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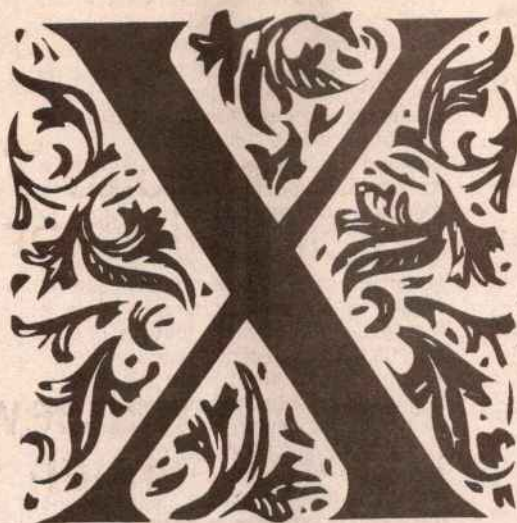
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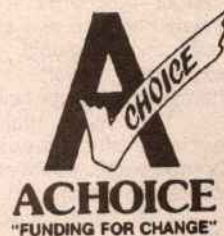
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News

Appeals Court Says Navy Can't Discharge Meinhold

Acknowledgement of Gayness Insufficient Grounds for Dismissal

By Jamakaya

San Francisco, CA — The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that the Navy has no right to discharge Petty Officer Keith Meinhold merely because Meinhold admitted that he is Gay. It is the eighth decision by a federal court in the past two years declaring that a mere acknowledgment of homosexuality is insufficient grounds for dismissal.

The Meinhold case involves the Pentagon's old anti-Gay ban, but the Clinton administration, concerned that the ruling may weaken the underpinnings of its new "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, is expected to appeal.

The latest decision in the Meinhold case is something of a mixed blessing for advocates of Gay rights because while the court ruled that the mere statement that one is Gay is insufficient grounds for discharge, the court at the same time deferred to the Navy's overall policy that homosexual conduct "seriously impairs the accomplishments of the military mission."

In a narrow ruling that sustained only part of an earlier decision fully backing Meinhold's right to serve, the Ninth Circuit stated: "A military service cannot discharge a service member solely because of a statement of sexual orientation devoid of a concrete, expressed desire to act on his homosexual propensity."

The ruling implies that further evidence of a "propensity" to engage in homosexual conduct would in fact constitute grounds for dismissal.

The earlier decision by Federal Judge Terry Hatter Jr. in 1993 attacked the very idea that the presence of homosexuals impairs military discipline, saying the theory is based on "cultural myths and false stereotypes." Hatter rejected the notion that the courts must defer to military judgment. He said the Pentagon policy barring homosexuals had no factual basis and violated the equal protection clause of the Constitution.

Although the Appeals Court did not go that far in rejecting the entire pre-Clinton anti-Gay policy, it could still spell trouble for Clinton's revised policy, which went into effect in February.

DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL

Under the revised "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" guidelines, codified by Congress, recruits are no longer asked about their sexual orientation. But the discharge policy states: "The military will discharge members who engage in homosexual conduct, which is defined as a homosexual act, a statement that the member is homosexual or Bisexual, or a marriage or attempted marriage to someone of the same gender."

Clinton himself said: "An open statement by a service member that he or she is a homosexual will create a rebuttable presumption that he or she intends to engage in prohibited conduct." The burden of proof is on the service member to refute the presumption that he or she will engage in such conduct.

The Ninth Circuit was ruling on the previous Pentagon policy. But its strong statement that "no similar assumption is made with respect to service members who are heterosexual unless they are charged with adultery, bigamy or sodomy" exposes the double standard of the policy and suggests that it too may be deemed unconstitutional.

Despite appeals by the government, Meinhold was reinstated after Judge Hatter's decision and he continues to serve at Moffett Field in San Jose. The legal battle began after Meinhold appeared on an ABC news program in 1992 and said, "Yes, I am in fact Gay." Meinhold, in his 13th year with the Navy, has a distinguished service record and has not been charged with any misconduct.

"The government can't assume that because I'm Gay I'm any different from any other sailor," said Meinhold upon learning of his latest victory.

Meinhold's attorney, John McGuire, said this about the ruling: "You can be Gay and be in the military. You can say you are Gay and be in the military. What you can't do is offer explicit evidence that you will engage in homosexual acts."

The real question, said McGuire, is "Will the new policy still be constitutional given the reasoning in this decision?"

Meinhold's case has progressed farthest through the federal appeals courts and is likely to be the first case about the Pentagon ban to be taken up by the US Supreme Court in the next year or two. A decision is expected soon from a federal appeals court in the District of Columbia in the case of Midshipman Joseph Steffan, who was dismissed from Annapolis just shy of graduation after he admitted to superiors he was Gay.

A suit filed by six active duty service members in New York earlier this year challenges the new Clinton policy. It could take years to make its way through the federal courts. But its course could be influenced by the results of the Meinhold and Steffan decisions.

More Than 6,000 Signed Up for AIDS Walk Wisconsin

You Can Register On-Site Sept. 18

Milwaukee — More than 6,000 people have signed up to participate in AIDS Walk Wisconsin, the fifth annual 10K pledge walk scheduled for Sunday, September 18 along Milwaukee's lakefront. Among those numbers are 272 teams of walkers who will compete for prizes to see who can raise the most funds.

Last year's event drew 8,000 walkers and raised over a half million dollars for AIDS care, education and research in the state. Officials at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin would like to either equal or surpass that figure.

Those still planning to participate can pick up registration materials and pledge forms at the AIDS Walk Headquarters at 826 N. Plankinton Avenue in downtown Milwaukee, or can call 1-800-348-WALK. On-site registration is also possible the day of the walk.

This year the festivities will begin at a new start-off point at the Summerfest grounds where sign-up will begin at 10:30am. The cajun-zydeco band Hat Trick will entertain participants from the Miller Stage before the Opening Ceremonies at Noon and the step-off at 12:30.

The walk will stretch north along Milwaukee's lakefront to Lake Park and then double back to the Summerfest grounds. Numerous entertainers, including the Brew City Sisters, Lovermonkey, the Happy Tap Dancers and the Mighty Vumbas will provide entertainment at rest stops along the walk route, where refreshments will also be served.

A closing celebration will be held at approximately 3:30pm with lots of food, entertainment by Five Guys with Day Jobs, and the announcement of how much money the walkers raised.

Tickets are still available for the AIDS Walk Breakfast, set for the Italian Community Center at 631 E. Chicago Street at 9:30am. Today's TMJ4 Anchorwoman Carole Meekins will emcee, and Brewer Darryl Hamilton and Dan Bross of the AIDS Action Council in Washington will speak. Please call 1-800-348-WALK for breakfast reservations or for any other questions you may have about the Walk.

And remember — wear comfortable walking shoes!

Tom Barrett Joins Russ Feingold as Sponsor of ENDA

Federal Bill Will Ban Workplace Bias

Washington, DC — Tom Barrett, the Congressman representing Wisconsin's 5th Congressional district, recently followed the lead of Sen. Russ Feingold and signed on as a sponsor of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, or ENDA.

Feingold was a principle sponsor of the bill when it was introduced into the Senate in June. Barrett joins a growing list of senators and representatives supporting ENDA. As of Labor Day, the Senate bill (S2238) had 31 co-sponsors, while the House bill (HR4636) had 135 co-sponsors.

Feingold and Barrett are both Democrats and are the only two members of Wisconsin's Congressional delegation to endorse ENDA. Sen. Herb Kohl has so far declined to take a position on ENDA but is likely to feel greater pressure during his re-election campaign this fall. All House members are also up for re-election.

Gay and Lesbian leaders are urging supporters to contact Kohl and other members of Wisconsin's delegation to urge that they support the bill. (<I>See list below<>.) More committee hearings on ENDA are expected this fall and a growing number of co-sponsors is expected to give the legislation greater momentum.

ENDA prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of sexual orientation, extending fair employment practices to Lesbians, Gay men, Bisexuals and heterosexuals. It prohibits employers, employment agencies and labor unions from using a person's sexual orientation as the basis for decisions on hiring, firing, promotion or compensation.

ENDA incorporates the remedies of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 — injunctive relief and damages. It exempts all religious organizations and small businesses with less than 15 employees as well as the military services.

ENDA marks a shift in strategy for Gay and Lesbian rights advocates. For almost 20 years, a federal bill guaranteeing non-discrimination in the multiple areas of employment, housing and public accommodations made no progress. Gay activists and pro-Gay politicians felt that drafting a bill with a more narrow focus might be more effective.

Aware of the fact that many recent polls indicate a majority of Americans believe Gays and Lesbians should not be denied a job or be dismissed from a job

because of their sexual orientation, Gay lobbyists decided to concentrate on job bias.

CALL YOUR REPS!

Russ Feingold and Tom Barrett should be thanked for their support. The others should be encouraged to co-sponsor ENDA. When calling or writing your representative, remember that ENDA is known as HR-4636 in the House and S-2238 in the Senate. Here is the list of Wisconsin representatives along with their Washington and local phone numbers:

Sen. Herb Kohl: (202) 224-5653, (608) 264-5338, (414) 297-4451.

Sen. Russ Feingold: (202) 224-5323, (608) 828-1200, (414) 276-7282.

Rep. Peter Barca: (202) 225-3031, (414) 632-4446.

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Oregon, Idaho Need Support Against Initiatives

Anti-Gay Referenda in Both States Nov 8

Portland, OR — Gay and Lesbian rights advocates and their supporters in Oregon and Idaho are appealing to the LesBiGay community and progressive groups throughout the country for support in fighting well-funded anti-Gay initiatives which will appear on the ballots in each state November 8.

Although worded somewhat differently, if passed, the measures would have the same impact. They would repeal and block any laws and policies intended to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation. They specifically forbid same-gender marriage and domestic partnerships as well as any discussion of homosexuality in the schools.

In addition, they would ban the use of public funds for any group or project that in any way expresses acceptance of homosexuality. They will give the green light to employers to make personnel decisions based on individuals' sexual orientation without fear of legal redress.

The initiatives are called Proposition 13 in Oregon and Proposition 1 in Idaho. Their chief sponsors are the Oregon Citizens Alliance and an offshoot, the Idaho Citizens Alliance. Funds are already pouring in from such national anti-Gay groups like Focus on the Family, the Traditional Values Coalition and the Christian Coalition.

The pro-Gay forces have coalesced into the Support Our Communities PAC, or "No on 13," in Oregon, and the "No on One" Campaign in Idaho. Gay and Lesbian activists in those states are busy building coalitions with progressive groups to defeat the measures. Personnel from the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's *Fight the Right*

campaign are offering advice and technical assistance.

In Idaho, a poll of 807 people conducted earlier this year revealed that 48% would vote against the anti-Gay initiative, while 36% would support it, with the rest undecided. Activists are also encouraged that the two candidates vying to replace Gov. Cecil Andrus oppose the measure and vow to veto it should it be approved. The Idaho initiative creates a new statute which requires gubernatorial approval.

The Oregon measure, on the other hand, is a constitutional amendment not subject to gubernatorial approval. While Oregon voters rejected a similar measure in 1992, the wording of this year's initiative is less extreme and may seem more palatable to some undecided voters.

The Oregon Citizens Alliance has conducted extensive groundwork, managing to pass similar anti-Gay ordinances in at least 20 localities. The OCA may also benefit from the fact the November ballot will be crowded with 50 different propositions, increasing the likelihood of confusion or even fatigue among voters.

If either initiative passes, it is likely to be challenged in the courts. If both fail, organizers do not expect the anti-Gay campaigners to fold their tents and go away.

In Oregon, the OCA will continue to hammer away at the local level and is already preparing two new anti-Gay initiatives for the statewide ballot in 1996.

(Contributions can be sent to, or information on holding fundraising house parties can be obtained from: The "No on One" Campaign, 6163 Clinton Street, Boise, ID 83704, (208) 376-1599; and Support Our Communities PAC/No on 13, P.O. Box 40625, Portland, OR 97420, (503) 222-6151.)

STATE News Briefs

LaCrosse Bars Raise Thousands for AIDS Hospice Care

La Crosse — Fundraising events held in two La Crosse bars over a weekend in mid-August raised \$5,460 for hospice care for AIDS patients at Lutheran Hospital and St. Francis Medical Center. The goal had been to raise \$2,000, so the final figure surpassed everyone's expectations. The hospice administrators were as surprised as they were grateful.

The benefits took place at Rainbow's End and the Cavalier Lounge. About 45 businesses donated items to raffle and auction off, including Packers tickets, and Pride rings and other items were sold to raise funds. DJs spun dance music, people did lip-synch routines and female illusionists provided further entertainment.

Merchandise co-Chair Jeannine Gilles, manager of Rainbow Revolution bookstore, told **In Step** that while the money raised may not be on the scale of fundraisers in Milwaukee or Madison, "It was significant for us because of the way the community here came together and cooperated in a real focused effort. Plans are already underway for a similar benefit next year, possibly when the AIDS Quilt comes to town in April."

ACT UP Angers MPS With Safe Sex Pamphlets

Milwaukee — ACT UP Milwaukee once again incurred the wrath of Milwaukee Public Schools administrators and an inordinate amount of media publicity when it handed out safer sex pamphlets outside Riverside University High School on the first day of school. The front of the pamphlet urged teens "Don't Fuck Up — Fuck Safe!"

Mary Bills, President of the Milwaukee School Board, issued a release condemning the pamphlets. "As a parent, I believe the brochure ACT UP Milwaukee distributed to students...goes well beyond the boundaries of common decency. The materials ACT UP presented are vulgar, offensive and, in my opinion, an insult to young people."

Bills said the pamphlet had been referred to the District Attorney's Office for review. The DA ruled last year that it did not and that ACT UP had a First Amendment right to distribute its literature, although not directly on school grounds. ACT UP handed out its pamphlets across the street from school property.

The controversy got massive media attention and led the Red Cross to threaten legal action if its name was not taken off a referral list in the brochure. ACT UP will remove Red Cross from future printings.

The media frenzy was unusual given the fact that ACT UP has distributed safer sex literature at area high schools for four years, most recently last spring outside high school proms. "Apparently they have short memories," surmised ACT UP's Yuri Keegstra, "or maybe it was a slow news day."

Keegstra said ACT UP would continue its education campaign among teens "until condoms are available in schools in such a way that students can obtain them without repercussions" and "until state-mandated HIV/AIDS education guidelines are followed by all teachers."

Chris Fons Wins Community Activist Award

Milwaukee — Christopher Fons, a founder of ACT UP Milwaukee, is among six people being honored with the First Annual Community Activist Awards presented by Progressive Milwaukee.

Fons was a founding member of ACT UP Milwaukee in 1989 and has been involved in many of the group's campaigns, including the drives to expose dentists and physicians who refused to treat people with HIV/AIDS, to enact

reforms in the prison system, to force the City of Milwaukee to allocate funds for AIDS service groups, and to speed up drug trials and approval of drugs at the federal level.

Fons has been active in bringing AIDS preventive education to teenagers, a cause dear to his heart because he received his own HIV-positive diagnosis at age 19. He is now 26. Fons has been badly affected by cryptosporidiosis in the past year but continues to be active. The awards banquet is Saturday, September 24 at 7 p.m. at the International Building, 611 W. National Ave. For tickets, call (414) 332-7972.

Club 3054 Closes for 90 Day Suspension

Madison — Madison's Common Council voted 17-2 to accept a settlement in the case of Club 3054, closing the bar for 90 days. The August 30 vote ended the six-month action against the bar, which began when the Madison Department of Public Health received an anonymous letter alleging that illegal sexual activity was taking place in Wings, the Club's basement levi/leather bar.

Attorneys for the city and Club 3054 had previously worked out a settlement which would have closed the bar for 60 days. Ald. Tim Bruer, District 14, spearheaded a successful effort to reject any settlement which did not include a 90 day license suspension. Bruer, who has been active in regulating sexually oriented material in Madison, has repeatedly said he is motivated solely by public health concerns. The city's Public Health Department refused to take any action against the bar.

Council members David Wallner, District 2; and Wayne Bigelow, District 1; argued to send the matter back to the Alcohol License Review Committee, saying that the bar and owner Cheri Becker were not being treated the same way other bars in similar situations have been. The Council rejected this idea, with one alder citing the "sense of closure" that a vote on the issue would bring.

Club 3054 closed the day after Labor Day. Becker has expressed doubts about her ability to reopen the bar after such a long suspension.

Rep. Frank to Attend Hecht Reception

Milwaukee — Openly Gay Massachusetts Congressman Barney Frank will be in Madison September 24 as the guest of honor at a fundraiser for Democratic U.S. Congressional candidate Tom Hecht. Hecht is running in Wisconsin's 2nd District to unseat Republican Scott Klug.

The reception, hosted by State Representative Tammy Baldwin, will be held at 814 Prospect in Madison. The event will kick off at 7:30pm. Organizers are asking for a hard donation of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Dress is casual.

For more information, and to get directions and parking instructions, call Hecht campaign headquarters at (608) 284-1994.

Also Around the State...

Milwaukee — The 9th annual MAPfest, held on the grounds of the Performing Arts Center September 4, raised more than \$40,000 for AIDS care, prevention and research. The festival, which celebrates the contributions of the Gay and Lesbian community to the fight against AIDS, drew several thousand people.

Milwaukee — Ken Knudsen, the owner of Sybaris Clubs, has confirmed that his luxury pool suites are only available to heterosexual couples. The exclusionary policy garnered publicity after a Lesbian couple, Julie Grimme and Marsh Janezco, were denied a reservation. "We found another place that was happy to take our money," Grimme told the **Milwaukee Sentinel**. Because Sybaris is a private membership club, it is not subject to Wisconsin's non-discrimination statute regarding sexual orientation.

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NATIONAL News Briefs

Federal Bill Ups Penalties for Hate Crimes

Washington, DC — The \$30.2 billion crime bill, passed by the House and Senate after rancorous debate, includes a provision which increases penalties for hate crimes committed against Lesbians and Gay men.

The omnibus crime bill contains an amendment known as the Hate Crimes Sentencing Enhancement Act, which increases sentences by three offense levels for federal crimes against persons or property that are motivated by race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, gender or sexual orientation.

The legislation was modeled after Wisconsin's hate crimes enhancement law, which was first found unconstitutional by the Wisconsin State Supreme Court but later approved unanimously by the US Supreme Court. The federal law, like Wisconsin's, does not create a new category of crime; it merely increases the penalties for anyone found guilty of a crime already on the books when that crime is motivated by bias.

"This is the first time Congress has acted to punish violence against Lesbians and Gay men through stiffer penalties for hate crimes," said David Zingale of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, which lobbied for its passage. "The inclusion of disability and gender, along with sexual orientation, sends a message to local law enforcement agencies that the federal government is serious about Gay-bashing, as well as hate crimes against women, people with AIDS and people of color."

Anti-Gay Murders Continue in Texas

Irving, TX — Thirty-three-year-old Edwin Perkins, a parolee previously convicted of attempted murder, has been charged with the August stabbing death of Larry David Allen, a Gay man. Perkins is also being questioned about the murders of two other Gay men in January and June of this year.

Meanwhile in Houston, four high school football players have been charged with the July murder of Michael J. Burzinski, another Gay man, who was beaten, robbed, kidnapped and then murdered. The youths admitted they wanted to rob someone and thought a Gay man would be the easiest mark.

These incidents unfolded at the same time that a jury in Kerrville sentenced Donald Aldrich to death for the brutal murder of young Nicholas West, a Gay man. The killings have drawn massive publicity and are having the dual effect of frightening Texas Gays and Lesbians about their homophobic surroundings and mobilizing them like never before.

But feelings of fear and anger are most prevalent. Hiram Butler, a Houston art dealer, told the *New York Times*: "The thing that has appalled me is the absolute vacuum of moral leadership. People say, 'Oh, the poor guys that killed him [Burzinski]. They might have done something with their lives.' But no religious leader, no politician, no one with any standing in this community has stood up and said: 'This is wrong. We will not stand for this.'"

Partners' Registry Awaits Wilson's Okay

Sacramento, CA — As *In Step* went to press, the fate of a statewide domestic partners registry in California was in the hands of Republican Gov. Pete Wilson, who has the power to sign the bill or veto it. Wilson infuriated Gays and Lesbians four years ago when he vetoed a Gay rights bill.

