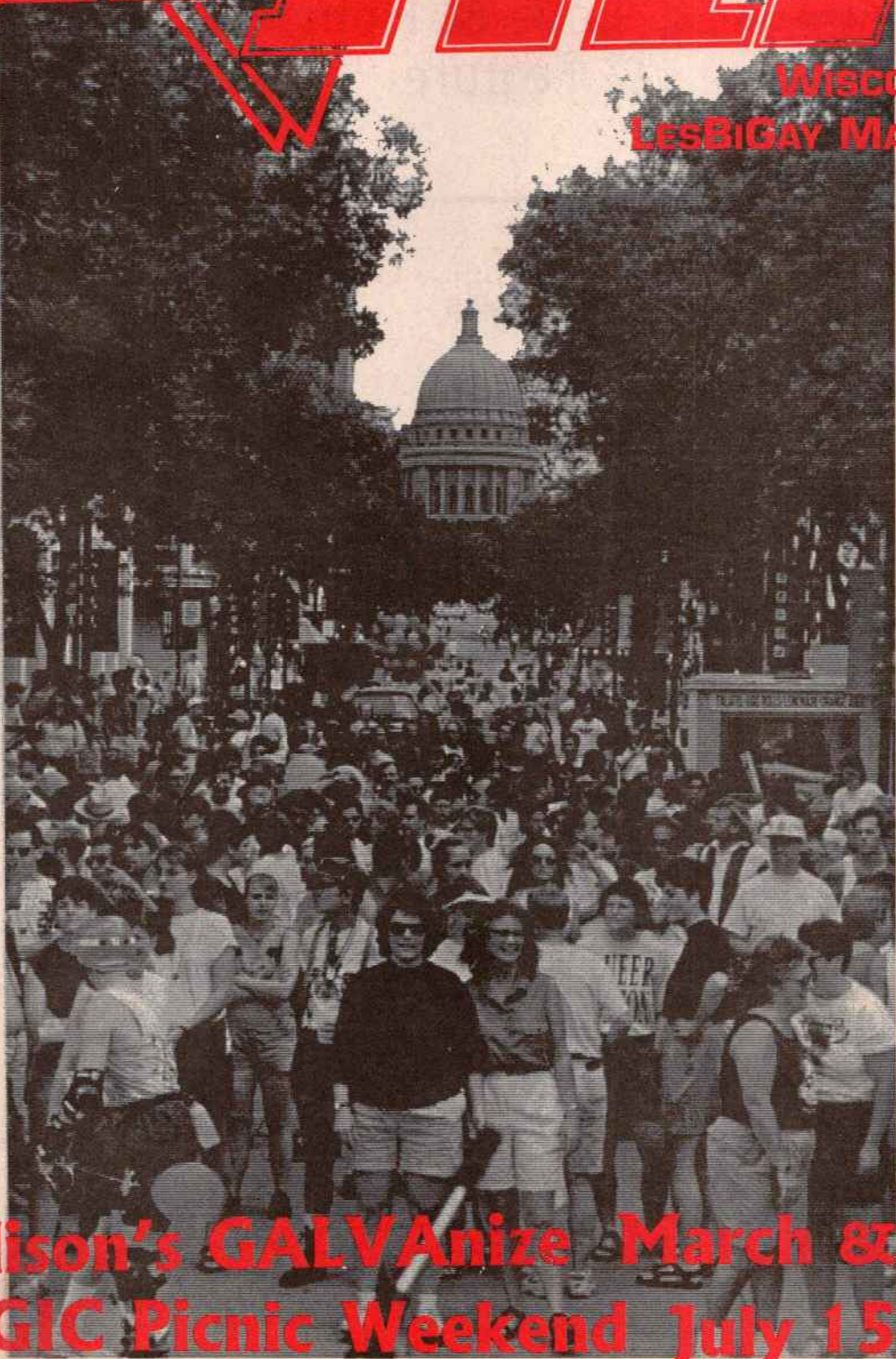


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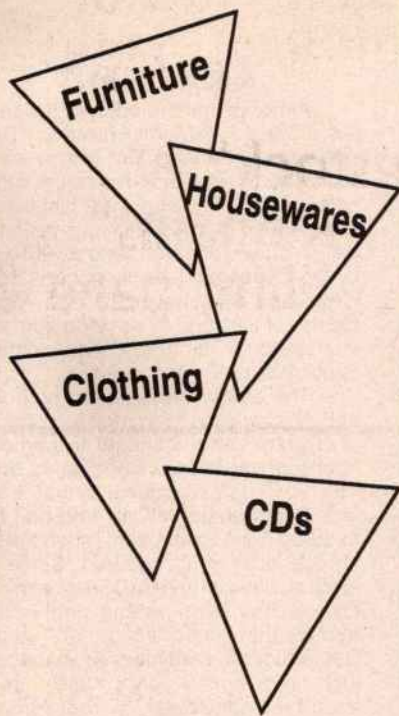
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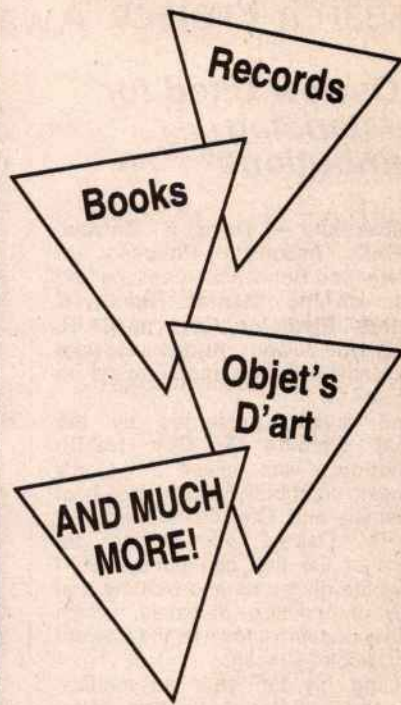
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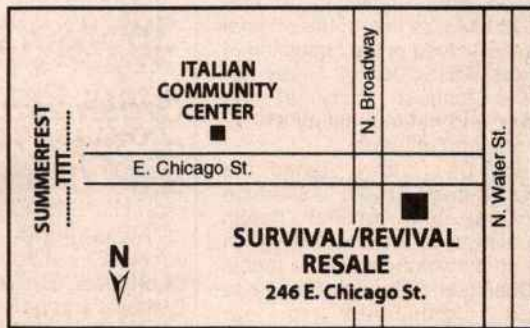
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# CAIR Investigator Receives Achievement & Major NIH Research Project Awards

## Dr. Ostrow Cited for "Outstanding Contributions"

Milwaukee — David G. Ostrow, MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine and Director of the **Mental Health & Behavioral Medicine Core of CAIR**, received the Jane Addams/Howard Brown Medical Achievement Award on June 20th.

The award, presented by the **National Lesbian & Gay Health Association**, was given for "his outstanding contributions to the Health of the Lesbian and Gay Community." In 1974, Dr. Ostrow was among the founders of the first community-based clinic for the diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases, which eventually became known as the Howard Brown Clinic of Chicago.

During his ten year as medical director and then research director of the Howard Brown Clinic, Dr. Ostrow demonstrated that Hepatitis B could be sexually transmitted among Gay men and was one of the principle investigators in the clinical trials of the first Hepatitis B vaccine.

Following the conclusion of that study, Dr. Ostrow was one of the original investigators involved in the formation of the Multi-site AIDS Cohort Study (or MACS), the longest study of the epidemiology and natural history of HIV and AIDS among Gay men.

In 1985, Dr. Ostrow started the **Coping and Change Study**, to examine the behavioral and mental health adaptation of men at-risk of HIV infection or AIDS, a study which continues to this day. The Coping and Change Study has contributed significantly to our understanding of the factors involved in Gay men changing their behavior to reduce the spread of HIV and the optimal ways to cope with HIV infection among those already infected.

Recent discoveries of the Coping and Change Study team include demonstrating that oral transmission of HIV is extremely rare and that the use of drugs, such as cocaine or "poppers" can contribute significantly to the risk of HIV infection during unprotected anal intercourse.

Dr. Ostrow is the author of over 150 scientific manuscripts and eight books, most on the subject of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases and their mental health implications.

