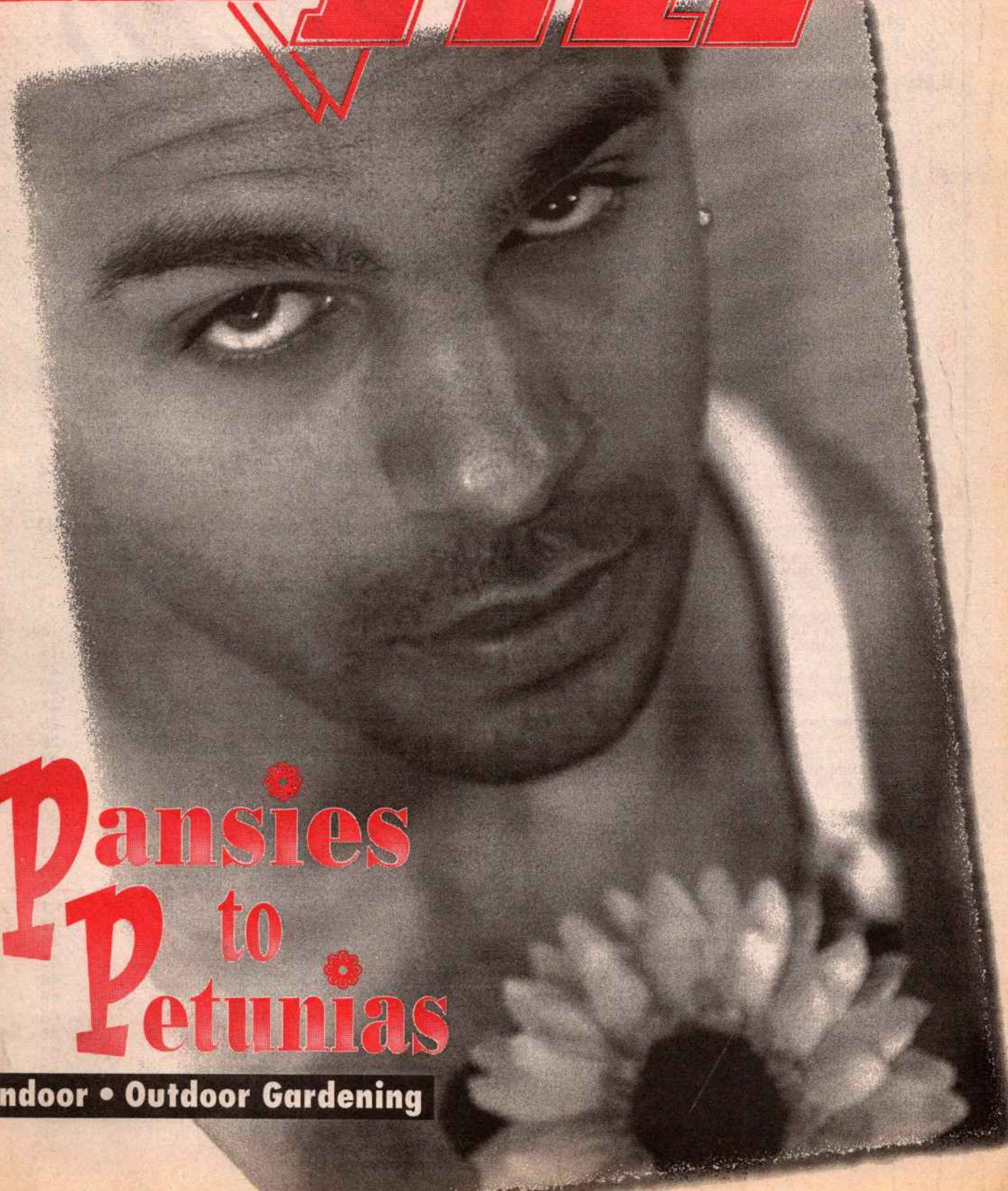


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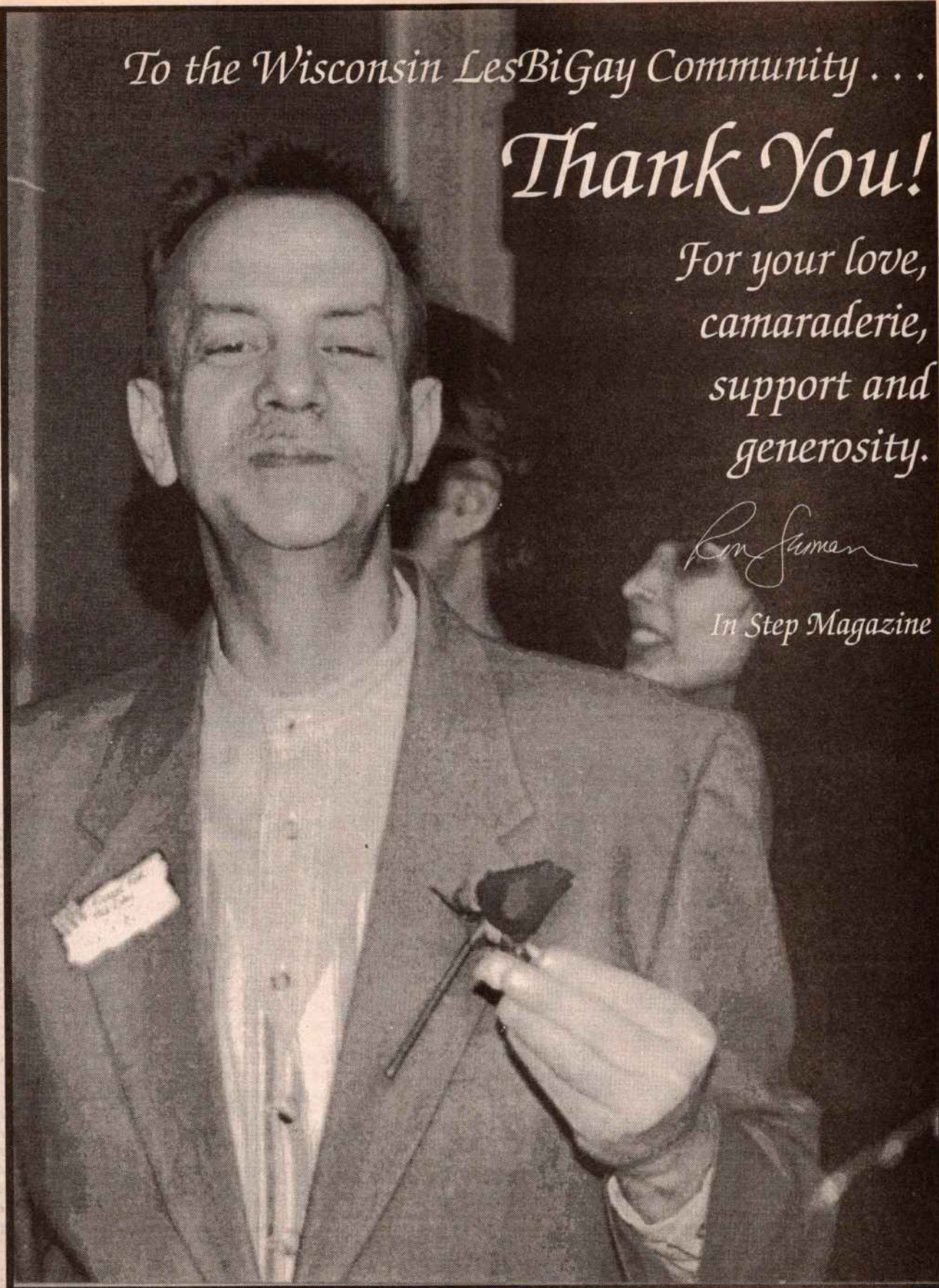
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UWM Offers More Gay/Lesbian Studies Courses This Fall

Though Certificate Program Still Awaits Approval

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — With administrative approval of the Gay and Lesbian Studies Certificate Program at UW-Milwaukee expected this summer, English Professor Christopher Lane announced: "We're delighted to be able to cross-list 21 courses in the Certificate Program this Fall semester, with titles as diverse as "Gay and Lesbian Psychology" and "Gay and Lesbian Themes in Latin American Fiction."

"This really is a fine achievement for us," Lane said. "Despite all the negative press the Program received on campus last year from various conservatives, the lesson here is that Gay and Lesbian issues can be taught successfully at UW-M, and that we can hold true to our promise of combining diversity in study with intellectual rigor and excellence."

"Now that more and more faculty are willing to offer courses in this area, we invite the community to join us at UW-M by enrolling in exciting and stimulating classes this Fall."

Course offerings of primary significance to the certificate Program include: "Stand Up Comedy and The Other" (course #350- 509), "Gay and Lesbian Themes in Latin American Fiction" (921- 781), "Women's Affiliations" (900-299), and "Gay and Lesbian Psychology" (820-319).

Other courses of secondary significance include: "The Sexual Politics of Shame" (350-247), "Political Movements and Organizations in the Afro-World" (106-344), "Economics of Discrimination" (296-248), "Sex and Gender" (900-250), "Power, Knowledge, Deviance and Identity" (900-380), "Spectrum of Human Immunodeficiency" (397-362) and "Social Work and Medical Issues" (896-536).

For a complete listing, see the UW-M Class Schedule or call Prof. Lane at (414) 229-4500 or UW-M Registration at 229-5775.

Both Prof. Lane and Prof. Jeffrey Merrick of UW-M's History Department, who helped develop the proposal for the Gay and Lesbian Studies Certificate Program in 1993, expressed confidence that the University's final stamp of approval for the program will come this summer.

GAY STUDIES STONEMALLED?

Various university committees and faculty bodies approved the certificate program more than a year ago, but when word leaked to the mainstream media that the program might be adopted, right wing opponents, including fundamentalist activists and some state legislators in Madison, issued angry denunciations and threats.

The Gay and Lesbian Studies Certificate Program, which seemed destined for quick approval, was suddenly mired in bureaucratic delay.

Last summer, **In Step** interviewed six different chancellors, assistant chancellors and/or committee heads both at the Milwaukee campus and at the UW-System in Madison. All repeatedly stated that approval of the program was just weeks away. When that approval did not materialize, each administrator pointed to another university office or official as having responsibility for the final decision.

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

Lane and Merrick report that Watters has since sent the proposal to the UW-System for final approval but that the official OK has been delayed again, this time because of the freeze UW System President Kathryn Lyall has placed on all new programs because of budget constraints.

Although the Gay and Lesbian Studies Certificate Program at UW-M requires no new outlays of funds or personnel, it has been held hostage by the system-wide freeze, which is expected to be lifted this summer. At that time, Lane and Merrick expect the certificate program to be approved.

Individuals who have taken Gay and Lesbian Studies courses in the past year have already received credits from the departments which offer the courses. Recognition of credits toward the Gay and Lesbian Studies Certificate will be retroactive once the program is approved.

Lane noted that one ambitious student will, by December of this year, have completed the 18 credits necessary to get his Certificate in Gay and Lesbian Studies. A year from now, more students will be completing the course work. If the UW System and UW-M have not approved the program by that time, they are likely to feel even greater pressure from the student body.

Del Martin, Phyllis Lyon Address Older Lesbians

Urge More Visibility, Activism

By Cordy Mueller

Milwaukee — "Old Lesbians are probably the most invisible group [of older adults], and it's hard to advocate for the invisible."

Those were the words of pioneer Lesbian activist Del Martin in a keynote speech to *The Third Age Conference for Older Lesbians Planning for Their Later Years*, held in Milwaukee on April 22. More than 90 older Lesbians from Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, New York and Utah were *not* invisible as they participated in the day-long conference at Plymouth United Church of Christ.

For more than four decades, Martin, 74, and her partner, Phyllis Lyon, 70, have been outspoken advocates for Lesbian and Gay rights and a variety of other human rights issues. They founded the Daughters of Bilitis, the first Lesbian organization, in 1955. They are the authors of *Lesbian/Woman*, a classic first published in 1972 and recently republished in an updated edition.

Lyon is retired from her career as a sex educator, and Martin from work with battered women. Martin wrote *Battered Wives*, one of the earliest books on that issue. Both have been active in Democratic party politics for many years.

The *Third Age* conference in Milwaukee followed the first *Lesbian Aging Issues Forum* held in 1993 in Madison. Referring to the published report of that conference, Martin regretfully observed the anonymity of its authors.

"This couldn't be happening in Wisconsin," she and Lyon thought, the state of pioneer Gay rights legislation, openly Lesbian Assembly Member Tammy Baldwin and Miriam Ben-Shalom. Martin and Lyon challenged those attending the conference to expand efforts on behalf of Lesbians and Gay men "in the Wisconsin tradition."

Lyon suggested that the "Third Age," the time following the adult years devoted to production and reproduction, should be characterized by "dignity for every person -- regardless of productivity, integration of every older person into society, and recognition of older persons as the moral memory of society."

"THE OLD DYKES HOME"

The Lesbian community, she, pointed out, has developed its own

institutions, culture and spirituality. In an effort "not to turn to the system," some Gay and Lesbian communities have developed their own services for their older members and then "plugged them in" to the system. In San Francisco, where Lyon and Martin live, the Tavern League has underwritten some of the costs of a mental health program for Lesbians and Gay men.

Referring to the "Old Dykes Home," an idea frequently discussed among Lesbians, Lyon suggested that such a facility might result in setting older Lesbians aside, rather than integrating them into the larger Lesbian community. The Old Lesbians Organizing Committee (OLOC), of which Martin and Lyon are members, advocates a multi-cultural, multi-generational housing model.

OLOC members refer to themselves as old Lesbians, not older Lesbians.

"Old is the word we want to reclaim," said Lyon.

"Old is the word we want to reclaim," said Lyon. "Older" is meaningless, since everyone becomes older from the time they are born. We need to deal with the denial [of aging]

and ageism in our own Lesbian community and heterosexism in the larger community."

Noting the importance of developing allies for our causes, she suggested that passage of domestic partner legislation may be more achievable than same-gender marriage at this time.

The California legislature passed domestic partnership legislation on the first try, although Gov. Pete Wilson (R) later vetoed it. Heterosexual senior citizens joined in supporting passage of the bill, recognizing that it offers them an alternative to remarriage, which strips widows of their right to pensions from a previous marriage, even if the remarriage does not last.

ON TO THE WHITE HOUSE!

Shortly after their Milwaukee appearance, Martin and Lyon were in Washington, DC as delegates from California to the White House Conference on Aging. (See related story.) The White House conference is held once each decade to establish policy recommendations on behalf of older Americans.

The couple planned to speak up after finding no mention of "Gay, Lesbian or sexual orientation" in any of the background materials sent out to delegates in advance of the conference. This silencing of Lesbian and Gay concerns occurred despite the fact that specific recommendations had been

Martin & Lyon Storm the Nation's Capital

"We Can't Afford to be Shut Out"

By Jamakaya

Washington, DC — Ten days after Lesbian activists Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon spoke at the *Third Age* conference for older Lesbians in Milwaukee, they stormed the nation's capital, lobbying for recognition of Gays and Lesbians at the White House Conference on Aging and urging national Gay groups to begin advocating for the concerns of Gay and Lesbian elders.

Faced with what Martin called a "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" attitude about Gays and Lesbians at the White House Conference on Aging, Martin and Lyon attended the meeting intent on raising Gay issues and visibility. They were among more than 2,200 delegates to the conference, held every ten years to adopt guidelines for national policies toward the elderly.

In a telephone interview with *In Step* from her Washington Hotel on May 4, Martin described the conferees as "very conservative." She attributed this to the fact that delegates were appointed by Governors, Senators and members of Congress, the majority of them Republican and much more conservative after last year's election. Martin and Lyon, lifelong liberals and Democratic Party activists, were appointed by Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) and Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), respectively.

Martin said she was "amazed" at the expressions of hostility against minorities by delegates and charged that the conference organizers intentionally tried to "shut out" Gays and Lesbians. This "silencing" took the form of deleting references to Gays and Lesbians that had appeared in recommendations submitted to conference planners and denying Gays and Lesbians their own caucus room.

Martin and Lyon had asked for a special room where Gay and Lesbian elders could network and plan strategy. They searched in vain for the room, which was not mentioned in conference materials. Ultimately, after getting the "run-around," they learned that the Gay/Lesbian Caucus room they requested was listed as the "San Francisco" caucus room — an apparent stretch homophobic organizers made to avoid using the "G" and "L" words!

"They stopped us from communicating with our community very effectively," Martin said. She and Lyon gradually touched base with just a handful of Gay and Lesbian elders through the painstaking process of searching them out and speaking up at various workshops.

"EDUCATION PROCESS"

Martin and Lyon did succeed in getting sexual orientation added to a resolution that covered all forms of discrimination against old people. They also managed, "despite the hazards," to collect the 220+ signatures needed to introduce a separate resolution that focussed specifically on the needs of Gay and Lesbian elders. These were 2 of 38 resolutions voted on the last day of the conference. Results were still being calculated as *In Step* went to press.

Martin expressed optimism that the general resolution against discrimination would be passed. She was less sure about the one focusing solely on Gays and Lesbians. She and Lyon knew it might be an uphill battle, but felt it was "necessary to begin the education process" among non-Gay elders.

The energetic and politically committed couple planned to stay in Washington after the Aging Conference to meet with the staffs of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and the Human Rights Campaign Fund to raise their consciousness about Gay and Lesbian elders and urge them to make senior issues a greater priority. Martin said she was "shocked" that the national Gay lobbying groups had done little in preparation for the White House Conference.

Martin said the lesson she learned from her experience in Washington is one she's talked about many times before: "It's *absolutely essential* to get our people more involved in traditional politics. We cannot afford to be shut out. We are beginning to elect our own people now, so we don't have to depend on others to represent us. But there's still so many groups and levels of decision-making to which Gays and Lesbians *must* provide input."

forwarded from the Gay and Lesbian Issues Network of the American Society on Aging, as well as the fact that Lesbian and Gay elders had been, for the first time at any White House Conference on Aging, identified as a "special population" among the older adult population.

"We're facing a 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy at the Clinton White House Conference," Martin commented.

Martin urged the Milwaukee audience to "claim full membership" in

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the larger community and to begin to prepare for the next White House conference, the first of the 21st century, by organizing, forming coalitions, and supporting Lesbian and Gay elders to come out.

In addition to hearing Martin and Lyon, those attending the *Third Age* conference participated in workshops on legal issues, health care concerns, the process of retiring, making friends and staying connected, travel options and financial planning. A session on the politics of aging was presented by Stephanie Sue Stein, Executive Director of the Milwaukee County Department on Aging.

Conference organizers received financial assistance or in-kind support from the Cream City Foundation and the Milwaukee County Department on Aging.

STATE News Briefs

MAP Issues Water Alert for Immune-Compromised

Milwaukee — On May 3, the City of Milwaukee found trace amounts of the parasite cryptosporidium in water at the Howard Avenue Treatment Plant. Health Commissioner Paul Nannis, saying the finding did not pose a threat to the public health, said no boil advisory would be issued. But the Milwaukee AIDS Project sent a "Water Alert" notice to all MAP clients, reiterating its longstanding recommendation that individuals with HIV infection or other immune system disorders avoid drinking Milwaukee tap water.

"The Milwaukee AIDS Project continues to advocate a conservative approach to the use of tap water," the Alert said. "The only way to be sure that you do not become infected by cryptosporidium is to continue to drink only boiled water."

Among MAP's recommendations: water should be boiled for at least five minutes; point-of-use filters of sub-micron pore size or smaller seem to filter out crypto from home tap water, but be sure regular maintenance of the filter occurs; if you drink bottled water, make sure the supplier regularly tests its water supply for crypto and other parasites; be aware that tap water is often used to mix sodas, coffees and other drinks at restaurants; do not swim in lakes, rivers or public swimming pools if your T-cells are less than 200.

The cryptosporidium infestation of Milwaukee's municipal water supply in 1993 sickened 400,000 and led to the deaths of more than 100 people. For further information on how to protect yourself, call MAP at (414) 273-1991.

MASN's Teen Squad Wins Golden Rule Award

Madison — On May 2, the HIV Intervention Teen (HIT) Squad of the Madison AIDS Support Network won the Golden Rule Award, sponsored by the J.C. Penney Co. and United Way-Madison. More than 100 groups and individuals were nominated, with three final winners. The HIT Squad won in the Education category. The award includes a \$1,000 prize to MASN.

The HIT Squad is comprised of 22 area high school students. They receive extensive training and then travel to high schools, workshops and other events to present information to their peers on HIV/AIDS. They present factual information on how to protect against HIV infection and engage in role playing to illustrate ways for young people to make safe choices.

Jamie Clark, a HIT Squad member from Sun Prairie High School, says the program is "a good way to educate teens because they are more apt to listen to other teens than adults." Randi Phelps, a senior at Memorial High School, said of the Golden Rule Award: "It's a big honor to be recognized by the community with this award, and it gives us the initiative to do more. It also makes us realize that what we're doing is

appreciated by our community."

Cathreen Godre Elected to Board of the Victory Fund

Madison — Madison attorney and activist Cathreen Godre has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, the national donor network which endorses and finances qualified openly Gay and Lesbian candidates for public office.

Godre was supported by the Victory Fund in her own campaign for the Dane County Board of Supervisors last year — a bid that was unsuccessful. Prior to entering private practice as a criminal attorney, Godre was an associate attorney with a local law firm. She was chosen by a panel of Dane County judges to participate in the Guardian Ad Litem Project in which she represented children in abuse and neglect cases. Godre previously lived in San Francisco while she attended law school and worked with the Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom.

The Victory Fund works in this way. Individuals join the network by contributing \$100 or more to the Victory Fund while pledging two additional donations of at least \$100 to a Gay or Lesbian candidate of their choice. The Victory Fund screens and endorses candidates, informing members through periodic bulletins. State Rep. Tammy Baldwin credits the Victory Fund with helping her get elected to the State Assembly. For more information, call the Victory Fund at (202) 842-8679.

AIDS Death Toll in Wisconsin Stands at 1,633

Madison — The AIDS/HIV Program of the Wisconsin Division of Health reports that 127 new cases of HIV infection were reported in the first quarter of 1995. One hundred twelve individuals were diagnosed with AIDS while 83 more people died from AIDS complications, bringing the total of AIDS deaths in Wisconsin to 1,633.

The number of state residents contracting HIV infections since figures were compiled in 1982 now stands at 4,797. Of those cases, 12.8% are among females. The total number of AIDS cases, based on the Center for Disease Control's definition, is 2,800. Of those, 65.2% were exposed through unprotected sex with other men, 12.5% were exposed through injection drug use, 6.1% through heterosexual contact, 5.4% through drug use and unprotected sex between men, with 3.8% hemophilia or blood transfusion-related.