The domestic partners registry law, which includes unmarried same-sex or opposite-sex couples, was passed by the California State Assembly 45-26 and by the State Senate 21-17. It allows couples living together and sharing expenses

to register with the Secretary of State as domestic partners and extends limited rights usually reserved for married couples.

People so registered would be able to visit their partners in hospitals. They would have the ability to administer each other's business in the event of one's incapacitation and to use a standard legal form to bequeath their property to each other.

If Wilson signs the bill, California will be the first state in the union to establish a partners registry. Vermont played a pioneering role earlier this year when the union representing state employees successfully negotiated benefits for the workers' unmarried domestic partners.

Stonewall Exhibit Draws Record Crowds

New York, NY — *Becoming Visible: The Legacy of Stonewall*, a multimedia exhibition of recent Gay and Lesbian history on display at the New York Public Library, has broken the attendance record previously set by an exhibit of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The exhibit, which continues through September 24, drew a record crowd of 17,258 in the days preceding the Stonewall 25 celebration in June. More than 5,500 people viewed the exhibit on the Saturday before the Stonewall march. Since then, attendance has been steady at about 1,000 per week. Visitors have included people from 39 states and 39 foreign countries.

The exhibit documents Gay and Lesbian life in New York in the decades before and after the Stonewall Rebellion. Artifacts range from a neon "Stonewall" sign, disco recordings, copies of Gay and Lesbian publications, photos and news clippings, political banners, AIDS memorabilia and more.

"That the New York Public Library decided to do the exhibition is the strongest statement of all," curator Fred Wasserman told the *New York Times*. "The New York Public Library has said: 'This is important. Your lives are real. This is

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Funds are being raised to find a permanent home for *Becoming Visible*. Organizers are also looking into the feasibility of using it as a traveling exhibition.

Famed Choreographers Felled by AIDS

New York, NY — Michael Peters, who won a Tony Award for choreographing the Broadway hit *Dream Girls*, and Walter Raines, who taught ballet at the Dance Theater of Harlem, both died of AIDS complications in late August. Peters was 46. Raines was 54.

In addition to his Tony for *Dream Girls*, Peters won two Emmy Awards for the TV shows *Liberty Weekend: Closing Ceremonies* and *The Jacksons: An American Dream*. He was a pioneer in music videos, choreographing and directing videos for Michael Jackson, Diana Ross, Lionel Richie, Billy Joel and Earth, Wind and Fire. Peters also created the dance sequences in movies like *Mambo Kings*, *What's Love Got to Do With It?* and *Sister Act 2*.

Walter Raines was trained in classical ballet. He performed with the Dance Theater of Harlem from 1968-78. In the 1980's, he supervised several programs at the Alvin Ailey American Dance Center. He taught at the City College of New York, was a guest teacher at the Vienna Opera Ballet and was the first black choreographer to work at the Royal Opera in London.

"When I die," Raines once said, "I'd just like to be called 'a man of the theater.'"

Thousands Rally Against Cobb County Resolution

Marietta, GA — Despite threats of death and mayhem from bigots, thousands of people crowded Marietta Square in Cobb County, Georgia August 28 for a rally called "And Justice For All" to protest the county's adoption of an anti-Gay resolution one year ago.

Last year, the Cobb County Commission passed a resolution condemning the "Gay lifestyle" as "incompatible with community standards" and a second resolution ending all county funding of the arts for fear some Gay-themed works might be subsidized.

Since then, the Cobb County Commissioners have hardly had a day of peace. The daughter of the Commission's chairman came out as a Lesbian, and a determined grass roots effort recently succeeded in getting the US Olympic Committee to withdraw volleyball competition from a Cobb County sports venue.

Among the rally speakers were Rabbi Steven Lebow who compared anti-Gay bias to anti-Semitism, and NOW Vice President Rosemary Dempsey, who spoke of her struggle to retain custody of her children because she is Lesbian. The rally took place on the 31st anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech and was meant to bring together a wide coalition of groups and people to call for the repeal of Cobb County's anti-Gay policies.

"Creating Change" in Dallas, Nov. 9-13

Dallas, TX — *Creating Change*, the 7th annual national conference for Gay and Lesbian organizing and skills-building, will be held November 9-13 at the Southland Center Hotel in Dallas.

Three all-day intensive seminars will precede the conference. They are *People of Color Organizing and Building a Movement* on November 9 and *Race, Class and Gender* on November 10. The conference begins with an opening plenary that Thursday night along with a speech by Rep. Glenn Maxey, the first openly Gay person to win a seat in the Texas legislature.

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Amanda Bearse, from the hit FOX television program *Married...With Children*, openly lesbian mother.

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Other speakers include Letitia Gomez, Executive Director of the National Latino/a Lesbian and Gay Organization; Dr. Mel White, the dean of Cathedral of Hope, the largest Gay and Lesbian congregation in the US; and longtime activist Phill Wilson, currently Director of Public Policy at AIDS Project Los Angeles. Almost 80 workshops will focus on campus and workplace organizing, lobbying and legislation, organizational development, anti-violence work, health issues and more.

For registration materials, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: NGLTF Policy Institute, 2320 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20009. (202) 332-6483.

Also on the Newswire...

New York, NY — On September 5, a crowd of more than 2,500 attended the 10th annual Wigstock Festival, a celebration of drag. Gold lame, pink chiffon, lots of feathers, sequins and very big wigs dominated the event, which was held this year on the Christopher Street waterfront in the West Village having outgrown Tompkins Square Park.

Phoenix, AZ — Michael Despain, a mentally retarded Gay man, was killed in an arson fire in June allegedly set by three teens who had earlier taunted Despain about his sexual orientation. One youth was arrested but later released for lack of evidence. In August, 100 people gathered at Phoenix's Gay and Lesbian Community Center in a candlelight vigil on the day that would have been Despain's 25th birthday.

Dallas, TX — Bailiff Robert Earl Smith was given a ten-day suspension without pay and was ordered to undergo sensitivity training after he was heard to comment during a sexual assault trial: "If it was me [on the jury], I'd only give him 30 days for raping a Lesbian." Dallas County Sheriff Jim Bowles said: "I have not, I do not, and I will not condone such behavior."

New York, NY — Despite being banned from the event, several dozen members of the South Asian Lesbian and Gay Association marched in the 14th annual India Day Parade in New York City on August 20. SALGA members marched side by side with Sakhi, a South Asian women's group which disagreed with the parade's organizers about excluding the Gays.

Jacksonville, FL — WTLV-TV temporarily suspended broadcasts of Jerry Falwell's *Old Time Gospel Hour* after receiving numerous complaints about explicit sexual content. One viewer said her 9-year old son asked her about oral sex. "I asked him where did he hear about that, and he said on Jerry Falwell's show."

New York, NY — Charles Horne, who wrote the play *The Smoking Room*, set in a hospital AIDS ward, and who wrote and produced the film documentary *Our Sisters are Dying*, about women with AIDS, died of AIDS complications September 2. He was 48.

Richmond, VA — Attorneys for Sharon Bottoms have asked the Virginia Supreme Court to expedite a decision regarding custody of her 3-year old boy, Tyler. Custody was stripped from Bottoms and given to the boy's grandmother a year ago by a judge who said Bottoms's Lesbianism made her an unfit mother. Bottoms won on appeal, but the grandmother has been allowed to retain custody until the state's high court rules on her appeal.

Dallas, TX — Gay flight attendant Jay Mauk has sued American Airlines, saying the airline refused to allow him to serve on a Dallas Cowboys charter flight because they only used female attendants for the Cowboys' charters. When Mauk asked if Gay men were allowed, his supervisor reportedly responded: "No, they wouldn't like that at all."

— Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

INTERNATIONAL Briefs

Malaysia Bans Gays From TV/Radio

Kuala Lumpur — Reuters reports that the government of Malaysia, a predominantly Islamic country in southeast Asia, has banned any Gays or transvestites from appearing on state-run TV or radio stations.

Mohamed Rahmat, Malaysia's Minister of Information, said the ban was "in line with the national policy which focuses on the importance of health and family values. Any artist who is proven to be a Gay will come under the ban. We do not want to encourage any form of homosexuality in our society."

Malaysia's Prime Minister recently railed against western nations for recognizing Gay couples as families, saying "such a concept of the family is crazy and contrary to religious teachings."

Last year, Malaysia voted against granting the International Lesbian and Gay Organization consultative status at the United Nations.

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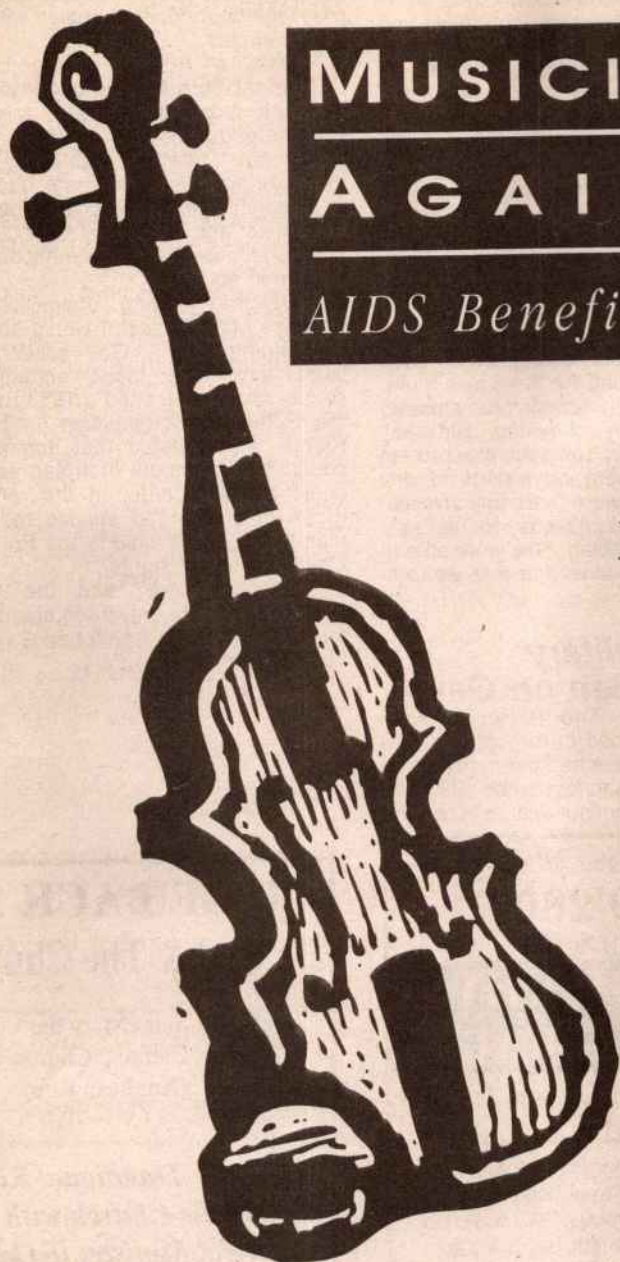
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Canadian Customs Again Seizes Books


Vancouver — Canadian Customs has once again seized two shipments of books intended for a Gay and Lesbian bookstore on suspicion that they contained obscene material.

Janine Fuller, manager of Little Sister's Book and Art Emporium in Vancouver, says Customs has repeatedly confiscated book shipments over the years. Fuller is especially miffed at the latest seizure because few of the books have sexual content and a trial to determine the constitutionality of such government censorship is scheduled for this fall.

In August, Customs confiscated 49 copies of ten different books. Fuller said three of the ten books have sexual content, like **Macho Sluts**, but Little Sister's and other stores have carried it for years. The other books include a children's book called **Belinda's Bouquet**, a biography of Noel Coward and the letters of poets Byron and Shelley.

The Civil Liberties Association of British Columbia has joined Little Sister's in a suit charging that the Customs service's seizure of books violates guarantees of free thought and expression in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Canada's version of the Bill of Rights.





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Japanese Hold First Pride Parade

Tokyo — One thousand Gays and Lesbians came out of the closet August 28 and strutted their stuff through Tokyo's commercial district in the first-ever Gay Pride Parade in Japan.

Teishiro Minami, head of the parade committee and a Gay publisher, told Associated Press he had wanted to organize a parade for many years. "Up until now, it was hard to come out and say you're Gay. But changes in our society have made it easier to be open about it."

The marchers sang, danced and carried signs with messages like "Stop Homophobia" along the three mile route. They shouted greetings to stunned spectators, many of whom said they never expected to see such a parade in Japan. There were no reports of any harassment nor were there any arrests.

"This is a landmark day for us," said a 28-year old Lesbian. "We were able to prove that we're alive and that we exist in this society."

British Military Retains Ban on Gays

London — The British Defense Ministry announced in August that 260 Gays and Lesbians had been dismissed from the armed services since 1990 and that the ban continues in effect. The

figure does not include the hundreds or perhaps thousands of others who were given the opportunity to resign with their records intact.

Barbara Roche, a Member of Parliament from the Labour Party who opposes the anti-Gay ban, talked to Reuters about the victims of the policy: "They are treated appallingly, with investigators asking intimate questions and searching their personal belongings. They also face the loss of their careers, simply because the government does not believe in equality."

Despite growing opposition, the Defense Ministry said it would continue discharging openly Gay soldiers and would prosecute those engaging in sexual relations. It cited a 1983 ruling of the European Commission on Human Rights, which stated that homosexual conduct by members of armed services could cause disorder in the ranks. A group of discharged service members plan to take their case to the European Court of Human Rights.

Britain, Turkey and the United States remain the only three countries in the NATO Alliance which ban Gays and Lesbians from the military.

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Group Notes

Let's All Come Out Together

Community Photo Set for Sept 17

Milwaukee — Milwaukee's Human Rights League (HRL) would like to take a group photograph of Gay men and Lesbians coming out, for publication by Milwaukee's major printed media during National Coming Out Week.

Let's all do this together, for ourselves and for one another. Let's get the largest group photo we can!

The photograph will be taken on Saturday morning, September 17 at 10am at the plaza of the War Memorial Center. When published, we plan to have the photo accompanied by a numbered outline drawing of all participants with a key giving the name and occupation/employment/ title of each.

Let's look to one another for support in doing this. Many of us have been friends and acquaintances for many years. Let's do this for ourselves and one another and help make Milwaukee the community we would all like it to be.

Print your full name, address (for mailing purposes), phone number (for calling purposes), your Employer/ Occupation/ Title, and your signature. Mail to: HRL, PO Box 92674, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

SEWAP's "Jam for Life"

Music, Fun & Education for Teens

Kenosha — *Jam For Life*, a party for high school students on Friday, October 28 at Memorial Hall in Racine, will treat Racine teens to a night of free

entertainment and food while also providing vital alcohol, drug and HIV prevention information.

Sponsored by the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP) and the Racine AIDS/HIV Task Force, *Jam for Life* is free to high school students who bring their school ID.

The first *Jam for Life* was held in October 1993 and was well received by several hundred teens. Talent contests, free food and AIDS awareness information made the evening both fun and educational.

Bill Houtz, director of SEWAP said that teens continue to represent one of the fastest growing populations affected by HIV disease. "This event was so well received last year that we immediately decided to make it a regular event."

"We hope even more teens will attend this year so that they will learn the facts about HIV disease and, in turn, educate their peers," Houtz added.

Memorial Hall is located at 72 7th Street, Racine. *Jam for Life* will run from 7-11pm. For more information, call (414) 657-6644 or (800) 924-6601.

UW System LesBiGay Network to Meet September 30

Milwaukee — The fifth meeting of the University of Wisconsin System's LesBiGay Issues Network will take place from 10am to 3pm on Friday, September 30 at UW-Milwaukee.

The UW System's LesBiGay Issues Network is a loose coalition of faculty, staff and students who periodically come together to share information about the progress or struggles encountered in dealing with LesBiGay issues on the various UW campuses.

The morning session of the September 30 meeting will be devoted to reports from each of the campuses. During lunchtime from 12:15 to 1pm in the Student Union's Fireside Lounge, the UWM Task Force on LesBiGay Issues will present its final report and recommendations regarding campus climate, curricular issues and university policies as they impact the LesBiGay campus community. The afternoon session includes a meeting with Tess Arenas, Special Assistant to the President for Minority Affairs in the UW System. LesBiGay student groups will also report on their activities.

For more information on the Sept. 30 meeting, call Jeffrey Merrick at (414) 229-4924/4361. The next meeting of the LesBiGay Issues Network is scheduled for UW-La Crosse in February.

NOWAP to Host 2nd Annual "Harvest of Hope"

Eau Claire — The Second Annual Harvest of Hope, a dinner and silent auction to benefit the Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project (NOWAP), will be held on October 18 at the Fanny Hill Inn and Dinner Theater in Eau Claire. The event will benefit the growing numbers of men, women and children who receive services from NOWAP in the agency's 13 county service area.

Guests will enjoy their choice of meals at the four star Inn, a silent auction and entertainment by local comedian, Larry Heagle. A harpist will entertain during dinner.

Silent auction bidding will begin at 6pm. Items up for bid will include artwork, dinner and hotel gift certificates and a holiday centerpiece. Dinner will be served at 6:45pm.

"Harvest of Hope is the perfect opportunity to show support for people living with HIV disease," said David Ernat, director of NOWAP. "The money raised will allow us to provide vital HIV care, prevention and education services to the people who need them throughout Northwest Wisconsin."

Following the evening's festivities, guests will be invited to enjoy the opening night of Fanny Hill's Halloween Hallow, a haunted walk through the decorated grounds surrounding the restaurant.

Last year, Harvest of Hope raised over \$4,000 for vital HIV and AIDS services. Tickets are \$50 per person. For more information or to order tickets, call (715) 836-7710 or (800) 750-2437.

(NOWAP is a service agency of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. NOWAP provides services to 33 men, women and children living with HIV disease and prevention education to thousands of people each year.)

6th Area Retreat for PWAs

Chicago — Damien Ministries Midwest is pleased to announce its Sixth Area Retreat for Persons with AIDS. The retreat *God and the AIDS Experience* will be held from Monday, September 26 through Thursday, September 29, at the Cenacle Retreat Center in Warrenville, IL.

The retreat is free of charge and focuses on the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of PWAs. The deadline for registration is September 20. Please call Liz at (708) 655-5939 or Tom at (312) 465-8520 for registration or further information.

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LAMM Meeting Sept 15

Milwaukee — The **Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM)** will be holding its September membership meeting at People's Books, 3512 North Oakland Avenue, on Thursday, September 15 at 7pm. This month's program will address fat oppression and its relationship to sexism, consumerism and the loss of female power.

Leading the discussion will be L.G. Shanklin-Flowers, MS, owner of InReach, a leadership development and human resource management consulting business. She will explore old/ current body images, end the silence and shame associated with "still having this preoccupation" and continue the work of rediscovering beauty and the ability of women to have their lives the way they want them to be.

There is no charge for LAMM meetings and all Lesbians are welcome.

AIDS Project to Complete Move by Sept 14

Milwaukee — The **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW)**, the **Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)** and the **Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium (WCRC)** will be operating from their new location beginning Wednesday, September 14 at 820 North Plankinton Avenue, in downtown Milwaukee.

The new downtown Milwaukee facility will allow for expanded client services and programs, a larger library and food pantry. The building is convenient to many bus lines and parking is available in the Security Bank lot located on the northwest corner of 2nd and Wells Streets. Specially designed handicapped street parking is available in front of the building.

Correspondence mailed to the **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc.**, Milwaukee AIDS Project or the **Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium** should be sent to: PO Box 92487, Milwaukee, WI 53202-0487. The street address: 820 North Plankinton Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203.

The Agency's phone numbers will not change. Information on programs and services and staff can be reached by calling (414) 273-1991 or (800) 359-9272.

Support Group for Gay Men

Milwaukee — A variety of support groups for Gay men are forming soon at **The Counseling Center of Milwaukee**, 2038 North Bartlett Avenue. These groups are designed to be a safe place for Gay men to gather and share their problems/ challenges in a supportive and affirming atmosphere. Most groups meet for 8-10 weeks and provide a non-bar setting in which to connect with other Gay men who may be experiencing similar circumstances. Fees are negotiable or waivable, and there is a suggested fee of \$10 per session. Interested members are encouraged to

contact Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565 on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

General Issue Groups: Group to begin soon for men dealing with a variety of issues including sexual identity, coming out, intimacy and relationships, and self-esteem.