He has received numerous prior awards for his research and clinical contributions to the fields of STDs,



mental health, and prevention. He joined the faculty of the Medical College of Wisconsin and CAIR in December, 1993.

## NIDA GRANT

Almost simultaneously with receiving the Jane Addams/Howard Brown Achievement Award, Dr. Ostrow was the recipient of a major research funding award from the National Institutes of Drug Abuse (NIDA). This four-year, three million dollar research award will be used by Dr. Ostrow and his colleagues both at CAIR and the Howard Brown Medical Center of Chicago to develop innovative interventions for men who combine substance use with risky sex.

The study will focus on both white and African-American men who are Gay or Bisexual and volunteer to participate in one of the interventions being tested. This study is exceptional in that it is the first major funding award from the NIDA to study Gay/ Bisexual men who are not intravenous drug users. Since the earliest days of the AIDS epidemic, Dr. Ostrow has been writing and lecturing about the importance of studying "recreational" drug use, as opposed to just intravenous drug use, as an important contributor to the spread of HIV among at-risk persons.

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## Supreme Court: St. Pat's Parade Sponsors Can Exclude Gays

### Organizers' Freedom of Speech Overrides Bias Claim

Washington, DC — In a unanimous decision issued June 19, the US Supreme Court ruled that sponsors of Boston's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade have the right to exclude the Irish-American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group (GLIB). The decision overturns a ruling by Massachusetts' high court which found the exclusion of Irish Gays to be a violation of the state's public accommodations act.

The Supreme Court rejected GLIB's claim that the St. Patrick's parade is a place of public accommodation under Massachusetts law and therefore subject to non-bias guidelines. The court ruled instead that as a privately organized event, the St. Pat's parade and its organizers (the South Boston Allied War Veterans Council) have the First Amendment right to control the message of their parade by including or excluding whoever they choose.

"The issue in this case is whether Massachusetts may require private

citizens who organize a parade to include among the marchers a group imparting a message the organizers do not wish to convey. We hold that such a mandate violates the First Amendment," wrote Justice David Souter for the Court.