Also Around the State...

Milwaukee — Contrary to a report that appeared in the State Briefs in the last issue of *In Step*, the City of Milwaukee has not (as we go to press) reached a final settlement with the police fired for dereliction of duty in the Jeffrey Dahmer case. The City Attorney and a Common Council Committee gave preliminary approval for a \$265,000 settlement to cover the cops' legal expenses, but Police Chief Philip Arreola is adamant that the officers themselves get no money. The City did conclude a \$850,000 settlement with the family of Dahmer victim Konerak Sinthasomphone.

— Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

NATIONAL News Briefs

Gay/Lesbian Officials Meet at White House June 13

Washington, DC — For the first time ever, the White House has scheduled a meeting with Gay and Lesbian elected officials to take place on Tuesday, June 13. Wisconsin's State Rep. Tammy Baldwin and Madison City Council member Judy Olson are among those invited to the historic event. Baldwin is

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unlikely to make it because the State Assembly is in floor session that day.

"This much-awaited meeting will give Gay and Lesbian officials the opportunity to provide input to the Administration and to discuss with Administration officials issues of common concern," said Susan Leal, the San Francisco Supervisor who has worked as a liaison between the White House and the Gay/Lesbian elected officials.

"We have spent the last two years laying the groundwork for this unprecedented event," Leal commented, "and now, to paraphrase Harvey Milk, we will give the American people the chance

to judge us by our own leaders and by our own legislators." On the morning before the June 13 meeting, the Gay/Lesbian elected officials will conduct a coordinated series of Congressional visits to meet with important legislators on key issues affecting the Gay/Lesbian community.

Florida's Ban on Gay Adoptions Remains Intact

Tallahassee, FL — On April 27, the Florida Supreme Court ruled in a 5-2 decision that there was insufficient

evidence to determine whether the state's ban on adoptions by homosexuals violates the equal protection clause of the Florida constitution. It sent the case back to the trial court for further consideration, leaving the prohibition on Gay adoptions intact for the time being.

Florida and New Hampshire are the only two states with statutes that specifically forbid adoptions by Gays or Lesbians. The Florida law was a direct result of Anita Bryant's 1977 anti-Gay campaign to "Save the Children."

The Florida case was brought by James Cox and his partner Rodney Jackman, who, in 1991, were prevented from filing an application for adoption of a child with "special needs" solely because of their homosexuality. Circuit Judge Scott Brownell declared the anti-Gay adoption ban unconstitutional, but the state won on appeal. Cox and Jackman, with the support of the American Civil Liberties Union, appealed to the State Supreme Court.

In its three-page decision, the court's majority rejected the arguments that the ban denies Gay people their due process and privacy rights. But it asked the lower court to more closely examine the issue of whether the ban denies homosexuals equal protection of the laws. In a blistering dissent, Justice Gerald Kogan called the ban blatantly discriminatory, noting that while homosexuals are forbidden from adopting children, no such law bans adoptions by convicted felons or child abusers.

Dallas Halts Distribution of Condoms, Bleach Kits

Dallas, TX — Against the advice of health experts and community activists, the Dallas County Commissioners recently voted 4-1 to prohibit the city's Health Department from distributing free condoms and bleach kits. Condoms help to stem the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, and bleach kits enable injection drug users to sterilize their needles to prevent HIV infection.

The four votes to end the condom and bleach kit handouts came from four conservative Republicans, who said the Health Department's disease prevention programs should emphasize sexual abstinence and a drug-free life rather than "immoral" conduct. "Sodomy is still against the law in Texas," said Commissioner Jim Jackson. Restrictions were also placed on the language and illustrations in AIDS prevention literature distributed by the city.

Commissioner John Wiley Price, a Democrat who cast the sole dissenting vote, commented: "It's a right wing agenda that's being forced upon the citizens of this county, and that's unfortunate."



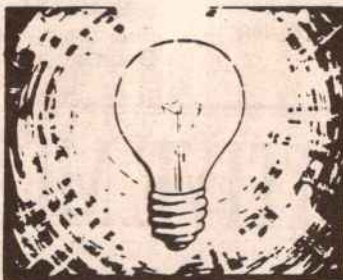
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Dallas County health workers have been handing out condoms and bleach kits for almost a decade. In that time, Dallas moved from being ranked 9th among American cities with the greatest number of AIDS cases down to 20th. Health experts attribute this reduction to the county's aggressive AIDS prevention efforts and now fear a reversal of the progress they've made.

GOP Senator Helps Lead Effort to Pass ENDA

Washington, DC — Sen. James Jeffords (R-VT) has agreed to serve as the lead Senate sponsor of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), a bill which will outlaw job discrimination based on sexual orientation. He will work for Senate passage of ENDA with Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA). The bill, designed to weather conservative opposition, will not apply to religious groups, small businesses or the military.

A bipartisan team in the House of Representatives will also champion ENDA when it is introduced into the 104th Congress this month. House sponsors include openly Gay Reps. Barney Frank and Gerry Studds (D-MA) and Rep. Connie Morella (R-MD).

In the last Congress, ENDA garnered support from 170 sponsors — more than any other legislation aimed at extending civil rights to Lesbians and Gay men. After the 1994 elections, the base of support has remained virtually intact. Lobbyists for the Human Rights Campaign Fund and the many organizations represented in the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights are working hard to enlist more sponsors.

In the Wisconsin delegation, Sens. Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold, both Democrats, have endorsed ENDA as has Rep. Thomas Barrett (D). The state's eight other Congressmen have either refused to support ENDA or failed to state their positions.

DEA Agents Used "Excessive Force" Against Gay Men

New York, NY — A jury in federal court in Manhattan has awarded \$111,000 in damages to two Gay men who charged that agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration launched an unprovoked assault on them in 1988 after the motorcycle of one of the plaintiffs accidentally scratched an unmarked DEA vehicle.

Jeffrey Grubb and Marc Anderson claimed that after Grubb's motorcycle nicked the DEA car, Agent Ross Kindestin emerged and hit and pushed Grubb. When Anderson came to Grubb's aid, another agent allegedly called

Anderson a "faggot" and punched him. Grubb and Anderson were charged with assault, but the charges were soon dropped. The two Gay men, in turn, sued the DEA agents for false arrest and assault.

The jury agreed that the DEA agents unlawfully arrested Grubb and Anderson and used excessive force. They did not agree however that the assault was motivated by anti-Gay hatred.

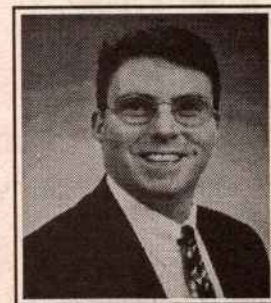
Gay Journalists: Workplaces Good, Coverage "Fair"

Sebastopol, CA — A recent survey of 179 Gay and Lesbian journalists who work in the electronic media revealed that most believe their work environments are generally Gay-friendly but that media coverage of Gay issues is "fair" to "poor." The poll was conducted by the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association and the Radio and Television News Directors Foundation.

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they had heard derogatory remarks about Gays sometime during their employment, almost 75% said that being Gay or Lesbian made no difference in salaries, promotional opportunities or assignments. Two-thirds of the respondents said they were "out" in their newsrooms, a situation that seems to positively impact the attitudes of heterosexual co-workers towards Gays.

But 76% of those surveyed rated media coverage of the Gay community either "fair" or "poor." This is in sharp contrast to a survey of News Directors who gave themselves high ratings for their coverage of Gay issues.

The full report, *Gay and Lesbian*

Issues in Electronic Journalism is available for \$5 from NLGJA, 874 Gravenstein Hwy. So., Suite 4, Sebastopol, CA 95472.

Also on the Newswire...

Washington, DC — William Waybourn, Executive Director of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund since its inception in 1991, is resigning his position as of June 1. Waybourn is credited with building the Victory Fund into a viable political action committee, which raises substantial funds and has contributed to the election of dozens of openly Gay and Lesbian officials.

Charlotte, NC — White Rabbit Books and Things, a Charlotte bookstore specializing in Gay literature, was destroyed in April by a fire of suspicious origins. Investigators said that evidence of chemical accelerants around the shop pointed to arson. The store's owner, John Neal, hopes to reopen at a new location this summer.

Haverhill, MA — Transgender activist Leslie Feinberg, author of the Lammy Award-winning **Stone Butch Blues**, will speak at the commencement ceremonies at Bradford College after all. College President Joseph Short had refused the senior class's request to invite Feinberg but changed his mind following student protests. A student leader said Feinberg was a perfect choice for commencement speaker because her life exemplifies the college's slogan: "Dare to be Different."

Springfield, IL — Republican leaders in the Illinois State Senate have once again blocked action on a bill that would outlaw job and housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in the Land of Lincoln. GOP Senate President James Philip said the proposal was in need of more "study," and it was shunted off to a subcommittee where it is unlikely to be revived for a floor vote this session.

New York, NY — Pizza Hut, under fire from Gay activists for hiring the homophobic commentator Rush Limbaugh as a pitchman, has fired an employee at one of its Nashville outlets for making a homophobic slur. A Gay patron recently came in to pick up an order and discovered the phrase "What a fairy!" had been printed on his computerized receipt. The Pizza Hut worker was fired.

Minneapolis, MN — A Lesbian couple has filed suit charging that their doctor discriminated against them when she refused to provide them with artificial insemination services. The women's attorney says the doctor was willing to perform the procedure up until the point she learned they were both Lesbians. The doctor claims she declined only because she is inexperienced with artificial insemination.

Portland, OR — A state appeals court ruled in April that the state legislature had the right to prohibit localities from adopting laws that discriminate against homosexuals. Statewide anti-Gay measures have failed here, but the Oregon Citizens Alliance has succeeded in passing anti-Gay ordinances at the local and county levels. A state statute, passed in 1993, voids such discriminatory laws.

Baltimore, MD — A federal judge in Baltimore has ruled that Lt. (jg) Richard Selland may remain in the military pending the outcome of his lawsuit against the Defense Department for its policy against Gays and Lesbians. Judge Joseph Young granted an injunction

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preventing the Pentagon from initiating discharge proceedings against Selland, who came out to his commander and co-workers in 1993.

Matthews, NC — Due to angry opposition from local residents, members of the New Life Metropolitan Community Church in this North Carolina town have sold the property they purchased for their church just two years ago. They faced a legal battle after some locals sued the zoning board to prevent the church from using its new property.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

Rev. Mel White Calls for Dialogue

500 Attend Speech at UW-Green Bay

By Mike Fitzpatrick

Green Bay — Categorizing the current political debate on Gay civil rights as "shouting at each other across an ever-widening chasm," Gay author, minister and activist Mel White called for serious dialogue between the Religious Right and the Gay community in a speech to 500 people at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay May 4.

In prefatory remarks before his main address, White congratulated the College Republicans at UW-GB for standing up for their beliefs and getting their message out, but cautioned the group that the real work of coming to mutual understanding required "sitting down at the same table to talk things out."

The "get to know us [Gay people]" theme echoed throughout White's 40-minute address, which was filled with humor and a vivid account of his personal spiritual journey and his work as ghostwriter for such Religious Right figures as Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell.

"Homophobia is the last socially acceptable prejudice."

—Rev. White

White also chided the mainstream media for ignoring the growing wave of anti-Gay violence. White contrasted the coverage of the recent shootings of the two abortion clinic doctors with lack of reportage of the hate-motivated murders of 12 Texas Gay men in the last year. "Homophobia is the last socially acceptable prejudice," White said.

White cited economic worries, particularly among white males, as a contributing influence to the growth of intolerance and the "urge to purge."

White also alluded to the growing militia movement, which apparently had ties to the Oklahoma City bombing, as being "as anti-Gay as they are racist and anti-federal government."

At a reception following his talk, White dialogued at length with members of a Green Bay Lutheran evangelical youth group, which held a prayer service outside the student union prior to the event — the only demonstration despite expectations of more widespread protests based on the heightened level of controversy in the weeks preceding the speech.

In introductory remarks, 10% Society President Kurt Anderson referred

to the series of flyers circulated both on and off campus during April, condemning White's speech, homosexuality in general and the alleged use of taxpayer's money to fund the event. Some of these flyers were authorized by the junior GOP.

"Several students and student groups have turned what was to be a focus on Gay and Lesbian issues into one of religion and money," Anderson said.

Responding to critics, Anderson provided a detailed breakdown of funding for White's appearance, which was sponsored by a broad coalition of groups.

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US Supreme Court Hears St. Patrick's Parade Case

Ruling on Exclusion of Irish Gays Expected Soon

By Jamakaya

Washington, DC — On April 25, the US Supreme Court heard arguments in the case of John J. Hurley and the South Boston Allied War Veterans Council v. the Irish American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group (GLIB) of Boston. The Veterans Council was appealing the rulings of Massachusetts courts which had ordered the group to allow Irish Gays and Lesbians to march in its annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The Massachusetts courts had ruled that excluding Irish Gays would be a violation of the Bay State's law forbidding sexual orientation discrimination in public accommodations. The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade was deemed to be a public event, open to all. This charge of discrimination was the central argument used by GLIB's attorney, John Ward, before the Supreme Court.

But Chester Darling, the attorney for the Veterans Council, argued that as a private sponsoring organization, the Council has First Amendment rights of free speech to express through its parade "traditional religious and social values" — First Amendment rights which also protect it from being compelled to support ideas and expression with which it disagrees.

In *Wooley v. Maynard* (1977), the Supreme Court in fact ruled that the government cannot require an individual or group to accept or convey an idea or message it opposes. The court ruled that the state of New Hampshire could not require residents to use license plates embossed with the state motto "Live Free or Die" if they disagreed with it.

Justice Anthony Kennedy cited the *Wooley v. Maynard* decision and commented that the St. Patrick's Parade case would be "easier" to rule on.

Other justices also seemed supportive of the Veterans Council's appeal to First Amendment rights. Justice Antonin Scalia noted that the banner with GLIB's name identifying its contingent was inherently a statement of Gay pride, an idea the sponsoring group might find repugnant.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor asked rhetorically: "How is it that government can compel someone in their private speech to convey the message of someone else? I didn't think that was possible under the First Amendment."

Ward countered that the Massachusetts courts had ruled that the St. Patrick's Parade was not private; but "an open recreational event." He said members of GLIB had no plans to carry signs asking for the repeal of sodomy laws or challenging traditional values. They merely wanted to carry a banner identifying their group's name, a practice all participating groups engaged in.

"There was not any extrinsic message," said Ward. "Under anti-discrimination laws, one cannot be penalized for merely self-identifying."

"A CONUNDRUM"

Linda Greenhouse, analyzing the case for *The New York Times*, said that it "poses a conundrum for judges who are both sympathetic to the interests of the Gay marchers and, for First Amendment purposes, committed to maintaining a broad definition of what constitutes 'expression.'"

"The more that the act of marching under an identifying banner is deemed to be expression, the more weight attaches to the arguments of the parade organizers for excluding unwanted messages."

Some advocates of civil rights for Gays and Lesbians have opposed the legal efforts of Irish Gay groups to be included in St. Patrick's Day Parades in Boston and New York. They fear that an unequivocal ruling in favor of the Irish Gays, which cites discrimination on the part of sponsoring organizations, could mean that organizers of Gay Pride Parades throughout the country will be compelled to allow fundamentalist and other anti-Gay groups to participate in their events.

The Boston and New York cases differ.

In Massachusetts, the courts ruled in favor of including the Irish Gay group in the parade, because of the determination that the parade is a public event and because of the state law prohibiting sexual orientation discrimination. In 1994, the Veterans Council canceled the parade rather than allow the Gays to march. This year, the Council was able to prove the event was designed as a protest of pro-Gay court rulings, so a federal judge allowed the Council to exclude GLIB.

In New York, a federal judge ruled that parades are primarily organized by private interests as protected forms of free speech and that the First Amendment rights of sponsors are paramount and override other considerations. Though New York City does, New York State does not have a law banning sexual orientation discrimination. Since that ruling, for the past three years, members of the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization have held protests before each St. Pat's Parade, usually resulting in many arrests.

Most court observers agreed that the Supreme Court Justices seemed much more supportive of the Veterans Council's First Amendment arguments in the Boston case. Their decision, which could have broad implications for Gay rights cases around the country, is expected to be issued by the end of the court's session June 30.



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The international event, which began in San Francisco in 1983, honors the memory of those who have died of AIDS and demonstrates support for people living with HIV and AIDS. It's the world's largest annual community-based event, with 243 cities in 45 different countries participating last year. Local observances range in character from small gatherings in churches and synagogues to huge marches through city centers.

A special feature of the Milwaukee Memorial will be the sharing of stories by people with AIDS, their family members or friends. Such stories can include fond memories or express frustration, anger or understanding. Individuals are also encouraged to bring photos of their loved ones to the event.

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PrideFest Update

June 10-11 Festival Has Lots of New Features

Milwaukee — PrideFest organizers have announced the June 10th and 11th festival will include the strongest and most diverse entertainment line up in the history of PrideFest.

The *Womyn's Music Revue* opens the entertainment on the **Alyn Hess Stage** at noon on Saturday, June 10th and includes six individual singers, Madison's *Womynsong*, and *Mook*. The *BJ Daniels Revue*, always a spectacular event, will close down the fest on the same stage the evening of Sunday June 11th.

In between these two revues, three entertainment stages will be going full tilt. In addition to the Alyn Hess stage sponsored by the Cream City Foundation, the **Harvey Milk Stage** (sponsored by This Is It and the M&M Club) and the new **Fine Arts Stage** will keep the crowd entertained. Unlike past years, all of the stages will operate into the evening.

Counting individual acts in the various revues the line up includes over 70 acts. There will be five revues, a spectacular 12 act *Saturday Night Gayla* and a variety of bands, individual singers, choral groups, theater companies and dance troupes. Performers will be coming to PrideFest from three states: Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota. Twenty of the acts have recorded music to their credit.

Regular festival goers will recognize some of their favorites like *David Robinson and Road Damage*, the *John Schneider Orchestra*, the *Shoreline Dance Troupe*, *Josie Santiago*, *Singsational*, *Spanky and Foreplay*, the *Iberian Dancers* and *Julie Darrough* in the line up. These crowd pleasers have been joined by a number of new acts and revues that PrideFest is certain will please the thousands expected to attend the annual event.

Among the newcomers are *Lojo Russo*, a Lesbian singer from Minneapolis with two CD's under her belt; *The Nitro Blues Band*; the *Sweet Cheeks Motown Revue*; the alternative rock group *FWEED*, *The Ghillies* and African story teller, *Reginald Findlayson*.

Entertainers from outside of Wisconsin include the *Purple Creek Cloggers* and *Borderline Dancers* from Minnesota. *Pulsations*, an all woman Chicago group that electrified the crowd last year with its high energy dance music, is making the trip from Chicago, as are *Judii Lowe*, a Chicago area singer, and the *Lion Heart Theater Company*, a Gay and Lesbian troupe.

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The *Saturday Night Gayla* held on the Alyn Hess Stage, will feature 12 different high quality acts. PrideFest is hoping to record the show for a live recording that will be sold as a benefit for AIDS organizations around the state. The show will precede the *Lite Up the Sky With Pride Fireworks* display. PrideFest Co-Director Bill Meunier promises that "the vocal fireworks on the stage will match the real ones in the sky." Once again PrideFest is urging those attending the concert to bring candles to light up the park with Pride.

Choral groups, theatre troupes and various other acts will assure that the first fine Arts Festival test will be a big draw. "We wanted to have an entertainment line up that was every bit as strong as our line up of other special events," said Bill Meunier, PrideFest co-chair. "I think we succeeded. There will never be a dull moment at PrideFest 95."

In addition to the hundreds of singers, dancers, comics and actors on the PrideFest stages, the festival boasts a very strong line up of special events besides the fireworks display. The **Wisconsin Pride Parade**, the traditional **PrideFest wedding**, an **Inter Faith Service** and the new Sunday evening **Lighted Boat parade**. There will also be dozens of exhibits, the **In Step/ New Bar**. Dance Tent, the **Classic Car show**, the **History Tent** (with a new local emphasis) and more.

Admission to *PrideFest 95* is \$2 a day, or \$3 for weekend passes (which will be sold in advance of the festival). Free admission is offered to those who enter the grounds prior to 12:30 both days.

BAND MUSICIANS NEEDED!

PrideFest is looking for a few musicians to join with the **Minnesota Freedom Band** in the 1995 **Wisconsin Pride Parade**, which will be held on Sunday June 11th, with a 12:30pm step-off. It is a highlight of the celebration.

The Freedom Band is making the trip to Milwaukee for the parade, but would like to recruit some local musicians to help put out the best sound possible. Drummers are especially needed.

A statement issued by the Freedom Band said, "The Freedom band is looking forward to playing in the Wisconsin Parade. We love to play for Pride. We are also looking forward to joining with some of the people in Wisconsin and Illinois to produce an all star band and an

all star sound."

Anyone interested in joining the band in the Wisconsin Pride Parade should contact Rick Finger (414)289-8322.

The Parade will assemble on the **PrideFest Grounds** (just north of the War Memorial) in front of the Alyn Hess stage. It will step off at 12:30pm. To encourage participation, *PrideFest* is offering free admission to everyone who enters the grounds prior to the 12:30 step off. Otherwise, there is a \$2 gate fee. For more information about the *Pride Parade*, call Rick Finger at (414) 289-8322.

PRIDEFEST BOOTH SPACES AVAILABLE

Got something to sell? Got a message to get out to the community? The **PrideFest Market Place** and **Exhibit Area** may be the place for you. *PrideFest* still has a few booth spaces left for Wisconsin's June 10th and 11th *Pride Celebration*.

Booths will be housed in two large tents on the North end of the *PrideFest* grounds. Organizations and private businesses are welcome to display materials and sell merchandise. This year the Market Place and Exhibit Area will be open later than has been the case in the past. The tents will be lighted allowing evening operation. Booth fees vary according to organizational status and whether the booth is informational or sales oriented.

For more information on booth rental and/or an application contact the *PrideFest Booth Coordinator Steve Brondino* at 227-5267.

LESBIGAY CD ROM IN PRIDEFEST WORLD PREMIERE

PrideFest, Inc. is proud to host the World Premier of the new CD ROM **Conduct Unbecoming**. The CD ROM is based on the book of the same title by the late Randy Shilts. This is the first ever CD Rom on *LesBiGay* history.

Conduct Unbecoming documents the struggle to lift the ban on Gays and Lesbians in the military. It contains interviews with those who have fought against the ban, news footage and a wealth of information about this issue. The premier will be housed in its own

tent on the North end of the grounds.

Apollo Media, the designers of **Conduct** will have several staff members on hand to answer questions and help anyone to use it.