Battered Men's Group: If you are presently in a relationship where you are being physically or emotionally abused, or if you ever have been, consider joining this group to talk about your experiences and talk to other Gay men who know what you are going through. The facilitator of this group has first-hand experience in an abusive relationship and offers a sensitive, supportive approach to this complicated issue.

Gay Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse: This group will focus on the challenges Gay men face who are survivors of sexual abuse including difficulties in intimate relationships, guilt and shame, sexually compulsive behaviors, anger, etc.

Gay Men with HIV/AIDS: Offering a focus on holistic health, this group will explore the physical, the emotional, and the spiritual parts of who we are. Issues to be discussed including dealing with friends and family, maintaining a positive emotional/ psychological outlook, and exploring our deeper needs for inner peace and connection with others.

Family, Friends and Partners of Persons Living with HIV/AIDS: The group will offer support for those who love and care for someone who is fighting HIV disease. Jeff Miller, RN will facilitate the group. Jeff has extensive experience in working with HIV and its related mental health challenges for family, friends and partners.

Letters

Dear Community Members:

SAGE/Milwaukee was incorporated in April of this year to address a full range of concerns of Gays and Lesbians. During its first six months, Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE) has offered a variety of social and educational events. But SAGE has greater ambitions and we are now ready to explore them.

SAGE/Milwaukee will be meeting at the East Side Library on Wednesday, September 14, from 6:30-8:30pm. The library is located at 1910 East North Avenue. The subject will be **SAGE/Milwaukee: Looking Forward** and the program will consist of community discussion of the direction of **SAGE/Milwaukee** can and should take. The discussion might include the possibility of any of the following:

▼ Volunteer service to assist senior Gay and Lesbians with basic living needs.

▼ Referral service to mental health and other programs that serve senior Gays and Lesbians and the development of a network of community based services for senior Gays & Lesbians.

▼ Food pantry serving senior Gays & Lesbians on limited or fixed incomes.

▼ Community center for senior Gays & Lesbians.

▼ Housing program for senior Gays & Lesbians.

We are exploring additional issues and will appreciate any suggestions.

Although **SAGE** exists primarily to address the concerns of seniors, it is not limited in membership to persons of any age. Remember that age is more than the number of years that one has celebrated a "birthday." Age is also an accumulation of experience and wisdom. In this sense, one's age is more a matter of maturity than chronology.

We invite you to attend on September 14 and share our enthusiasm for contributing to, and thereby enriching, the lives of senior Gays and Lesbians of

Milwaukee.

Very truly yours,
Steven M. Brondino,
Co-President of **SAGE/Milwaukee**

Editor:

I had the honor and pleasure of performing at MAPFest this year. It was a wonderful experience. However, this year more than others, it reminded me of a large family reunion being held at Homecoming time. It was overwhelming to see how our "Family" has grown. Ronnie and Church are truly our "Family Matriarchs" and we owe them so much.

We lost members of our Family to AIDS last year and in the closing ceremonies they were well remembered with candles and tears. We also had new brothers and sisters come into the Family and they were greeted with smiles and open arms.

It truly was a celebration of Family. My thanks to all for being.

With love,
Ladybell Bradlee

Health

AIDS Briefs

Wisconsin's Annual AIDS/HIV Conference, Sept. 19-20

Milwaukee — The Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Milwaukee will be the sight of the annual conference on AIDS/HIV sponsored by the State Division of Health's AIDS/HIV Program on September 19-20.

The conference promises to present the latest information about vaccine and therapy development and research priorities as well as the most current recommendations for clinical assessment and medical management of HIV disease. Workshops will focus on preventive education and risk reduction counseling to different populations like drug users, Gay men, youth and people of color. Health care reform, HIV/AIDS housing models and home and hospice care will also be discussed.

Workshops include: Women and HIV; HIV Therapies and Vaccines of the Future; Risk Reduction and Social Behavior Change for Priority Populations; Treating Depression in Persons Who Are HIV-Positive; Sexuality and People with Disabilities; Drug Addiction and HIV; Primary Prevention; etc. Workshops will be led by physicians, researchers, educators and social workers with expertise in their fields.

To register for the conference, call (608) 262-1397. Full conference fee is \$65 for non-physicians, \$75 for physicians, which includes all materials, breakfasts and lunches.

NIAID Launches Drive for New Therapies

Washington, DC — The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) has launched a new program to accelerate the development of innovative therapies to fight HIV infection. The new program, called the Strategic Program for Innovative Research on AIDS Treatment (SPIRAT) consists of six research teams drawn from experts throughout the country working in related fields.

The SPIRAT will enable scientists to develop cutting-edge strategies like gene therapy, immune system restoration and DNA-based therapeutic vaccines, and to move these novel concepts from the lab into pilot clinical studies. SPIRAT teams will share a \$6.2 million budget in their first year. They will be funded for four years, with studies in humans to commence by the third year of the awards.

"With SPIRAT, we will promote the

development of innovative ways to inhibit the replication of HIV and restore the immune responses of HIV-infected individuals," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, NIAID Director.

"This effort is crucial because currently available anti-HIV drugs only partially and temporarily suppress replication of the virus, and their use is hampered by toxicity and drug resistance," said Fauci. "Moreover, the SPIRAT will likely add to our understanding of the pathogenic mechanisms of HIV disease."

Scientists at Seattle's Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, at

Stanford University and at Boston's New England Medical Center will head teams concentrating on new methods of immunotherapy. Scientists at the University of Michigan and the University of California at San Diego will investigate new areas of gene therapy, while those at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia will explore the effectiveness of DNA-based therapeutic vaccines.

Selenium Depletion Linked to AIDS

Atlanta, GA — Researchers at the University of Georgia have published a

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theory which suggests that HIV spreads to other cells after first depleting the mineral selenium that exists in all human cells. The hypothesis, published in the August 19 edition of the **Journal of Medicinal Chemistry**, is expected to be proven or disproven within the year.

The theory posits that HIV needs selenium, a trace mineral that preserves body tissue and slows the aging process, to trigger its growth. Once the virus has consumed the stores of selenium in one infected cell, it breaks out searching for more by infecting other cells.

"If this is true, then selenium biochemistry may be the key to understanding the control of the lifecycle of HIV and perhaps some of the pathology of AIDS," said researcher Will Taylor of the Georgia College of Pharmacy.

Taylor said the varied lengths of time it takes HIV to deplete people's stores of selenium could account for the discrepancies in HIV's latency period, which in some individuals is only months and in others is more than 10 years. "This suggests that nutritional status may be a factor in some HIV-positive long-term survivors."

But Taylor cautioned people with HIV from taking additional supplements of selenium, which in megadoses can be toxic. People should only take selenium supplements in consultation with their physicians.

Lack of Federal Sex, Drug Research Faulted

Washington, DC — A panel of the National Academy of Sciences has issued a report faulting the federal government for its lack of research into the sex and drug habits of American citizens. The results of such behavioral studies are essential in mounting a focused and effective prevention campaign against the transmission of HIV.

"The absence of information about the specific behaviors in which people are engaging has hampered AIDS prevention efforts...Yet, in order to develop effective prevention and treatment strategies, it is crucial to understand the specific behaviors involved."

The panel's report, *AIDS and Behavior: An Integrated Approach*, chides the Reagan and Bush administrations for their failure to support federal research into sex and drug habits. Two major studies were proposed in the 1980's but were canceled due to the opposition of conservative senators like Jesse Helms (R- NC). The report also criticizes the Clinton administration for failing to revive such studies.

The report urges the government to immediately begin comprehensive

surveys about sex and drug use among diverse populations and to lift restrictions on federal funding for needle exchange programs. The report also recommended that the National Institutes of Mental Health, of Drug Abuse, and of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism each appoint a full-time AIDS policy coordinator and work together to reduce a duplication of services.

Also on the AIDS Front...

Atlanta, GA — The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported in August that the number of people with AIDS in the US has surpassed 400,000. The count was 401,749 cases of full-blown AIDS as of June 30. Of those people, 243,423 have died.

Los Angeles, CA — Declaring a state of emergency because AIDS has reached epidemic proportions, Los Angeles's Republican Mayor Richard Riordan has asked police agencies not to interfere with needle exchange programs which supply intravenous drug users with clean needles. A state law prohibits the distribution of syringes without prescription, but Riordan said community groups offering needle exchanges were doing a public service and should not be prosecuted.

Arlington, VA — Theresa McGovern, an attorney for the HIV Law

Project, has accused the government of excluding women with HIV/AIDS from trials of experimental drugs. McGovern told the National AIDS Task Force on Drug Development that fear of birth defects led the Food and Drug Administration to demand that women become sterilized before undergoing drug trials. She also pointed out that new drugs were being tested for safety only in men, not women. "You raise a number of good points," said FDA Commissioner David Kessler, who declined to say what action would be taken.

Washington, DC — The House Committee on Energy and Commerce has approved a bill that will amend the 1983 Orphan Drug Act to limit the number of years drug companies can maintain a monopoly on drugs they have developed to treat rare diseases from seven years to four. The bill must go through many more hurdles, but its ultimate impact would be to lower the prices drug companies are able to charge for medications, including those that fight HIV disease.

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The Arts in Autumn...

There isn't a better time to fall into The Arts in Wisconsin than Autumn, 1994. And there is something to be said about Milwaukee, because artists are drawn to our fair city time and time again. That jazzy duo of eclectic (and energetic) sounds, Mrs. Fun, returns to Cafe Melange following a tour with the Indigo Girls. Holly Hughes is back with *Clit Notes*, a companion piece to her dark and haunting *World Without End* which she performed during Theatre X's Women's Series. And, speaking of which, this year's Theatre X Women's Series (September 28-October 30) motto "An Idea Too Good for Mankind" is a real favorite! This October, the Milwaukee debut of Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company *Still/Here* is presented by UW-Milwaukee as part of the UWM Great Artist Series.

Theatre X Presents Theater Women Series

Theatre X dedicates October to women in theatre with an inspiring month of plays, performances and workshops. Included are local and nationally known performers, contemporary and original plays, comedy, feminist theatre and performances — all written, directed and performed by women, September 28-October 30 at the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway. Single ticket prices are \$12 and a Festival Pass, your choice of any 6 shows, is \$62. There is also Pay-What-You-Can available for any Thursday night performance or Double Feature, discounted tickets for attending two shows on the same evening.

September 28-October 2 — Asian Pacific American Renegades presents a multi-media performance that poses the question, *Who is an Asian Woman?*

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October 26-30 — From New York City, performance artists **Louise Smith** and **John Fleming** bring their insightful and hilarious battle of the sexes — *Gold*. A variety of Native American Performers, Poets and Musicians celebrate the role of women in Native American culture.

If you have questions or would like more information on the Women's Series, call 278-0555.



Holly Hughes will bring "Clit Notes" to Wisconsin for shows October 7-9. Photo by John Lovett

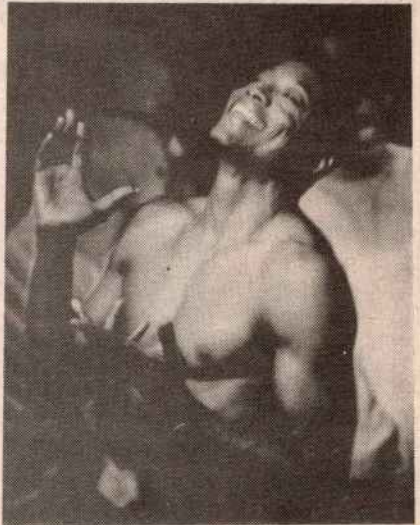
Holly Hughes' "Clit Notes" is Sure to Leave an Aftertaste

Performance artist **Holly Hughes**, (who gained fame by being one of the NEA Four — A group of performance artists who received funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and subsequently had it taken away after Senator Jesse Helms deemed it "obscene"), will also present *Clit Notes* in Madison on October 7 at the Mitby Theater, 3550 Anderson, and in Milwaukee on October 9 at the UWM Union Wisconsin Room, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd. and is being presented

by **PrideFest, The United and LAMM**.

In *Clit Notes*, part of her "10-point plan to advance Lesbianism globally," she sits on daddy's lap and studies, with her ineffable candor and poetry, how they pulled each other's strings.

(Editor's Note: If its anything like last year's *World Without End* performance, we should be in for a real treat... expect some audience members to walk out in disgust, obviously unfamiliar with Ms. Hughes' insight.)



Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company performs "Still Here", which will be presented in various shows around the state in October. Photo by Joanne Savio

Bill T. Jones in "Still Here"

UWM, through the *Wisconsin Dance on Tour* project, is a co-commissioner of *Still/Here*, which will have its U.S. premiere at the University of Iowa on September 30, and then tour Wisconsin prior to its New York premiere in November. *Still/Here* is an evening length, full company, multi-media work involving music, movement and video.

In cooperation with the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, the American Cancer Society -WI Division, and the Milwaukee Ballet, UWM hosted a Survival Workshop with choreographer Bill T. Jones on February 20, 1994. Jones worked with eight AIDS and cancer patients for five hours gathering their stories and creative movements as source material for *Still/Here*. Bill Moyers of PBS filmed the Milwaukee workshop (one of twelve workshop sites held across the country) for national telecast on a program on Healing and the Arts set to air this winter.

The company's Milwaukee residency will include a number of activities: A school lecture/demonstration and discussion at Washington High School which will bring together 1,000 juniors and seniors from five Milwaukee high

Ani DiFranco



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schools; A symposium on Managing Mortality (time and location TBA) with Bill T. Jones and community health and social services professionals; Master classes for community dancers and UWM students (TBA); and the Milwaukee debut of *Still/Here* on Friday, October 28 at 8pm in the Pabst Theater. Tickets for the performance are \$26 and \$22, depending on seating. Group discounts are available now at the UWM Fine Arts Center or Pabst Theater box offices and by calling 229-4308.

Does Joseph Rabensdorf Ever Sleep?

As one of the founding members of the newly formed **Neurotica Productions**, Joseph and fellow theatre graduates Christi Durfee, Cyndi Durfee and Dennis Schroeder from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, hope to present works "that challenge traditionally conservative ideas and standards." On September 16 & 17 at 8pm in the Studio Theatre of the Broadway Theatre Complex, Neurotica Productions will debut two one-acts: *Sister Ignatius Explains It All For You* by Christopher Durang, and *Self Torture and Strenuous Exercise* by Harry Kondoleon. Tickets are \$8. The Broadway Theatre Complex is located at 158 N. Broadway in the Historic Third Ward.

Ani DiFranco to Appear at UWM Union Ballroom Oct 2

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Ani brings her unique brand of music to Milwaukee on Sunday, October 2 where she'll play at the UWM Union Ballroom. The event, co-sponsored by Full Moon Productions and the UWM Women's Resource Center, will begin at 7pm with doors opening at 6:15pm. Tickets are \$10 in advance and are



Recording artist Ani DiFranco will appear in concert in Milwaukee Oct 2.

available at People's Books, Outpost Natural Foods, and AfterWords. Student tickets are \$5 in advance and are available only at the Union bookstore. Tickets are also available the day of the show at the door and are \$7 for students and \$12 for non-students. The show is ASL interpreted for the hearing impaired. Further information is available by calling (414) 229-2852.

Spiderwoman Theatre Weaves Stories at Woodland Pattern

Spiderwoman Theater is Muriel Miguel, Lisa Mayo and Gloria Miguel, a New York City-based theater troupe claiming to be the oldest female performing group in the country.

The three Kuna/Rappahannock sisters take their name from the Hopi Goddess Spiderwoman, who taught her people to weave. They call their work "storyweaving," a combination of words and movement comically intertwined to address such issues as race, ethnicity and community from a feminist, Native American perspective.

Woodland Pattern Book Center in conjunction with Alverno College is pleased to present the group on Thursday, September 29 at 8pm, 720 E. Locust Street in the heart of Milwaukee's Riverwest. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and \$4 for members.

Benefit Opens 9th Season at Boulevard

The **Boulevard Ensemble**, Milwaukee's intimate storefront theatre,

will enter its ninth season of presenting challenging and entertaining theatre by staging its annual September Benefit. The benefit serves as an open house and also provides an opportunity to showcase the scenework from the Ensemble's Summer Acting Workshop. The benefit will run September 16-25, on the weekends. The theatre will open at 7:30pm for refreshments and a silent auction, with a presentation of scenes from the Acting Workshop beginning at 8.

Each weekend will feature a different menu of scenes and funds will assist in staging the Ensemble's first show of the '94-'95 season in late October. The suggested donation for the annual September Benefit is \$10. The Boulevard Ensemble is located at 2252 S. Kinnickinnic in Bay View. For reservations and information, please call 672-6019.

Chamber Theatre Opens Single Ticket Sales

On Tuesday, September 6 at 12 noon the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre opened its box office for the Theatre's 12th subscription season and its second season performing in the beautiful, new Broadway Theatre Center. Many great seats for all productions are available. Those who wish to purchase tickets for this season, which runs from October 15, 1994-April 23, 1995, should do so by stopping in at the box office 158 N. Broadway or by calling 291-7800. For more information on group packages and events call David Anderson at 276-8842.

This fall, Milwaukee Chamber Theatre presents *Lost In Yonkers* by Neil Simon, October 15-31. This Pulitzer-prize winning comedy, takes us on a fairy tale adventure of two boys forced to live with their monster grandmother, nutty aunt, and gangster uncle.

Fall Movie Collectibles Show

Movie memorabilia has always been a popular hobby, and now it has become one of the fast-growing investments in the United States. To assist all collectors, Dale Kuntz, a collector himself, will be bringing dealers from across Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, and other states. Over 30 tables will offer collectors Movie Posters, Magazines, Stills, 16mm Films, New and Used Videos, Video Posters, Souvenir Books, Tshirts, and many, many other items...including Animated Art (Disney and Warner Bros.)

The semi-annual show is from 10am-4pm on Sunday, September 18 at Burnham Bowl Hall, 6016 W. Burnham Street in West Allis. Admission is \$2 per person. Buy-Sell-Trade! For more information call Dale E. Kuntz of Milwaukee Film Classics, (414) 466-1877.

Film Feature

You Don't Have to be a Queen to Make a Queen's Movie

A Chat With "Priscilla" Director and Lead Actor

By Dale Reynolds

There's a flurry of movies being made about the phenomenon of cross-dressing, some Gay ("queens"), some non-Gay ("curious"). Hollywood has five coming up for next year, so it's anybody's guess how honest, entertaining, bold, or real they'll be. The first one out the gate (at least since last year's *The Crying Game*) is an inexpensive little thang from Australia, *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert*.

Priscilla, by the way, is the hapless bus which transports two drag queens and a transsexual through the deserted outback into the center of the continent, Alice Springs, to perform the tacky acts they do, but mostly so one of the Gay men can forge a new relationship with his eight-year-old son.

It's light-weight, audience-friendly, non-political, silly, warm, and fun film,

mostly non-threatening to straights. And while it's not ground-breaking for most Gays, *Priscilla's* upbeat about the "condition" of being Gay. What works for it mainly is that it's a bonafide, gussied-up, belted-out musical about men singing their woes and joys. Lip-synching, it's true, but to great Gay-bar songs from the '70's-'90s: *I Will Survive* (Gloria Gaynor), *Finally* (CeCe Peniston), *Go West* (Village People), among others.

Called by one of the producers, "Florence of Arabia", this mini-epic undoubtedly will be a big popular hit with everybody but militant queer activists and those on the religious

right. And one of the strategic reasons is the brilliant, underplayed performance of Cockney actor, Terence Stamp. Director Stephen Elliott, who is a Gay-identified bi-sexual, picked Stamp, for among other reasons, because he is so well-identified as a heterosexual that to have him play a man-become-woman would help in the international marketplace. Plus, the man can Act.