While GLIB and members of New York's Irish Gay and Lesbian Organization, which fought its own unsuccessful court battle, were disappointed by the high court's ruling — especially its unanimity — some legal experts said the ruling will have a positive impact on Gays and Lesbians. They note that a victory by GLIB in this case may have forced organizers of Gay Pride parades to include contingents of skinheads, fundamentalists or "ex-Gay" ministries — groups whose interests are antithetical to civil rights for homosexuals.

"On such a fundamental issue — freedom of speech and association — we must set aside our personal feelings and stand up for what is universally right," said David Morris, President of the libertarian group Gays and Lesbians for Individual Liberty.

"The First Amendment protects Gay and Lesbian Americans," Morris noted,

"but only if it also protects those who disagree with us or those who wish to exclude us. True freedom means we respect the rights of others as much as our own rights."

Professor Arthur S. Leonard of New York Law School told the **New York Times** the Supreme Court's decision "should generate a collective sigh of relief among the Lesbian-Gay legal groups."

"We all feared that this case, in the hands of a [Justice Antonin] Scalia or [Justice Clarence] Thomas could well rip a big loophole in Gay rights laws all over the country," said Leonard. "Instead, we have a carefully crafted opinion that narrowly addresses the issue of the parade, while at the same time upholding the authority of the state to ban sexual orientation discrimination."

## SOUTER'S WORDS

Justice Souter explained the court's reasoning about parades in this way: "We use the word 'parade' to indicate marchers who are making some sort of collective point, not just to each other but to bystanders along the way...Parades are thus a form of expression, not just motion...[U]nder the First Amendment, a speaker has the autonomy to choose the content of his own message."

"The [Veterans] Council clearly decided to exclude a message it did not like from the communication it chose to make, and that is enough to invoke its right as a private speaker to shape its expression by speaking on one subject while remaining silent on another..."

"Whatever the reason, it boils down to the choice of a speaker not to propound a particular point of view, and that choice is presumed to lie beyond the government's own power to control...Our holding today rests not on any particular view about the Council's message but on the nation's commitment to protect freedom of speech."

Souter discussed the Bay State's public accommodations law as "protective legislation" whose legitimate purpose "is to prevent any denial of access to (or discriminatory treatment in) public accommodations on proscribed grounds, including sexual orientation." But the court concluded the law could not be applied to private "expressive activity in the way it was done here."

The court's finding that GLIB's banner was also a form of expression could have implications in a future case challenging the Pentagon's anti-Gay policy. (The banner merely identified the group as Gay and Lesbian Irish.) Attorneys for Gay and Lesbian service members will argue in court that disclosing or identifying oneself as Gay is a First Amendment right and that prohibiting or punishing such expressions violate the Constitution.

This fall, the Supreme Court will

hear arguments about the constitutionality of Colorado's anti-Gay Amendment 2. That case is likely to have a much greater impact on the civil rights of Gays and Lesbians because the court will decide whether such civil rights and protective legislation can be repealed or forbidden through public referendum.

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## STATE News Briefs

### Gay Officials Get Apology From Clinton

**Madison** — State Rep. Tammy Baldwin and Dane County Supervisors Mark Pocan and Scott McCormick, who as part of a delegation of openly Gay officials were greeted at the White House last month by security guards with rubber gloves, have received a letter of apology from President Clinton.

Clinton thanked the officials for attending meetings with his cabinet members and senior White House staff, called the discussions "productive," and wrote, "we have set in place a process for a continued dialogue."

"I want to apologize for the inappropriate and insensitive treatment several of the participants were subjected to at the entrance gate to the White House. It was wrong.

"As you know, Secret Service Director Eljay Bowron issued a statement expressing regret for these actions. I have spoken personally with Director Bowron, and he is taking steps to ensure that it will not happen again. He is already redoubling his efforts on training and education.

"Again, I thank you for coming. I deeply regret any insult or embarrassment you suffered. You are welcome in the White House, and I look forward to continuing to work with you in the future."

### Barnett, Villasenor to Get Distinguished Alumni Awards

**Madison** — Carrie Barnett, a business owner and community activist, and Richard L. Villasenor, an attorney who has worked on Gay/Lesbian issues, are slated to receive 1995's Distinguished Alumni Awards from the University of Wisconsin Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Alumni Council.

Barnett, the owner of People Like Us Bookstore in Chicago, received a Masters degree in Business from the UW in 1990. She has served as a Youth Advisor at Horizons Community Services in Chicago, as a member of the Chicago Health Department's AIDS Prevention Grants panel, as a board member of the Gerber/Hart Library and Archives (the country's oldest Gay and Lesbian

library), and as a Lambda Literary Awards judge for six years.

Before earning his BA in Chinese and International Relations, Villasenor was co-President of the Ten Percent Society at UW where he founded the Task Force on ROTC Policy Reform. He went on to UCLA where he was co-President of the Coalition on Lesbian and Gay Issues. While in law school, Villasenor worked for the Gay/Lesbian Rights Project of the ACLU and, since graduation, has been active in Lawyers for Human Rights.

Barnett and Villasenor will receive their awards at the annual meeting and brunch of the LesBiGay Alumni Council July 16 in the Memorial Union at UW-Madison. Anyone wishing to attend should call Russell Bretts at (608) 262-2551.