Meunier expressed his appreciation to Apollo for bringing the premier to PrideFest '95. "We are deeply honored that PrideFest has been selected to host the unveiling of the first ever CD ROM on Gay and Lesbian History. The producers at Apollo Media have chosen Milwaukee and Wisconsin to host this event for several very specific reasons.

In the words of producer Clinton Fein, "Wisconsin is at the heart of the movement for civil liberties for Lesbians and Gay men. It was the first in the United States to have a state wide 'Gay' civil rights law. In addition," Fein continued, "Wisconsin and Milwaukee are important in another aspect of our struggle — the addressing of military discrimination against Gays and Lesbians. I wonder: 'Do people know that Milwaukee is the home of the very first person ever... to win and go back into the military? And do they know that this person is counted by almost all historians — and veterans, I might add — as being the founder, the single-handed founder — I don't think she'd appreciate the title 'mother' — of today's movement among active duty people and veterans from our community? We chose deliberately to honor the foresight and integrity of Wisconsin and Miriam Ben-Shalom, its remarkable and history-making daughter. We could think of no finer a place to have the national premier of our CD ROM than Milwaukee, Wisconsin..."

Festival goers will be able to quickly generate letters, e-mail, and faxes to elected officials, and send them immediately. They will be able to write the letter of their choice and send these communications directly to their elected representatives from the PrideFest site.

Apollo Media is a group of Lesbian and Gay people dedicated to preserving the history of our community on CD ROMs. **Conduct Unbecoming** is the first in a series of CD ROMs which Apollo Media has planned for the future.

COUNCIL ISSUES PROCLAMATION

The Milwaukee Common Council on April 25 unanimously approved a proclamation that "recognizes the positive contributions Lesbians and Gays have made to the life of the community, congratulates the organizers of PrideFest and other Gay and Lesbian Pride celebration events and urges the people of Milwaukee to join with it in recognizing the value of diversity in our community."

The proclamation also says: "PrideFest... as a celebration of Milwaukee's Lesbian and Gay community and its positive contributions to the arts, industry, business, sports and other aspects of community life."

TAMMY BALDWIN GRAND MARSHAL

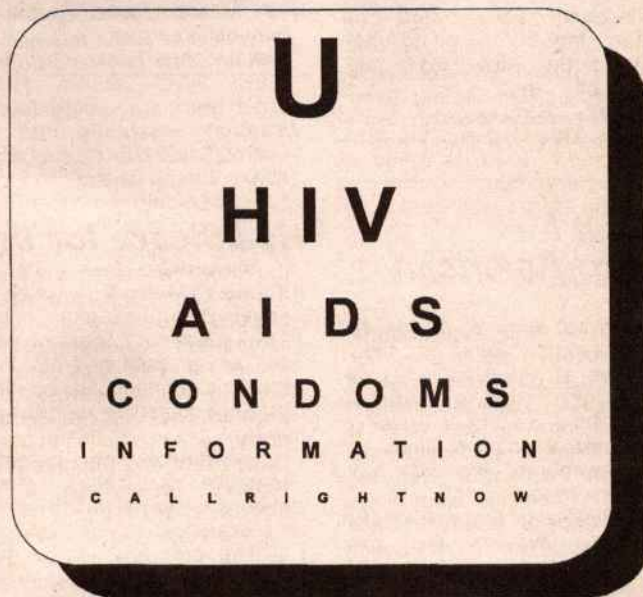
State Representative Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) has been selected to be the Grand Marshal of the June 11 Pride Parade. A statement issued by PrideFest praised Baldwin and the work she has accomplished for Wisconsin's LesBiGay community.

More than any other person, Tammy is the recognized leader of our Wisconsin community. Not only has she shown the courage to run for office as an open Lesbian, she has continued to show leadership with her work to get Action

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Group Notes



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Milwaukee's Miriam Ben Shalom takes up a chapter in *Lesbian Woman*, the ground breaking book by Martin and Lyon.

Open Call for Latin/Afro-American Males

Milwaukee — MEE Productions, Inc. is holding an open call on Saturday, May 13, 3-9pm at 823 North Second Street, Suite #809. They are seeking Latino and African-American men to participate as talent in an educational video for the **HIV Prevention Planning Council**. The Planning Council is developing a campaign to educate and motivate men of color, who have sex with other men to seek HIV antibody testing and counseling.

No experience is necessary. For more detailed information, call Carmen Balentine at (414) 273-5862.

ARCW Seeking PrideFest Volunteers

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Volunteers will help register walkers for *AIDS Walk Wisconsin*, the state's largest AIDS fundraising event. Vice President Al Gore and his wife, Tipper are the honorary co-chairs at the September 17 event. Money raised from the Walk will benefit AIDS prevention, research and support services for people with HIV and AIDS.

Food tent volunteers are also needed. The proceeds raised from the ARCW food tent at *PrideFest* benefits the programs of the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP).

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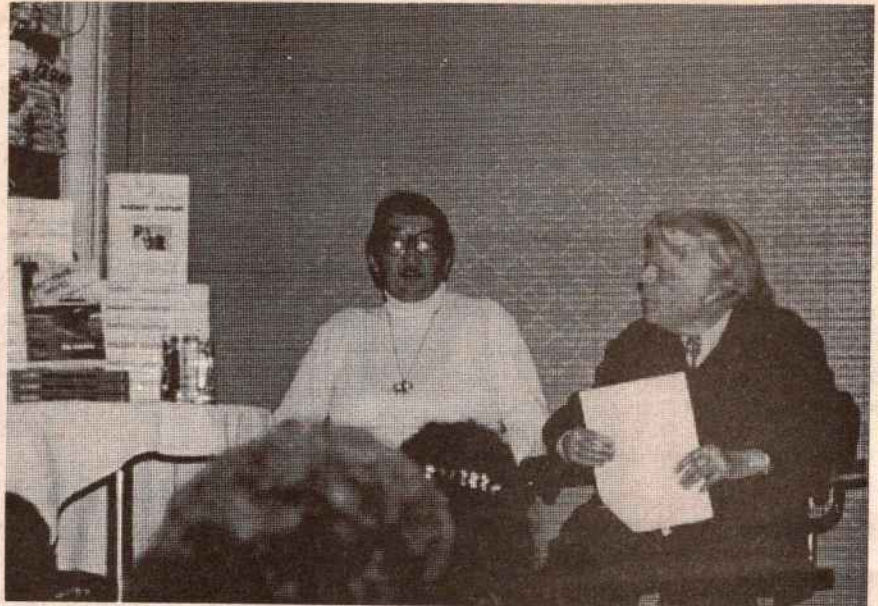


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Daughters of Bilitis founders Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin discussed their work at both an *Older Lesbians Conference* and at *AfterWords*.

If you are interested in either volunteer opportunity, call Roland at (414) 225-1577 or Cheryl at (414) 225-1573.

Healthcare for the 90's

Milwaukee — The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee's (LAMM) program and meeting on Thursday, May 18 will focus on Lesbian Healthcare. A panel will present and discuss ways of assessing a healthcare practitioner and how to be assertive regarding your own needs.

Information on breast cancer, alternative fertilization, gynecological issues, and mental health issues will also be presented.

The program will be held at the Milwaukee Enterprise Center, 2821 North Fourth Street at 7pm, Thursday, May 18. A potluck supper is at 6pm. The program is free and open to all Lesbians.

Sherman Park Group Announces Events

Milwaukee — On Wednesday, May 17, at 7pm, the monthly meeting of the

Sherman Park Rainbow Association will be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3617 North 48th Street. Ralph Navarro will present a financial issues seminar.

Members interested in adding variety to their gardens through the plant and flower exchanged are encouraged to attend the May meeting.

On Saturday, May 20 from 5:30-8:30pm, The Rainbow Association is sponsoring a Pig Roast at Waz's Pub, North 46th and West Burleigh Street (Milwaukee). Proceeds will benefit the 1995 Shermanfest presented each year by the Sherman Park Community

Association. Tickets are \$6 each and are available at the door and in advance. Call (414) 777-3986 for ticket information.

For more information, call (414) 777-3986 or write to Post Office Box 76115, Milwaukee, WI 53216.

New Harvest Foundation Board Elections

Madison — The New Harvest Nominations Committee has the critical task of finding community members with various leadership capabilities to replace those board members who, under the by-laws, are ineligible for re-election to the board. Regrettably, each year experienced and dedicated board members are lost. Fortunately, new board members with fresh energy and differing perspectives are elected each year.

The New Harvest board is an active one, with each member sitting on at least one committee; and all members are expected to contribute toward the goals of the organization. Although most committees do not require an enormous amount of energy year round, each committee does have it's busy time each year.

The first step in the nomination process is to assess the board's needs as to specific skills: organizational experience; leadership interest and potential; and ethnic, racial and professional diversity.

With its strict gender parity rule, New Harvest will lose some dedicated board members in the next year. Replacements are being sought. If you're interested in serving on the board,

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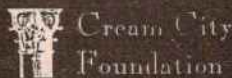
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3rd Annual New Harvest of Art

Madison — Plans are underway for the 3rd Annual New Harvest of Art to be held this June. This event provides an opportunity to showcase local LesBiGay artists and their art. Allies of the LesBiGay community are also welcome.

The inaugural event took the form of an art fair, which was well received, but hindered by uncooperative weather. In 1994, a week of open houses featuring a wide variety of artists was held at Madison eating establishments and culminated in a rousing art auction.

This year we'll again be spot lighting the area's brightest artists and their inspirational works of art during the month of June.

For more information, write The New Harvest Foundation, PO Box 1786, Madison, WI 53701-1786.

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Milwaukee — The weekly call-in TV show sponsored by BESTD Clinic has schedule a number of guests in the weeks ahead. The show is broadcast live on Cable Channel 47 (City of Milwaukee only) every Thursday from 7-7:30pm and rebroadcast Saturdays at noon. Guests scheduled for the upcoming shows include:

May 11: Connie Highsmith, RN and Mary Rita Hurley, RN discuss the

importance of early intervention in the treatment of HIV infection.

May 18: Kate Anglehart, RN, NP discusses women's health issues and especially HPV infections.

May 25: Gregg Mulry, PhD discusses resources available to the LesBiGay and Transsexual community for improving and maintaining sound mental health.

June 1: Kelly Balliet, MD discusses symptoms and treatments available for sexually transmitted disease.

June 8: Brother Stephen Braddock, O.S. Cam discusses the roots of homophobia (Gay Pride show).

Those viewing the live shows on Thursdays are invited to call with their questions and comments at (414) 225-3565.

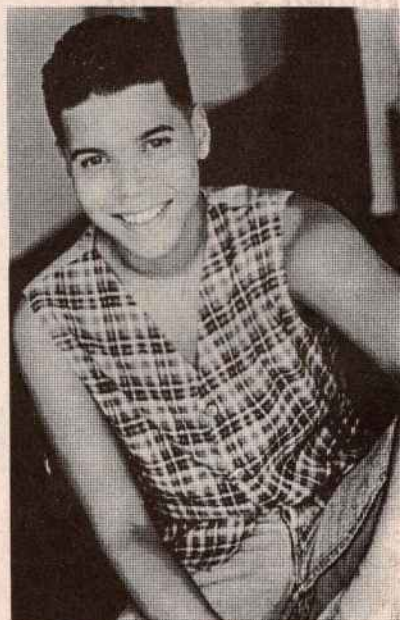
Atwood Summerfest Looking for Street Entertainment & Booths

Madison — The 16th Annual Atwood Summerfest, sponsored by the Atwood Community Center will be held Saturday, August 12, 1995 from Noon-7pm.

The festival is in the planning stages and organizers are seeking both street entertainment and individuals or groups who would like to participate as a juggler, clown, face painter, food vendor, or artist.

Applications are being accepted for vendors, artists and crafts people and others interested in having a booth. Atwood Summerfest is also a great opportunity for non-profits to promote themselves, as well as raise money for the agency by operating a food, t-shirt or game booth.

Last year's fest was attended by nearly 8,000 people and had hundreds of participants. With arts and crafts, three live music stages, street entertainment, games, rides and lots of good food, this year's event promises to be a huge success. Come and join the fun. Give us a call at (608) 241-1574 and ask for Patti Thompson.



Wilson Cruz, from "My So-Called Life" on MTV will do a phone interview with Queer TV during their live May 23 show.

Upcoming Appearances on The Queer Program

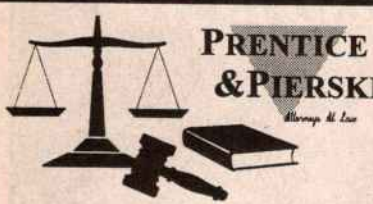
Milwaukee — In the Life co-producer John Catania, a former Milwaukee area native, is scheduled to appear as a guest on the Queer Program on Tuesday, May 16 from 7-8pm on Milwaukee Warner Cable public access Channel 47. The In the Life crew will be in Wisconsin and the Milwaukee area filming segments for an upcoming production, working with Channel 10 WMVS public television.

Gay TV actor, Wilson Cruz, who plays the Gay teenager on the series My So Called Life, will speak live on the Queer Program on Tuesday, May 23, 7-9 on Channel 47 via a telephone line to his home in Los Angeles.

Cruz, 21, the youngest Gay actor "out" in Hollywood, will be interviewed by Dan Fons and Mike Lisowski, co-producers and co-hosts of the Queer Program.

LesBiGay youth studio guests will also talk with Cruz, who will then answer questions from the TV viewing audience.

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live every Tuesday from 7-8pm on Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47. It replays Thursdays at 4pm and Saturdays at 11am. Viewers can leave messages for suggestions and comments on the Queer Program's Homophone line at (414) 225-1500.

Women's Fishing Tournament Slated for June

Wascott, WI — The 13th Annual Twyla Truth Neptuna Fishing Follies is scheduled for June 17-18 at **Wilderness Way Resort and Campground** on Cranberry Lake in Wascott, Wisconsin.

The contest begins at sunrise on Saturday, June 17 and ends at 11am on Sunday, June 18 with an awards ceremony and cookout provided by the resort. Those weighing in the largest Northern, Walleye, Bass, Crappie and Sunfish will receive trophies. Other contestants will receive draw prizes.

Participants may fish on two lakes in addition to Cranberry Lake. One is connected to Cranberry and the other is two miles away. Boats and canoes are available for rental at Wilderness Way. Pontoon boats may be rented on two of the contest area lakes.

For boat, canoe, cabin and camping rental information or reservations, call (715) 466-2635.

Cream City Chorus Holds Annual Meeting

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Ltd. (WCCC) held its annual meeting in mid-April, with elections for VP and Treasurer on the agenda. John Chartre, current Treasurer of the Chorus ran unopposed and was reelected by acclamation.

The Chorus is pleased to announce and welcome Mark Waldenberger to the office of Vice President. A non-singing member for a number of years, Mark has played a very active and supportive role in a variety of capacities. Mark will take office immediately, filling the vacancy left by previous VP, Bill Schumacher.

Also serving on the Board of Directors are Scott Sowles, President; Terri Wedner, Secretary; Scott S. Stewart, Musical Director; and Emory Churness, Publicist.

Join Maritime for Fun in the Sun

Milwaukee — The Greater Milwaukee Maritime Association (GMMA) offers a great way to meet new people and enjoy old friendships, centered on Milwaukee's waterways and its Great Lake. GMMA has several summer events planned for weekend and week days and nights.

New this season is the Boat Parade at PrideFest on Sunday, June 11 at 9:15,

to bring the event to a close. The Boat Parade will feature motor and sail boats decorated and lighted with a Venetian theme. Prizes for Best Boat will be awarded. If you're interested in participating, or in being a passenger on a boat, contact Brian at (414) 475-6800.

A Lake Michigan crossing to Douglas Dunes Resort in Michigan is planned for the month of August. GMMA will also visit the Chicago Air and Water Show in August.

GMMA also sponsors boat tours during MAPFest to benefit the Milwaukee AIDS House Food Pantry.

For more information on GMMA and

its upcoming events, call Brian Marker at (414) 475-6800.

Gay Flea Market

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The United Appoints New Interim Director

Madison — On April 18, the Board of Directors of The United, Madison's Lesbian and Gay Agency for Social Change, accepted the resignation of Executive Director Jane Vanderbosch, who had served the organization for four years. The Board later appointed Sande Janagold as Acting Executive Director until the position can be filled on a permanent basis.

Janagold, 45, had been a Board member of The United since June of 1993 and served as the agency's Treasurer. She worked as Business Administrator for Dane County Advocates for Battered Women for three years.

Sources told **In Step** that while Vanderbosch was admired for her skills at grant-writing, public speaking, and networking, the Board will be looking for someone who will be more "internally focussed." New funds have enabled The United to hire two half-time staffers in addition to the full-time Director, all of whose duties are expected to be "more clearly defined."

Board President Greg Hines says "Day-to-day operations of The United will remain the same," with no interruption of services or office hours during the transition.

The United is located at 14 W. Mifflin Street, Suite 103, Madison, WI 53703. The number is (608) 255-8582.

Wisconsin Continental Update

Milwaukee — The 1995 Wisconsin Continental Pageant will be held Monday, May 15, 10pm at Club 219. Contestants from around the Wisconsin and surrounding areas will compete for a chance to represent Wisconsin at the Continental USA finals held over Labor Day Weekend in Chicago.

A live prize auction will be held during the Pageant with great things to bid on. **Kelvin Haydon Originals** has donated a two-piece purple, fur trimmed suit. An oval floral stained glass panel has been donated by artist Dan Bennett. Also to be auctioned is a framed print from the Triangle, a photo session with Francis Ford, a rhinestone tie by Designing Men, and a male and female adult gift pack from Leslie's Adult Video Store (Chicago).

Special guest entertainers include Cezanne, Miss Continental USA; Mary Richards, Miss Wisconsin Continental; Sasha Mitchell, Miss Gay WI-USA; and Lady Miranda, Miss Gay WI-USA At Large.

Tickets are available for \$8 in advance at the In Step offices. Tables of 4 for \$45 (the only reserved seating available) are going fast, but a few are left. Contact Chunga at Club 219 to reserve a table. FMI call (414) 271-TEEE.

Talk Back to Talk Radio Workshop & Mother's Day Gathering

Milwaukee — Mobilization for Survival (MOBE) is sponsoring a public training session called *Talk Back to Talk Radio* from 9am-Noon on Saturday, May 20. The workshop will teach people how to get on the air and get progressive points of view across during radio talk shows hosted by conservative hosts. Such hosts are often homophobic, sexist, racist and militaristic.

Talk Back to Talk Radio is sponsored by the Media Committee of MOBE. It will take place in the third floor assembly room of the Courthouse Annex at 907 N. 10th Street. A \$5 donation will be requested but no one will be turned away. Please pre-register by calling MOBE at (414) 964-5158.

Mobilization for Survival will also be holding its annual *Mothers Day Gathering for Peace* at Cathedral Square Park in Milwaukee's East Town from 1:30-3:30pm Sunday, May 14. There will be music, dance, poetry and activities for children. Everyone is welcome.

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Letters

Editor:

I picked up your April 13-26 issue at Pride Agenda Bookstore here in Oak Park, Illinois, as I usually do, and read *Billie Holliday's* column (along with all the other columns — I admit I'm a compulsive reader). There was a letter from a young man named Todd in Riverside, IL which happens to be about four miles from Oak Park. The boy was asking what to do about his romantic interest in one of his teachers. Your columnist correctly pointed out the dangers to the teacher; in my experience there are also risks to the young man that probably doesn't involve the teacher at all.

The Chicago area has a number of drop-in centers for Gay and Bisexual youth. The most famous is certainly Horizons, located in the city at 961 West Montana (1 block north of Fullerton, a half block east of Sheffield). That may be a difficult place for suburban youth such as Todd to reach. However, the Oak Park Area Lesbian and Gay Association also runs a drop-in center, Prism Youth Network, which meets every Thursday at 6:30pm and is for all youth, ages 14-20, who wish to talk about whatever they want to talk about in a safe environment.

Todd, or anyone else in that age group who may be looking for the companionship of people his own age or the support of some terrific, responsible, caring adults, can get in touch with Prism Youth Network at (708) FUN.FIND (386-3463).

Give us a call Todd, and drop in sometime. There are a bunch of people like you who would love to share their experiences and ideas, and who hope you'll be ready to share yours with them.

— Sincerely,
Rob Ward

Editor's Note: The Chicago and North Suburban areas represent a very small percentage of our distribution. We are a Wisconsin publication. In Madison, youth can contact Briar Patch/Picada (608) 251-1126. In Milwaukee it's Gay Youth Milwaukee (414) 265-8500.

Let me point out that *Ask Billy* is not a "real" help column. It's nationally syndicated and written in a campy style. **It's satire, not reality!**

Editor:

Scott and I would like to thank all of

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you who came to our Possum Queen fundraiser Tuesday, May 2nd at La Cage. For some reason the *In Step* calendar had the wrong date, "also just to mention," there was not an *In Step* photog at the show. But we will submit pictures which we took, hopefully for future publication. When all is said and done, we had a great show. We will continue to support *In Step* and MAP.

— Thank to all of you,
A Whole Lotta Trish
Patrick & Scott

Editor's Response: We're sorry the information for your Possum Queen event was entered on the wrong date in the Calendar. Mistakes do happen. But don't bother sending us photos because we won't use them. For years *In Step* has not assigned photographers to Possum Queen events or to SSBL Team Fundraisers. There are too many to cover — and if we cover one, we have to cover them all.

"Also, just to mention" — get off your high horse.

Editor:

I was intrigued by the ideas of a special *In Step* issue on Gay spirituality, but when I picked up my copy of Issue #7, I was disappointed to see that the only spiritual tradition addressed in your pages was Christianity.

Christianity is not the only spiritual path available to Gay, Lesbian and

Bisexual people. There are countless numbers of Gay Jews, Gay Buddhists, and Gay Pagans, not to mention all those who create their own personal spiritual path by blending many traditions. Spiritual diversity adds to the richness of our community. As Wisconsin's leading LesBiGay publication, you should be celebrating that diversity by showing the many facets of Gay spirituality — not presenting Christianity as the only option.

I was looking forward to reading articles from LesBiGay Christians and Jews about how they reconcile their beliefs with the restrictive dogma and anti-Gay attitudes that are so often present in these religions. **I was hoping to read about Gay people who had found alternative spiritual paths. Now I know you can't print these article if you don't receive them.**

— Sincerely, Luisa Morgan
IGLPC Regional Coordinator.

Editor's Response: Everyone had a chance to submit articles. What we printed was what we received. I truly expected more diversity, too, and was disappointed.

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Viewpoint

A Taboo's End

By Richard D. Mohr

The current American scene certainly provides materials with which a pessimist could paint a gloomy picture of Gay politics: Gay litigative reform lurches two steps forward, two steps back. Unfriendly conservatives have swept both national and state legislatures. The G-word has dropped from Bill Clinton's vocabulary. Talk radio has declared open season on Gays. Our national political groups are weak and stumbling.

