron 22y/o TV into couples, women and men, vgl and versatile slim attractive and college educated, open minded. #34758

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Appleton BI THE WAY: 25 yr. old, 511", Bln/Blu, bi male looking for guys in the area, 20-26 yrs. old, into outdoors and dancing.

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

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

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

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

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

Appleton HEY, CLARK KENT: 26 yr. old, nice build, 5'7" looking for that super hero look alike, 25-35 yrs. old, to sweep me off my feet. \$\pi\$3960

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

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

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

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

Kenosha BEARDED BEAR: Rob i'm eager versatile Polish- Italian furry husky cuddly teddy bear interested in meeting new friends of any race. 42, HIV- beard, mustache 235lbs hairy brn/blue. #34388

WI CAN I BORROW YOUR RED DRESS?: Steve, GWM, discreet, CD into being with CD'ers. You are good looking. ₱11250

Milwaukee PICKIN' AND A
GRINNIN': 43 yr. old GM, into sports
and bluegrass music, looking for a
relationship with someone in the area.
#24086

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

Modison LONESOME DOVE: Lonesome bi white male, 6', stoch, into the country, looking for other cowboys for friendship or more. \$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\textit{\$\t

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. \$\tilde{2}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



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