Stamp made his cinematic splash over 30 years ago with William Wyler's *The Collector*. It's release made him a star and, unfortunately, typed him as a player of crazies. "I did play *Billy Budd*

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before, but it was an art film, and not really seen by mass public or studio heads. It's not true that I only play villains, but that's what people remember. In *Wall Street*, I was the good guy, but I've had people actually say to me, 'God, I loved that villain you played'. I've often wondered what it is that gets me cast as the villain or the bastard." So why take on the role of a transsexual, especially since even Gay people can't give you a decent definition of what they are? "Well, somebody said, 'if you don't do it, you'll be playing villains in Hollywood movies for the rest of your career.' And that put fear and loathing into my heart. I had great trepidation about the project — my normal fear of failure and a need to be perfect. But I've often boasted that if I'm frightened by a role, that's when I'll take it."

The Australian film industry is booming and for the past two decades has captured the attention of the world with their works (similar accolades are being given the fledgling New Zealand industry). *Priscilla* is the 32-year-old Elliott's second film, the first being a quirky drama, *Frauds*, which was released only on video in the U.S.

"Originally, I wanted to make a musical. They were the great surrealistic expression in movies of the 1930's, '40s, and '50s, but I couldn't talk people into letting me make one. They'd say, 'Kids today don't buy the fact that people can break into song'. So I hunted around for an idea. I had to solve the problem with how could I get people to accept that characters would spontaneously break into song. And drag queens and lip-synching was my answer. Drag is a great vehicle — I find the surrealism of drag fantastic. Everywhere in the Western world there's a fascination with Drag: *Tootsie* and *Some Like It Hot* made masses of money. [*Just Like a Woman*, a sweet, British, straight-identified transvestite film from Samuel Goldwyn, came out recently]. And I wanted to shoot it in the deserted Australian outback which is basically where the desert starts. I wanted the conflict in the colors: the fabulous oranges and greens and reds of the desert, and the tacky costumes which were bright pink lycra and green; the whole idea was that these people were completely out of their element. It was very creepy and very wonderful."

Apparently, Australia also has a greater acceptance of drag due mainly to its well-earned laid-back attitudes about work and play. "We are a much more open-minded culture: we can swear on television, and nudity is allowed in advertising. We've a huge openness and tolerance, and we're a very lazy culture. It's what makes the country so fabulous. But I felt I couldn't start by making a positive, in-your-face, Gay film. As much as I admired *The Living End*, I didn't want to make that



Director Stephan Elliott (center) discusses a scene with stars Hugo Weaving (left) and Terence Stamp in the Gramercy Pictures release of "*The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert*."
Photo © Gramercy Pictures

kind of film. I made a film which starts where you are laughing at these guys — I want people to come into the theater unthreatened thinking they're seeing freaks, and very slowly change so they're laughing with them by the end in complete sympathy. That's my way of making a film that is a crossover. If I'd done that [angry] screaming thing, the film wouldn't be getting anywhere. *Priscilla* is a piece of entertainment which happens to be about Gay people."

Stamp turns in a finely detailed, warm, knowing, bitchy, and funny performance — one of a number of fine performances this pleasant man has given us over the decades. But his Bernadette is different than his other characterizations — deeper even — because it is so out of keeping for him. "I took it because I thought it would be a cathartic experience. There were times during the shooting when I was absolutely petrified as I had to [overcome] these years of conditioning: here I am, this Heterosexual Icon — which is what [Elliott] came to England to find. I'm not Gay, but nothing human is alien to me." Stamp's dramatic approach to a role is a combination of old English (from the exterior in) and American Method (finding the character from within first). Somewhat the opposite of the hero to the younger British and American actor, Daniel Day-Lewis. "I'm not the kind of actor to sit in a wheelchair for six months to prepare. You say 'action', and I'll do it. Although, I should have thought about peeing sitting down; didn't think of it. Pity. I did strap my privates down, called 'tucking'. I wore five layers of hose, a brand of tights ("Queenies") that big men wear. They come in all colors."

The first thing the actor, who is sexy still in his mid-50s, did was to contact some transsexuals and to read up on the subject. "I found this book, *Conundrum*, by Jan Morris, a great travel writer. [S/he] had been a journalist with the [London] Sunday Times, in the army, and married with five children; but she'd always known she was a girl since the age of 3, so she had the operation. That gave me great insights. Then for my preliminary investigations, I met with trannies in London.

"When I got to Sydney it became easier: they have a huge transsexual population, which is completely integrated — most unusual. Oxford Street is the hub or the fulcrum, the main drag (no pun intended). When you see a good-looking guy, you can fairly easily assume he's Gay or bisexual, so it's a bit tough on women because the only guys who are really hetro are these Crocodile Dundee-types, who's version of Australian foreplay is: 'Brace yourself, Sheila.' Girls are a bit thirsty down there. It's wonderfully relaxed. I could do things there I could never have done in London: the director insisted I get up in drag and go out; I almost got picked up in a crowded bar. I said, 'I don't swallow, guys.'"

The shooting took 39 days, during their late Winter, when it's still 90-100 degrees in the outback. Flies were a problem, but to watch Stamp do his acting in spite of the filthy bugs on his well-made-up face is quite extraordinary to watch. "I have a manner of focusing which makes small things like that unimportant at the time. But where this fear-thing came to a head was in Broken Hill, a small mining town on the way to Alice Springs,

where the extras look like they're all out-of-work Schwarzenegger's. We'd rehearsed everything for two weeks in Sydney: the lines, makeup, wigs, dancing. We had a drag queen choreographer [Mark White], so we naturally learned the behavior. But I concluded very quickly that while I could do the steps quite capably, and I could lip-sync quite capably, I was unable to do the two simultaneously. [This is noticeable in the early routines.] I was doing synchronized movements with the other two actors, and I hadn't achieved it yet. And we're doing the routine on the actual bar, which is quite high, not low as rehearsed. I was frightened to come out of my [trailer] that day as my costume was so silly. Because we didn't have much money, our outfits were made with the worst, cheapest, polyester lace and orange leotards, tangerine fishnets, a red wig with detachable thingies...it was the silliest. I had my drag makeup on and little cleavage lifts. I felt a little bit better when I got on the set because I saw how silly the others looked."

Stamp admits to slight jealousy because he felt like he wasn't as good-looking as hunk Guy Pearce, who plays one of the other drag queens. "I was frightened. I contemplated my life-long fear of making an absolute idiot of myself. I'm thinking things like, 'Hey, I'm the best dressed man in Britain; I was the great lingo of my generation; I'm a middle-aged man; I'm an English icon' — to no avail. Then I stuck my nail into my tangerine tights, and there's no replacing drag tights in Broken Hill. So I'm looking like the worst kind of draggy, tired old tomcat. Suddenly, the music, and I'm on. And in that moment, I was on the moon, so beyond the fear. That was the breakthrough. So, the sillier it got, the more I liked it: 'Make me look more stupid!' I was in another dimension; I opened up a whole kind of strata of ability and confidence; I understood something about myself, how great my life could have been if I'd been able to address this limiting characteristic earlier. But it didn't really matter, because I'd addressed it now! The more tucking, the more water-filled contraceptives in the bra, the going into a nail salon if one came off, I became shameless!"

During the interview we can see that this man laughs a lot. Director Elliott loved working with him: "Terence is the nicest man in the world. I wanted to see a sexy older man dressed up as a woman. So we ended up with an aging transsexual, played by an aging heterosexual icon, the complete opposite. People kept telling me, 'Oh, you can get Danny LaRue, or Barry Humphries, or Julien Clarey', and I thought: that is exactly what you'd expect, so I wanted the exact opposite. Terence was shocked that I was

offering him this. I asked him if he really wanted to continue playing villains in \$50 million American movies? That's what happens to good English actors: they end up in bad American movies. He is one of the most honest men I've ever worked with. No temper tantrums."

The shoot, apparently, was a love-fest with cast and crew, something the director remembers with pride, but is also a source of frustration for him as it robbed the film of some of the darker hues which could have come from actor/director tension. "Look, I made this daffy little film which took me ten days to write; a piece of sheer entertainment. That's all I wanted to do,

to make a fun musical which cost very little money. At the San Francisco Film Festival, the audiences went mad, insane. In Cannes they went through the roof. In Seattle we picked up an award. It's a musical, not a drama. It isn't a political statement about being Gay — it's Busby Berkeley."

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Interview

Teens Matter

Talking with Editor Ann Heron

By: Owen Keehnen

In 1983, Alyson Publications and editor Ann Heron compiled **One Teenager in Ten**, a series of writings by Gay and Lesbian youth about their lives. It was a great success and also helped spawn The Alyson Pen Pal Program. Now, over a decade later, Alyson Publications and Ann Heron have redone the book as **Two Teenagers in Twenty**. Ms. Heron, who is also the author of **How Would You Feel If Your Dad Was Gay?**, recently talked with me about the updating and also a little about the lives of Gay and Lesbian youth.

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Owen: 12 years ago you compiled "One Teenager in Ten," and recently Alyson released "Two Teenagers in Twenty," what made it time for a new edition?

Ann: Sasha Alyson approached me a couple years ago and asked if I was interested in updating the book. I was, so I took on the project.

What did you notice was the greatest difference in the emerging group of teens?

It's not necessarily a representative sample, but the most striking thing was that more kids talked about having considered or attempted suicide than did the first time. Sasha suggested the title thinking things would be less lonely, that increased media attention and Gay visibility would have made things easier on this generation of kids.

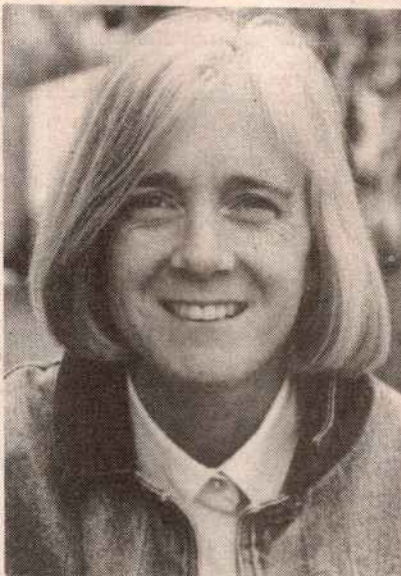
I think I'd probably make the same assumption.

I can only speak from the book's samples, but I did do a lot of thinking about it. As Gay adults we go about our lives and see the world at large as at least getting more Gay acknowledging. AIDS has caused increased media attention, more "sympathetic" portrayals. The military issue was a popular topic. But when I thought about it I realized that what it does is causes the discussion to come up where it might not have before and for negativity to be shared that might not have been if it wasn't for the military debate or *Roseanne*. I'm not saying those things

aren't good, I'm just saying I think it also causes an open discussion of what people think of homosexuals.

From the submissions you received for "Two Teenagers" was parental rejection the greatest fear?

Rejection overall was the biggest. Religion is still a very strong factor. Fear of loss is a big thing, but before they get to fear of loss there's the fear of being Gay. There's a great fear of what that means about them, that there is something wrong with them, or they're perverse or have sinned.



Editor Ann Heron.
Photo by Jaleh Doane

The Alyson Pen Pal Program emerged out of the first book, are you actively involved with that?

It was Sasha's program. The idea was if you're too afraid to come out to a person in your everyday life or just needed someone your own age to talk to there would be someone. Sasha has always been committed to helping kids through the period of isolation. Many adolescents still live at home and can't drive or get to cities. Many live under the same roof of someone who feels free to check through their mail or rooms at anytime. They don't have privacy. He even tells them how to set up a PO Box in case they can't trust getting mail at home.

So if a youth, 21 years or younger, wants more information they should write for details to Letter Exchange, c/o Alyson Publications, 40 Plympton Street, Boston, MA 02118.

That's correct.

What sparked your interest in the field anyway?

My training was in child development before going to work at

Alyson so it was great when I was offered this project because it gave me a chance to reconnect with kids, a group of people who I strongly felt needed a voice.

What can the individual adult do to help facilitate the process of Gay teens?

There are a number of things. If people go to the library they can spot check a couple of titles like **Two Teenagers in Twenty**. Find out if the books are in the reference. If they are and you have the nerve, you can go to the reference desk and ask why these books aren't categorized with the general collection. Kids can't get out the books they need. If they have to go to the reference desk to ask for a book about being Gay, they're not going to do it. People can donate books to libraries, as well, anything that can make the information available.

Have you had any of the censorship problems with either of your teen books or your children's book "How Would You Feel If Your Day Was Gay?"

When we first came out with **One Teenager in Ten**, it was not allowed in certain libraries. It contained a sexually explicit story that for that reason is not in the new book. It wasn't worth keeping the whole book out of access. Also in general, there is a resistance to Gay books in certain libraries and at Alyson we certainly heard about that all the time.

What made writing the children's book "How Would You Feel If Your Dad Was Gay?" a memorable experience for you?

The best thing about it for me was that we did it with our kids. My partner, Meredith, came up with the plot, the characters, and events, some of which were loosely based on things that happened to our kids. Then I defined what issues we could address in a book of this scope and age range. Our kids, who were 10 and 11 at the time, edited it with us. I remember sitting down and having them read it out loud. They gave us really good feedback. I felt delight when one said, "You forgot to put in here when people make fun of Gays and you do too so they won't guess." It's such a true thing. In the world of children, there's pressure all the time. Often kids go the way of a group even though their own values might differ. As Gay parents we have to realize that our kids can't fight the political battle for us.

What's the main thing you and Meredith try to do in the raising of your children?

The first thing that comes to mind is communicate. We can't instill anything if we're not communicating as

best we can. And honesty. We've always been very honest that we were Gay and made it clear to them that it didn't mean they were. Mostly we just love them.

(Carl Szatmary reviews this and another book for Gay & Lesbian teens elsewhere in this section.)

Books

New Books for Gay Teens

Reviewed by Carl M. Szatmary

Two in Twenty,
edited by Ann Heron,
Alyson HC \$17.95

Growing up Gay/Growing up Lesbian,
edited by Bennett L. Singer,
New Press Pb \$9.95

Am I Blue: Coming Out of the Silence,

edited by Marion Dane Bauer,
HarperCollins HC \$15.00

In the Lesbian and Gay community there remains one minority, silent and rarely represented: Gay Teens. No one seems quite sure what to do for them (or about them, for that matter). While publishers, both mainstream as well as Gay and Lesbian presses have published a tremendous number and variety of titles over the past few years, few have focused on or have targeted Gay and Lesbian teens. All that could be found on bookstore shelves were such classic titles as *You, Gay & Proud*, Aaron Fricke's *Reflections of a Rock Lobster*, John Reid's *The Best Little Boy in the World*, Ann Heron's *One Teenager in Ten*, plus a mere handful of young adult fiction. Wonderful titles but most date from the late 1970's and early 1980's.

This alarming situation has seemed to improve three new books, Bennett Singer's *Growing Up Gay/Growing Up Lesbian*; Marion Dane Bauer's *Am I Blue?* and Ann Heron's *Two Teenagers in Twenty*, an update to her earlier book. In *One Teenager in Ten*, Ann Heron allowed Gay and Lesbian teens to write about their lives, their hopes, their fears, and their experiences coming out. Twelve years later, Heron has asked for

stories from a new generation of Gay and Lesbian teens and combined them with some of the best received contributions from the earlier edition.

What makes *Two in Twenty* so effective is the obvious honesty and candor of its young contributors. Featuring an equal contribution from both Lesbian and Gay teens, *Two in Twenty* pulls no punches. For some, coming out was remarkably unremarkable, with little difficulty from family and friends.

Rachel Corbett from Madison worried needlessly about what her mother would say and cried tears of joy at her response: "I'm so proud of you. You're my daughter and I love you..."

This very positive essay is placed first in the collection, where young readers will find initial encouragement.

Certainly throughout the book, Gay and Lesbian teens are effectively given the message that they are not alone and that being Gay is not inherently going to have a negative impact on their lives. Yet at no point does Heron present coming out as a teen in an overly sugarcoated fashion as illustrated with the inclusion of some very harrowing stories, such as that from Jim from Chicago, whose parents tried to have him committed and also tried to have his lover arrested. The vast majority of stories, not surprisingly,

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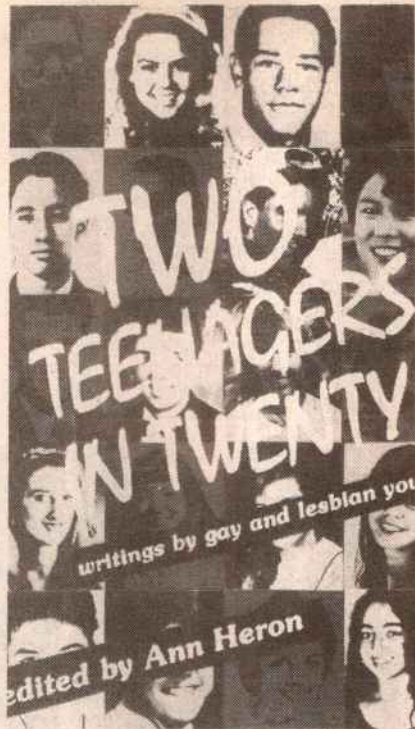
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fit in somewhere in between these two extremes.

It is clear that Ann Heron seeks to present these young Gay and Lesbian voices as clearly and as simply as possible, leaving as few distractions as possible. Yet one wishes that she included some biographical information on the young contributors to give their stories a context. Also, had Heron noted which essays were included in the earlier book, it might have been interesting to see what changes occurred in the twelve years since *One Teenager in Ten* in the lives of Lesbian and Gay teens. Unfortunate too that Alyson has brought out this new edition only in a hardcover format.

Those interested in works for Gay teens should also look for two other titles, Bennett Singer's literary anthology, *Growing Up Gay/Growing Up Lesbian*, now in paperback and Marion Dane Bauer's *Am I Blue: Coming Out from the Silence*. Singer's intriguing collection includes short stories, novel excerpts, poetry, plus true coming out stories from individuals such as Martina Navratilova and Dave Kopay. In *Am I Blue*, Bauer sought out some of the very best young adult fiction writers, some who are Gay, such as Leslea Newman, and many who are not, to write original stories that will entertain while seeking to dispel myths and provide much needed information. Particularly noteworthy are Gregory Maguire's *The Honorary Shepards* and



M.E. Kerr's quietly effective *We Might as Well All Be Strangers*.

(Owen Keehnen interviews Editor Ann Heron elsewhere in this section.)

Fall Happenings at AfterWords

Milwaukee — To coincide with the start of the school year, AfterWords Bookstore has featured all in stock Women's Studies titles at a 10 percent discount throughout the month of September. Included in our extensive Women's Studies sections are works of fiction by popular contemporary women's writers as Alice Walker, Margaret Atwood, and Toni Morrison plus non-fiction and theoretical titles from such authors as the controversial Camille Paglia, Mary Daly and Betty Friedan to name just a few.

Looking ahead to October, recently designated Gay and Lesbian History month, AfterWords will feature selected Gay and Lesbian non-fiction titles at 10% off.

With National Coming Out Day just around the corner (October 11th), AfterWords is featuring all of the official NCOD merchandise with the distinctive Keith Haring logo. Also on October 11th, AfterWords will be hosting its second annual National Coming Out Day "Come Out!" party with food, fun and more.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

I've got the post Labor Day blahs, and "I'm another year older" blues so don't expect any brilliant writing or blazing wit from ME this issue! Taking a look back to my last deadline, and bringing you up to date...

The Victims of Desire male dancers from Ohio made pit stops at **Club 219** on August 26 and at **Club 94** on the 27. Since my 43rd(!) birthday was also on the 26th and I worked at the office on the last issue until almost 11:30pm, I dropped in next door at 219 to catch their act. Also jokingly referred to as the *Victims of Perspire*, one of them made me break out into a sweat when I saw him "fluffing up" prior to going on stage.

It was a rip snortin' boot stompin' good time at **3B's Bar** August 27 as Bob, Bobby and Bruce and their staff celebrated the bars 3rd Anniversary. Lots of give-aways and country dancing kept the crowds happy and the crew busy. Congratulations to the B's on three great years, and here's my wishes for many, many more! The next day, Sunday, 3B's hosted the **Shoreline** dancers and **NSGRA's** two step workshop featuring two award-winning instructors from Minneapolis.