Still, I suggest that America is at a crucial turning point on Gay issues and is undergoing an important structural change which bodes well for Gays over the long haul. It is now at least acceptable to inquire about Gay issues in public discussion. The taboo blanketing talk of Lesbian and Gay lives is dissolving.

The clearest indicator of this shift can be found in the mass media. As little as a decade back *The New York Times* refused to print the word Gay; now it carries more Gay news than *The Advocate*. Newt Gingrich is talking more about Gay issues than Bill Clinton ever

did, and is constantly keeping Gay issues before the public. Children can now read a nationally syndicated comic strip with a Gay character and even see movie idols of the same sex smooching on network television.

The importance of lifting the taboo on Gay speech and Gay issues should not be underestimated. First it will have — is having — a significant effect on the public lives of many non-Gay people. Studies have shown that, on Gay issues, people are greatly affected in their opinions by how they think other people will perceive them. Taboos encourage, indeed enforce, the aping of opinions from one person to the next, causing them to circulate independently of both critical assessment and authentic feeling. The result is that many non-Gay people feel socially required to be Gay-fearing or Gay-hating, even when they are not homophobic by personal inclination. As the taboo over talking about Gay men and Lesbians breaks down, so too will the echoes and apings that have maintained so many of the social forces directed against Gays. Non-Gay people will be able to express in public contexts their own real feelings. Barney Frank has perceptively noted that people are now less homophobic than they think they should be. This fortuitous and surprising gap provides great opportunity to those working with Gays' justice for it means that the majority population is now reachable.

Further, with the ending of the taboo, anti-Gay forces can no longer automatically count on visceral responses of revulsion to carry the day for them. This change in turn has several corollary consequences. First, with the collapse of the taboo, it is increasingly difficult for society to maintain the rituals that demonize Gays and Lesbians. Rituals of taboo create an eerie

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— Mohr

supernatural realm unspeakably beyond the pale and then populate it with ghouls and monsters. With the taboo's collapse, Gays, in society's eye, are becoming less like monsters and demons and more like hippies and Mormons — or in Newt's favored analogy, like alcoholics. Maybe not something nice, maybe something odd, something one might not chose for oneself, but Gays are no longer something monstrous, repulsive, unthinkable abject. Though not an ideal achievement, this state does mark major cultural change.

Second, not that it's okay to know and be around alcoholics and Mormons — and now even around Gay folk. Without demonization, it is hard, perhaps impossible, to view homosexuality as a vampire-like corruptive contagion, a disease that spreads itself to the pure and innocent by mere proximity. This change of conceptualization will eventually cause to abate the stereotype of the Gay man as child molester and more generally as sex crazed predator. And this change has already markedly lessened — for straight folk — both fear of association and guilt by association. For really the first time it is now possible for Gays to have straight allies, people who cannot instantly and effectively be tarred and dismissed with the slur "queer lover."

Finally, the collapse of the taboo and its visceral effects means that anti-Gay forces now have to argue for and give rational accounts of their position. And the good news here is that the arguments are all on the side of Gays. Moreover, the very ground rules of reasoned discourse — commitments to honesty, consistency, openness, and fair play — make it inherently a force for liberalism.

The Right senses and fears the cultural shift underway. It seems tacitly to recognize that to win the cultural wars it must shore up the deeply fractured taboo. Just look where radicals on the Right are investing their energies. They are not trying to "punish the sin" by restoring sodomy laws to states without them. Rather they want to get "the sinner" to shut up. Thus they chiefly focus on representations of Gay life. They target museum exhibitions, the funding of the arts, school curricula, public television, Gay books, and the

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Independent Thoughts

Commentary
by Marvin Liebman

Bearing Witness

It began as an emergency gathering of a few Lesbians and Gay men. It ended up as a unified force that taught a whole community a lasting lesson about courage and hope. They called themselves Bearing Witness, a loose coalition of religious leaders and local organizations from the Tidewater area of Virginia. They came together to support Mel White, the Gay minister and activist, who once ghostwrote for such anti-Gay luminaries as Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell. It was while seeking a meeting with Pat Robertson at his Christian Broadcasting Network (CBN) headquarters on February 15, 1995, that White was arrested for trespassing and later jailed.

First comprising only a few Lesbians and Gay men, Bearing Witness quickly expanded to include people, from the mainstream of the community, who were similarly concerned about Robertson's sanctimonious extremism and the need to challenge his theology of intolerance. Under the leadership of Alicia Herr, Loen Arlington and Dawn Rankin-Phelps, Bearing Witness grew and attracted attention to White's jailhouse fast following his arrest.

It is from his offices at CBN that Robertson also directs the Christian Coalition, the million-member, right-wing political group which has been widely credited for electing the new conservative Republican members to Congress. Among other charges, Robertson has been accused of promoting anti-Gay discrimination and violence, as well as covert anti-Semitism. In spurning the invitation to meet, Robertson rejected White's offer to "... try to help him understand the terrible consequences of his false and inflammatory rhetoric ... which leads directly to discrimination, suffering, and death." After Mel White refused to leave the CBN compound and was arrested on Robertson's order, he vowed to remain in solitary confinement in the Virginia Beach jail and fast until Pat Robertson agreed to meet with him.

Without the unflagging efforts of Bearing Witness and Mel White's resolve, the public spotlight on Robertson's intolerance might have faded quickly. But, Bearing Witness was determined. Every day, for twenty-three days, a delegation from Bearing Witness

went to the CBN headquarters in a fruitless, but stubborn, attempt to give Pat Robertson a single rose and plead that he meet with the ever-weakening Mel White. Each day, and late into each night, volunteers doggedly worked to publicize Mel White's struggle. Press releases, faxes, telephone calls, culminating on March 5th with an all-

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community Truth Vigil in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Norfolk, in which I was proud to participate. Thanks to the heroic efforts of Bearing Witness volunteers, and Mel White's courageous perseverance, the controversy drew national attention. Finally, at 8pm on March 8, 1995, the 23rd day of White's fast, Pat Robertson went to the Virginia Beach jail — "as an act of compassion," he said — to meet with Mel White. Mel White and Bearing Witness won their battle, another small victory for Gay activism.

Mel White's fast provided the catalyst, but local Lesbian and Gay people provided the key ingredients — the skills and volunteers to carry on the



1995 Photo by Gary R. Hawkins

Activist/ Author Mel White made recent appearances at the BESTD Clinic, AfterWords and with the UW- Green Bay 10% Society.

struggle. Bearing Witness is in the great American tradition of citizens organizing and fighting at the local level to achieve such goals as safety and equality that cut to the core of their own lives, yet which resonate far beyond the localities involved. Such local action represents the correct priority for our Gay and Lesbian community.

If this local organizing signifies the great American tradition of community action, Robertson's preaching, pitting neighbor against neighbor, epitomizes its antithesis. Much of the local mainstream support for Bearing Witness came from the recognition that their peaceful Virginia community was not impervious to the kinds of bigotries they thought

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flourished only in foreign places. Our country is the great melting pot, growing ever stronger in the diversity of all of its people. But this vision would be history, they realized, if Pat Robertson continued to gain power and went unchallenged in his quest to re-invent America. Indeed, as a long record of public statements has made clear, Pat Robertson's America has no room for people who do not fit into his vision of a Christian paradise on earth — *especially* homosexuals.

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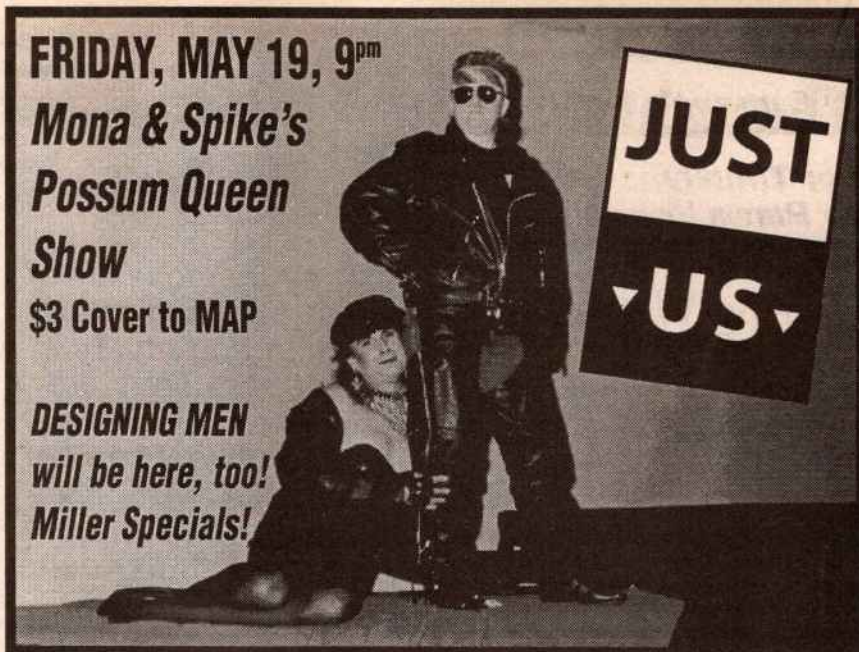
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hatred of Gays, all the while deploying arguments and code words culled from old attacks on Communists and Jews. When the Berlin Wall came down, anticommunism, the cement that held the disparate pieces of the American conservative movement together, had to be replaced by a new enemy. Who? Homosexuals! The same rhetoric used against the Communists to raise money for the ongoing "conservative" machine could be used again, almost word for word, against homosexuals. "They are taking over the media, the schools, the libraries, and are infiltrating every segment of our society, even the churches. They are disease-ridden and unhealthy. They are the children of Satan and must be stopped! They are outside of God's care and mercy. They are the anti-Christ. They must be erased from our midst. In the name of God!"

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White and Bearing Witness were correct to call attention to Pat Robertson's anti-Gay extremism and the mortal danger he poses to Lesbian and Gay Americans. While Robertson has been the target of public criticism of late for his occasional brushes with anti-Semitism, his anti-Gay remarks have so far escaped such public denunciations. Gays threaten Robertson's goal of earthly paradise, just as my own Jewish forebearers stood between Hitler and his vision of an Aryan paradise in Europe. They were exterminated. If Pat Robertson prevails, why should it be different here? The United States is not immune. Robertson's attack on Gays should bring down the same public scorn and criticism that confronts his anti-Semitism.

Pat Robertson, and the other preachers of hate, have twisted the words of Jesus Christ to achieve their own ends, including immense personal wealth and political power. American Lesbians and Gay men share with the Jewish community the responsibility and duty to consistently monitor and challenge Robertson's rhetoric of hate, be it overt as it is leveled against Gays and Lesbians, or covert and coded, as it is leveled against Jews.

The Arts

By Carmen A. Murguia

It's Time Once Again to Place Your Bids at Art for AIDS

Milwaukee — It is the summer's most exciting fundraiser for the **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin**. It's the fourth *Art for AIDS* auction and brunch on Sunday, June 25 at the Italian Community Center (ICC), 631 East Chicago Avenue, Milwaukee. Beginning at 10am, you can view and bid on art by some of the country's leading artists and enjoy a luscious summer brunch served by the ICC.

Currently, over 2,000 individuals utilize ARCW's care services and resources. Service agencies include: the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project-Kenosha, Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project-Eau Claire, and the Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium.

An art preview exhibition will be held for viewing June 4-20 at various Milwaukee sites including Audubon Court Books, 383 W. Brown Deer Road, Cafe Knickerbocker, 1028 East Juneau, and The Milwaukee Center, 111 East Kilbourn. For a complete listing of art previews or *Art for AIDS* tickets (which includes brunch and a catalogue for \$25) call the Milwaukee AIDS Project at (414) 273-1991 or (800) 348-9255.

Wreck Room Welcomes Dade Art In Exhibition

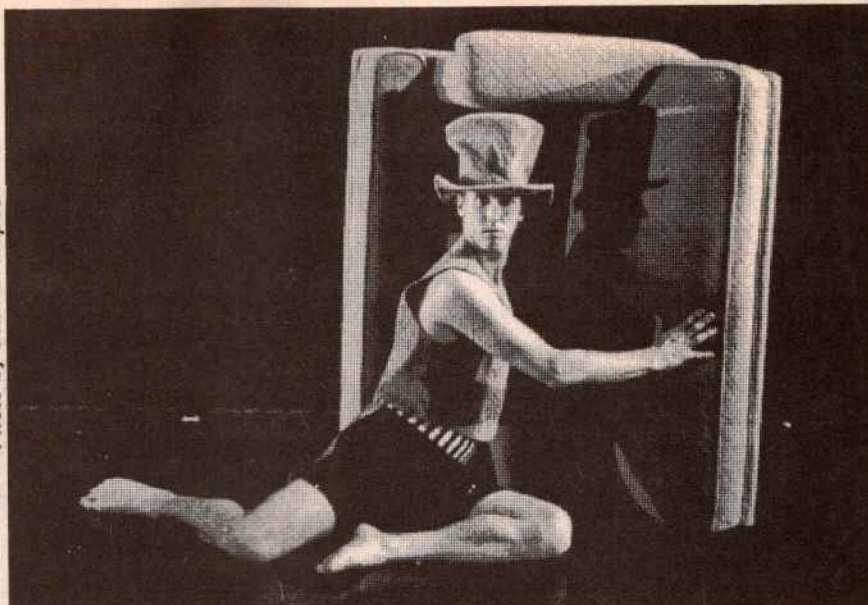
Milwaukee — You've seen his work in *Drummer, Bear and Mach* magazines. He's been exhibited across the country including International Male Leather, '93 March On Washington and Seattle Bear Fest. He's **Dade**, a former Wreck Room employee and this time he's back to exhibit his artwork.

Dade's artwork will be shown at the Wreck Room, 266 East Erie, in conjunction with the *Daddy, Daddy's Boy Contest* Weekend, May 12-14 with an opening reception between 2 and 5pm on May 12. For more information call the Wreck Room at (414) 273-6900.

MUSIC

Spend A Hot Summer Night With Melissa Etheridge

Photo by John C. Mapes



Dancer/Choreographer Tom Thoreson will perform with 15 of Milwaukee's finest dancers in "Dance make Music tell Stories"

Milwaukee — Tickets have been selling fast for the hot concert to kick off summer's season of music. **VH1** presents **Melissa Etheridge** live at the Bradley Center in downtown Milwaukee on Sunday, June 4 at 7pm with special guest **Paula Cole**.

I think the best thing to happen to Melissa was coming out on that fateful inaugural evening. Since then, she's been rocking sold out crowds all over the world with her brand of sexy rock from the heartland. Tickets are at The Bradley Center Box Office, 1001 N. 4th Street, or charge by calling (414) 276-4545.

Bay City Chorus Proudly Presents A Spring Concert

De Pere — The Bay City Chorus is proud to present *Brothers and Sisters In Song* on Saturday, May 20 at 7:30pm and Sunday, May 21 at 4:30pm at the St. Norbert College Hall of Fine Arts.

Brothers and Sisters In Song will feature many Broadway hits, patriotic songs, standards and some of today's pop hits. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased by calling the St. Norbert College ticket office at (414) 337-3950.

Goongoo Peas! Mixes It Up In Madison

Madison — **Goongoo Peas!** is a dynamic group of four women musicians whose Caribbean sound is a mixture of storytelling and music based on traditional games and storytelling. **Goongoo Peas!** will be performing an ASL interpreted show for women at

Apple Island Women's Culture and Event Space, 849 E. Washington Avenue on Saturday, May 20 at 8pm. Tickets are \$6-8-10 sliding scale, and can be purchased at the door. For more information, call (608) 258-9777.

Wisconsin Cream City Chorus Celebrates Earth Day

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus sang out in honor of *Earth Day* on Sunday, April 23 for the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee's Earth Day service. "Earth Day," writes Emory Churness, Publicist for WCCC, "commemorates the world in which we live, calls to mind our treatment of her resources and her wildlife, and asks us to examine our own attitudes and goals as custodial partners in life on this ailing world."

DANCE

Tom Thoreson & Friends DANCE, make MUSIC and tell STORIES

Milwaukee — Choreographer and dancer **Tom Thoreson** has brought together some of Milwaukee's finest dance and music in *DANCE, make MUSIC tell STORIES* at Danceworks, 727 N. Milwaukee Street, on Friday, May 19 and Saturday, May 20 at 8pm.

DANCE is a collaboration of **FOOTHOLD Dance/Performance** president Tom Thoreson, a trio of members of the **Wild Space Dance Company** and various spirited and

amazing dancers together with new music composed by **Tony Finlayson** and **John Kruth**.

Tickets are \$10 general, \$8 for students and seniors. For more information about **FOOTHOLD** and **DANCE**, make **MUSIC** tell **STORIES**, call (414) 265-1346.

THEATER

Theatre X Late Night Welcomes A Medley of Performances

Milwaukee — Whatever you desire, an evening with the *Big Goddess Pow Wow* or wish to be part of *Group Theory*, **Theatre X Late Night** does it all for you under the setting of the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway.

The *Big Goddess Pow Wow V, the Victory Tour*, a variety show for the 90's, makes their stop on May 13 at 11pm. In a nutshell, it's a group of women performance artists who blend the best elements of stand-up comedy, vaudeville and performance poetry into a truly unique evening.

Group Theory, a new play written and performed by **Dave O'Meara** from May 16-21, is the story of an apartment dweller who finds himself mysteriously linked to five of his neighbors by a week's worth of misdelivered mail. Set in a city much like Milwaukee where a fictional killer has recently been arrested, *Group Theory* throws the diverse neighborhood into edgy suspicion. Opening for each performance is multi-media artist **T.J. Richter**.

In a May 17 benefit performance for the **Milwaukee AIDS Project** with **Dave O'Meara**, **Neurotica Productions** and **Joseph Rabensdorf** present *Titanic* by **Christopher Durang** and *Sir Prize*, an original work by performance artist extraordinaire **Joseph Rabensdorf**.

Titanic reveals the increasingly complicated social and sexual relationships of the Tammurai family. The Captain's daughter **Lydia**, causes further havoc among the Tammurais as she impatiently waits for the ship to sink. *Sir Prize* is described as an observation of the fact that life is a series of signposts that shape and mold our lives, sometimes trivial, sometimes catastrophic. **Joseph** offers a word of warning of the performances of *Titanic* and *Sir Prize*: "It is sick yet playful, provocative, potentially offensive, sexual and enticing." (*His word of warning sounds more like an open invitation to me!*)

For times and ticket prices of all three performances, call the Theatre X offices at (414) 278-0555.

Springtime '95 Means New Changes in the Arts

Editor's Note: Beginning with Issue 10, all press release information, photos and press packets **must be** received no later than 5pm on Tuesday of Deadline Week. Your cooperation with this new schedule change is greatly appreciated. Have a great Spring! — **Carmen**

Lynn Lavner is More than Just a Lesbian in Leather

By **Carmen Alicia Murguia**

Lesbian singer, songwriter and comic, **Lynn Lavner**, makes her debut Milwaukee appearance in a benefit for the **Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee's Education Fund (LAMM-EF)** on Saturday, May 20 at the PAC's Vogel Hall, 929 North Water Street, at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$15 in advance (call 414/264-2600) or \$18 at the door.

When you see **Lynn Lavner's** petite 5-foot frame on stage, she'll be sitting right at home on a bench before a piano... camping it up in her favorite *leather outfit*. But leather isn't the only thing that makes Ms. Lavner exciting and appealing to her audience. It is her ability to make both dykes in leather and feminists laugh with her lightning wit (making her the queen of the one liners) and her talent for moving leathermen and members of the Gay religious community to tears with inspirational songs.

In a telephone conversation, I asked that inevitable question we all want to know, "How did you make the crossover?"

"My outreach to the universe is a very deliberate one," she responded at her only serious moment. "I believe the community only gains strength by unifying them."

A self-described left-handed Jewish Lesbian, who grew up in Brooklyn, New York, to the sounds of a very mixed bag of opera, rock & roll and great American 1920's music, Ms. Lavner's upbringing has formed her work that has taken her from the cabarets of Manhattan to clubs



Lynn Lavner

in Australia, London and Paris.

She has done benefits for the NY Gay Synagogue and the Conference of Lesbian & Gay Jews in Amsterdam, and is best known in this area for her appearances at the International Mr. Leather Contest.

"You never know if they'll arrive in clerical collars or studded ones!" she quickly added.

Amidst her performances around the globe, **Lynn Lavner** has reached an even wider audience through her own recording label, *Bent Records*, with four solo albums to date. Her latest is *Butch Fatale* (as opposed to *Femme Fatale*), a live performance album of comedy and music. It will be on sale at her touring *Dykes R Us* mall, along with tapes, CDs, and newly designed t-shirts.

Lynn Lavner lives by her word: "Don't hide the truth or tone it down; Love your own sense of difference."

She's excited about her performance in Milwaukee on May 20. "It'll be a good time to laugh and cry and think" she says with a smile. With her universal appeal, that won't be difficult for all of us to accomplish with her.

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Film

Film on Pre-Roe Abortion Underground Screens May 26, 27

Chicago — The world premiere of *The Janes: A Women's Underground Abortion Service* will take place at the Chicago Filmmakers Kino-Eye Cinema

May 26 and 27 at 8pm. The theater is located at 1543 West Division. Admission is \$5.

The hour-long documentary features the Chicago-based women's health collective *Jane*, whose members performed 12,000 safe, illegal abortions between 1969 and 1973, when the Supreme Court's *Roe v. Wade* ruling finally decriminalized abortion.

From the first referrals to the arrests of its key members, *Jane's* story is told by the women who ran and were served by it. Archival footage, personal documents and in-depth interviews convey the reality of this mobile, illegal clinic which provided over 300 abortions a month to women referred by friends

and members of Chicago's clergy and police force.

The Janes: A Women's Underground Abortion Service was produced and directed by Chicago filmmakers Kate Kirtz and Nell Lundy. It is the first major exploration of the pre-Roe underground abortion network in Chicago, and many of the women in the video have never before spoken publicly about their experiences.

The Friday, May 26 screening will be followed by a panel discussion featuring Kirtz and Lundy, members of *Jane*, and pro-choice activists. Saturday's screening will be followed by a champagne reception.

Interview

Talking with Scott Heim

By Owen Keehnen

In November, 1994, Scott Heim was named by *The New York Times Magazine* as one of thirty artists under thirty most likely to "change the culture in the next thirty years." The prestigious honor was given him, to a large extent, on the explosive strength of his debut novel, *Mysterious Skin*.