### Also Around the State...

**Portage** — Prison guards at the Columbia Correctional Institution have received suspensions for dereliction of duty on the day last November when inmate Christopher Scarver murdered serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer and wife killer Jesse Anderson. Donovan Dittberner was making personal calls on the phone while the murders took place, and Robert Theiler had left his post in the gym watching the prisoners to socialize with fellow guards.

**Madison** — An HIV-positive Madison woman has sued her landlord for allegedly evicting her and her two sons, who have AIDS, after learning of their medical conditions. Koua C. Vang rented Bridget McGrane the apartment in 1993 but evicted her family shortly after learning they have HIV/AIDS late last year. In February, the state Equal Rights Division found probable cause that Vang had violated Wisconsin's fair housing laws, opening the way for McGrane's suit.

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

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## NATIONAL News Briefs

### June Pride Celebrations Draw Big Crowds

**San Francisco, CA** — Record crowds turned out in both small and large cities across the US to join in or cheer on Gay and Lesbian Pride celebrations last month. This year's parades and festivals, marking the 26th year since the Stonewall Rebellion in Greenwich Village, occurred on various weekends in June.

San Francisco's annual Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Celebration took

place a week earlier than usual (June 18) because major events marking the 50th anniversary of the United Nations took place there June 25. More than 400,000 people joined the fun in a miles-long parade led by Grand Marshal Candace Gingrich. For the first time, a local TV station ran the celebration live.

In New York City, a quarter million people filled the streets of midtown Manhattan for the annual Heritage of Pride parade, while celebrations in Chicago and Los Angeles drew nearly as many. In Washington, DC and Atlanta, Denver and Boston, crowd estimates ranged from 50-100,000. Just as remarkable, smaller cities in conservative states also drew big crowds: 5,000 in Salt Lake City; 2,000 in Durham, NC; and 1,000 in Boise, Idaho.

National media coverage of the Pride parades and festivals was positive. CNN and ABC ran segments with footage from cities across the US. Their reporters noted that the annual events have become "traditions," garnering ever more public acceptance.

## Four Activists Win National Stonewall Awards

Chicago, IL — The Anderson Prize Foundation has announced the names of four people who will receive Stonewall Awards in recognition of their contributions to the Gay and Lesbian community. The awards include a no-strings-attached grant of \$25,000 to each recipient.

This year's winners include: longtime activist Mandy Carter, 46, a political organizer with the Human Rights Campaign Fund and the Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum; Jim Thomas, 38, editor of the *News-Telegraph*, a Gay paper distributed in Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Arkansas and Tennessee; Franklyn Whitworth, 51, who founded the first Gay political organization in Virginia and another in Colorado Springs; and Peggy Shaw, 51, an actress, performance artist, playwright and producer who manages the Split Britches Theater Company with her partner, Lois Weaver.

The Anderson Prize Foundation was established by the late Paul A. Anderson of Chicago, who provided initial funding and then a bequest of \$1.2 million to endow the prizes after his death. Each year, the Foundation asks Gay and Lesbian leaders across the country to nominate worthy individuals. For more information, contact the Foundation at 1555 N. Astor St., 10-NE, Chicago, IL 60610.

## Owners of "The Advocate" Buy Alyson Publications

Los Angeles, CA — Liberation

Publications Inc., the company that produces *The Advocate*, has reached agreement with publisher Sasha Alyson to acquire Alyson Publications, the biggest Gay and Lesbian book company in the US.

"We are particularly proud to bring together America's most established and prominent Gay and Lesbian newsmagazine and America's most established and finest independent Gay and Lesbian book publisher," said Sam Watters of Liberation Publications.

Sasha Alyson founded Alyson in 1980. Its first title was *Young, Gay and Proud*. Since then, it has published books by Paul Monette, Michael Nava, Sandra Scopetone and Leslea Newman. Its catalogue includes books of Gay and Lesbian humor, history, fiction, essays and erotica. Its subdivision, Alyson Wonderland, has published two of the most controversial and most-banned books in the US, the children's books *Heather Has Two Mommies* and *Daddy's Roommate*.

Alyson has wanted to sell his business for several years. He said of the deal: "For almost three decades, *The Advocate* has been the magazine of record for the Gay and Lesbian community. It's run by people with a rare blend of business savvy and commitment to Gay issues. I'm confident that they will continue *The Advocate* and Alyson traditions, with many groundbreaking books in the years ahead."

## Dornan Rips "Gay Agenda" in Federal AIDS Effort

Washington, DC — At a hearing before the House Subcommittee on Civil Service, Rep. Bob Dornan, a GOP Presidential candidate, accused the AIDS training program for federal workers of promoting "a blatant pro-homosexual agenda."

The hearings were called to investigate complaints by some federal workers that the AIDS training seminars they attended included material that was too explicit and that advocated tolerance of Gays. Subcommittee Chairman John Mica (R-FL) called the hearings "fair and objective," but a spokeswoman for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said: "Lynching would be a better word."

Dornan thundered that AIDS education is "being used to aggressively advance a redefinition of the family and, in many cases, a blatant pro-homosexual agenda...The last time I checked, abusing drugs and having sex in the workplace [were] not specified job responsibilities for any federal worker."