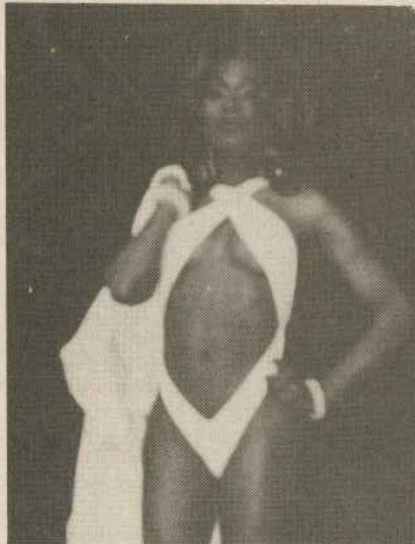
Three contestants vied for the title of **Miss 219** at their pageant later that night. Lilly White captured the crown and Mica Mahon took first runner up. Although it was a very close contest, Lilly pulled it off with her talent number of Madonna's *Fever*.

Also on the 27th, the **LAMM's** first annual Milwaukee Lesbian variety show, *On Broadway — Everything's Coming Up Roses* was a sell out at the Broadway Theater. The exciting line-up of talent was professionally presented and technically near-perfection. Many of the performers didn't want any photos taken, and/or no flash photos — and none of my photographers have that kind of capability, so unfortunately, we don't have photo coverage of the show.

That Saturday was also the **SSBL's**

Fan Appreciation Day at Mitchell Park. There was a delay when the Park's Department scheduled another softball game at the same time, but eventually things got worked out. You can read more about the day in Tommy's column in *Jock Shorts* this issue. My best wishes to Bill Meunier who was struck in the eye by a ball... the doctors still aren't sure just how much vision he'll lose because of the softball to the eyeball, but it was nasty (and painful!).

Sunday, August 28 was jam-packed, too. **Blacks Educating Blacks Against AIDS (BEBA)** presented *The Black Box*, a safer sex dance extravaganza at the Art Museum. Co-sponsored by **Ujima** the program helped spread the safe sex words in a funky kind of way, with DJ Dr. B spinning the tunes. Safer Sex videos and a cash bar helped guarantee a hot time. Too bad this event which was



Miss Midwest Region Pageant winner Candy Love from Chicago.
Photo by James Taylor

directed at the Black Gay community, had to compete on the same night for the same crowd as the Miss Midwest '94 Region Pageant at the downtown library...

The **Miss Midwest '94 Region Pageant**, hosted by Joseph Maddox of Paragon, Entertainment Inc. was held the

same night at Centennial Hall in the main library as **Black Box**. Nine contestants, all "girls" of color, from St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee and other Midwest cities competed for the title before a crowd of about 200. The turn out was fairly impressive considering the lack of promotion in the Milwaukee area, except for some bar posters and two articles in **In Step**. It was heavily promoted in Chicago, however. Several guests entertainers from the Midwest, and guest emcee Otis Mack from Chicago, kept the evening rolling... and rolling... and rolling (into overtime charges for the facility).

Congratulations to Chicago winner **Candy Love**, and first runner-up, Milwaukee's own dark diva, **Dominique Mahon**.

Meanwhile, later that night over at the **Boot Camp** there was black... Leather, for the **Wisconsin Leather Men's Association** beer bust on the patio. The following Thursday, the **Boot Camp** celebrated their 10th Anniversary. My photographer Jamie (who, by the way, has another new camera... the third one in two months... don't buy Minolta) had to work the next day at his full time job, and couldn't stay too late, said things started off kind of slow but where starting to pick up when it was time for him to go home. Congratulations to Si and his crew on the first 10 years, and my best for many more successful years!

Club 3054 held their 5 day closing weekend September 1-5, with everthing from Thursday night Karaoke, to Friday's presentation of the *Victim's of Desire* (male AND female dancers); to Saturdays Birthday Bash Blowout and BBQ. Joe and I made a trip out on Saturday to help Cheri, Terry, Greg, Tyrone, Steve and Tommy celebrate their Virgo birthdays. We ended up volunteering our culinary skills and cooked up hundreds of Brats and Burgers. (It was a chilly evening, so the fire kept us warm!) The weekend continued on Sunday with a Bartender Reunion day, video flashbacks and a double beer bust, and wrapped up on Labor Day Monday with the **Glamour Girls Farewell Show** and "clear off the shelves" drink specials all day and night

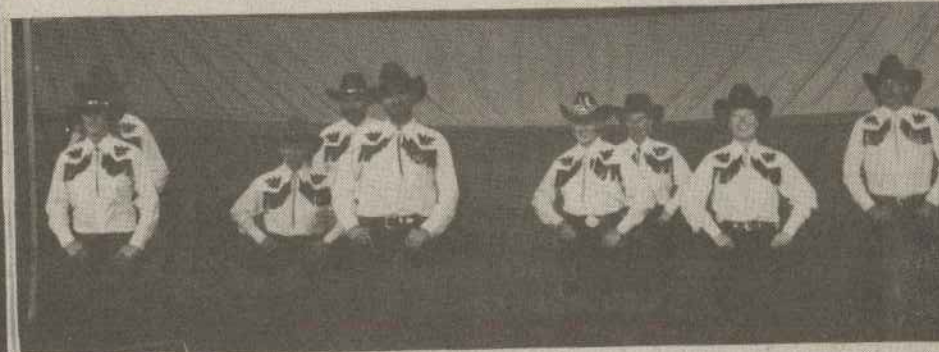
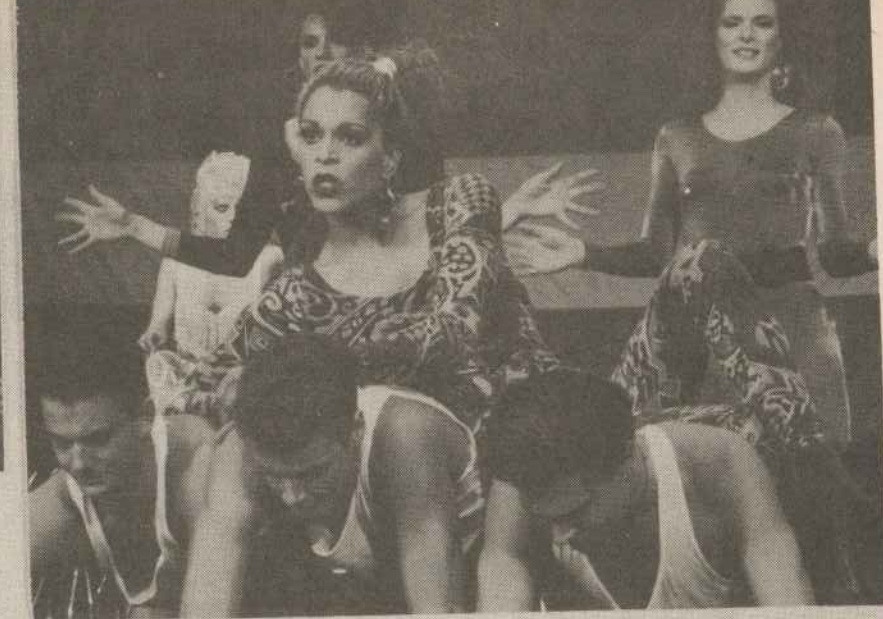
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long. Terry has been hired to work at Rod's.

Cheri and her other half, Cindy, still weren't sure what they were going to do — reopen, move, retire, or what. Cheri's father had a massive heart attack the Thursday her closing weekend kicked off, so that was like another proverbial slap in the face after all that she's gone through the last several months. My best wishes to them, whatever they decide to do... Cheri has provided lots of fun times over the years, raised *beaucoup* bucks for community efforts, employed lots of people both at 3054 and **Back East**, and provided an environment where both Gay men and Lesbians could be themselves. *God Love Your Ass, Girl!*

The *Stars of Wisconsin Farewell Tour* for DuWanna Moore, **Miss Gay WI-USA**, stopped at the **Pivot Club** September 2, and **Club 94** on the 3rd. The Wisconsin-USA Pageant held its finals this past weekend in Appleton. We'll cover that in next issue because our deadline was the 8th.

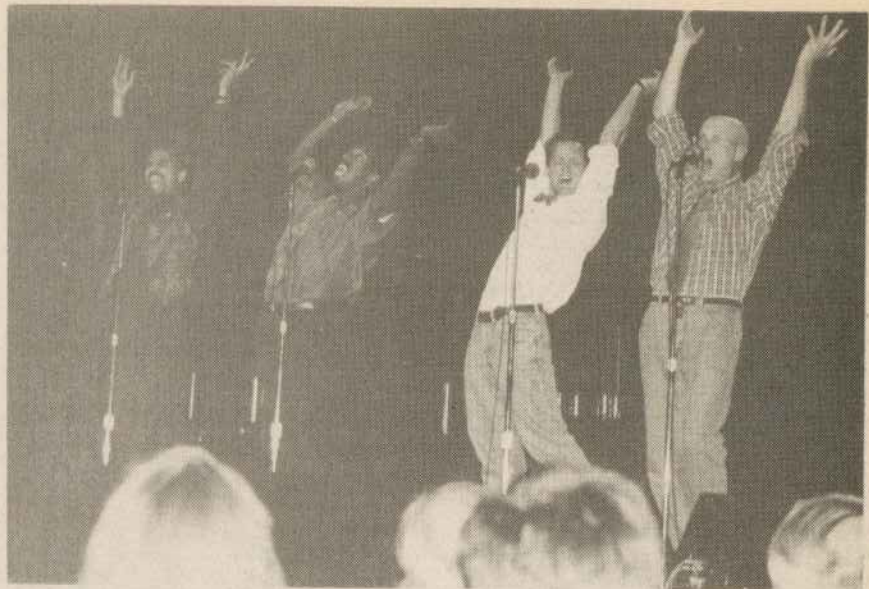
News Flash: **Sasha Mitchell**, Miss Gay Racine WI-USA won the *Miss Wisconsin-USA Pageant* in Appleton this past Sunday. More the next issue. Oh, **Outpost Foods** has decided to allow **In Step** to be distributed there, once again. Thanks to those of you who called and complained!

Ray's Bar and Grille battled the bleak weather on Saturday and opted to condense their two day Volleyball Tourney into just Sunday (when the weather wasn't much better). The Sunday Pig Roast helped to warm things up (and fill a load of tummies!). By the way, Ray informed me he will be starting an expansion of the bar, soon.

Sunday, September 4 was a Big Day, with the **Wreck Room** celebrating their 22nd Anniversary in a Big Way. The street party included a fine array of traditional WR cook out items (the corn was perfect), followed that evening by live music. Bill, Roger and staff outdid themselves as usual, and all the volunteers helped things go smoothly. Congratulations to Bill, Roger and crew on 22 big ones, and best wishes for many more celebrations!

Rob and his staff at the **Triangle** braved the intermittent showers to do a BBQ, too. **Rod's** hosted their weekly beer bash in the Alley and followed up with a BBQ on the patio. The **New Bar** presented *Festival For Life* a show produced by Alvin with proceeds going to Children With AIDS. And, of course, it was kick off for **Packer Sundays**, with **Station 2**, **Ballgame**, and **Sass** all featuring the game and specials.

Thousands of you converged on the PAC's Riverfront grounds for the annual **MAPFest**. Lots of food, drink and plenty of entertainment kept the crowd occupied. The dance tent made a nice addition to the festivities, but next year,



The *Flirtations* appearance at MAPFest was nearly sold out.
Photo by James Taylor



Suede's Milwaukee premiere at the MAPFest Concert gained her lots of new fans.

Photo by James Taylor

it should be turned the other way so the sound heads north instead of south towards the Peck stage. It would also help if local club disc jockeys would be given shifts to spin — familiar music might have drawn more dancers. The food was really quite good this year. Each year the quality gets better and better, and there was a nice variety of merchandise at the Marketplace. The Peck stage could have used more women entertainers, and performers other than drag. It was basically drag from 5pm-on and that was a bit much...

The *Flirtations*/ *Suede* concert at the PAC's indoor Vogel Hall, which required a separate ticket, was a near

sell out and pure entertainment. Suede has the voice of a Goddess, and the widest vocal range I have ever heard live. What more can be said about the Flirts... they are the epitome of harmony and camp.

Congratulations to the MAPFest committee... to sell out of beer when the rain fell nearly-nonstop means people must have had one hell of a good time!

Rudy fell down and broke his crown... *would you beleive Tiara?* **Rudy dela Mor** cancelled his **M&M Club** show scheduled for last weekend after falling down and breaking something (probably the floor he fell on suffered the most!). At least this time he gave Bob Schmidt several days notice... Last time he cancelled he rescheduled himself! Oh well, he's a Diva and can get away with it...

Your new **Miss Continental USA** is **Cezanne** and first runner up was New York's **Paris Frantz**. Thirty eight contestants, including **Miss Continental Wisconsin**, **Mary Richards**, vied for the coveted titty title in Chicago on Labor Day.

Java's has been basically gutted and totally redone in its second floor space above **Za's**. Mark and Ken are hosting a three day grand opening weekend Sept. 16-18.

Also in Green Bay, **Brandy's II** is open and Terry and staff are continuing to serve customers. Jerry is no longer involved.

Just Us goes before the Utilities and Licensing Committee for approval of their license on Sept. 27. The full Common Council then must vote on Sept. 28. If, as expected, everything is honkey dory, the bar will open to the public at 5pm that Wednesday. They've scheduled their first show for Saturday, Oct. 1.

Mount-N-Men at Club 219

Wednesday, Sept 21

Milwaukee — Mount-N-Men is not the typical Chippendale strip show that you are used to seeing, Nor is it a pretty boy routine. The group consists of three men who specialize in presenting a high energy, gymnastic, erotic, fantasy stage show. A lot of work, sweat and concentration goes into this act that has performed in the smallest of bars to the largest of nightclubs in the US. The unique three man show features types to fulfill any fantasy or desire.

Mount-N-Men will perform at Club 219 in their Wisconsin premiere, on Wednesday, September 21. There will be a cover. Don't miss this hot New York act.



The New York erotic troupe Mount-N-Men will perform at Club 219 on September 21.

Recording Artists DV8 (Deviate) Tours Wisconsin

Stops at Za's & Club 219

Dance music recording artist/porn star, David Burrill is back on tour in the area, this time teamed up with Chad Spikes, another musician, and together they call themselves DV8 (Deviate). David has made plenty of friends in the Wisconsin Gay club scene where he has

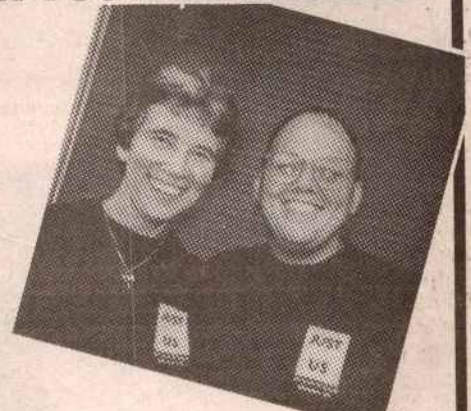
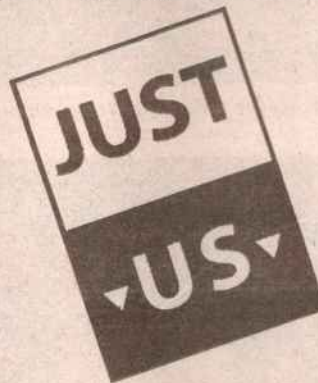
performed numerous times over the years. Chad, however, is David's new performing partner and the two man band is currently touring to promote the release of their first joint album, *Let the Walls Fall Down*.

Twenty four year old Chad had stopped by David's Tampa, Florida home to check out some used recording equipment David had advertised for sale. Chad sampled the wares and when David heard him sing, "it was magic". "We spent the rest of the evening writing music together and DV8 was launched. I am absolutely thrilled. We are in high gear!"

Chad was formerly with Stevie B. and has a background in gospel and blues. Besides his vocal duties, Chad also is a keyboardist and guitarist. Chad commented, "Gay audiences are the best. They are just a lot more fun."

DV8 will appear at Za's in Green Bay on Saturday, September 17 at 10:30pm; and at Club 219 on Friday, September 23.

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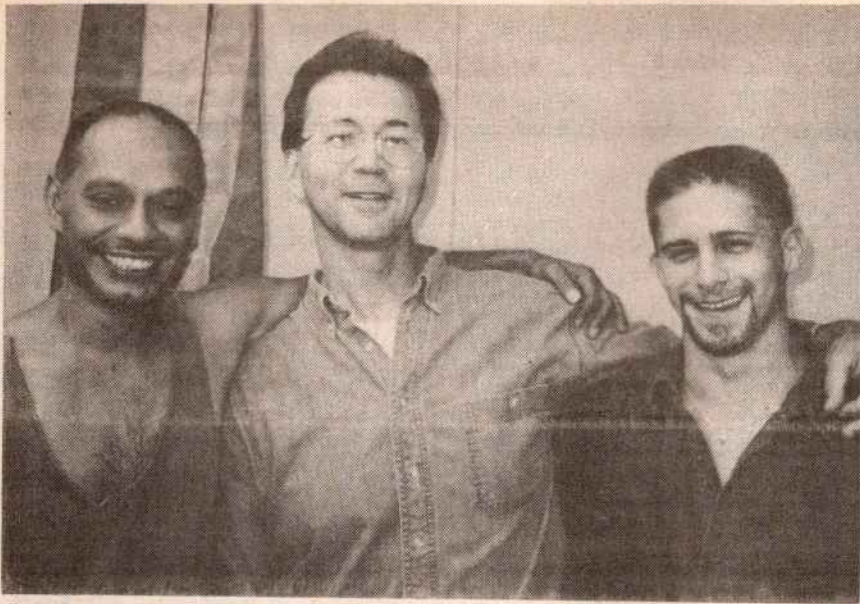
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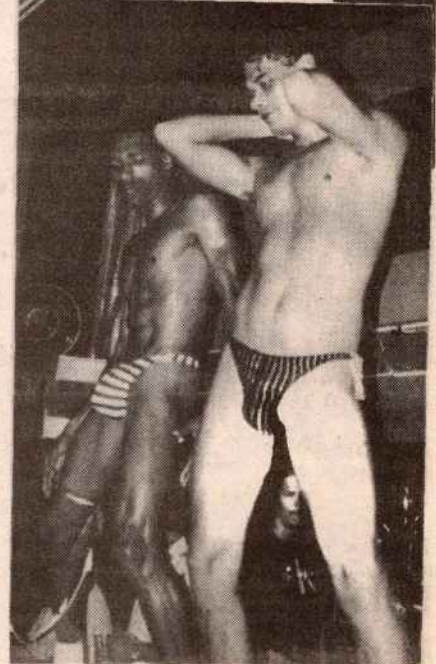
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(L to R) Jay, Ray and guest bartender Steve posed at Ray's Bar and Grille during their Labor Day weekend festivities.
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The Victims of Desire male dancers from Ohio performed August 26 at Club 219 and at Club 94 on the 27th.
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Customers of the Bunkhouse at the Travlur Lounge in Rockford posed for this photo during the bars anniversary celebration.
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Calendar

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 14

Rod's (Madison): Fresh Meat Week continues through the 18th. Free shot for every update or new sign-up.

SAGE/Milwaukee: Open meeting on *Looking Ahead with SAGE*. East Side Library, 1910 East North Avenue, 6:30pm. See Letters for details.

THURSDAY, SEPT 15

Gay by God's Will: Milw Warner Cable Channel 47, 5pm. Public information and Q&A forum with the two candidates for the 19th District (Scott Evertz and incumbent Barbara Notestein).

LAMM Membership Meeting: People's Books, 3512 North Oakland Avenue, 7pm. See Group Notes for details.

BESTD Women's Clinic: 6-9pm, BESTD Clinic.

FRIDAY, SEPT 16

Boot Camp Saloon: Leathermen's Bar Night.

Frontiers (Madison): Canoeing and dinner after. Call (608) 241-2500 for details and reservations.

Wreck Room: BESTD Clinic offers



Boot Camp staffers prepared to celebrate the bars 10th Anniversary.

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free, anonymous HIV testing and counseling from 5-8pm.

Club 219: Grant Dixon's *Victims of Desire*.

Napalese Lounge: 12 year Anniversary Weekend. Free beer and soda, 8-9pm. Surprise guest & cameos after 10pm. Drink specials, give-aways and DJ.