Vividly set in Kansas, this is the story of the long term effects of molestation on two different boys by their little league coach. Neil recalls the experiences as a model for an idyllic love he can never recapture. He eventually becomes the town hustler and hood before moving to New York City. Brian represses the memory so thoroughly, that when it does emerge, it's interpreted as a clouded dream of alien abduction. The coming together of these two young men and their shared past drives the novel to a satisfying conclusion.

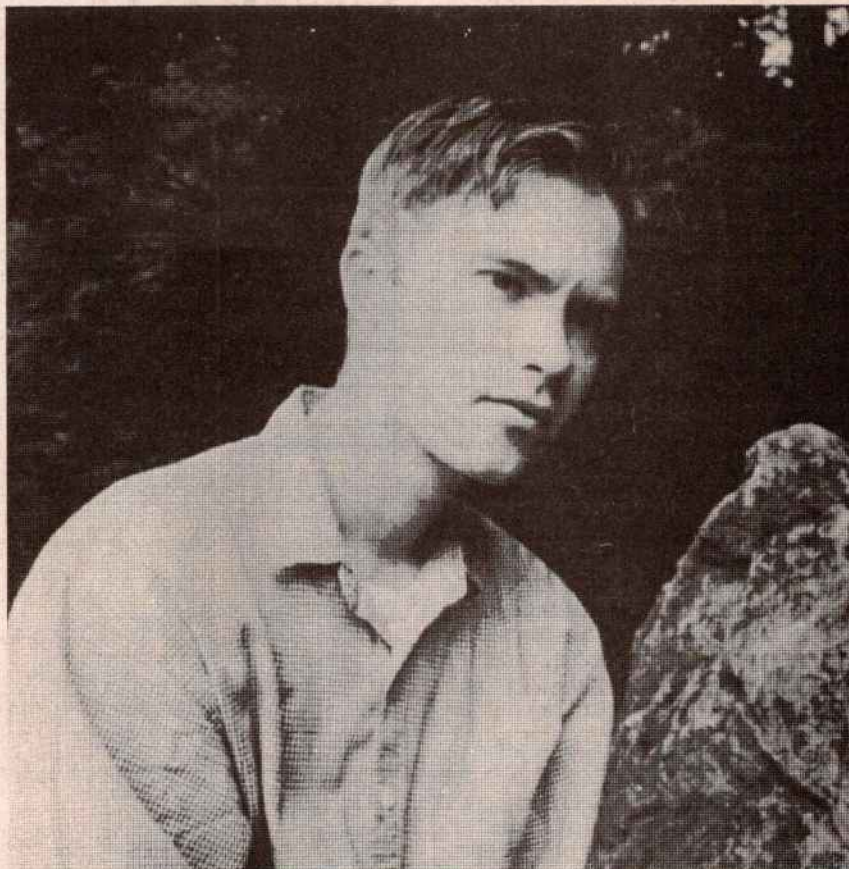
Recently I had the pleasure to talk a little with Scott Heim about the exciting course his life is taking. We discussed the novel, writing, UFOs, music, and Dario Argento, among other things. He was very charming and down-to-earth, and as articulate as his work.

Carl Sztatmary does a review that appears in a side bar with this interview.

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Owen: A novel is such a huge undertaking, how did it begin?

Scott: *Mysterious Skin* started out as a story about Brian, then I essentially took the Neil story and sewed them together. Then I realized I had something much bigger than a short story.



Author of "Mysterious Skin", Scott Heim.

Photo by Timothy Cargill

Are you challenging the recovery and survivors psychology that surrounds the molestation in the book?

Yes and no. More in the forefront was people's simplification and underestimation of children, that's mostly in the first third. The rest of the book is concerned with memory. The whole aspect of blocked memories is a really exciting topic and also scary. Sometimes it's completely legitimate and sometimes you can have a dream or memory that may or may not be real, you can exaggerate it or make it into something it's not. That's what I tried to do with Brian's story in the book.

Whose story was more difficult for you to write?

Probably Brian's because his story is so internalized. When I was working on the book I was more excited about writing Neil's sections. Whenever I sat down at the computer I would want to write about him. The hardest chapters were those showing Brian coming to terms with his memories. It's funny, but now that I'm touring and doing readings the parts I tend to like to read are the Brian sections.

The UFO theme you include in the book is so thoroughly researched. Is
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it a personal fascination of yours?
Have you ever seen one?

*"We would have
dreams ... with the
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touching us."*

— Scott Heim

I'm not embarrassed to say the part of the novel where the mother and daughter and son see the UFO is almost exactly how it happened when I was a kid. I remember having really vivid dreams as a child. I can remember one experience with my sister of waking up in the middle of the night feeling something bad had just happened to us. We would have dreams after that with the theme of aliens touching us. My sister also was once driving in the country and saw a UFO and when she arrived where she was going there were two hours missing in her time.

It's something I've always been fascinated by and something I do believe in, but I also am hesitant to talk about it because people are so skeptical. UFOs, Big Foot, Loch Ness Monster, ghosts, ESP, I'm into all that stuff.

Brian and Neil also both come from single mother homes. Is that just a character coincidence?

In a way. It's also just the idea of being a kid from a problem home and an outsider type. It makes them more accessible to the predator in the book.

I'm also curious about your penchant for strange sex scenes like the syrup scene in "Imagining Line" from the "Waves" anthology, or in this novel the cereal molestation or the weird playground exhibitionist seance, or the ballpark stuff. Why do your sex scenes continually have a surreal feel?

Anyone who's read an adult fiction novel has read enough sex scenes to get the same thing over and over. There's only so many terms you can use for penis and vagina. It gets really boring after a while. I like to get into the head of my characters during sex and also insert a setting or emotion or image that isn't usually associated with the average sex scene to make it more powerful, believable, and memorable.

The ultimate compliment is when someone who would normally be repulsed by the situation gets turned on by it. That's my goal when I write a sex scene. To me a vanilla or white bread sex scene is completely boring in real life and ten times more boring in fiction.

It was great to see Dario Argento's "Suspiria," one of my all time favorite movies, captured between the pages of serious fiction.

It's my favorite movie. I love horror

films and I think I've seen just about everything ever put on film or video. Dario Argento is my absolute favorite and I felt somehow I needed to pay him homage, but I wasn't the first. Kathy Acker did it in *My Mother Demonology*. In some ways what I'm trying to do with my fiction is similar to what he does with his films, the juxtaposition of extremes. In his films he does a lot with music and cinematography, surrounding his utmost violence with beauty.

He's such a sensory explosion. Do you want someone to feel the same thing upon closing "Mysterious Skin"?

I want someone to have a really visceral experience. I want someone to feel the way I do when I see a great horror movie, some sort of slap in the face emotion whether it's sadness or shock or horror or disgust — at least I've moved them beyond the usual page turning fluff.

What writer's influenced you?

When I started, Genet and the surrealists. I was also influenced by Dennis Cooper who is my favorite in terms of language and style. Kathy Acker, the poet Anne Sexton. I also love Flannery O'Connor and the southern gothic writers, Cormac McCarthy. I also love Joy Williams.

Do you have any writing idiosyncrasies?

It depends on what you consider an idiosyncrasy. I do my best writing late at night with music blaring. I like to listen to fuzzy druggy fucked-up British guitar band music.

What bands?

My Bloody Valentine, Seefeel, Cocteau Twins... I like things that are very moody and sort of swirls around the room and makes me feel certain ways. With a lot of them you can't understand the lyrics of their songs, so writing for me while listening is like providing words to a soundtrack.

Recently you were named by "The New York Times Magazine" as one of the thirty artists under thirty most likely to change the culture in the next thirty years. What did it feel like to be named to a list like that?

It's very encouraging, but I also feel I have something to live up to now that they've put this title on me. It all happened so fast. It was really fun going to the photo session because I didn't know who else would be involved and there were people I'd seen on MTV and movies or whatever. It was the first time I realized *Mysterious Skin* was going to be something big in the sense of people across the country will be able to go into a store and buy it. When the magazine came out and there was my picture with these other people, I realized that if I

hadn't been included in this and I were under thirty I'd be very jealous.

Scott, it's when you move in the over thirty crowd that you find the real jealousy. Just kidding. Tell me a little something about the novel you're working on now?

I don't have a title. Once again it's set in Kansas and focuses on a trio of outcasts, a teenage boy, a woman in her thirties, and a woman in her sixties whose son has just died. They are the pariahs of this town and it's about their desires and how they are sure they will never be fulfilled. Then a sort of dastardly character comes in and tries to fulfill their desires for them. It's also about the past and how the memory of it affects the way we live which I guess is the major theme I'm working on now.

What attracts you to having outcasts as your protagonists?

*"... Outcasts are
almost always more
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— Scott Heim

I think outcasts are almost always more interesting than the most popular people in class. They have stories to tell because they usually have secrets. It's always the more popular or important people that voice their stories. The outcast is usually silent so I like giving a voice to them. A big part of it too, is when I was growing up I was always an outcast in one way or another and people that were my friends were outcasts. I was overweight and my friends and I were the punk rockers in high school. People always looked at us like we were freaks, part of me didn't like that, but most of me did. It's interesting to me that most outcasts are content with being outcasts.

Did you always want to be a writer?

I always wanted to be recognized. The two things I knew I did best were writing and playing drums. I was a drummer in a couple rock bands in college. I was good at it, but there came a time when I realized that to make it in a band was too far fetched, that I should pursue English literature and writing. Eventually, it paid off.

It paid off real big, Scott. Thanks.

Thanks, Owen.

Books

A Haunting & Profoundly Moving Work

Mysterious Skin
By Scott Heim
HarperCollins HC \$20

Reviewed by Carl M. Szatmary

Few subjects remain as controversial or as ripe for exploitation even in these sexually enlightened times as pedophilia, which makes **Mysterious Skin** (HarperCollins, HC, \$20) such an unlikely prospect. Yet courageous readers will find Scott Heim's debut novel something of a revelation, a haunting and profoundly moving work that is likely to leave a lasting impression.

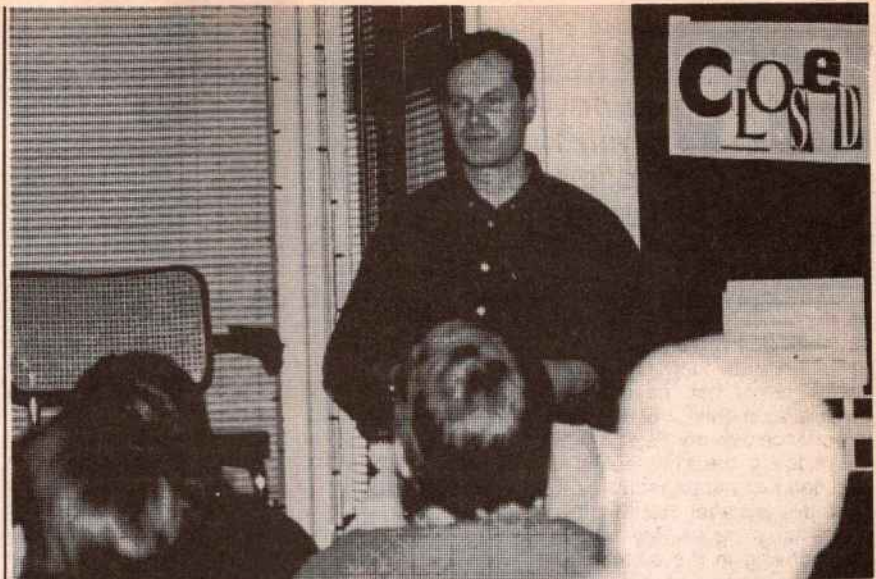
Brian Lackey and Neil McCormick were 8-year old Little Leaguers playing on a team called the Panthers during the summer of 1981. Brian was the archetypal nerdy kid, timid and a tad uncoordinated, playing ball that summer, not out of enjoyment, but at his father's demand. Neil, on the other hand, was a gifted, natural athlete, already maturing both physically and emotionally and the team's star player.

In Neil, Coach Heider found a most happy and willing partner. An encounter with Brian left the little boy to awaken in the crawl space beneath his home's porch, still in his Little League uniform and with 5 hours disappeared from his life.

Mysterious Skin follows Neil and Brian as they grow up, charting the impact of these encounters. Brian would quit Little League. He would also become a bedwetter and an increasing disappointment to his father. The missing five hours of his life would continue to haunt Brian, later formulating that the secret was due to abduction by a UFO.

Likewise, Neil would drop out of organized baseball, but due to the fact that the town council assigned Coach Heider a much older group of boys the following summer. Lacking the love and guidance, real or imagined from Coach, Neil would become the town outcast at an early age, into drugs and shoplifting. Later and almost effortlessly Neil would drift into prostitution.

Set in the heart of middle America, **Mysterious Skin** is an exploration of the family, about love and loss, about forgetfulness and rationalization. Finally, **Mysterious Skin** is about identity, about what we humans do to find our place in the world. The barren Kansas landscape becomes a striking metaphor for not only the emptiness of the American Dream, but also of the human heart and soul.



Author and *LesBiGay* video/film pro Raymond Murray autographed his book and showed his great video compilations during his appearance at AfterWords.

Photo by James Taylor

Deftly and deceptively written, Heim exhibits amazing skill at choosing simple, yet vivid details in creating the often bleak world of Hutchinson, Kansas. His characters are realistic and thoughtful. Neil and Brian could be almost any eight year-old known while growing up. Eschewing easy villains, preachiness or simple solutions, Heim has instead crafted a novel that blasts right out of the water any of the idyllic myths of innocent childhoods. In particular, rarely has a writer with such courage portrayed youthful sexuality.

Scott Heim's **Mysterious Skin** is a beautifully written novel, at once portraying moments of quiet sadness and yet quite brimming with hope. This is an astonishing work of literature. *Read this book! Most highly recommended.*

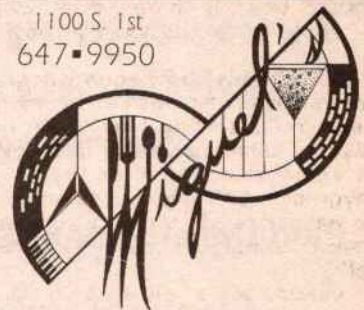
Wanted: Lesbian Short Fiction

Women of Diversity Productions announces they are seeking short fiction containing a significant Lesbian content for inclusion in *Lesbian Short Fiction*, a new English language periodical to premiere in the Spring of 1996. Stories from various genres accepted — mystery, humor, fantasy, science fiction, horror, gothic, romance, etc. — of 10,000 words or less. Payment of one cent per word plus 2 copies upon publication. Deadline for inclusion in Issue 1 is May 30, 1995.

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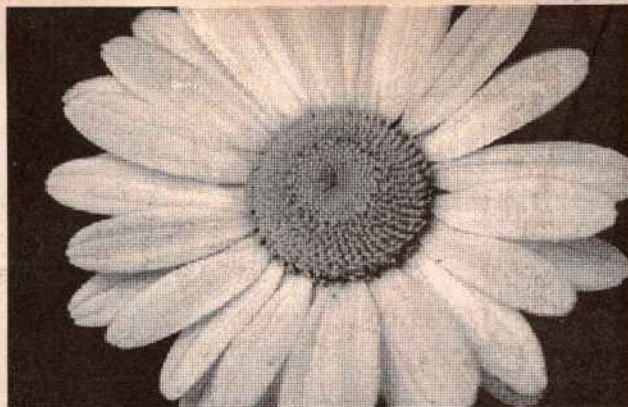
Gardening in SE WI Can Be A Challenge

By Belle Pepper

So, now that Spring has arrived, are you itching to give your green thumb some exercise? Are seed catalogs, nursery sale flyers, and bulb books stacked up on your coffee table? With Milwaukee's unpredictable Spring weather, you better get going and start planning.

Whether you're starting out with a new home complete with semi-landscaped yard, inherited an older home with existing yard, or only have a balcony or porch to work with, today's hybrid plants, veggies and herbs can grow practically anywhere.

Most gardening experts will tell you that your yard and garden should be a natural extension of your home. Planning on paper is very helpful, plus seek out advice from friends, neighbors, and nursery professionals. With the computer age on us, there are also computer programs to help you design a garden, but gardening is more of an art form than a science, and personal taste is extremely important (something a computer knows nothing about).



The amount of sun, and the length of time it's available for your plants is important. Pick up a book or two (depending on whether you want to do a plant/flower or vegetable/herb garden). Many gardeners suggest planting herbs in with your flowers. Some of them naturally repel insects, and can add height, depth and texture to lower flowering plants.

Containers, fountains, planters, and the like must be chosen carefully, to assist in developing that specific look you're seeking. That cute Guernsey cow planter may be ideal for a flower bed full of petunias, but it will seriously look out of place in a elegant, rose garden, or earthy looking rock garden.

But containers can also help you plan out your garden. A distant relative of mine used old shoes from her children, relatives, neighbors and old resale shops to hold various flowering plants. It was quite the spot each summer, but she had to replace the shoes each spring.

Consider Your Lifestyle When Planning

How much time do you want to spend pulling weeds, manicuring and caring for your garden each week? What is the real purpose of your garden? Personal enjoyment, entertaining, competition? Do you own your own home, or are you only renting your property? If you are renting, how long will you stay there, and how much time and money do you want to spend on a garden?

These are all excellent questions to consider when planning your garden. Color, plant trends, amount of sun, available plants, etc. are also things to consider.

Perhaps starting out with small, segmented areas is your answer. Perhaps you just want to brighten an area around your patio. You use it to cook out, to sunbathe, to entertain. Measure out the area, evaluate it for available sun exposure, and then determine what look you want to achieve.

Contain Yourself

Container gardening is perfect for those of us who live in restricted spaces (apartments, condos and small homes with even smaller yards). It's also a perfect way to enjoy plants if you have physical limitations (handicapped, elderly, etc.).

Some basic rules for container gardening include: 1) make sure the last frost has passed before putting anything out. 2) Mix bagged "potting soil" with slightly less than equal parts of perlite and peat moss, and just for good measure, add a heaping handful or two of compost and a small handful of bone meal. 3) Drainage is critical to good container gardening. Make sure every pot has drainage holes. 4) Watch the fertilizer. A heavy hand with the Miracle-Grow can do more harm than good. 5) Water them. The rule of thumb is to push your finger a half inch or so into the soil; if it doesn't feel moist, it's time to water. Use tepid water, plants don't like cold showers. Let your water sit for a day or two before using to permit chlorine to evaporate.

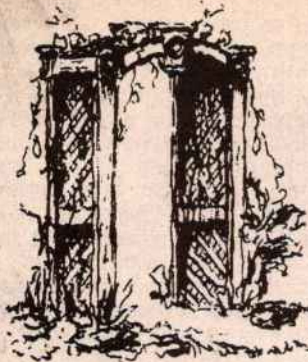
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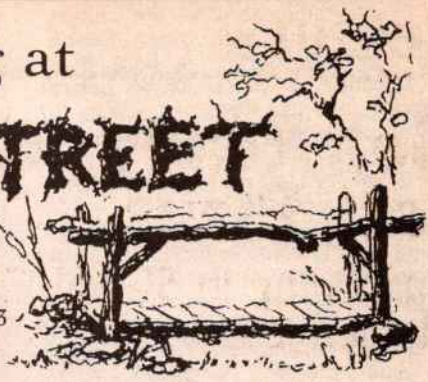


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Some great summer flower and vegetable bulbs include Asparagus,

Begonia, Canna, Calla Lilly, Dahlia, Gladioli, Lily, Onion Sets, Potatoes, Rhubarb.

Some of the top perennial include Astilbe or false spirea, Coreopsis, Bleeding Hearts, Lupines, Day Lilies, Clematis, Yarrow, Lady's Mantle, Columbine, and Hollyhocks.

Some of the most successful vegetables to grow for southeastern Wisconsin weather include Blue Lake and Royal Burgundy Beans; Detroit Dark Red and Big Red Beets; Green Comet and Packman Broccoli; Nantes Carrots; Tasty Green (burp less) and Fanfare

Cukes; Simpson Elite Leaf Lettuce; Bell Boy Peppers; Aristocrat Summer Squash; Bodacious or Kandy Korn Sweet Corn; and Celebrity, Early Girl, or Big Boy Tomatoes.

Herbs add aroma, texture and depth to any garden, flower or veggie. Plus they're relatively easy to grow in containers, too. The top 10 herbs include Chives, Basil, Cilantro, Coriander, Dill, Marjoram, Oregano, Parsley, Rosemary, Sage and Thyme.

Container plants should be purchased based on your available light source. Consider purchasing some of these if you have a Northern exposure: Fuschia, camellia, hosta, various lilies, Easter cactus, philodendrons, prayer plants, sentry and bamboo palms and

caladiums. For eastern or western exposures, look for these: Christmas cactus, impatiens, gardenia, poinsettia, pansies, aspidistra, freesia, iris, Swedish ivy, calla lilly. For southern exposures try statice, dahlia, nasturtium, wallflower, cornflower, aster, gladioli, lavender, heather, roses and herbs.

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Profiles

Dr. Holtgrave Appointed to CAIR

Milwaukee — The Center for Intervention Research (CAIR), Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine is pleased to announce the

appointment of David R. Holtgrave, PhD as an Associate Professor, Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine and Director of AIDS Policy Studies.

Dr. Holtgrave is a graduate of the University of Missouri at St. Louis. He completed doctoral studies in Clinical and Experimental Psychology and Quantitative Psychology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Dr. Holtgrave contributes specialized expertise to the evaluation of HIV prevention studies and will establish a research program in economic evaluation of HIV prevention and services.

Christmas Fairy Announces New Design

San Francisco — The Statute of Liberty, draped in the Rainbow Flag is the newest design from the Christmas Fairy. The artwork is available on postcards, blank greeting cards, a heavy poster measuring 24" x 36" and t-shirts.

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Steppin' Out

by Ron Geiman

Playing Catch-Up for the Last Month...

I cheated last time and didn't do my column... but things were just too intense with the move and all. We're now all settled into our new offices across the hall from our old one. I think you'll be pleasantly surprised!

Going all the way back to April 7 (if your mind isn't shot and you can remember back that far) was the "Campy Country Night" at **3 B's**. They offered prizes for the "Best Country Look Alike" (and I don't mean countries like Brazil, Congo...). Up at **Za's** they were being entertained by puppeteer/impressionist **Jerry Halliday** live from Las Vegas. His cast of characters are a real hoot, and range from Katherine Hepburn to Carol Channing. The unadvertised (and we never knew about it) appearance by Halliday at **Just Us** was cut short by Halliday when some loud, obnoxious types wouldn't give him the time of day. After starting and stopping four times, and an apology from the DJ, he finally decided to call it quits.