When Rep. James Moran (D-VA) tried to humanize the issue by talking about a friend, a priest, who had just died from AIDS, Dornan shot back: "If your priest friend had not sought a cheap thrill, he would be alive today."

About a dozen members of the Wisconsin Republican Party walked out of an event featuring Dornan at the State GOP convention in Appleton in June. One delegate referred to him as "an egomaniac."

## "Gay Gene" Scientist Under Investigation

Chicago, IL — The *Chicago Tribune* reports that Dean Hamer, the scientist who claimed to find evidence of a genetic marker for homosexuality in men in a much publicized study in 1993, is under investigation for charges that he used data selectively to arrive at his conclusion.

A researcher working under Hamer at the National Cancer Institute's Laboratory of Biochemistry expressed concern about how the data was being used. But when she voiced her skepticism, she was reportedly transferred out of Hamer's lab. The researcher then took her suspicions to higher-ups at the National Institutes of Health, who referred the matter to the Office of Research Integrity, a federal agency that investigates scientific misconduct.

The Office of Research Integrity opened its inquiry in January after determining there was sufficient evidence to merit further investigation. The whistle-blowing researcher has impeccable credentials, so professional jealousy has been ruled out as a motive for her complaint. Only one independent study has been conducted to attempt to replicate Hamer's findings. Scientists at the University of Western Ontario say they have found no evidence to support Hamer's conclusion.

## NAMES Project Begins Archives for 31,000 Quilt Panels

Washington, DC — Through photography and digital technology, the AIDS Memorial Quilt Archive Project, an offshoot of the NAMES Project Foundation, will create a permanent visual record of the world's most recognizable symbol of the AIDS epidemic. The work will make electronic images of the Quilt available around the world through online technology and in multimedia packages.

"The Archive Project is the unique merging of American folk art, computer technology and AIDS awareness," said NAMES Foundation spokesman Anthony Turney. "This Archive of Quilt images will not replace the Quilt, but it will radically amplify the Quilt's powerful message about the global tragedy that is AIDS and the steps we can take to stop it."

The first step of photographing each Quilt panel is underway. The photos will then be converted into digital images and

stored on CD-ROM. Each digitalized image is then coded and catalogued by the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, which designed a special database for the archival effort.

NAMES Project officials say the archival work will not interfere with scheduled national and international displays of the actual Quilt.

## Also on the Newswire...

**Taos, NM** — Ernest O. Flatt, who won four Emmy Awards for directing and choreographing TV shows, died during heart surgery on June 24. He was 76. Flatt worked with Gene Kelly on *Singin' in the Rain* and *An American in Paris*. Among many other credits, he choreographed the movie *Anything Goes* and the Broadway hit *Lorelei*. He was perhaps best known for his troupe, The Ernie Flatt Dancers, who were regulars on Carol Burnett's variety show. Flatt is survived by his companion, Bill Arms.

**Atlanta, GA** — Candace Gingrich, the half-sister of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, says she does not believe her brother will run for President in 1996 but if he does, she plans to oppose his bid. Candace Gingrich is currently touring the country as a spokesperson for the Human Rights Campaign Fund's Coming Out Project.

**Chicago, IL** — Chicago Tribune editor Jack Fuller has refused to take

action against columnist Mike Royko, who made anti-Gay slurs when he was arrested for drunk driving. The police report indicates that Royko called the arresting officer a "fucking fag" and asked an ambulance crew summoned to the scene, "What are you, fags? Why are you wearing those fag gloves for?" The Illinois Federation for Human Rights has

demanding Royko's dismissal. The Federation's leader, Rick Garcia, received a death threat after publicly calling for Royko's firing.

**Fort Lauderdale, FL** — On June 13, the Broward County Commission voted 6-1 in support of a measure that prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation in employment, public accommodations and real estate transactions. The Commission took the action despite threats by the American Family Association that it would launch an effort to have the law repealed.

**Willowick, OH** — Megan Parsons, a fire captain with 21 years in the department, claims that her recent demotion to firefighter was caused by the city's discomfort with her being transsexual. Parsons was known as Garry Edward Strater until she began sex-change medical treatments last year. "I think it's nothing more than harassment," said Parsons, who is appealing the demotion and threatening to sue.

**San Francisco, CA** — After 14 years of the AIDS epidemic and almost

15,000 deaths in the Bay area, the first AIDS service agency has finally opened in the Castro district. The AIDS Health Project Castro Center is affiliated with the University of California and gets city funding as well. It will provide HIV testing and counseling, support groups and substance abuse treatment for people with HIV/AIDS.

**Los Angeles, CA** — Film director Steven Spielberg, a former Eagle Scout and a member of the Boy Scouts of America National Advisory Council, has reportedly urged fellow Council members to reconsider the BSA's rigid policy excluding Gays as both scouts and leaders. Spielberg's lobbying hasn't had much effect because BSA officials recently defended their policy before a Chicago Human Rights Commission hearing going so far as to say that even heterosexuals who support the inclusion of Gays should not be involved in scouting.