Java's (Green Bay): Grand Opening Weekend. Reduced admission to 17 & up Dry Party. Dancing 10-close. Free soda & juice.

"Zero Patience": 7pm screening at UWM Union Cinema, 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard, 2nd Floor. Students \$3, General Public, \$4. Reviewed in the last issue of *In Step*.

SATURDAY, SEPT 17

Frontiers (Madison): Screening of *Stonewall 25*. Call (608) 241-2500 for details.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Grant Dixon's *Victims of Desire*.

Runway 51 (Janesville): Slammer Productions presents *The Girls Next*



Top- the three contestants vying for the title of Miss 219. Bottom, left and right, winner Lilly White during her talent segment and after the crowning. Photos by James Taylor

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Java's (Green Bay): Grand Opening Weekend. Hors d'oeuvres, drink specials.

Za's (Green Bay): D-V-8, David Burrill and Chad Spikes, 10:30pm. See article this issue.

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Nat'l Coming Out Day Community Photo: Milw's Human Rights League will be coordinating a group photo of Gay men and Lesbians coming out for publication by Milw's major print media. 10am, plaza of the War Memorial Center. When published, photo will be accompanied by numbered outline of participants with a key giving name, occupation, employment, title. See Group Notes section for more information.

SUNDAY, SEPT 18

AIDS Walk Wisconsin: 10k Walk along Milwaukee's lakefront, starting at Summerfest, Miller Oasis, 10:30am sign up, 12:30 stepoff.

Frontiers (Madison): Brunch at Milw's M&M Club, then AIDS Walk. Call (608) 241-2500 for details and car pooling.

Fannies: Sumo Wrestling.

Napalese (Green Bay): 12th Anniversary Weekend continues with \$6 Rail and Beer Bust, 10-close. Videos and dancing.

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The New Bar (Madison): Drag Queen Appreciation Night.

MONDAY, SEPT 19

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TUESDAY, SEPT 20

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT 21

Club 219: New York's Mount-N-Men, erotic gymnastic male performance. See article this issue.

AIDS Activist TV: HIV/AIDS Prevention Specialist, Rod Johnson featured guest. Live call-in program telecast on Milw. Warner Cable Channel 47, 8:30pm. See TV/Media Section for details.

Triangle: Back to School, Man-O-Rama. Show college ID for 1/2 price drinks all night.

THURSDAY, SEPT 22

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

Za's (Green Bay): Gay Comic Tony Domenico, 10:30pm.

FRIDAY, SEPT 23

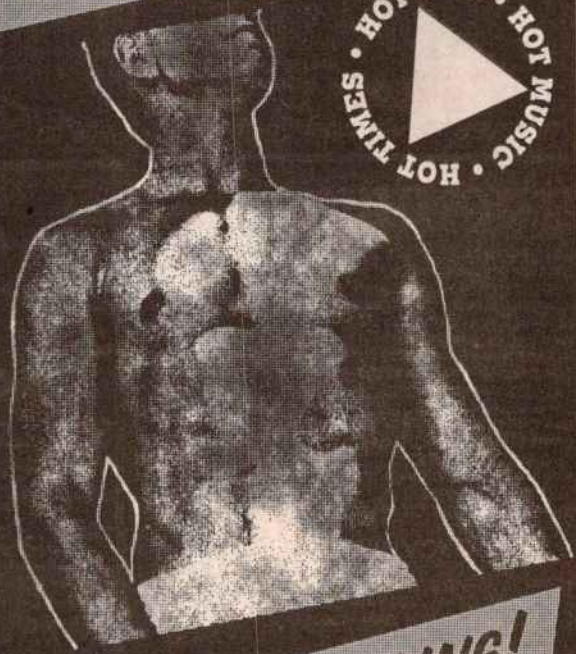
C'est La Vie: Miss C'est La Vie Contest, 11pm. \$100 cash and prizes, \$10 entry fee.

Club 219: David Burrill & Chad Spikes are D-V-8, *Deviate*. They'll be performing songs from their upcoming album.

Fannies: 12th Anniversary Weekend.

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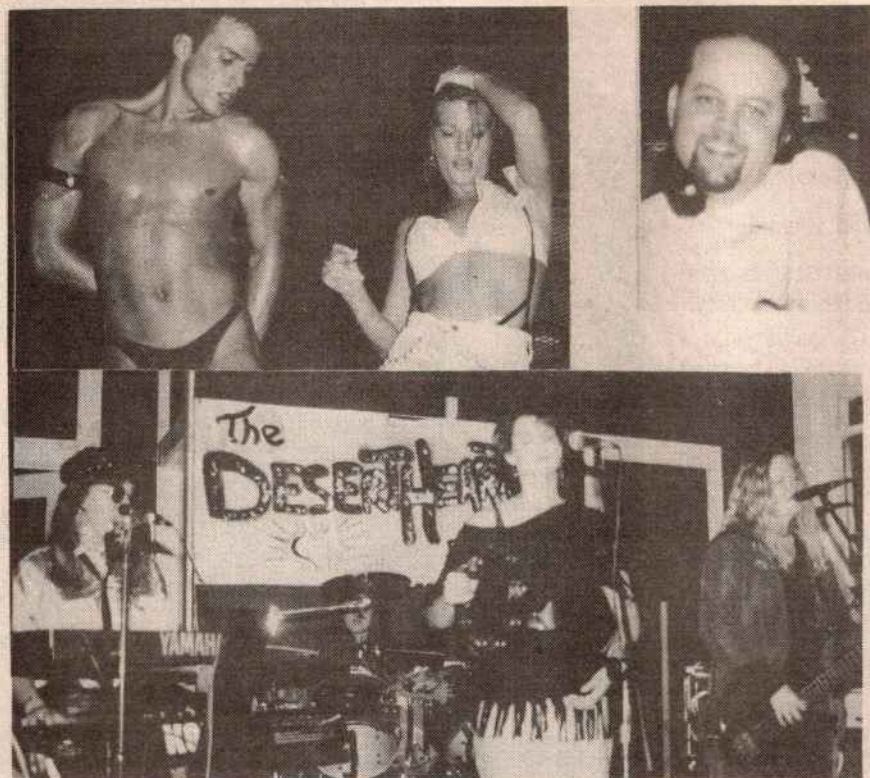
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Rockford's Office had their busiest day of the year during "On The Waterfront" festival. Male and Female dancers, DJ Spidey and the Lesbian band Desert Hearts all entertained the big crowd. Photos by Jeff Butler

SATURDAY, SEPT 24

M&M Club: Singational Productions performs.
Travlur Lounge (Rockford, IL): Annual Ladies Night Penguin Ball.
Ballgame: Sheepshead Tournament.
Fannies: 12th Anniversary Weekend.
Club Xpress (Escanaba, MI): Dead Diva Party, come as your favorite dead diva and how she died. Drink specials if in diva attire. 7pm, \$5 cover for non-card members.
1100 Club: Castaways Club Night.
Rod's (Madison): Oktoberfest, through Sept 30. Rod goes German with special \$1.50 featured beer nightly.
Madison Gay Video Club: Viewing and Social Hour, feature: *Philadelphia*, 8pm. FMI call (608) 244-8675. This club meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday during Fall.

SUNDAY, SEPT 25

Fannie's: 12th Anniversary Weekend.
Frontiers (Madison): Hot Air Ballooning. FMI call (608) 274-8553.
M&M Club: Michael McAssey returns for an encore engagement.
Outdoor Volleyball: 1pm, east of Milw's Lincoln Memorial Drive, north of Bradford Beach.
Triangle: Sumo Wrestling. Open bar 4-5pm, door prizes.
The New Bar (Madison): WI-USA Stars on Tour, a King Productions Show.

MONDAY, SEPT 26

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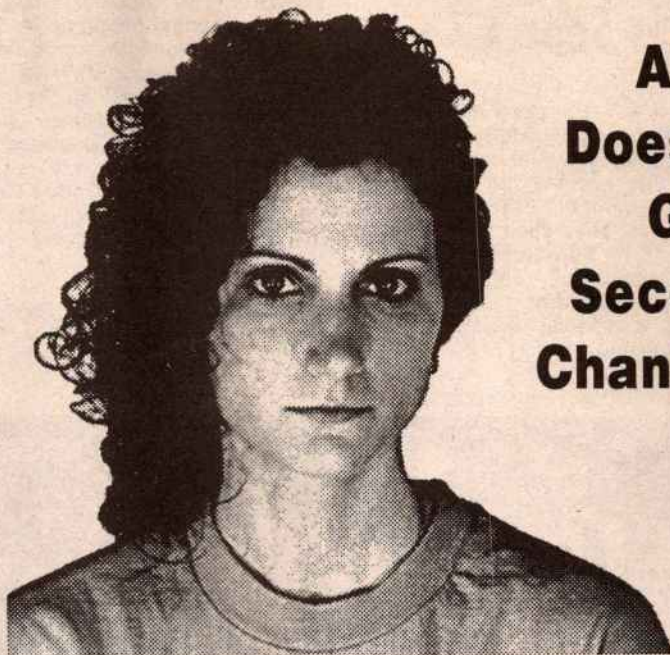
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Milwaukee — Rodney Johnson, Gay and Lesbian prevention services coordinator for the **Milwaukee AIDS Project** and a leading member of **Ujima**, an organization of Lesbian and Gay African-Americans, will be the featured guest on the next edition of *AIDS Activist TV*. The call-in program, to be broadcast live at 8:30pm on Wednesday, September 21 on Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47, will also report on **ACT UP Milwaukee's** effort to better AIDS education for Milwaukee Public Schools' students and other recent developments in the world of AIDS.

Johnson will outline his involvement in an important planning and needs assessment project that is examining local AIDS prevention efforts. Viewers are invited to join in as Johnson and *AIDS Activist TV* hosts Patrick Flaherty and Brian Komar discuss effective AIDS prevention strategies.

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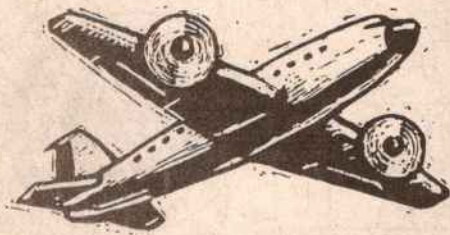
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Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

Gay Dictionary

The evolution of the Gay 90's continues to bring with it new words and definitions used to describe ourselves and our life as it relates to the outside world. In other words, here's more words and definitions from W.W. Wells' Gay Dictionary...

AMBIDEXTROUS: (1) A sexually-adroit man who can roll a condom on with their tongue is considered to be ambidextrous and is usually very popular at parties. (2) A bisexual.

BREAKING UP: The termination of a relationship. An event which usually occurs with-in the first month of dating when the supply of new sexual positions is exhausted and the fear of intimacy skyrockets.

CELIBATE: Your sexual status if you only have sex with men who are honest, handsome, intelligent and sober.

CELLULOID CLOSET: What Gay men call the small room where they store their porno videos when Mom comes to visit.

COMPROMISE: A popular method of conflict resolution in Gay relationships, whereby neither person really gets what they want, but each has the consolation of knowing the other one didn't either.

CRUISE CONTROL: Ultra secret, sophisticated strategies employed by high priced publicists and studio executives to manage the media and squash reports that *Top Gun* Tom is a big homo.

DEBT CONSOLIDATION: A misguided attempt by clothes-a-holic Gay men to lower credit card debt by paying off their VISA bill with their MasterCard.

THE DISENFRANCHISED: If affirmative action comes to the club scene, the disenfranchised would be those desperate single Gay males at bar closing time who have yet to snag a boy for the night. Eventually, they would receive government funding to provide them with prostitutes... you can bet Herb Kohl would vote for it.

DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP: A romantic living arrangement in which a Felix Unger clone winds up in love with and cleaning up after, a guy whose last apartment looked like a filming location for a *Nine Inch Nails* video.

FAMILY VALUES: For most Born Again Christians, the term "family values" is

synonymous with the phrase, "fags will rot in hell for all eternity, have a nice day... and God bless."

GOURMET: A man who enjoys the taste of Grey Poupon on your weenie.

PERFECT MAN: Is young (under 25), smooth, toned, tanned, very rich, very hung and not so shallow as to only be interested in superficial things about other people.

PSYCHO BITCH: (1) A term used to describe the justified knife-wielding behavior of your hyper-jealous boyfriend after he discovers you've been having a steamy affair with his best friend. (2) Another word for *Roseanne*.

RISKY BEHAVIOR: An obnoxious redneck who makes loud homophobic remarks at Bette Midler, Barbra Streisand or Melissa Ethridge concerts is said to be engaging in "risky behavior."

SECURITY PERSONNEL: At Gay clubs it's often a big, imposing Lesbian whose hand stamping is powered by biceps larger than Sly Stallone's.

UNITY: A heated topic of dispute among Gay rights groups and activist types attempting to achieve it.

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Cleaning out my closet

By Shelly Roberts

I Do's and Dont's

Where on earth did I get the idea that we wanted to get married to each other?

Did you tell me that? No, maybe it was somebody else. But I was sure I heard it somewhere, sure it was important to us. You know, legal representation and getting lots of free toasters and blenders, and having an official mother-in-law. All that *normal* stuff of ceremonies and ritual sacrifices that come with weddings. I read so much about it in the *Chicago Tribune* and *Newsweek*. Was it my imagination, or did you also hear about it on every other talk show on AM and FM radio dial around the time the rest of the world was afraid we'd dirty up their military showers? About how high, high, high it was on our "Agenda?"

Oh, sure, some of us do. We borrow rites and practices loosely translated from the Presbyterian, invite friends, and embarrassed relatives, play dress-up, and collect goodies in silver colored

paper with embossed morning doves. But that's about a party. And a celebration of together with fondest, overly-optimistic hopes for marching happily ever after, forever and ever, into the sunset amen. Or getting even with Mom and Dad who blew six-eight thousand bucks to legalize Sister-Sweetie to Gormph, The Elephant Man.

But that legal married part?... Well. Guess what?... Surprise. For the most part, we could care less.

I know. It seems impossible to fathom because Lambda Legal Defense is so heart-set on it. But the reality is that the people who care most about our getting legally married to each other are (a) Phil and Oprah (a lovely couple) (b) Pentecostal religionist terrified that we might join their ranks and shed some light into their particular woodsheds, and (c) our lawyers.

Now I only know this because I asked. You see, a funny thing didn't happen on the way to another book. As you know, I try my darndest every couple of years or so to see just what big balloons full of very hot air we have floating over our heads, and, with a very sharp pin, performing oral surgery with laughing gas.

Gay Rites I thought. Good book potential.

I should have understood that rites for (1) Gay men mean: "Hey, do you come here often?" and for (2) Lesbian rites mean: "Hello, it's nice to meet you,

would you like to move into a common, neutral, expensive living space, adopt several furry creatures, form a tight circle of friends with whom we have often and intimate dinners, and then separate in an environment that would make Nagasaki in the 1950s seem somehow safer? What's your name?"


Instead, I went looking for our marriage culture, our wedding customs, our uniting ceremonies. And you know what I found? Borrowed evidence.

Two men usually wear tuxes. Two women usually wear dresses. They schedule their events in back yards, churches, Sons of Liberty and Justice Meeting Halls, and Manny's While-U-Wait Function Room Restaurant and Truck Stop Cafe. Alternative, alternative couples dress in natural fibers, hold their ceremonies outside, praying to celestial beings for acceptable weather, and serve a cake-like substance made of dried fruits, nuts and berries. Ho-hum. That's what everybody else does.

And very darn few of us even bother.

Maybe you had a great uniting ceremony everyone came to, and you got all the place settings you could eat. *Mazel Tov*. But your peers went to Service Merchandise and bought their own. Our ceremonial rite, male or female, Gay and Lesbian, isn't to go stand up in front of anybody and make declarations. Our sacrament is to show up at the softball game or the bar holding hands. (After a six month "honeymoon" where we barely seen even people we work with, and only then because we have to, and our parents occasionally to see how they are going to react.) Or we go back to group therapy in triumph. Or we hold a house-warming. Then we call ourselves "married."

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most often a trust deed or a mortgage. And our beginnings usually start with a "Closing."

We celebrate as our anniversaries (1) the first time we laid eyes on each other. And, (2) the first we laid each other. If we do have any kind of "wedding," we commemorate it third on the list.

And, even though we do it much more often, we have a harder time splitting than do the heterocasuals. They have lawyers. We have *therapists*.

Only a small percentage of us consider this a handicap. (Now don't write me or the Editor any letters about equal tax advantages, child custody, wills or insurance benefits. I know there are cases amongst us that make us all go "Ooohhhhhnnnnn! I'm so sorry." When we hear about them. But as a majority, Gay men and Lesbians think that carrying wedding bouquets is a real toss-up now that we can get spousal memberships at both Costco and Triple A without benefit of clergy.)

I know that most of us buy the PR put out about us. After all, so few of us actually talk to each other, and the only polling source of our own calls itself "Overlooked Opinions" with good reason.

We get told by hetero-intellectuals *who* we are, and *what* we want so inaccurately often, that when I get a little piece of differing information, I want to set the record straight.

The hetero-ineffectuals get legally entangled because women needed some kind of protection and obligation from oh-you-great-big-handsome-man. Men wanted property rights and sex without dinner and a show first. Those are *not, repeat, NOT*, on the Gay Agenda. But, sure as there are three sides to a triangle, now that we are a market, mark my words, the wedding industry is going to gear up and come after us.

Fair warning, it seems to me. You should know what the rest of us are doing so you'll be ready when, in the future, your mother asks for the bajillionth time when you two are going to do The Rite Thing.

Just tell her what *only* we can. Tell her you'll do it when and if you feel like it... because, after all, unlike non-Gays, we never *have* to get married.

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(Shelly Roberts is a nationally syndicated columnist and author of *The Dyke Detector*, and *Hey Mom, Guess What... ???! 150 Ways to Tell Your Mother*, Paradigm Publishing.)

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Inside Out

By Yvonne Zipter

Pumpitude

The title of Mariah Burton Nelson's latest book, **The Stronger Women Get, the More Men Love Football** (which sounds like an oxymoron) has been instrumental in helping me develop my current motto: *The Rounder My Belly Gets, the More I Do Bicep Curls* (which is, simply, moronic). Between my plunging headlong into middle age and the fact that last summer several major muscle groups were cut in the vicinity of what your more genteel folks would call "my female parts" and what I would call "the source from which all pain emanates" — those old abs just don't spring back the way they used to. I do sit-ups until I could spit up, and still my belly clings to its round womanly shape — which, when you put it that way, sounds almost normal and natural.

Nevertheless, I miss, from hip to hip, that flatland I'd grown so used to in my younger days, being from the prairie states and all. To take my mind off the fact my slim girlish figure has gone off with someone else, I have begun paying extra attention to my arm and leg muscles — which seem somewhat cooperative yet. "Paying extra attention" is a euphemism, meaning: *I have been workin' those little puppies like crazy.*

And I say "somewhat cooperative" because my thighs, at least, are resistant to assuming the exact shape I have in mind for them. Without getting too specific about the "problem," let's just say that, with the right shorts or slacks on, I can attract entire colonies of love-stricken crickets. My calves, on the other hand, if I do say so myself, are reasonably shapely, in that 1940s movie star kind of way — except that I *never* have to worry about whether or not my seams are straight... My calves, of course, haven't quite reached that wood-sculpted look that Martina's have, but I'm not sure I want someone mistaking my brown suntanned calves for bedposts anyway.

But it is my arm muscles I am currently most taken with. When I am hefting those weights around, I start to see myself with big, pumped up muscles — almost like a cartoon character — Popeye, maybe, or *Ah*old Schwarzenegger. When I look in the mirror, of course, what I actually see is something more like Barney Fife or PeeWee Herman — with a Rubenesque belly.