On Good Friday, **AfterWords** hosted author **Raymond Murray** and his 20 minute multi media presentation on Queer Cinema. Murray also signed copies of his recently released **Images In The Dark**. **AfterWords** also hosted an appearance of Daughters of Bilitis co-founders and authors **Phyllis Lyon** and **Del Martin**. The two legendary women were in town for an Older Lesbians conference. The authors read an excerpt from their new book to an eager audience. Local Lesbian of fame, Miriam Ben Shalom, is the topic of a chapter in the book.

Mel White, author of **Stranger at the Gate** and activist made appearances in Green Bay and at Milwaukee's **BESTD Clinic** and **Afterwords**. He signed books and chatted with people at **Afterwords**, but talked about "To Be Gay and Christian in America" at **BESTD** and at the **10% Society** at **UW-GB**. His **UW-GB** appearance drew the college Republican crowd to complain and protest — the appearance and protest drew over-reactive media coverage, too.

Chicago vocalist **Judii Lowe** rocked the house and mellowed out the crowd during her performance at **Sass** in Green Bay. On Easter Day **Sass** hosted an egg hunt. Easter festivities were also held at **Allegre**; **The Blue Lite** (Bonnet Contest); **M&M's** Easter Brunch and Dinner; and hors d'oeuvres at **The**

Ballgame.

Thanks to the near sell out crowd who attended the **PrideFest** benefit premiere of *The Sum of Us* it was a great fundraiser... and I think a great movie (once you got used to the Aussie accent.)

Kate Clinton *Live* at the **Pabst Theatre** on April 21 drew the best percentage of Gay men of any of her previous area gigs. "The Other Clinton" was her usual politically correct/ incorrect self and was *fabulous!*

Geraldine's 2 day scotch double 8 ball pool tournament found the "girls" inside shooting 8 ball while the guys we're outside breaking up the asphalt for

a volleyball court when Jamie was there on April 22.

The **Mr. & Miss Black Gay Wisconsin** pageant at the **Hotel Wisconsin** on April 23 got off to a late start and was further delayed by sound difficulties, but none of that dampened the spirit of the crowd. Jamie reports the over 6 hour pageant was a bit toooo much... Over 200 people packed the low-ceilinged room, which was warm and overly smoky.

Seven Miss contestants vied for that title, with Milwaukee's **Kenya Summer Moore** capturing the crown and **Nicole Love** from Chicago coming in 1st runner up.

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Five men vied for the Mr. title, with Jonathan Mitchell (Pappy) from Cleveland taking the title. Craig Carrington was 1st runner up.

Sass hosted Wausau's **Mad Hatter** owner (who also holds the title of Ms. Gay WI-USA) Miss Vickee and her guest for a great, well attended show. Also in Appleton, **The Pivot** hosted their annual **Turnabout** show. John (Pivot manager) and Ken and Mark of **Za's** doing drag numbers brought down the house and big tips for the **Fox Valley AIDS Project** fundraiser. Lots of big hair and big fun, with volunteer guest bartenders and staff.

The '95 **Miss Emerald City WI-USA** preliminary was held at **Za's** on April 29. Lots of time and money went into the new stage backdrop for the pageant. Four contestants ran for the title, and the judges had a difficult decision to make. Jamie sends special Thanks to Ken for supplying him with batteries for his flash. (Jamie, you don't need batteries to light YOUR flash! D.D. was crowned winner and Ashley Andrews was first runner-up.

Federated Realty Agent **Jack Smith**, hosted a celebration at the **M&M Club's** upstairs banquet room to show his appreciation for the friendship, help, support and patronage he's received from the community. Nice touch with hors d'oeuvres and open bar!

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My reception... was **awesome!** Thanks to the hundreds of you who stopped in briefly, or stayed for a couple of hours.

Please allow me to thank all the major sponsors: **AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin; Cream City Foundation, Miller Brewing company, Landmark Production Enterprises, Inc., PrideFest; and the Wisconsin Light.**

Jerry & Terry from **Light**, along with Doug Nelson (ARCW) and Tony Rhodes (CCF) were the prime motivators behind this incredible event. It didn't take long for dozens of other businesses, organizations and individuals to come through. Donors included: Shorewood Florist, Black Tie Catering, Sherman Park Rainbow Ass'n, Human Rights League, Renaissance Place, Midnight Graphics, Havlicek & Associates, Keep Hope Alive, Different Drummer Theatre Alliance, Nelvin Johnson, Kim Zweibohmer, Jon Martin, Tom Reed, Bill Meunier, Scott Menos, Tim Hancock, Karen Gotzler, Ross Draeger, Tommy Salzseider, Stephanie & Kathleen Hume, Dan Fons, Mike Lisowski, Steve Brondino, Dale Survey, and Gus Grilihava.

The surprise Key West package came from a separate group of donors, and included Doug, Kathleen & Stephanie Hume, Bill & John at Bottom Line, Karen Gotzler, Scott Gunkel and Jack Cramer. Bar owners and managers who stopped by included Mark & Ken (Za's), Rick & Ken (Ballgame), Si (Boot Camp), George (La Cage), Dan

(Zippers), and Steve Byers (Just Us).

The sun came out about 1:30pm, as I was leaving home for the 2pm kick off. Good Sign! The afternoon just got better from there! By 4:45pm I had chapped lips from all the kisses, a sore right hand from shaking hands; and achy upper arms from all the hugs!

The food was wonderful, and the displays and flowers just did us all in! One word? G-o-r-g-e-o-u-s!

The range of people: men and women, multi-ethnic, young un's, to people even older than myself! I knew, or met at least 90% of the people. I didn't have time to mingle... they lined up!

The speech-making was brief and impressive (even Bill Meunier was eloquent...and Brief!) Speakers included Doug, Tony, Terry, Kim Z, Stephanie Hume and Annabelle who did a 'semi-dirt speech.' Belle also wrote *The History of In Step & Ron Geiman* that appeared in the "Special Collectors Edition" souvenir program that took a lot of research and work.

My response included the usual Thanks, pleas for involvement in "doing this again, for other, more worthy community members, and wrapped in my disclosure that it's come time for me to make some major changes in my life and in the business because of my health. I tested positive in '87 (exposure had to be prior to '85), and officially went from HIV positive to AIDS about 3 years ago. I've kept working, and that's kept me happy. But now, it is taking a toll on me. I have some decisions to make, and when I've got it all figured out (those restful 4 days in Key West should help) I'll let you know of my decisions. I want **In Step** to continue... under local LesBiGay ownership & control, with someone at the helm who has a variety of applicable skills and personality (and, a Healthy Checkbook!).

The afternoon *soiree* (it indeed was a *soiree*) was one of the highlights of my life, and I thank all of you who came, those of you who couldn't, and those who sent cards, letters and flowers.

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Bottom Line Travel opened in 1990 with a goal to operate a travel agency small enough to give a personal touch, but large enough to provide the most up-to-date travel information available. Co-owners John Joiner and William Jacobs explained that economic realities of operating a small agency in the 1990's forced them to take a realistic look at industry trends and their operation here in Milwaukee (they own a bigger agency in San Francisco which they are returning to). They served our community well, and were the pioneers in LesBiGay travel advertising in this paper. Gay owned and operated travel agencies started "coming out of the woodwork" just months after Bottom Line's first ad.

Their staffer, Doug Easton, has moved to **Trio Travel**, another Gay owned agency and IGTA member.

3 B's is moving to the north west corner of 2nd & Lapham sometime in late May. Keep your eye on **In Step**.

Designing Men has opened their unique shop in the old Valerie's location at 1200 S. 1st Street in Milwaukee. They don't carry books or have an espresso bar. They specialize in leather, jewelry, and Gay items and doo-dads. They are NOT in direct competition with AfterWords. Besides, what competition there is will only be good for both shops.

I made numerous mistakes in compiling the Calendar last issue (4 that were specifically pointed out to me) and I apologize for the confusion. It was a *Week From Hell* last deadline, and things just didn't go right. I also realized I ran the same *Stark Reality* in both Issue 7 and 8! I'll be much more cognizant this issue, because I've hired a Proofreader (yaaaahh!) which takes that job off my overloaded shoulders.

Get well wishes to Tommy P. and Bob Moore.

And a public welcome to my first proofreader — Wayne Schick.

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Calendar

SATURDAY, MAY 13

Officers/Board Members. Film *Straight From the Heart*, Reception for new officers.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Club 219 (Milw): Body Sweat Male Dancers.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

Club 219 (Milw): DJ Kim Z's Birthday, Talent Contest.
CAIR (Milw): 3-4:30pm. "Reaching Female Sexual Partners of Injection Drug Users: A Street Based HIV Prevention Program." Speaker Susan Tross, PhD, Research Scientist. FMI (414) 287-4680.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

Wreck Room (Milw): Daddy's Boy Contest.
Wreck Room (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 5-8pm.
Daddy & Daddy's Boy Contest
Weekend: A NorthWoods Production Event, co-sponsored by 4 L/L organizations and 3 L/L bars. Weekend pass for all 4 events, \$20. Individual events \$7 each. Through May 14, see L/L Bars for details.
Club 219 (Milw): Florida Express Male Dancers.

Club 219 (Milw): Princess Alexis Possum Queen Show, 8pm. Florida Express Male Dancers, 11pm.
Madison Gay Video Club: Double Feature: *Man for Man I* and *Idol Country*. 8pm. Call (608) 244-8675 (eves) FMI.
M&M Club (Milw): Singational Productions, 9pm.
Miguel's (Milw): Prime Rib Special, 9oz., \$7.95.
Wreck Room (Milw): An Art Show Not to Be Missed. Art by Michael Schruender (Dade), Opening Reception 2-6pm.

SUNDAY, MAY 14

3B's (Milw): Possum Queen Day, Car Wash & Cookout, 1-4pm; Variety Show at 6pm.
Integrity/Dignity (Madison): Eucharist & Social Hour. St. Francis House, 1001 University Avenue, 7:30pm.

MONDAY, MAY 15

Club 219 (Milw): Miss Wisconsin Continental Pageant, 10pm. MC-Miss BJ Daniels. Call (414) 271-TEEE for tickets, tables or contestant applications.
Positive Voice (Green Bay): General Membership meeting, 6:30pm. Brown County Library. Election of

TUESDAY, MAY 16

Club 219 (Milw): Brain Dead Revue.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

Just Us (Milw): 8pm-Midnight, "Dance to a Latin Beat." No cover.
Sherman Park Rainbow Association (Milw): 7pm monthly meeting, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3617 North 48th. Ralph Navarro will present a Financial Issues Seminar. See "Group Notes" FMI.
SAGE/Milw: 6:30pm. "I Remember" discussion with Steve Brondino. Eastside Library, 1910 East North Avenue. Free and open to public. Bring photos, letters and other materials from Wisconsin's Gay past.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

GLEEM (Milw): Monthly meeting, 6pm (Gay & Lesbian Education Employees of Metro Milwaukee). Call Larry at (414) 384-9695 FMI.
M&M (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 8:30-11:30pm.
CAIR (Milw): 3-4:30pm. "HIV Infection



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
"Mary" Month of May!		May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13
			BODY SWEAT 10pm	TALENT CONTEST & Kim's Birthday	Florida Express Dancers	Possum Queen Show 8pm Florida Express Dancers - 11:30pm
May 14	May 15	219 May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20
219 GIRLS SHOW 11:30	MISS WI CONTINENTAL PAGEANT	BRAIN DEAD REVUE 11:30	BODY SWEAT 10pm		DINO & MEN AT WORK 10pm	
May 21	May 22	219 May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27
219 GIRLS SHOW 11:30		BRAIN DEAD REVUE 11:30	BODY SWEAT 10pm	TALENT CONTEST	BODY SWEAT	

in Children — The Case for Educating Women." Speaker Peter L. Havens, MD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Epidemiology. Call (414) 287-4680 FMI.

LAMM (Milw): May Meeting. Potluck dinner, 6pm. 7pm program: "Healthcare for the 90's" panel discussion. Call (414) 264-2600 FMI or see "Group Notes."

FRIDAY, MAY 19

Club 219 (Milw): Dino and Men at Work, 4 male dancers.

Community Fundraiser (Green Bay): For the Grinkleys Adoption Case. See

Group Notes/Arts for details.

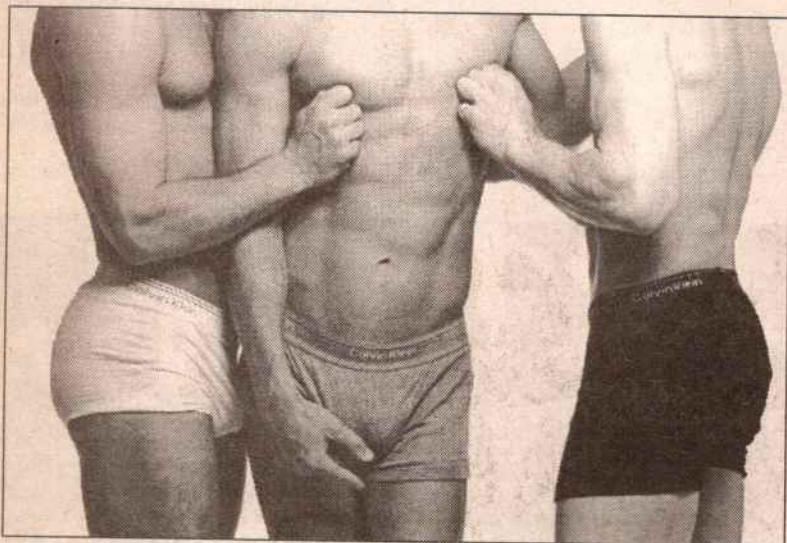
3B's (Milw): Mexican Buffet, \$4.
Just Us (Milw): Mona & Spike's Possum Queen Show, 9pm. \$3 Cover to MAP. Designing Men Display, 9pm-?

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Vuk's 2 (Milw): Gamblin' & Crawlin' to Green Bay. Oneida Casino, Za's, Brandy's II. \$10 per person includes beer bust, BBQ and bus. Call (414) 672-6900 to reserve seats now!

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Integrity/Dignity (Madison): Board meeting at 10am at Henry's, 902 Spaight Street, Madison. Open to all. (608) 836-8886 or (608) 257-3346 FMI.

Frontiers (Madison): 11am bike ride around Lake Mendota. Bring own bag lunch. Call (608) 244-8690 FMI.

12:30pm, kite flying/picnic with Mendota bikers. FMI (608) 241-2500.

3B's (Milw): \$3 Beer Bust, 1pm. Possum Queen Parade, 3pm.

Bay City Chorus (DePere): *Brothers & Sisters in Song* 7:30pm, St. Norbert College Hall of Fine Arts.

Sherman Park Rainbow Association (Milw): 5:30-8pm. Pig Roast at Waz's Pub, 46th & Burleigh. Call (414) 777-3986 FMI. Tickets \$6.

Triangle (Milw): Spring Show & Auction. Chili and Beer Bust, 3-7pm. Live entertainment at 5pm. An Althea Later for Possum Queen fundraiser. Fun and some great prizes.

Za's (Green Bay): Wisconsin PrideFest Rainbow Tour.

Club 94 (Kenosha): 94 Follies Girls Show, "Spring with a Fling," 11:30pm.

SUNDAY, MAY 21

PFLAG (Milw): Speaker from SAGE. Call (414) 962-9320 FMI.

Bay City Chorus (DePere): *Brothers & Sisters in Song* 7:30pm, St. Norbert College Hall of Fine Arts.

Just Us (Milw): Performance by Shoreline, 8pm.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

1100 Club (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 6-9pm.

FRIDAY, MAY 26

Milwaukee Classic: SSBL Annual Softball Tournament with over 25 teams from across the country (through Sunday, May 28).

Club 219 (Milw): Body Sweat male dancers.

Frontiers (Madison): Annual Peshtigo River Rafting trip. Camper/trailer housing available. FMI Dave (608) 241-2500. Returns tomorrow.

Za's (Green Bay): Lip Sync 2 hosted by Kristin Austin and Mark Madison. Cash prize for winner.

SATURDAY, MAY 27

Milwaukee Classic: SSBL Annual Softball Tournament with over 25 teams from across the country (through Sunday, May 28).

Madison Gay Video Club: Triple Feature: *Together Alone, Pleasure Express/The Plowboys*. 8pm. (608) 244-8675 (eves) FMI.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Body Sweat Male Dancers.



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*TurnAbout is fair play (and some hideous drag!). Can you pick out John (Pivot manager) or Mark & Ken (Za's)? The TurnAbout show at the Pivot raised funds for the Fox Valley AIDS Project.
Photo by James Taylor*



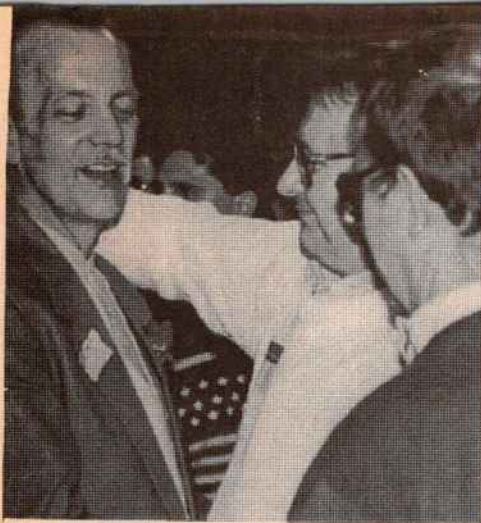
*(Above) The '95 Miss Emerald City WI-USA titleholder is D.D. Winters and the first runner up is Ashley Andrews.
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The community reception for In Step's Ron Geiman drew hundreds of community members from a diverse background. Photos by Ron Carter



ReDonna Rogers and friend



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Stephanie Hume



Si Smits



Ross Draegert and Dr. Robert Starshak



David & Ron



Dr. Terry Boughner



Mark



Brenda DeJong (2nd from left) with her other half (left), JP in the background, Ron in the center, Mary's friend and Mary Shaefer



Ron Geiman and Tom Reed



Jim & Miguel DeLaKosa

Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

In the News...

Who keeps track of the most important current events and world happenings while you're out partying and having a good time? Why it's me of course! I do all the dirty work while you party, party, party! But, please ...don't feel guilty. Don't feel like you're taking advantage of me, just because I unselfishly provide your Gay humor needs, week after week after week ...

Amsterdam — Officials for the **Gay Games V** in Amsterdam have reported little resistance for the event from the citizens of that country. Support grew after the **Little Dutch Boy** admitted on national television that he was Gay and once had an affair with **Little Boy Blue**. The perverts from **NAMBLA** immediately jumped on the news, asking for Polaroids of the affair and trying to make the **Little Dutch Boy** their new poster child. In other **Gay Games** news, the Dutch government has outlawed all lame Lesbian jokes which make reference to that country's system of dikes and pledged \$500,000 to help a local manufacturer of wooden shoes convert their factory to make wooden high heels in preparation for the expected demand by drag queen tourists.

New Orleans — Recovering Ku Klux Klan kingpin and Louisiana political hopeful, **David Duke**, recently stated he wants the government to brand HIV+ persons with glow-in-the-dark tattoos on the penis. In response, the National Gay

and Lesbian Task Force issued a statement calling for a glow-in-the-dark tattoo reading "asshole" to be planted on that part of Duke's anatomy.

Washington, DC — According to statistics compiled by the National Board of Labor, only 15% of Gays and Lesbians actually participated in the recent *Take Your Daughters to Work Day*. Most of those borrowed a niece from relative, 5% took their female cats and one person hired a 10-year old drag queen for the day.

Hollywood — Hoping to jump start her career and cash in on the publicity surrounding the recent self-outing of her daughter **Chastity Bono** ...singer, actress and hairspray pitchperson, **Cher**, took a break from her new catalog to announce she would re-record her 70's hit song, *Gypsies, Tramps & Thieves* with completely new lyrics. The new song, with k.d. lang in the **Sonny Bono** role will be released by Gay Pride Day with the new title, *Lesbians, Queers and Dykes*.

New York — In the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing, lunatic-fringe Gay militia in cooperation with the **Jenny Jones Show** have used the police sketch and computer graphics to devise a plan to give John Doe #2 a complete make-over if he'll appear on her show. Producers denied this was a publicity stunt designed to boost ratings, but added that if any of the bomber's secret admirers are booked on the show they would be staying in a bomb shelter rather than a local hotel.

Los Angeles — **Melissa Etheridge** continued to deny reports that she wants to have **Brad Pitt's** baby despite the fact an *Entertainment Tonight* investigation turned up evidence she had used FedEx to overnight Brad a sample jar, turkey

baster, some JO videos and an ice chest with a return shipping label reading, "Brad, Jr."

London — The **Chubby Chaser's** of America have fully endorsed robust tenor **Luciano Pavarotti's** new designer scent which, according to the label, is made from distilled extracts of french fries, pasta, a Big Mac and cheese cake and comes in generous "family style" portions. According to the group, no kitchen should be without it.

Washington, DC — The feud between Speaker of the House, **Newt Gingrich** and his Lesbian sister, **Candace** grew this week after reports surfaced that Candace had seduced several of Newt's high school sweethearts. A distraught Newt ran into the arms of Pizza Hut's **Rush Limbaugh** for comfort and came away greasy and smelling like a nasty anchovy and sausage pizza and was forced to call off the afternoon session of Congress so he could change and shower.

West Virginia — Right wing zealot, **Pat Robertson** is using his *700 Club* to portray the new thriller, *Village of the Damned* as a documentary about Gay life in San Francisco. Robertson also railed against the creators of a computer-faked nude photo of the evangelist available on the Internet, until he learned the 2" endowed composite is actually more hung than he is.

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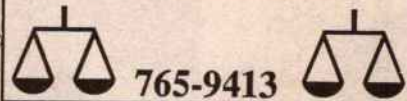
The Za's staff always looks so good.
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Stark Reality

By Kirk Stark

On The Straight & Narrow

I've reached the point of no return, and I'm *scared*. I thought I was open minded. I thought that I was a person who was open to diversity. But, I've found that I'm impaired in a way I never realized.

I don't understand heterosexuals.

I don't know when it happened, but somewhere along the line, I stopped understanding heterosexuality in either concept or practice.

It became evident a few weeks ago. My friends decided to take me out to a club for my birthday. Mind you, they didn't ask me which clubs I would go to. No. Instead, they shanghaied me, and took me to a club they thought would be fun.

My first warning sign was the 'music' that was emanating from the door. It was Snoop Doggy Dogg doing another one of his odes to 'sluts, bitches, and 'hos.' Yay.

Then we made it past the obviously heterosexual (real scary) bouncer and into the club.

Now, it wasn't that the clothes the women were wearing screamed 1989

(lots of Mexican peasant blouses), or that you could actually talk to someone over the music, or that the majority of the people were dancing like they were having epileptic seizures.