**Washington, DC** — The D.C. Coalition of Black Lesbians, Gay Men and Bisexuals, which raised \$2,200 for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is miffed that the NAACP representative scheduled to pick up the donation canceled the meeting and no one at the NAACP's national office is returning the Coalition's calls. Earlier this year, the head of the NAACP's Washington, DC chapter refused to accept a similar donation, saying it would be endorsing

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**Washington, DC** — Author and historian John D'Emilio has taken a leave of absence from his professorship at the University of North Carolina to assume the role of Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's Policy Institute. D'Emilio will help transform the Institute into a formal research arm, recruiting academics, writers, lobbyists and others to produce pragmatic background reports for activists in the field.

**Rockville, MD** — The American Foundation for AIDS Research, the largest nonprofit group dedicated to AIDS research, has had to close its Rockville office and lay-off an office worker in Washington due to a \$4 million budget cut. AmFAR President Mervyn Silverman said: "It is becoming increasingly difficult to raise money for AIDS research programs because of growing complacency and a sense of resignation about the epidemic."

—Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

## INTERNATIONAL News Briefs

### Britain's High Court Upholds Ban on Gays in Military

**London** — On June 7, the British High Court ruled that the Defense Ministry could continue its policy of banning Gays and Lesbians from military service. The government had argued that the presence of homosexuals reduced military effectiveness and morale.

The court ruled that the anti-Gay restriction did not violate British or European law and that if changes are to be made the policy is a matter for Parliament to decide.

But in an unprecedented statement, one of the judges, Lord Justice Simon Brown, commented: "The tide of history is against the Ministry. Prejudices are breaking down — old barriers are being removed. It seems to me improbable, whatever this court may say, that the existing policy can survive much longer."

"I think it is clear that this particular battleship of bigotry has been holed beneath the waterline and is sinking," former Royal Navy Commander Duncan Lustig-Prean told the press.

Lustig-Prean was one of four Gay and Lesbian service members who had been forcibly discharged after revealing their homosexuality. They will now take their case to the Court of Appeal and, if necessary, to the European Court of Human Rights.

### Romania Accused of Jailing, Abusing Gays

**Bucharest** — Reuters reports that officials of the Romanian government have denied charges by Amnesty International that Romanian police regularly violate the human rights of Gays and Gypsies.

Anne Burley, Amnesty's Director for Europe, recently announced that dozens of Romanians have been jailed for engaging in homosexual activities. She expressed concern about "people still being imprisoned for being homosexuals...Reports indicate that tortures, beatings and other forms of ill-treatment of detainees continue to be widespread."

The Romanian National Police faxed a statement to the Associated Press which attacked Burley's claims: "Rumors about the so-called tortures of people in prisons are totally unreal. Abuses are totally isolated and have been severely punished."

Nevertheless, Amnesty has evidence of at least 56 people who have been imprisoned for homosexuality just since last November. Article 200 of the Romanian penal code says that "Sexual intercourse between persons of the same sex is punishable by one to five years imprisonment."

Romania is one of the last European countries to maintain and enforce such a punitive statute.

### Cross-Dressers Find Acceptance, Hostility in Brazil

**Rio De Janeiro** — The flamboyant transvestites and transsexuals of Rio de Janeiro, who have given Rio its reputation as a Gay Mecca, are reaching a level of acceptance once thought unimaginable in this overwhelmingly Catholic country. But they also face a frightening backlash in the form of police repression and murder.

Legislators in the capital city of Brasilia recently gave preliminary support to a measure that will legalize sex change surgery in Brazil and allow transsexuals to legally change their male names for female names. Due to the generally conservative political culture, strongly influenced by the Catholic Church, sex reassignment surgery is currently a crime.

There are more drag balls and Gay clubs than ever before in Rio, and drag entertainers like Rogeria have become nationally recognized stars. Even Renato Russo, a member of Brazil's most popular rock group, Legiao Urbana, has come out and recorded an album called *Stonewall Celebration*.

But the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission reports an alarming tide of anti-Gay, anti-drag violence in Brazil. In January,

Gisele Gaga, a transvestite prostitute and well-known activist from Curitiba, was shot dead at point blank range by an off-duty policeman. The cop, who claims he acted in self-defense, is unlikely to be prosecuted because of a Brazilian law which excuses manslaughter "in the defense of one's honor."

Last year, Claudio Orlando dos Santos died as the result of beatings he received at the hands of military police in Santa Catarina. Dos Santos, the President of the Association in Defense of Homosexual Rights, was harassed by police as he distributed condoms in public. After he reported the intimidation to authorities, police found him and this time kicked and beat him severely.

Speculating on the progress and repression Gay/Transgender people experience in Brazil, anthropologist Luis Mott told *Veja*: "It's a country of contradictions."

### Gay MP Seeks Party Leadership in Canada

**Vancouver** — Svend Robinson, Canada's first openly Gay member of Parliament, has announced his intention to seek the leadership position in his party, the New Democratic Party, which means he would also be its choice for Prime Minister.

Robinson, 43, was first elected to Parliament in 1979 to a working-class district in Vancouver. He came out as a Gay man in 1988 and has been re-elected twice since then.