Despite that disparity, I keep working on those arms. I have two primary goals: (1) to get that muscle, the one just south of my shoulder, to stand out on its own and (2) to avoid getting that

wattle under my arm. I think the latter obsession swung (if you'll pardon the expression) into full force recently at Christmas time. Kathy says that, while watching her grandmother talk and gesticulate, her arms a flapping, I began absently examining my own arms for that special jello-like quality. Actually, I am particularly proud of my triceps — not a jiggler among the pair. That other muscle (what's it called?) still needs work, however. At the moment, it pretty much blends right on in with all the other muscles in my arms. Although, when I'm particularly delusional, I do start to think that, in the right light, I can just maybe see the first hints of muscle definition. That light, however, is very hard to find. Because it is so difficult to find and because I don't want my girlfriend, Kathy, to miss out on the experience simply for lack of poor lighting, I regularly offer her the opportunity to feel my musculature for herself — while I flex. She indulges me, but has started rolling her eyes so much that she looks like a slot machine.

Okay: I will admit that I am a little vain about my arms — which is a bit like Clinton admitting to vanity about his highly developed sense of morality: there's not a whole lot for either of us to be vain about. But, we do the best we can with what we have. However, it's not merely vanity that compels me to play at Hans and Frans. I've also been reading how lifting weights, along with aerobic exercise like bicycling, can actually help

reduce the risk of osteoporosis, heart disease, high-blood pressure, diabetes, and other way unpleasant stuff like that. Such, at any rate, is my official statement on why I exercise and lift weights. It has absolutely *nothing* to do with my neurotic obsession with my body image.

The thing of it is, the body I dream of isn't necessarily a Lesbian body anyway. A Lesbian body is *any* body. Which is to say, Lesbians, speaking very generally, seem to have a better understanding than most that bodies don't only come in one size and shape (not to mention color). Why, my body alone has come in a variety of shapes and sizes over the years! Consequently, I like to think of my experimenting with weights (the metal ones as well as my own) as trying to find the right body, among those options, for me.

And on those days when I'd rather be doing cheese curls than bicep curls? I just think about making that lick-on snake tattoo ripple along my arm. That gives you some idea of just how butch I am.

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R.L., Newport RI

Buy a vacuum cleaner. Whoops. Sorry. Well, honey, you know my answer to almost every thing; F-k 'em. You're never gonna get over the urge to purge the urge for a little kinkola. So even if you think you'll only go out and cheat just this once to get a little special action, girl, you'll be back out there in less than seven months next time. Soon you'll be bringing it home. So get over it, get over him, and get over to the local house of spank and spunk and get spucked.

Dear Billy:

So why hasn't anybody ever sued you for bad advice?

W.P., NYC, NY

Have you ever been sued for bad taste? I don't give bad advice, honey. Bad head, maybe, but not bad advice. And nobody ever sues over bad head. In fact, I don't give bad head; I've heard a few screams in my time and they weren't from teeth marks. But for you, I've got one or two Lorena Bobbitt canines.

Dear Billy:

When my boyfriend and I travel, we always seem to end up with twin bed rooms. We are both sort of shy, so it's hard to say anything at the front desk. You know how those people are. What do you do?

J.Y., Memphis, TN

I usually try to take one up to the room. You know hon, if you take a good look, most of them are probably jealous. And most of them are probably just like you. At any rate, get yourself a good travel agent who understands you and let them make the travel arrangements for you. It won't cost you any more and it may even save you money. They will specify your room requirements in advance so there won't be any questions when you arrive. If there are, you'd be surprised how good you feel just by stiffening your back and saying, "one king-sized bed." (Or queen sized, if you're feeling playful.) Like, sweetheart, who are they gonna tell — your mother? And by the way, don't

forget about trying to take one to the room. If they can check you in, they can sure check you out!

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Stark Reality

By Kirk Stark

True Love, True Faith, and True Lies

Among my group, now best known as Generation X, there is a feeling that

attacks all of us. I think we all feel it.

We were infected during the 80's by movies like *Pretty In Pink* and others like it which showed the angst ridden coming of age of a new, hipper, cynical generation. We listened to the **Smiths**, **Depeche Mode**, and **New Order**. We read **Less Than Zero**, watched *Bright Lights*, *Big City*, and viewed *Scenes From The Class Struggle In Beverly Hills*.

We feel *cheated*.

For all of our gothically somber attitude, fortified with poetry by **Emily Dickinson**, we're all failed romantics at heart, and we've become embittered. We've found that love doesn't work

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perfectly. We've seen that love doesn't *really* conquer all. We've found that love *does* die.

Our first fault was seeing charming preppy **Andrew McCarthy** and the slightly gawky **Molly Ringwald** fall in love in *Pretty In Pink*. Even **Jon Cryer's** character got someone. They could be quirky *and* fall in love. We wanted that.

Since we couldn't be Andrew McCarthy, we opted to be Jon Cryer or even Molly Ringwald. We incorporated our cynical attitude with black clothing, multi-colored hair, and a bevy of amazing finds from the local re-sale shops.

We went out to the clubs, met, and fell in passionate love. It lasted for a week or a month, and then the break-up happened. We felt like our world ended, and we talked about how we could never love again. Then, we got back on the bicycle, and rode off with the new Mr. Right.

We've been riding for quite awhile.

None of the men look or act like Andrew McCarthy. We can't even get them to act like **Robert Downey Jr.** We're hopelessly disappointed.

Now, we write mediocre poetry, whine about the suffering we experienced at our parents hands, and moan about our lost opportunities. As politically active as many of us are, we know little if anything will ever change, and that the only thing that wins is the status quo.

We go to art films and tell our friends about them, never admitting that we sneak off to see movies like *Sleepless In Seattle* so we can remember past loves and reminisce. Our cynicism has been covered by a layer of enamel, hardening into a bulletproof, non-stick surface to which emotion cannot stick.

The truth of our lives is that we're as sentimental as any other generation. We want all of the things that our parents wanted. We want to have it all. The pisser is that we know we can't. The one thing we want most of all — *true love* — is something that we know we can never have. But that doesn't stop us from wanting it.

We have become a generation of serial monogamists who periodically dabble in "alternative" lifestyles. We have the occasional menage, shop at **Naughty But Nice**, and read our lovers the finest in erotic fairy tales. After all, it's easier to get sex than it is to get love.

In the presence of our friends we admit the transitory nature of relationships, that relationships decay at light speed, and that — *of course* — friends are more important anyway. Being alone is best anyway — *it allows one to get more done.*

So now what?

Well, we could always give up the pretense... Sure, we wouldn't be as

interesting to write movies about, and we might have to give up the next cover of **Time** when they want to do their "trend" issue. What will we gain out of this?

Perhaps some honesty?

Could a new couple actually meet, admit that there is some baggage, and that what they really want most out of life is the perfect relationship? That the basis of their dreams was instilled in their heads as a by-product of fairy tale happily-ever-afters, romance novels, and Victorian poetry? Could such a thing work?

And after the burgeoning couple exposed these truths to each other, would they embrace the new relationship, or would the reality kill it?

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Why don't we try to find out?

Feel you have something to say? Write me in care of the paper, or send e-mail via the Internet at: stark_kirk@music.lib.matc.edu.



Photos by Jeff Butter

Jock Shorts

Triangle Captures Tournament Title

By Tom Salszieder

Milwaukee — The Triangle softball team captured the tournament held on August 27th by the Saturday Softball Beer League.

The tournament, held at Mitchell Park, got off to a rough start. Although the league had a permit for the diamond on that date, the Milwaukee County Parks Department scheduled another tournament because the league had not submitted a schedule of games.

Several games were played on a make-shift field on the upper area of the park.

Your Place defeated Marble Arcade, and Ballgame edged Rick's Rangers in 8 innings. The YP team then upset M&M, who had finished in 2nd place in the league. After Triangle knocked out the Ballgame, they came from behind to defeat YP for the championship.

League champion Club 219 did not participate in the tournament, but served food and beer as part of the "Field of Dreams", the last games to be played at Mitchell Park.

Following the games, 1st and 2nd place tournament trophies were presented to Triangle and Your Place. Team plaques were presented to Rick's Rangers, Marble Arcade and Your Place. League trophies were presented to 4th place Ballgame, 3rd place Triangle, 2nd place M&M, and champions, Club 219. The M&M and Club 219 players also received individual medals.

Four teams from the SSBL travelled to Ohio over the Labor Day Weekend for softball tournaments. Club 219 finished in 4th place in Cleveland. Your Place and Triangle also participated in the Cleveland tournament. Rick's Rangers, joined by Chuck and Jim of M&M and Tom of the Ballgame came in 3rd place in a tournament in Cincinnati.

Fall Dart League Starting Oct 5th

Milwaukee — Start your own 8-person squad traveling Dart League, or join one at your favorite bar. Milwaukee area bars with existing leagues you can join include Wreck Room, Club 219, Zippers, 3B's, Just Us, and the Ballgame.

Contact Ken or Rod at the Ballgame after 4pm (273-7474) to start your own dart league.

The deadline to sign up to any dart league team is September 21.

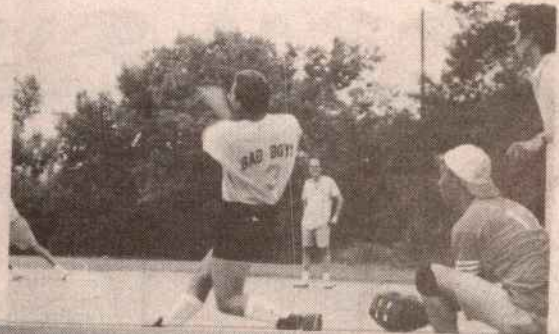
GAMMA Welcomes All Players to Outdoor Volleyball

Milwaukee — A social afternoon of outdoor volleyball will be held on Milwaukee's lakefront beginning at 1pm on Sunday, September 25th. GAMMA will set-up a net on the peninsula on the east side of Lincoln Memorial Drive, north of Bradford Beach and just a tad south of the soccer field.

All skill levels are welcome. Bring your own beverages. Call GAMMA at (414) 963-9833 if weather is questionable.

The History of the Saturday Softball Beer League (SSBL)

Milwaukee — The Saturday Softball Beer League recently completed its 17th year of play. Although four teams arranged "pick-up" games in 1977, formal league competition began in 1978 with eight teams.



The Softball League wrapped up the season with a "Field of Dreams" tournament and cookout.

Photos by James Taylor

The first Wreck Room Classic was held in 1978 over the Memorial Day weekend. A team from Milwaukee participated in the Canada Cup Softball Tournament over the July 4th weekend, and a team representing Milwaukee went to New York in September for the 2nd Gay Softball World Series.

In 1979, the North American Gay

Amateur Athletic Alliance (NAGAAA) was organized, and Milwaukee, along with San Francisco, New York, Los Angeles and Toronto were taken in as charter members NAGAAA awarded Milwaukee to be the host city for the 1979 Gay Softball World Series, and Boston, Chicago, and Twin Cities were also invited to participate.

In 1985, Milwaukee again hosted the 9th Gay Softball World Series, as we "Captured the Spirit." For the first time, a woman's division was included.

All league games were played at Mitchell Park until this year, when the upper diamond was converted into a soccer field. Next year, the lower diamond will also be converted into a soccer field, so the league will no longer be able to play softball there. Games are now held at Sijan Fields on South Kinnickinnic (KK) Avenue in Bay View.

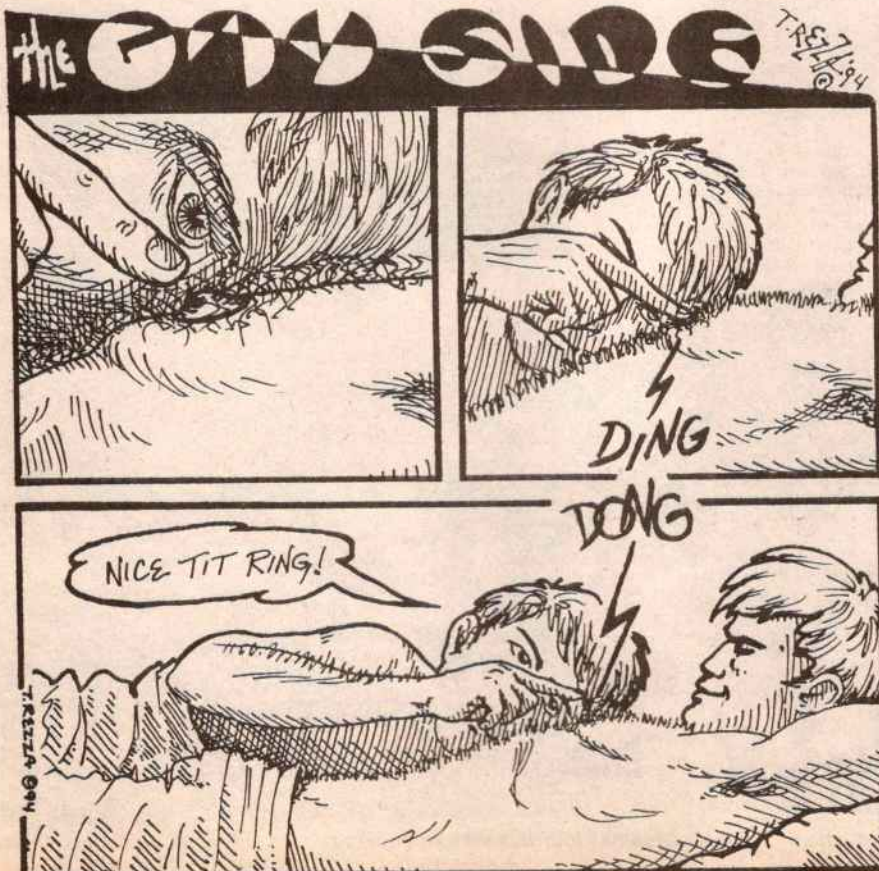
The league has sent at least one team to the Gay Softball World Series each year, and many other teams now participate in the numerous tournaments held throughout the year.

Congratulations to the 1994 SSBL Champions, Club 219, who represented Milwaukee in Nashville at this year's Series.

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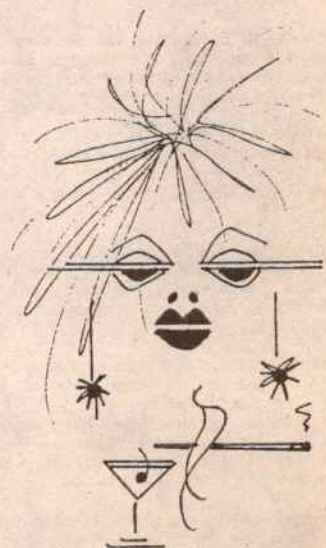
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Also Around the World...

Baghdad — Iraq is beginning to enforce a newly declared policy requiring all visitors entering the country to undergo HIV tests. An Iraqi government spokesman said testing sites have been established at major border crossings and, that to prevent the spread of HIV into Iraq, no one who tests positive will be allowed to enter the country.

Sydney — A Lesbian woman identified only as "Deni" has given birth to triplets after having become pregnant through artificial insemination. She plans

to raise the children — Lindsay, Tyler and Ashley — with her partner, Nikki. "We just want to live a normal suburban life," Nikki told reporters.

London — Two Gay activists from the group **Queers Against Fundamentalists** were arrested in August while protesting at a large Islamic rally in London. The protesters carried signs saying "Islamic Bigots Burn Queers Alive" and "PLO and Hamas Persecute Queers." The group said it did not oppose Islam per se, but wanted to draw attention to human rights violations against Gays by fundamentalists and in Islamic-run countries.

Berlin — German transvestite Charlotte von Mahlsdorf, made famous in Rosa von Praunheim's film *I Am My Own Woman*, has announced she will move to Sweden because of increasing anti-Gay violence by neo-Nazis in Germany.

Taipei — The government of Taiwan announced in August that it would not grant marriage licenses to same gender couples. After receiving a request from two men who wished to marry, the Interior Ministry conducted an investigation and concluded that the country's laws do not recognize same gender marriage.

— Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

Classies

Roommates

Roommate Wanted, GWM to share house near 55th and Wisconsin Ave. in Milw. Non-smoker preferred. Rent includes washer/dryer, central air, heat and utilities. \$285. Call 259-0341.

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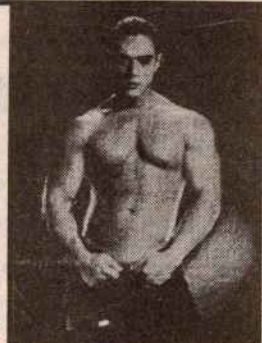
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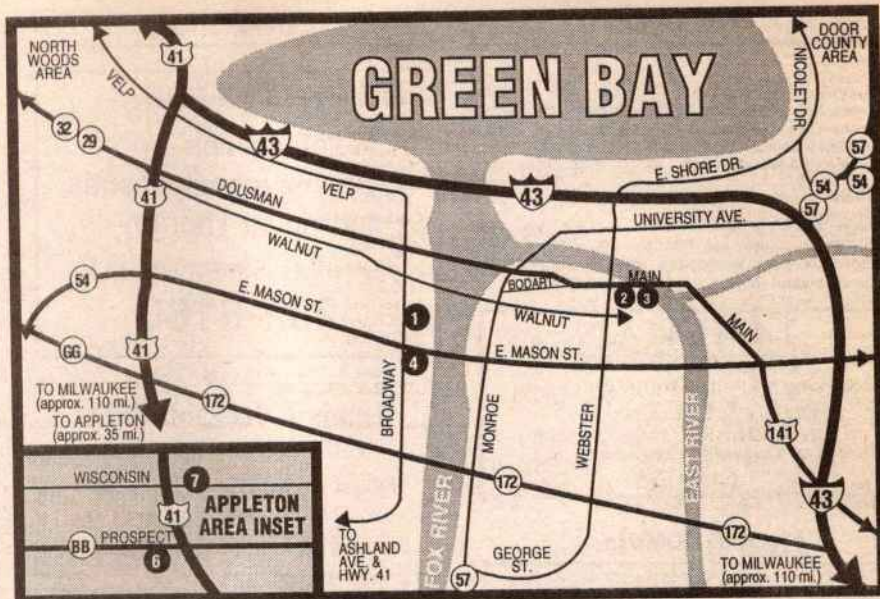
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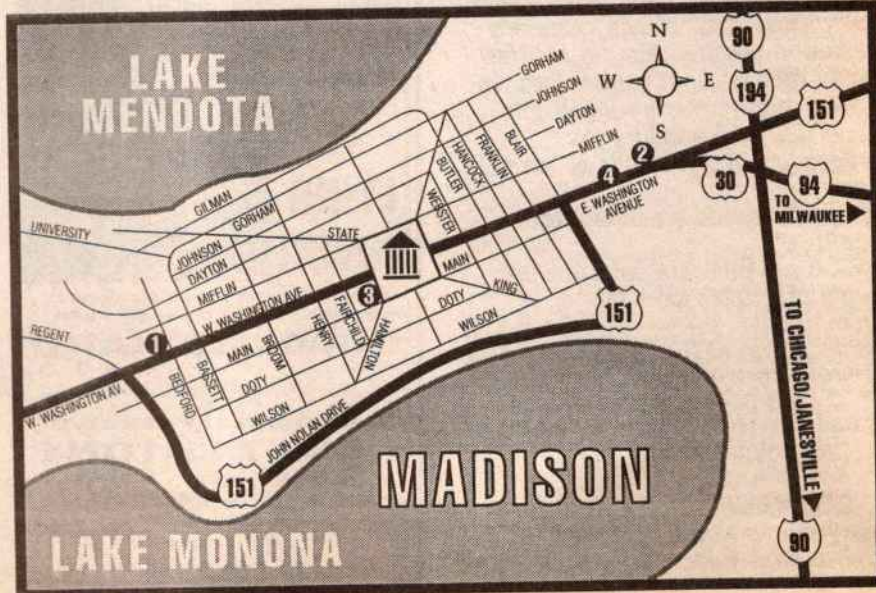
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- 1 The New Bar (MW, DJ, V)
636 W. Washington (upstairs) 53703 256-8765
- 3 Phaze II (GS, MW, F, D)
117 W. Main St. 53703 255-5029
- 4 Ray's Bar & Grill (MW, F)
2415 Winnebago 53704 246-3949