No, it was something deeper. Something so peculiar that I couldn't put my finger on it for a few minutes. And then I realized what it was... men were talking to *women*.

Now, don't get me wrong... I like women. Almost all my friends are women — I think they are *faboo*.

But these men weren't talking to these women as friends or equals, they were looking at these women as objects of lust. And the women were looking at the men in the same way. It was like watching a bizarre episode of **Wild Kingdom**. I was waiting for Jim to drop from the helicopter and tag the straight people so they could study their mating habits.

Then it hit me. I've been out of the closet so long that I no longer can identify with straight people. I can deal with them on an individual basis, but *en masse*, I no longer get it. The thought of men and women looking at each other with lust — some of them actually getting together after the club closes to have sex. *With each other*. Ick.

Now, I know I'm sure this comes off as an anti-heterosexual tirade, but that's not it. I looked at those straight people and realized how much coming out has changed me.

To the majority of these straight people condoms are used for birth control primarily, not disease control. To think that sex could mean procreation instead of pleasure stuns me. To have pregnancy as a potential result of lust makes me wonder how any straight people ever had sex. The responsibility of it all amazed me.

And the knowledge that sex between a man and a woman will generally finish by the man mounting the woman is odd to me as well.

As I've experienced it with Gay men, one generally has to feel out his partner — no pun intended — to see if they are a top or a bottom. Then it goes into the sub-sections. Are they a butch bottom, a passive top, or is there another thing coloring the liaison? It all seems very uncomplicated in comparison for straight people.

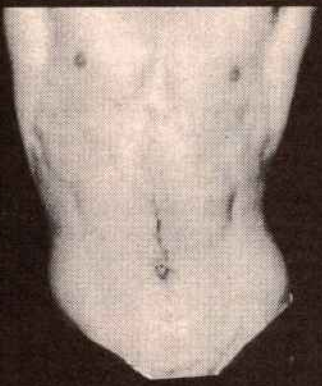
Don't get me wrong, I'm not considering changing my allegiance this late in the game.

Though as I left the club, I couldn't help wondering what my life would have been like had I been straight. Would I enjoy listening to the 'melodic' sounds of Snoop Doggy Dogg, would I dance badly, and give smoldering looks to women?

But, just as I thought that, a *really* cute guy walked along, wiping all those thoughts from my little mind. And I'm much better now...

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Feeling Good

By Jeffrey Fillion

Condoms & Safer Sex

Welcome to *Feeling Good*, a new, occasional column that focuses on sex, risk reduction, and emotions. Until I trained as a volunteer at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, I considered myself fairly knowledgeable about safer sex. I was wrong. I learned many things about safe sex that I should have known already. When the opportunity arose to do this column and educate others, I grabbed it.

Since condoms are one of the first things that come to mind when talking about safer sex, I felt it would be appropriate to start the discussion with them.

In technical terms, condoms are thin pieces of latex placed over the penis during sexual acts as a method of birth control and protection against sexually transmitted diseases.

There are three major categories of condoms: natural, novelty, and latex. **Natural condoms**, such as those made of lamb skin, contain pores and **do not protect the user against the spread of HIV.**

Novelty condoms, like glow in the dark ones, also **do not protect** against HIV transmission. However they can be interesting if used during foreplay. You could also wear a novelty condom over a latex one.

Latex condoms are the most effective in reducing the chances of transmitting HIV **when used properly.** Most latex condoms are one size fits all, but there are condoms available for those with special size needs. They come in a variety of colors from clear to green to black. They come non-lubricated, pre-lubricated, and with a Kiss of Mint (intended for use during oral sex).

Condoms are strong enough to withstand what many people consider the unstoppable force of ejaculation. But they can be damaged if not stored properly. Keep them in a cool, dry place. A dresser drawer works fine, as does a closet (which puts a different twist on "coming out of the closet"). You can carry them for a few hours in a loose pocket, purse or gym bag. Extreme changes in temperature may damage the condoms, so they shouldn't be kept in glove compartments, or anywhere in a car, for long periods of time.

Don't carry them in your wallet or back pocket. The pressure and heat of being bent up and sat on can damage the condom. Room temperature is recommended for the condom to retain its life span.

EXPIRATION DATES

Have you ever read the condom wrapper? Important information can be found on the package. Many are labeled clearly with expiration dates, while others might contain the date the condom was manufactured (labeled "Date Mfg"). A rule of thumb to follow: if it was made more than two years ago, toss it in the trash.

Removing a condom from its wrapper isn't too difficult. Be careful you don't rip the condom when tearing open the wrapper. In other words, don't tear open the wrapper with your teeth. Inspect the condom before you put it on. Make sure it isn't: ripped or damaged in any way, gummy, brittle, or has any holes. Don't use it if it has already been used; even if it hasn't been ejaculated into. Condoms should **never** be used more than once.

Yes, there is a right way and a wrong way to put on a condom (see accompanying diagram). Dab some lube into the tip of the condom. Putting lube in the tip makes it easier to put on and can increase sensitivity during sex. Use only a drop. If you use too much, the condom may slip off.

Place the condom on the head of your penis, and pinch the tip to get the air out. Continue holding the tip as you unroll it onto the erect penis. As you unroll it, smooth out any air bubbles, as they can cause the condom to break. Lube the outside of the condom as well as your partner for comfort and to help ensure that the condom does not break during sex.

After ejaculating, hold the base of the condom as you withdraw your penis. After rolling it up and off the penis, be careful not to spill any semen. Tie the used condom in a knot and throw it away. It is not recommended throwing it into the toilet, as they can cause plumbing and sewer problems.

USE WATER-BASED LUBES EXCLUSIVELY

Use only water-based lubricants with latex condoms, like K-Y jelly or other lubes (check the label to make sure they are water-based). Lubricants that contain oil, alcohol, or grease can dissolve condoms. These include petroleum jelly, shortening, hand lotion, mineral oil, baby oil, cooking oil, and food products that contain animal fats such as chocolate syrup, whipped cream or coconut oil.

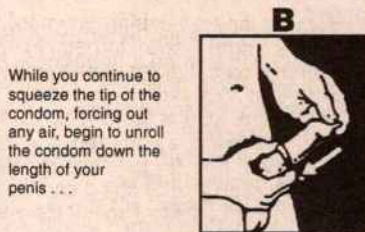
Water-based lubricants containing the spermicide "Nonoxynol-9" are highly recommended. Read the labels to find out which lubricants contain it. Some people may be allergic to Nonoxynol-9. K-Y Jelly does not contain Nonoxynol-9 and is recommended for those who have an allergic reaction. Do not use water-based lubricants with Nonoxynol-9 during oral sex. It tastes horrible.

Condoms can break during

THE A-B-C's OF PUTTING ON A CONDOM



A
Gently squeeze the tip of the condom with one hand, making sure there is no air in the tip. (This leaves room for the semen when you ejaculate (cum), and forces out any air bubbles, which are a major reason condoms break.)



B
While you continue to squeeze the tip of the condom, forcing out any air, begin to unroll the condom down the length of your penis...



C
... carefully unrolling it all the way down to the base of your penis to the hair.

prolonged or rough intercourse, so have a spare close by and ready to open. Lubricating periodically during intercourse helps to prevent the condom from breaking. If you are uncomfortable or unsure of how to use condoms, practice using them during masturbation.

Jeffrey Fillion is a volunteer at the Milwaukee AIDS Project and Outreach Milwaukee, MAP's Lesbian/Bisexual/Gay HIV prevention program. *Feeling Good* explores the subjects of sex, risk reduction, and feelings. Viewpoints in *Feeling Good* do not necessarily reflect those of *In Step*, the Milwaukee AIDS Project, or Outreach Milwaukee. If you have questions about HIV, AIDS, or safer sex, please call the Wisconsin AIDSline at (800) 334-AIDS (2437).

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Roberts' Rules

By Shelly Roberts

The Second Time's the Charm

Helene isn't a Lesbian anymore.

That's right, she turned in her membership card. I didn't even know you could do that. Did you?

You think you're surprised to find this out. We were astounded. I mean, we've known her for a decade. Who would have thought that she'd cancel her subscription to Lesbian Times? Helene?! Imagine.

She and Sharon had been a mainstay of our carefully crafted "family." Oh, sure, we didn't get to see them all that often anymore, since we moved so far away. But they were two of the ones you could count on. They had been together a dozen years. One breathed in, the other breathed out. They walked in complete lockstep. Before they broke up.

Okay, they hadn't been your garden variety dykes. If they could have brought themselves to say either of the words (They couldn't). "Lesbian" would have been the nomenclature of choice. And it would have been the more accurate of the descriptive choices if you were heavily into stereotypes. They didn't, as far as we knew, own a pair of Birkenstocks between them. A couple of finely tuned Mercedes, yes. But flannel shirts? Not even on their best blustery days. (Do they make flannel shirts in silk?)

They also didn't own a lot of other Lesbian friends. Sure, they had Gay men. Matched sets. Of only the highest quality. As you would find in any careful, years-long collection.

They didn't go out much. Stayed in their expensive brownstone. Brought people in. Entertained extensively in a closed circle. Had an upstairs gym. And a downstairs office. They thing about them was, even if they weren't out, they were in it together.

And the thing about their not being out is why we suspect that Helene took her name off the Lesbian list. You see, Sharon was Helene's first. And, lucky for her then, not so lucky now, it took. They were inseparable. For over a decade. Till built-up steam exploded past whatever solder cements the seams of long-term relationships.

And the thing about first Lesbian relationships, it seems to me, is that you don't have to think of them with labels. "Oh, no! We two aren't Lesbians! for heaven's sake. We're just two women

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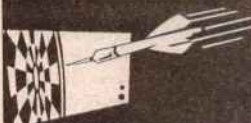
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who happened to fall in love with each other." (Which, of course, just happens to be the textbook definition of Lesbian. But, hey, who's quibbling?) First timers almost always spend a percentage of their early energy telling themselves and anyone they trust who'll listen that if it could happen to *them*, "why, it could happen to *anybody!*"

The real Lesbian test is the second relationship.

Because if the first one just *happened*. Then you have to *choose* the second. You have to go out of your way to say, "I want to do this again." Which plays hell with denial. You have to mean it and you have to seek it out. You have to deliberately go where there are other women who might voluntarily raise their hands to play Love Connection. You have to find the Lesbians, cover yourself with honey, and throw yourself into their path. On purpose.

Helene doesn't know where the

Lesbians are. And if she did, believing what she believes about them, she probably wouldn't want to go there. She isn't self-loathing. Just, unfortunately, ignorant of the kinds of progress we've made in the last dozen or so years about who we are, and how we define ourselves. About dignity, and pride, and self-esteem being concepts that have moved grandly passed yearning and aspiration for many of us, and into present-time reality. Unhappily, that ignorance is the price of isolation.

So Helene will date men for a while. Some time, if she's lucky, after she's dealt with the dissatisfaction, the longing for something missing and something missed that she refuses to call by its right name, she'll wander into the library, or a neighborhood rainbow bookstore on her own. (You can't just tell someone something like this. They have to *get-in* for themselves.) She'll find some of the positive new thinking will catch some of

the new attitude. And, with luck, she will, finally, come to terms with herself.

I hope so.

She'll be a lot happier. She can claim that she's not a Lesbian all she wants, she can date all the men in her entire neighborhood, but no matter what, nothing will change who she is. As far as I know, once you've paid your initiation fee to the Lesbian club, it doesn't give refunds.

And the lifetime membership offer never included the words "satisfaction guaranteed."

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Inside Out

By Yvonne Zipter

A Woman in Uniform

With the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy being called into question in the courts and the Margarethe Cammermeyer story having been aired on TV, visions of Lesbians in uniform could creep without too much prompting into one's mind. Except mine. Because unless I am forgetting about some lust I held in my heart while a green-clad lass in the Girl Scouts, I am not one of those people who can honestly say, "I love a woman in uniform."

Primarily, it's the fact that most women in uniform — i.e., cops and members of the armed forces — carry guns. What's more, they know how to use them. This is not a turn on for me. Even nurses, who we generally think of as practicing a gentler art, are often armed with hypodermic needles. I am not saying that these women in uniform aren't all fine, upstanding citizens and decent people. I'm just saying that their crisp little outfits, along with their hardware accessories, have never been

a special fantasy of mine.

Now, however, I might have to change my tune. What colleen in khaki, what babe in blue, what wench in whites has captured by fancy? Well, it's none other than our mail carrier. True, she probably wields a can of mace on her belt and it is not unknown for postal workers to pack a rod, but I love the authority with which she steers that mail cart and she has my deepest admiration for daily battle with the elements. With her grey-streaked shoulder-length hair held away from her face in a clip and her wind-bitten rosy cheeks, she has a real girl-next-door quality to her. Also, she reminds me a lot of Joanne Liebler.

Those of you not blessed with a girlfriend addicted to home repair-type shows may not know that Joanne Liebler was the one-time co-star of the PBS show *Hometime*. Joanne played the "wife" of her co-star Dean Johnson on this show in which the two of them were always remodeling, building, or landscaping something. Not much of a sitcom premise, I'll grant you, but as home repair shows go, this one had a lot more zip to it than all of its competitors put together. There is no comparison, for instance, between *This Old House's* macho trips into Guyville, whether with Bob (I'll Sell Anything for Buck) Villa or the affable and cherubic Steve, and *Hometime's* Joanne, who is cute and

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problem is that delicate doesn't seem to work any longer — he's becoming far more persistent and I don't think I can put him off without insulting him. I really need my job. Do I just do it in the file room?

— Bob S., New Rochelle, NY

One of the most recent legal precedents suggest that we girls don't stand a chance in a sex harassment suit (just look it up in the Philadelphia court system.) So, I recommend that you meet him in the file room and then file the thing off.

Honey, we are all the subject of abuse. I see it all the time. The entrapment, the derision, the fools...

Well, one day it will change and we'll be in charge and imagine the laughs we'll have with the likes of Jesse and Bob and Dan and Newt on their little leashes. Well, until then we'll have to play their little games... but plan on revenge? Of course that's all covered in my sister's column, but she's in fewer papers...

Dear Billy:

I'm in love with two men and I don't want to give either one up. However, I know that if one finds out about the other, I could lose both. I've had a couple of close calls recently and I figured that it was time to choose. The problem is that both are great in their own way. I could sure use your advice.

Jim is a lawyer. He is conservative, brilliant, exciting, average looking and very generous. He also looks great in a suit. Bob is a carpenter who is romantic, a bit of a homebody, good looking and great tools! Help! Who should I pick?

B.R., Sacramento, CA

Fuck Bob, screw Jim.

Dear Billy:

A prisoner from the state penitentiary started writing me the hottest letters. So, I wrote back. We've exchanged photos (he's terrific) and now he's set to get out in six months and wants to come and stay with me. Should I let him?

D.H., El Paso, TX

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And, of course, number due (my bi-lingual nature just can't be hid children, but it's the only bi-thing about me): What the heck was he in the big house for? Dare we ask. If twelve of our peers agreed that mister wonderful shoulda been sent up the river for crimes that dare not speak their name, then you better getta hold of yourself and do it before he does. Let's not end his sentence with a period — your period. Or, before you end his sentence with a colon, your colon, know your man. Or sleep with a gun. And a knife. And a billy club. In fact, skip him, the gun and the knife, and just sleep with the billy club. A little grease and you'll be glad you joined the club.

Dear Billy:

Would you fuck on the first date?
— M.D., NYC

It depends, sweetheart. Are we going somewhere expensive?



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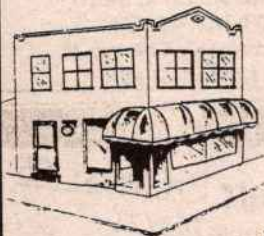
"Workin' on the Chain Gang"... not really, but all these guys volunteered to break up the asphalt that was under the sand for Geraldine's volleyball court.

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May 27 — Milwaukee Classic, Wick Field

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Up to 32 teams are expected for the Milwaukee Classic over Memorial Day weekend. Watch the next issue of *In Step* for more information.

QUEER DUCK

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YEAH, I GUESS SO... IF IT WOULDN'T BE TOO MUCH TROUBLE.. I GOTTA GET UP EARLY THOUGH....

I JUST DON'T WANT YOU GETTING TOO USED TO IT IS ALL... REMEMBER, WE NEED TO KEEP THIS ON A CASUAL BASIS. NO STRINGS PLEASE....

AH, FORGIVE ME, I KEEP FORGETTING MY PLACE.

NATHAN, I LIKE HAVING YOU OVER... EVEN IF IT DOES MEAN GETTING UP EARLY ON MY DAY OFF...

LOOK GEORGE, YOU TOLD ME YOU WANTED ME TO BE HONEST WITH YOU. I THOUGHT WE HAD AN AGREEMENT ABOUT US.

I AM CRAZY. I AM ABSOLUTELY CRAZY TO KEEP PUTTING UP WITH THIS! YOU MUST BE THE MOST INSENSITIVE LITTLE CREEP I'VE EVER MET. I HAVE TRIED EVERYTHING I CAN TO SHOW YOU HOW MUCH I CARE ABOUT YOU, BUT THIS IS #1.

THIS IS WHAT?

THIS IS THE END LITTLE MISTER. SO GET YOUR CLOTHES ON AND GET YOUR ASS ON OUT OF HERE. NOW.

FINE. I DON'T NEED THIS SHIT ANYMORE.

THAT GOES BOTH WAYS SUGAR.

SLAM

Inside...

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funny, and looked great in shorts, work boots, and a tool belt — none of which I could honestly say about either Bob or Steve. What we could never understand is what Joanne was doing with Dean. Even so, we were crushed when she left the show. (Dean, incidentally, has apparently never gotten over her either: his "wives" have come and gone with surprising regularity since Joanne left the show. Obviously, not one of them was good enough to fill Joanne's Timberlands and tube socks.)

Imagine our excitement, then, when she showed up on the *Roseanne* episode with the infamous kiss between Roseanne and Mariel Hemingway playing the Lesbian at the bar who makes a pass at Jackie and who (coincidentally?) was also Jackie's mail carrier. I hope all of this wasn't too much of a shock for Dean. Maybe we should have warned him...

But other than that and the commercial where she once again dons a tool belt and professes the virtues of 2000 Flushes, we haven't seen much of Joanne since she gave poor old Dean the heave-ho. Until now, that is, when she showed up in the guise of our mail carrier, with crisp blue stripes running up the side of her leg. And in the warmer months, with those shorts and a pith helmet, she'll look like something walking right out of a Lesbian Rudyard Kipling story. Riki-tiki-tavi, baby.

Kathy and I tease one another about inviting her in "for coffee" when one of us is at home alone, but in fact, we have each spoken only a word or two at most to her. I can come up with the appropriately tawdry pick-up line — "You can put mail in my slot any time, honey" — but not any real interest in delivering it, being perfectly content with the love life I actually have. Tellingly, what I think both Kathy and I truly find most attractive about her is that she deliver our mail reliably — which, in Chicago, where mail is routinely found ablaze under a viaduct or stashed away in the carrier's trunk or closet with two-year-old postmarks, invites no small measure of gratitude. This impassioned love of her dependability, I think, is about the place where the fantasy goes awry somehow.

In any case, how could any of us be sure that the mail carrier isn't just filling the empty place in our hearts and minds since Joanne Liebler left the air waves? Kathy and I can only take comfort in the fact that, when we find ourselves yearning for her, we can see her winsome face whenever we want to by popping in the video of that compelling episode of *Hometime* called "Log Cabin," in which Joanne says such sexy things as "cut and buck openings, weather tight seal," and "apply door and window trim for a smooth finish." And who can forget

Joanne leaping in a spritely fashion from the unfinished porch, authoritatively wielding those power tools, looking Laurie Andersonish in safety glasses, risking life and limb atop...

Oops — gotta run. I think I hear the mail carrier's footsteps on the porch.

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Viewpoint...

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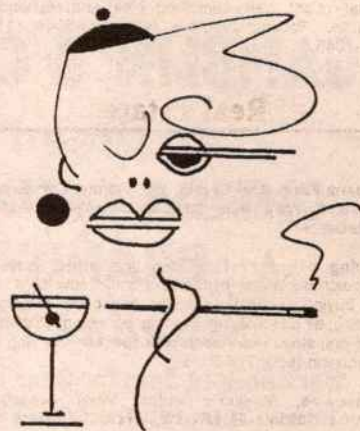
presence of Gays in parades. But however successful as politics, the Right's strategies necessarily trip over themselves as a cultural project. The more the Right has to talk about things Gay, the more the taboo collapses. Newt's yammering on about Gays, however mindless and wrongheaded, undoes him.

The taboo's collapse suggests that we should be focusing our energies on changing the culture in general — targeting the means by which values are created, transmitted, and nurtured — rather than focusing on politics narrowly construed. And we must not worry too much if we take a few hits on the political front, for we are winning the cultural wars.

*Richard D. Mohr's latest book **A More Perfect Union: Why Straight America Must Stand Up for Gay Rights**, is just out in paperback.*

Life's a Drag

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"Would it be correct to say that Rhett Butler had Scarlet Fever?"