Robinson is an unabashed liberal, vocal in his support for abortion rights, Gay rights, euthanasia, environmental protection and economic reform. He has been arrested twice for trying to block logging from unprotected forests. He was nearly prosecuted for being present during the assisted suicide of a terminally-ill friend. He blames the federal debt not on expensive social programs but on an unfair tax system. And he raised eyebrows most recently by introducing a bill which would make parental spanking of children illegal.

When asked how his liberal activism will play around the country, Robinson said: "If ever people were looking for a strong, clear democratic socialist voice, that time is now."

Robinson faces a daunting task. Even if he can win the leadership of his party, the party itself is reeling from losing 80% of its seats in the last election. Political observers note that the resurgence of the Liberal Party and the emergence of new splinter groups in Quebec and western Canada are likely to educe further the New Democratic Party's limited constituency.



## Gay Organizing Slowly Emerging in China

**Beijing** — A recent article in the **Baltimore Sun** described the slow emergence of Gay organizations and activism in the People's Republic of China.

For decades, communist ideology condemned homosexuality as a disease or as an evil product from the decadent West. Homosexuals were often imprisoned for "re-education." But Gay organizer Wan Yanhai told the **Sun**: "Their attitude toward us now is not to bother us. Ignore and don't ask, that's their attitude."

China does not yet have anything like the variety of Gay and Lesbian groups found in most democratic nations, and Chinese Gays are nowhere near lobbying the government for legal reforms. But groups of Gay people often meet in parks to socialize and sometimes share information about Gays they've received from outside China.

Wan works with a network of about 50 other Gay activists in Beijing. They help counsel Gays, distribute literature on AIDS prevention and conduct opinion polls, the results of which are providing some of the first information about Gay life and culture in communist China.

A newspaper recently reported on Lesbianism in Chinese prisons, and legend has it that Lesbianism is endemic among silk workers, but apparently no Lesbian organizations have formulated yet.

## Also Around the World...

**Ottawa** — On June 15, the Canadian House of Commons passed a hate crimes bill which provides for more severe penalties in cases where the crime is motivated by sexual orientation, along with race, religion and other factors. Gay lobbyists expect the Senate to approve the measure, which will become a federal statute enforceable throughout Canada.

**Bangkok** — Reuters reports that a small bomb went off outside an AIDS hospice north of Bangkok May 21. No one was injured in the blast and the damage was minor. Police believe it might be the work of neighbors of the center who have demanded that it be moved.

**Paris** — ACT UP/Paris has demanded that newly inaugurated French President Jacques Chirac fire his Health Minister, Elisabeth Hubert. ACT UP members say she is homophobic and oppose her plans to introduce mandatory HIV testing.

**Sydney** — The Attorney General of the Australian state of New South Wales has ordered a review into the "homosexual panic" defense which has

been used in a number of murder cases there in the past few years. The review was ordered after a jury acquitted a man of both murder and manslaughter in the fatal stabbing of a man who allegedly made a sexual pass at him.

**London** — The widow of *Look Back in Anger* playwright John Osborne placed a sign outside his memorial service denying entry to several individuals, including Gay theater critic Nicholas de Jongh. De Jongh had outted the notoriously homophobic Osborne for a secret affair Osborne conducted with another playwright, Anthony Creighton.

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## Group Notes

### Rainbow Association Celebrates 2nd Anniversary

**Milwaukee** — The Sherman Park Rainbow Association will celebrate its second anniversary with a party and cookout on Friday, July 14 at Loose Ends, 4322 West Fond du Lac Avenue. Members and guests are asked to bring a dish to pass and something for the grill.

Non-perishable food and personal care items for the MAP barrel will be collected. Members will be recognized for their contributions to the organization and to the Sherman Park community.

The Sherman Park Rainbow Association is a major sponsor for *Shermanfest*, a 3-day blues festival which celebrates the diversity of the Sherman Park area. *Shermanfest* will be held July 28-30 in Sherman Park (Sherman Boulevard and Burleigh in Milwaukee). For further information call (414) 777-3986.

### SAGE Picnic

**Milwaukee** — On Sunday, July 23, 1pm at Estabrook Park, Picnic Area #8 (nearest to Capitol Drive entrance), **SAGE/Milwaukee** will hold its annual picnic. SAGE will provide burgers, brats, the grill and ice as well as eating utensils and plates. Bring your own picnic basket with the side dishes you personally enjoy, and your own beverage.

This event marks the kick-off of SAGE's membership drive, so bring invite friends along you wish to introduce to SAGE. Brochure and membership applications will be available.

The picnic is free and open to everyone.

### PACT Offering 8-Session Discussion Group

**Milwaukee** — The Milwaukee Chapter of People of All Colors Together (PACT) is offering an 8-session discussion group entitled *Introduction to Contemporary African-American LesBiGay Thought*. The aim of the series is to examine African-American experiences, the evolution of the African-American LesBiGay culture, and to promote an understanding of the culture within contemporary American society.

The series will be facilitated by Veral Adair, Jr., and Brenda Coley. The first two sessions will be held July 12 and July 26. There will be two sessions every month through October, dates to be announced later.

The sessions will be held at the

Center Street Library, 2727 West Fond du Lac Avenue, 6:30-8pm and is free of charge. Light refreshments will be served. For additional information call Veral at (414) 347-0580.