BULLETIN BOARDS

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

ORGANIZATIONS

- AASPIN Foundation (Goal or Wish Assistance for
PWAs) 2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 (608)273-4501
- Apple Island (Womens Cultural Center/Hall Rental)
849 E Washington (608)258-9777
- Bi? Why? Why? (Bisexual Support)
PO Box 321, 53701 (608)251-3886
- Campus Women's Center
710 University Ave, #202, 53715 (608)262-8093
- Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
Box 513, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, Madison 53706
- Different Spokes G/L/B bicycling club (608)241-8184
- 18-21 Yr Old Social Group (608)256-2667
- Frontiers (Gay/Bi Men's Activities
Organ.) 14 W Mifflin, Ste 103, 53703 (608)251-7424
- Gay/Lesbian Phone Line (608)255-4297
- Gay/Lesbian Information Recording
(ask for tape #3333) (608)263-3100
- Gay/Lesbian Resource Center
PO Box 1722, 53701
- G/L Educational Employees
c/o The United (608)255-8582
- Gay Fathers c/o United (608)255-8582
- Gay Men's Video Club
PO Box 8234, 53708 (608)244-8675
- GALVANize (Increasing G/L awareness)
PO Box 1403, 53701 (608)256-4289
- Kissing Girls Productions (Lesbian Cultural Events)
PO Box 6091, 53716
- Lavender (Lesbian Domestic Violence
Support Group) (608)255-7447



LesBiGay Issues Committee (UW Advisory Comm.)
Dean of Students Office, 75 Bascom Hall
Madison 53706 (608) 263-5700

LesBiGay Campus Center (Office, Lounge,
Resource Center) 336 W Dayton 53703 (608)265-3344

LesGayBi Teen Support Group
(Briarpatch & Picada) (608)251-1126/246-7606

Lesbian, Gay and Bi Law Student Union
UW Law School, Bascom Mall, Madison 53706

Lesbian Parents Network
PO Box 572, 53701 (608)255-8582

Madison Volleyball Group Jeff, (608)251-8716

Madison Wrestling Club
PO Box 8234, 53708 (608)244-8675

MAGIC Picnic Comm.
636 W Washington 53703 (608)256-3404 (EXT 220)

Men's Alanon (608)255-8582

New Harvest Foundation (G/L Foundation)
PO Box 1786, 53701

Nothing to Hide (Gay cable) (608)241-2500

Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
PO Box 1722, 53701

10% Society (student organization) Box 614,
UW Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706 (608)262-7365

Unicorns of Madison (L/L club)
PO Box 536, 53701

The United (Education, Counseling, Advocacy)
14 W. Mifflin St., Ste 103, 53703 (608)255-8582

UW LesBiGay Alumni Council Ken, (608) 263-4086

Womansong (Women's Choral Group) (608)246-2681

RELIGIOUS

Integrity/Dignity Box 730, 53701 (608)836-8886

Affirmation (L/G United Methodists)
University Church, 1127 Univ. Ave, 53705 256-2353

James Reab Unitarian Universalist Church 242-8887

MILWAUKEE (414)

ORGANIZATIONS

ACT UP Milwaukee PO Box 1707, 53201 769-8708

Alcoholics Anonymous (req. Gay meetings) 771-9119

Beer Town Badgers PO Box 166, 53201

Paul Bunyon Society(Social group for
Big & Bear Men) PO Box 1252, 53201

Blacks Education Blacks About AIDS (BEBA)548-4262

Black Gay Consciousness Raising 933-2136

Queer Program (Cable TV Show)
PO Box 93951, 53203 964-8423

By Any Means Necessary Community Development
Coalition Rodney 277-7671

Castaways M.C. (Levi/Leather club)
PO Box 1697, 53202-1697

Counseling Center (Gay & Lesbian Support &
discussion Groups) 2038 N. Bartlett, 53202 271-2565

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

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

Cream City Squares
(G/L Square Dancing Club) 521-1259

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

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

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

Front Runners/Walkers 774-2668

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Great Lakes Harley Riders
PO Box 341611, 53234-1611

Greater Milw. Maritime Assoc. (GMMMA)
(Boating, social) POBox 1768, 53201 475-6800

Human Rights League (HRL), PO Box 92674, 53202

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Imani (Support/Social Group for Black Lesbians)
PO Box 92146, 53202 521-4565

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

LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)
PO Box 93323, 53203 264-2600

Lesbian, Gay and Bi People in Medicine (LGBPM)
c/o 3122 W Michigan, 53208 933-6581

LOC/Women of Color 873-4942

PACT (People of All Colors Together)
PO Box 12292, 53212
Dave 527-4296 Veral 347-0580

MGALA (MU Graduates)
PO Box 92722, 53202

Marquette LesBiGay Student Group
Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233 288-6873

Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club 482-0472

Narcotics Anonymous (request Gay mtgs.) 543-4850

Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group 963-9833

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

Oberons (Levi/Leather club) Box 07423, 53207

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
c/o 3074 N Maryland, 53211 Sandy, 962-9320

PrideFest (Pride Committee)
PO Box 93852, 53203 272-FEST

Queer Nation (Queer Action)
PO Box 93951, 53203

SAGE Milwaukee (For older LesBiGays)
PO Box 92482, 53202 after 4pm:271-0378

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

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA) 276-6936

Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.
PO Box 76115, 53216 777-3986

Shoreline Country Dancers PO Box 92273, 53202-0273

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

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

Ujima (African Am. Support/Social, Call Eric)
PO Box 92183, Milwaukee 53202 548-4262

Wi. Leather Men's Assoc. Inc.
PO Box 897, 53201-0897

HELP LINES

Gay Information Svcs. (referrals) 444-7331

Gay People's Union Hotline 562-7010

Gay Bash Hotline (confidential) 444-7331

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- 5 Club 219 (MW, DJ, V) 219 S. 2nd 53204 271-3732
- 7 Dance, Dance, Dance (Mw, DJ)
801 S. 2nd 53204 383-8330
- 6 1100 Club (Mw, L/L, DJ, F)
1100 S. 1st Street 53204 647-9950
- 2 Fannie's (Wm, D, F)
200 E. Washington 53204 643-9633
- 7 Grubb's Pub (MW, F) 807 S 2nd St 53204 384-8330
- 27 Just Us (MW,D,F)
807 S. 5th St, 53204 383-2233
- 22 Kathy's Nut Hut (WM, G/S, F, D)
1500 W. Scott 53201 647-2673
- 21 KT & Zips Atmosphere (MW, DJ)
2800 N. Richards, 53212 372-6330
- 7 La Cage (Mw, DJ, V) 801 S. 2nd 53204 383-8330
- 17 Loose Ends (GS, MW, F)
4332 W. Fond du Lac 442-8469
- 26 Mama Roux (MW, G/S, F)
1875 N Humboldt, 53202 347-0344
- 10 M&M Club (MW, F) 124 N. Water 53202 347-1962
- 8 Cafe Melange (MW, G/S, F)
720 N. Old World 3rd St 53203 291-9889
- 25 ReneZ Co-Z Corner (MW,F,D)
709 N 35, 53208 647-9430
- 20 Station 2 (Wm, D) 1534 W. Grant 53215 383-5755
- 13 This Is It (M) 418 E. Wells 53202 278-9192
- 12 3B's Bar (Mw, D) 1753 S. KK 53204 672-5580
- 18 Triangle (M, V) 135 E National 53204 383-9412
- 24 Walker's Point Marble Arcade (MW,F)
1101 S. 2nd St., 53204 647-9430
- 11 Wreck Room (M, L/L) 266 E Erie 53202 273-6900
- 9 Zippers (Mw) 819 S 2nd, 53204 645-8330

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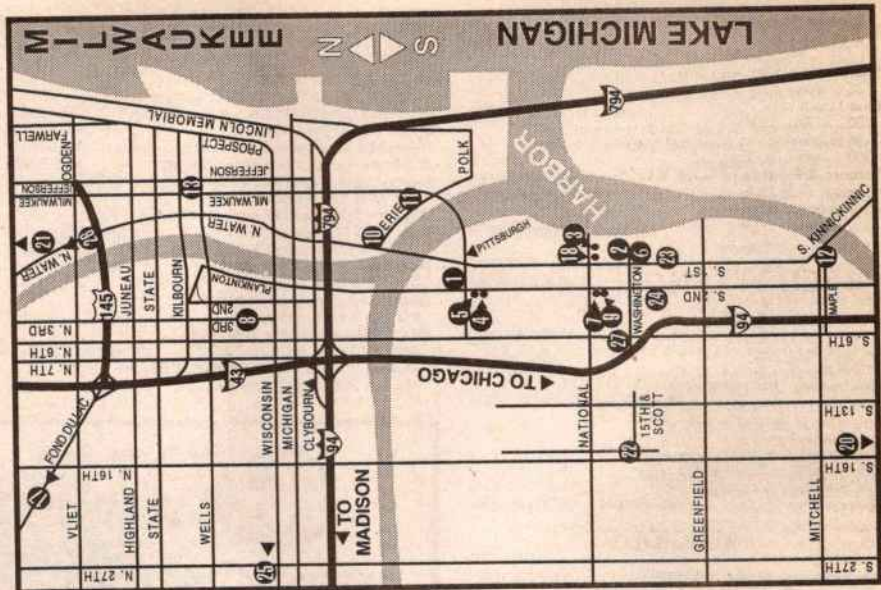
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124 N. Water 53202 347-1962
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MEDICAL

- Dr. Kelly Balliet (Internal/Infectious Diseases)
Medical Center Specialties Clinic
945 N 12, 53233 283-7837
- Mark Behar, PA-C (Family/ Primary Care)
Family Care Center, 1834 W Wisc, 53233 933-3600
- Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD) (VD, HIV testing,
hepatitis screening) 1240 E Brady 53202 272-2144
- BESTD Women's Clinic
1240 E Brady, 53202 272-2144
- Gay Men's HIV+ Support Group
BESTD Clinic 272-2144
- Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)
HIV/AIDS Service Organization
315 W. Court St 53202
Office/Staff 273-1991 AIDS Information 273-2437
- Wisconsin Community-Based Research
Consortium (Experimental HIV/AIDS Drug Program)
315 W. Court St., 53212 273-1991
- STD Specialties Clinic
3251 N. Holton, 53212 264-8800

COMPUTER BULLETIN BOARDS

- Alternate Lifestyles BBS
(Gay listings, messages) 933-7572
- Back Door BBS (GayCom messages, chat, news,
games IBM file transfers, netmail) 744-9336
- Crossroads BBS (8 lines, chat, matchmaking,
files, netmail) 282-0494
- Dr. Perovits DYM-BBS (e-mail, matching,
sub boards) 873-2838
- Dr. Perovits Wildcat BBS (e-mail, graphics,
sub-boards) 873-1680
- GLINN Multi-Board Super System (news, personals
guides, files, on-line games, graphics) 289-0145
- Starcom BBS (user descrp., files, echo mail) 873-6969



RELIGIOUS

- Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
1821 N. 16th St. 344-1746
- Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)
PO Box 597, 53102 444-7177
- Lutherans Concerned
PO Box 11864, 53211 481-9663
- MAP Spiritual Care
PO Box 92505, 53202 273-1991
- Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church
UFMCC PO Box 1421, 53201-1421 332-9995
- Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming)
2717 E. Hampshire 964-1513
- The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, non-denominational)
1636 W. National 647-9199
- St. James Episcopal Church
833 W. Wisconsin Ave 271-1340
- St Mary the Virgin Catholic Church (Anglican Rite)
1311 W Lincoln, 53215 643-9313
- First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church)
1342 N Astor 273-5257
- Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)
130 E. Juneau Ave 273-7617

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- Able Amazon (Home Repair, Remodeling) 263-2889
- Alternative Connections (G/L matchmaking) 765-1233
- Bottom Line Travel (Travel Agency, member IATA)
3468 S 13, 53215 383-1244
- Discovery & Recovery Clinic (Counseling)
6510 W Layton Ave, 53215 282-6160
- Federated Realty Jack Smith 964-9000/283-1452
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Theodore I. Friedman, PhD (Psychotherapist)
2266 N. Prospect, Suite 206 53202 272-2427
- Full Moon Productions (Women's Music Promoters)
PO Box 11091, Milw. 53211 289-7777
- Gay/Lesbian International News Network (GLINN)
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N81 W15028 Appleton, Men. Falls 53051 255-0704
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- Klark Group (Hairdressing)
773 N Jefferson 224-1783
- Klaus & Meyers (attorneys)
5665 S. 108th, Hales Corners 53130 529-2800
- Lohman Funeral Service
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- Thomas E. Martin (trial & general law)
161 W. Wisconsin, Suite 3189 53203 765-9413
- Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)
PO Box 92505, 53202 273-1991

- Milwaukee Financial Planning Service
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- Photography by Kelly 52-PHOTO
- Milw. Women's Center Resolutions Outpatient Clinic
811 N Broadway, Ste 230, 53202 272-6199
- Jeanie Simpkins, (MS), (counseling) 282-6160
- SoulMates (G/L matchmaking) 771-MATE
- 8626 B W. Greenfield
- Travel Directions (Travel Agency)
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- Wells Ink (Advertising, PR) 272-2116

RETAIL

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- Constant Reader Bookshop
1627 E Irving Pl., 53202 291-0452
- Out of Solitude Jewelry
3817 N Oakland, 53211 962-6520
- Triangle Tire Group 3725 S Howell, 53207 481-8848
- Clinton St. Antiques 1110 S. 1st St. 53204 647-1773

CENTRAL WI (715)

- Central WI AIDS Network (CWAN) (HIV/AIDS Service
Organization) 1200 Lake View Dr, Rm 200,
Wausau, 54403 (715) 848-9060
- Empowerment/PAWS (Newsletter for PWAs)
1932 Strongs Ave, Stevens Point, 54481 342-0576
- G&L Society/Wausau (715) 848-0608
- UWSP 10% Society
Campus Activities Complex, Box 68
UWSP, Stevens, Point, 54481 (715) 346-4366
- LDS Brotherhood (Gay Mormons)
PO box 152, Wausau, 54402 (715) 848-0343
- Mad Hatter (MW, DJ, V)
320 Washington, Wausau 54401 (715) 842-3225
- HIV/AIDS Spiritual Support & Education
2108 4th Ave, Stevens Point 54481 (715) 345-6500
- Platwood Club (MW, D)
701 Highway 10W, Stevens Pt., 54481 (715) 341-8862
- Wausau Narcotics Anonymous
(ask for Gay meetings) (715) 536-LIFE
- Women's Resource Center UWSP
336 Nelson Hall, Stevens Pt. 54481 (715) 346-4851

NORTH CENTRAL WI(715)

- Gay/Lesbian Support Group
Box 247A, 1411 Ellis Ave, Ashland 54806
- Northern AIDS Network (HIV/AIDS Service Organ.)
June Peters, Courthouse Rhinelander, 54501 369-6228
- Northland House (bed & breakfast inn)
609 Highway 77, Pence 54550 (715) 561-3120
- Northern WI Lambda Society
PO Box 802, Rhinelander 54501 (715) 362-4242
- SHEM (Support, Heal, Educate) for Parents,
Family, Friends of Gays/Lesbians/Bi's (715) 359-7432
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PO Box 695, Washburn, 54891 (715) 682-2890

SHEBOYGAN AREA (414)

Sherlock's Home (Mw, G/S, F)
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Blue Lite (Mw)
1029 N. 8th, 53081 457-1636
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303 Niagara, 53081 451-9779
Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
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RACINE/KENOSHA (414)

Club 94 (MW, DJ)
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JoDee's (MW, DJ)
2139 Racine St (Hwy 32) Racine 53403 634-9804
What About Me? (WM)
600 6th St. Racine 53403 632-0171
Gay AA (Group 294 Meeting)
Gay/Lesbian Union of Racine
625 College, Racine 53403 634-0659
Gay Lesbian Union of Kenosha
c/o Unitarian Universalist
PO Box 593, Kenosha 53141 654-9427
Southeastern WI AIDS Project (HIV/AIDS Service
Organization) 6927 39th Ave., Kenosha 53141
1-800-924-6601 657-6644
UW-Parkside G/L Organization 900 Wood Rd.,
Box 200, Kenosha 53141 595-2244

SOUTHEASTERN WI (414)

UW-Whitewater G/L Student Union
309 McCutchen Hall, Whitewater 53190 472-5738
Saving Grace Tabernacle (Bible study group)
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Diamond Hill Inn B&B
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317 Dodge St., Janesville 53545 (608) 756-2550
CrossRoads Bar (G/S/MMW)
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Friends (G/S, MMW)
10 E Sherman Ave, FLAtkinson 53538 (414)563-2231

NORTHWEST WI

Main Club (Mw)
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Trio (Wm)
820 Tower, Superior, 54880 (715)392-5373
Connect (G/L info line)
PO Box 1304, Superior 54880 (715)394-9467
N.O.W.A.P. (Northwest WI AIDS Project)
HIV/AIDS Service Organization
505 Dewey St., So, #208 Eau Claire 54702
(800) 750-AIDS/(715) 836-7710
UW-Eau Claire G/L Alcoholics Support Group
Tap Line: (715) 839-3425 Linda: (715) 839-3687
Scraples (MW, DJ, F)
411 Galloway St., Eau Claire 54703 (715)839-9606
Northland Gay Men's Center
8 N. 2nd Ave. E., Ste. 309
Duluth, MN 55802 (218) 722-8585

SO WEST & WEST CENTRAL

Cavalier Lounge (MW, D)
114 N. 5th St., LaCrosse 54601 (608) 782-9061
Gay & Lesbian Alliance, Box 131, Platteville, 53818
La Crosse Health Dept. (AIDS/HIV Service Organ.)
300 N 4th, La Crosse 54601 (608) 785-9872
LaCrosse L/G Support Group
c/o Campus Ministry Center (608)784-7600
Leaping La Crosse News, Box 932, LaCrosse 54602
UW Stout 10% Society
c/o 153 C Harvey Hall, UW-S, Menomonee, 54751
LaCrosse Parents & Friends of Gays (608) 782-6082
Rainbow Revolution (Alternative Books)
122 5th Ave S, LaCrosse 54601 (608)796-0383
The Pioneers (Rural G/L Support Group)
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King Productions (WI-USA pageant) (708) 872-1128
PO Box 208, Zion, IL 60086
Log Cabin Club (G/L Republicans) (414) 276-5428
New Beginnings(Mo. newsletter)
Box 25, Westby 54867
Great Lakes Harley Riders
PO Box 341611, Milw, 53234-1611
Wisconsin AIDS Line (outside Milw.)
Mon-Fri 9 to 9, Fri 9-5:30 1-800-334-AIDS
Wisconsin Light (bi-weekly G/L newspaper)
1843 N. Palmer, Milwaukee 53212
Phone: (414) 372-2773 fax: (414)372-1840
WI. Legislative Hotline 1-800-362-WISC

OUT OF STATE

CDC National AIDS Hotline (800) 342-2437
Gay & Lesbian Americans
PO Box 77533, Wash., DC, 20013 (800) 889-5111
Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF)
(Speak Out Campaign) (202) 332-6483
National G&L Task Force (NGLTF) (202) 332-6483
Crossroads (LesBiGay Real Estate National Referral)
(800) 442-9735
(815) 344-6495
Helen's (Rural Social Group)
Club Xpress (Mw, DJ)
904 Ludington, Escanaba, MI 49829 (906) 789-0140
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513 E State, Rockford, IL 61104 (815) 965-0344
Travler Lounge/Bunkhouse (Mw, DJ, V, L/L)
7125 W State, Rockford, IL 61102 (815) 964-7005
Little Jim's (M, V)
3501 N Halsted, Chicago, IL 60657 (312) 871-6116
Douglas Dunes Resort
Blue Star Hwy, Douglas, MI 49406 (616)857-1401
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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

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 too! 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 #42653

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 pal 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. WIZARD!** 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Madison **SAME TIME NEXT WEEK?:** Rick 38 bi wm vgl dk hair trim beard looking for guys to get together on reg or occasional basis looking for gdlkg masc to mid 40's also. #34300

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

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



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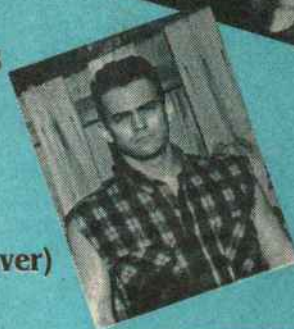


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SEPTEMBER 30**

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DANCERS**

11:30PM/COVER

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