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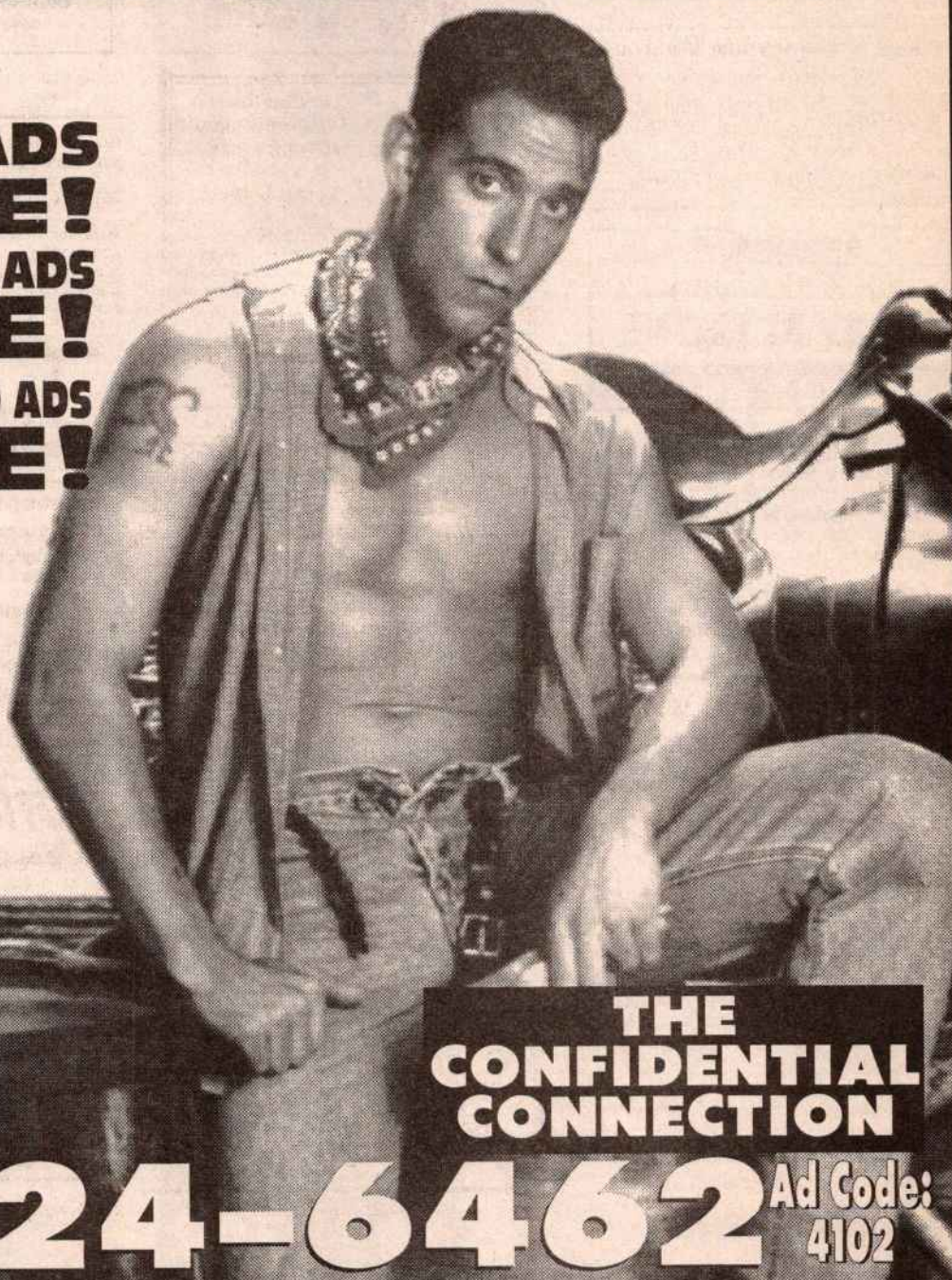
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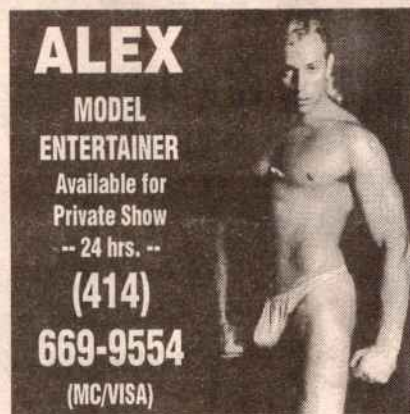
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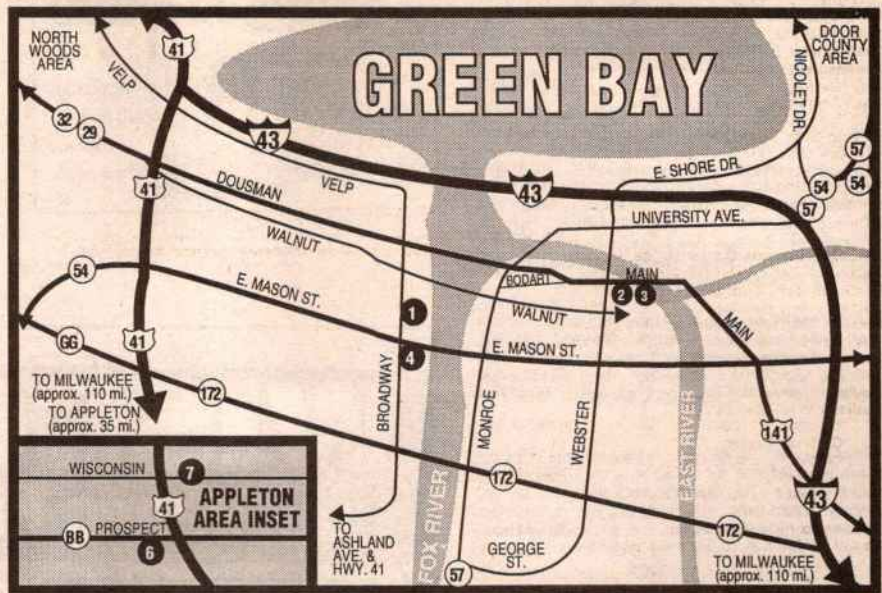
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 PO Box 22096, Green Bay 54305
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 Parents & Friends of G/L Green Bay 499-7080
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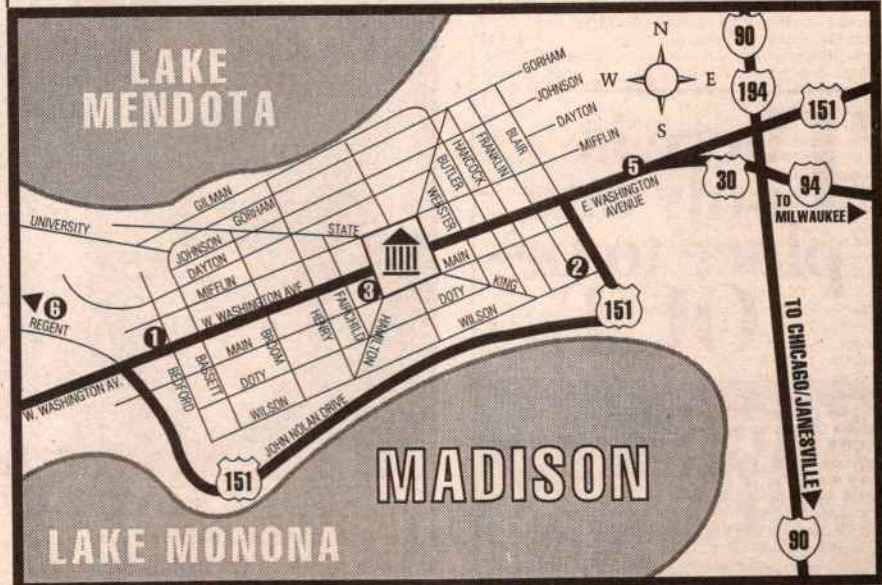
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 Organ.) 14 W Mifflin, Ste 103, 53703 (608)251-7424
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UW Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706 (608)262-7365

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Gay Lesbian Education Employees of Metro
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Gay People's Union PO Box 208, 53201 562-701U

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

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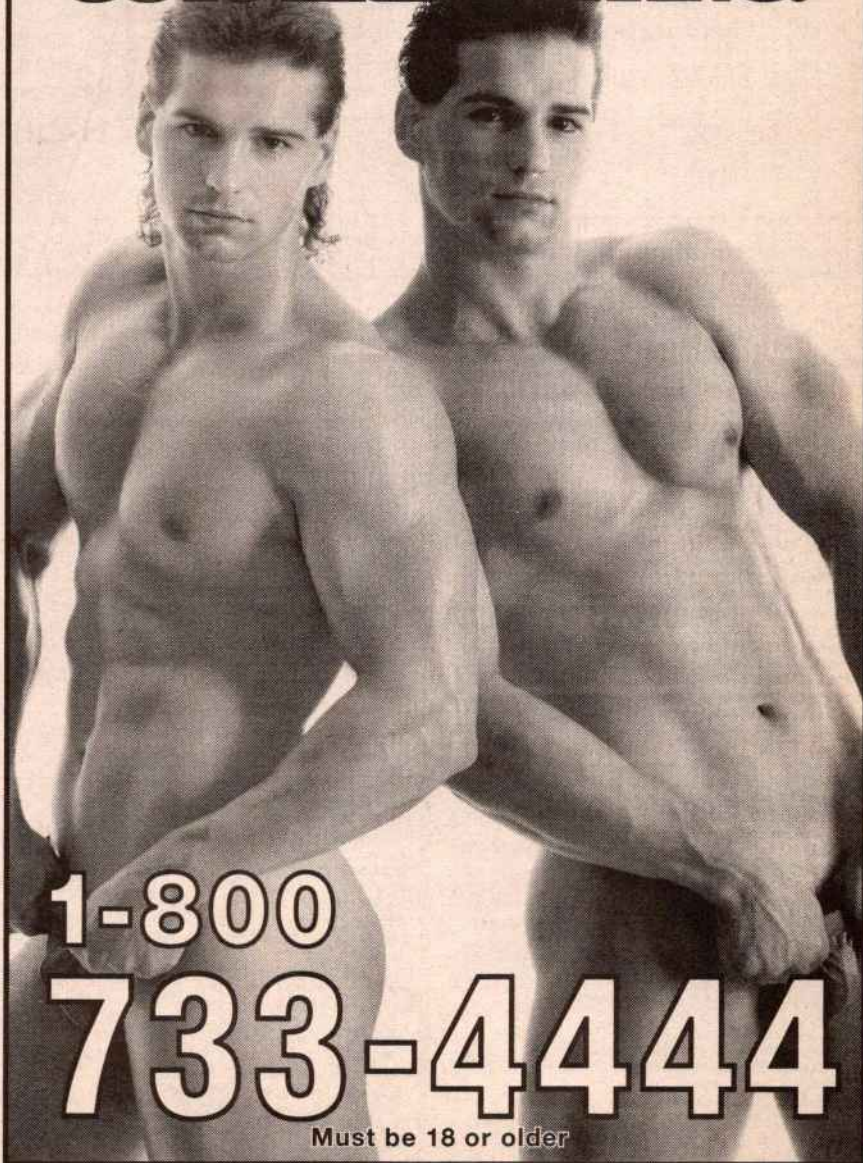
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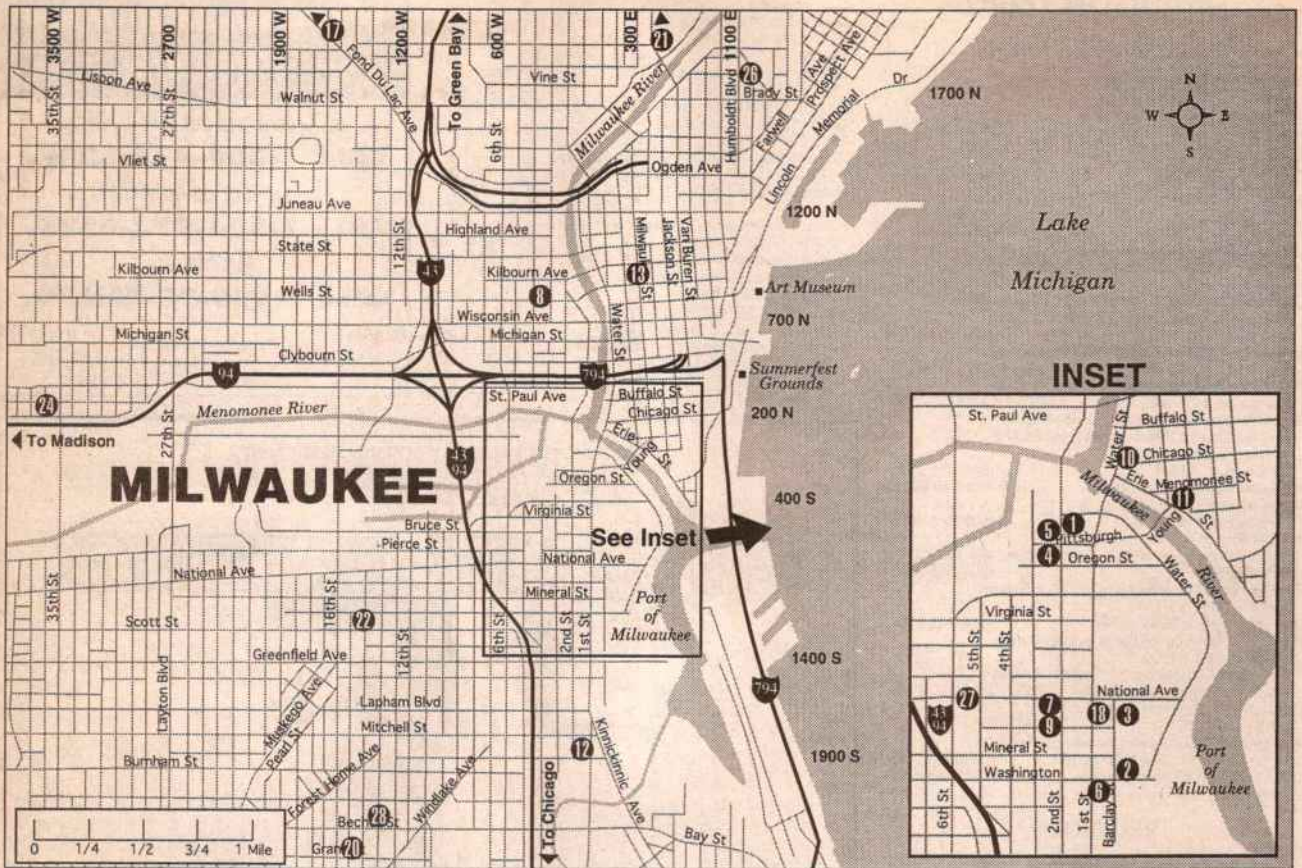
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HIV/AIDS Service Organization
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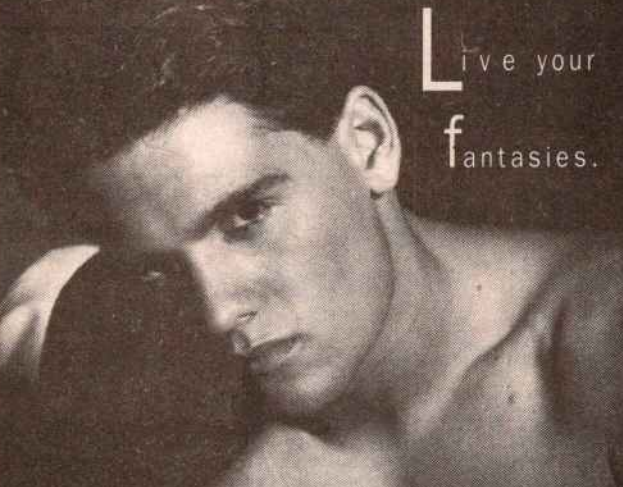


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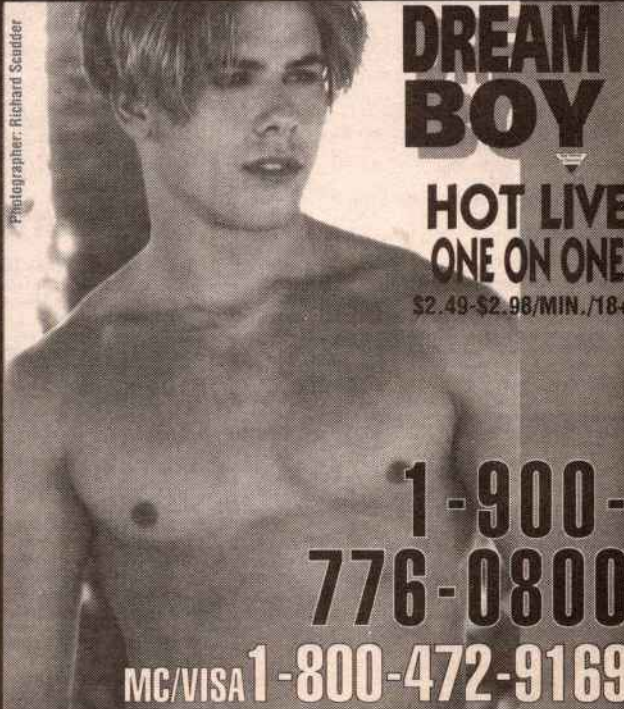


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Northern WI. Lambda Society
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LaCrosse L/G Support Group
 c/o Campus Ministry Center (608)784-7600
Leaping La Crosse News, Box 932, LaCrosse 54602
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 c/o 153 C Harvey Hall, UW-S, Menomonee, 54751
LaCrosse Parents & Friends of Gays (608) 782-6082
Rainbow's End (G/S, WM)
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American Pride Associates
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 PO Box 208, Zion, IL 60099
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WI Conf. of Churches
 (AIDS Caring Community) (608) 244-0894
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 Phone: (414) 372-2773 fax: (414)372-1840
WI. Legislative Hotline 1-800-362-WISC

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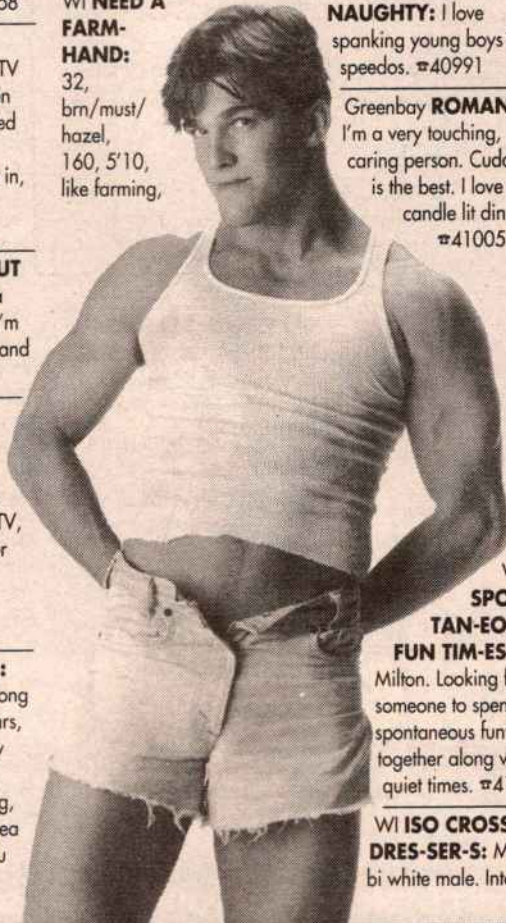
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Lake Mills **BOWLING AND POOL:** Ryan, like darts, bowling, pool, hanging out parties, home life, work out alot, give me a call ☎38592

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Milwaukee STOCKY BUILD: Tom GWM, 37 260 stocky build gdlkg iso other stocky GWM like to have fun and more- ☎38823

Milwaukee GAY ASIAN MALE: Mark, GAM 25, 155 5'10 like outdoors movies, dancing, give me a call- ☎38974

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Ogdensburg ANDY 19, 5'9, 150, brn/brn, lkg for someone in the area, or nearby, love to hear from you- ☎39491

Milwaukee MY FIRST TIME: Gayle 5'6 135 brn/grn 34 iso my first exp would appr some responses and getting together with someone ☎39512

Whitewater TOM 19 coll student brn/brn, 5'8, 168 broad shoulder boyish face, iso men older 25-40 to get with and see if rel poss, like museums swimming, hiking as well as political topics- ☎39769

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Milwaukee NEW TO SCENE bi male, 47 164, iso younger GWM, top bottom int in b and d and french, to show me the ropes- ☎37577

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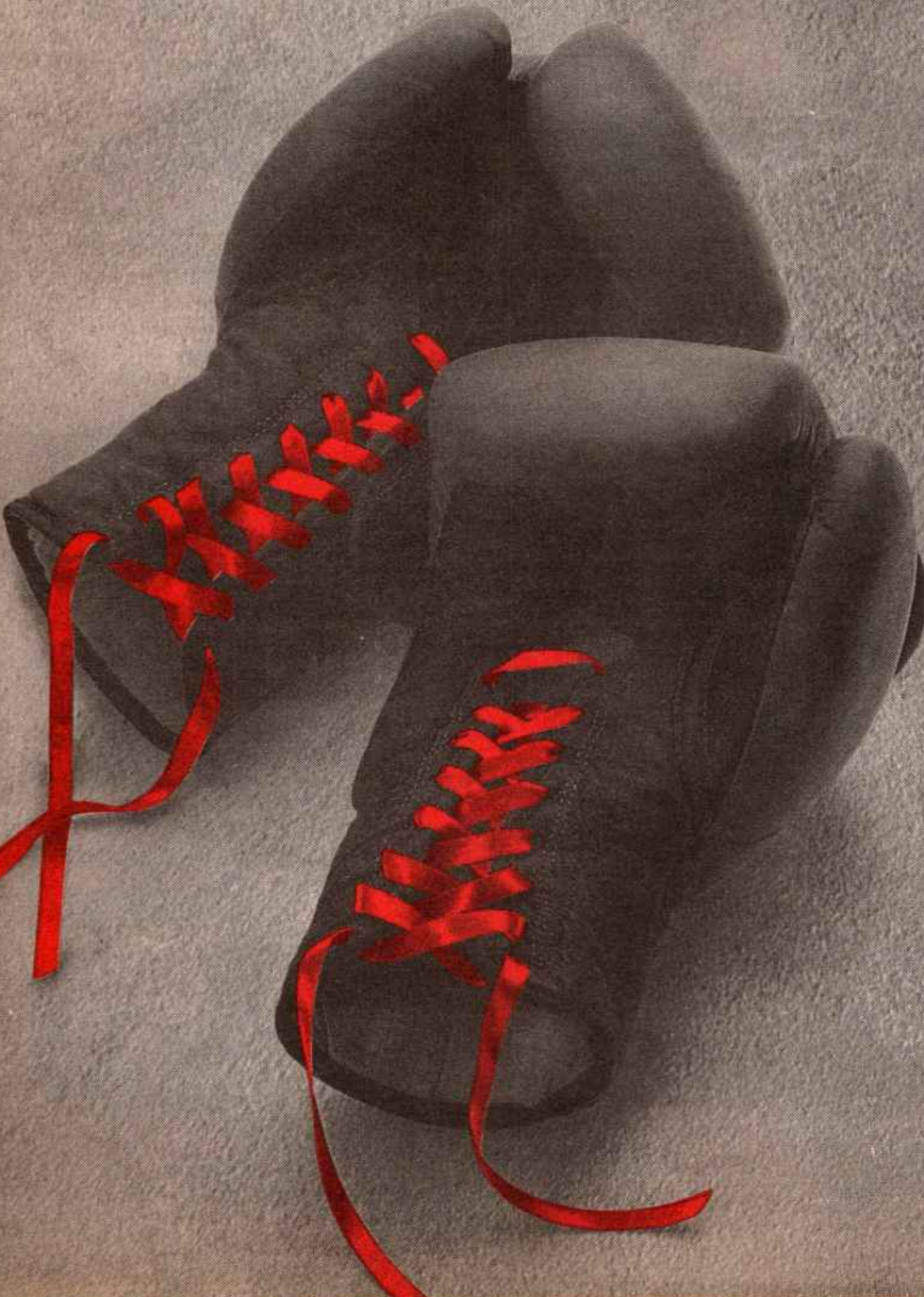
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