### Scheel House Needs Items to Make It A Home

**Madison** — The Rodney Scheel House for People with AIDS would like to thank you for your past financial support, which has helped them put together the early plans to get the project off the ground.

Today, the Rodney Scheel house is almost a reality, thanks to generous assistance from the US Department of Housing & Urban Development, the Wisconsin Housing & Economic Development Authority, the City of Madison, and, of course, private donations. Money for building and general operations of the House are secured.

Your assistance is needed again. While the physical structure of the house is almost completed, items that make a house a home (things like common area kitchen appliances, wall hangings, furniture, gardening materials, etc.) are not funded by these organizations. That's why we are asking for your help.

The Board of Directors of the House has completed a "wish list" of items that needs to be acquired before the house opens in August. **They need to raise money to purchase these items in the next few weeks to make the house a home for over 30 individuals and families living with AIDS.**

We ask you to assist us by donating what you can afford to help the House with this project. And, they need the help **Now**, as the House opens in just a few short weeks.

Send money or letters to Rodney Scheel House Foundation, PO Box 3135, Madison, WI 53704-0133.

### Win \$1,500 in Positive Voice's 3-2-1 Raffle

**Green Bay** — Tickets are now on sale for **Positive Voice's 3-2-1 Raffle**. You can win up to \$1,500 by purchasing tickets from Positive Voice members. The first prize winner will receive 30% of all tickets sold (up to \$1,500); second prize is 20% of all tickets sold (up to \$1,000); and third prize is 10% of all tickets sold (up to \$500).

The drawing will be held at 3pm, August 19, at Positive Voice's annual picnic in Coleman Park in Green Bay.

### IGRA Celebrates its 100th Rodeo in 1995

### Two Sanctioned Events Coming to Midwest

**Denver, CO** — The International Gay Rodeo Association (IGRA), headquartered in Denver, CO along with 21 member associations across the US and Canada, sanctions 22 rodeos in its 1995 Rodeo Year. IGRA's 100th rodeo was held in Oklahoma City, OK in late May. Celebrate the country-western experience through participation at its upcoming sanctioned rodeos here in the Midwest: North Star Regional Rodeo in St. Paul, MN on July 21-23, and the Windy City Gay Rodeo in Chicago, IL on August 25-27.

Shop in the Country-Western Bazaars; see first hand, the men and women of IGRA in competitive contests on horseback, or riding and spinning, twisting and bucking on fierce bulls and wild broncos. Don't stand too close to the dance floor, or some handsome cowboy or stunning cowgirl might just invite you on the floor, spin you around and steal your heart. Rodeo events will fill your day on Saturday and Sunday; dancing and entertainment will enhance your evenings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

As you plan your long weekends, mini vacations, or any vacation, plan on experiencing a truly American sport — Rodeo. No one goes home from a rodeo weekend without having made new friends.

### NORTH STAR REGIONAL RODEO, ST. PAUL

The North Star Gay Rodeo Association, Miller Lite and Town House Country will host the 1995 *Great Northern Shindig* featuring a North Star Regional Rodeo, Community Corral Carnival and Step-That-Step Dance Group Invitation on July 21-23. Minneapolis/St. Paul and the Washington County Fairgrounds in Lake Elmo, will be the center for 4-day event.

IGRA-Sanctioned Rodeo events will take place outdoors on the fairgrounds. Entry deadline is July 7 for all horse, roping and roughstock competitors. First-time IGRA competitors can also register Friday night, July 21. "Camp" events do not require pre-registration. A special \$600 prize will be awarded to the most entertaining Wild Drag Team. Additional prize money of \$1,000 will be divided among Top IGRA Rookie Competitors

(men and women).

The premier Step-That-Step Dance Invitational will be held both days at the Shindig Grounds. Pre-registered groups will compete for prizes in western-style dance (clogging, line dancing, square dance and others). The group entry fee is \$50 plus \$10 per individual, and all registered contestants receive a weekend pass (good for admission to all Shindig events). Call (612) 827-6336 for details.

NSGRA is proud to re-stage its community Charity Carnival, with 100% of the proceeds going to various charities in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

### ILGRA COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCE COMPETITION, CHICAGO

Don't miss your golden opportunity to see the *ILGRA Country-Western Dance Competition* in Chicago, July 28 and 29. This annual event is the largest Country-Western dance contest in the country for LesBiGays at this time, and dancers from all over the US and Canada have competed for the right to represent their state associations in Chicago.

On Friday night, July 28, the couples will dance against each other in the requires Two-Step and Waltz. Saturday night each couple will perform their solo Freestyle number. Starting time will be 7pm both nights.

There will also be plenty of open dancing during and after the competition until 1am! The Dance Competition will be held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers, 720 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago. Admission is \$10 per person, per night.

More information can be obtained by calling the ILGRA at (312) 883-1880.

### WINDY CITY GAY RODEO

Sundown Stables in Steger, IL will be the site of the **2nd Annual Windy City Gay Rodeo** beginning Saturday August 26 through Sunday, August 27. Events begin on Friday, August 25 with the "dirt Rodeo," three major Two-Steppin' dance parties on the biggest dance floor you'll ever see.

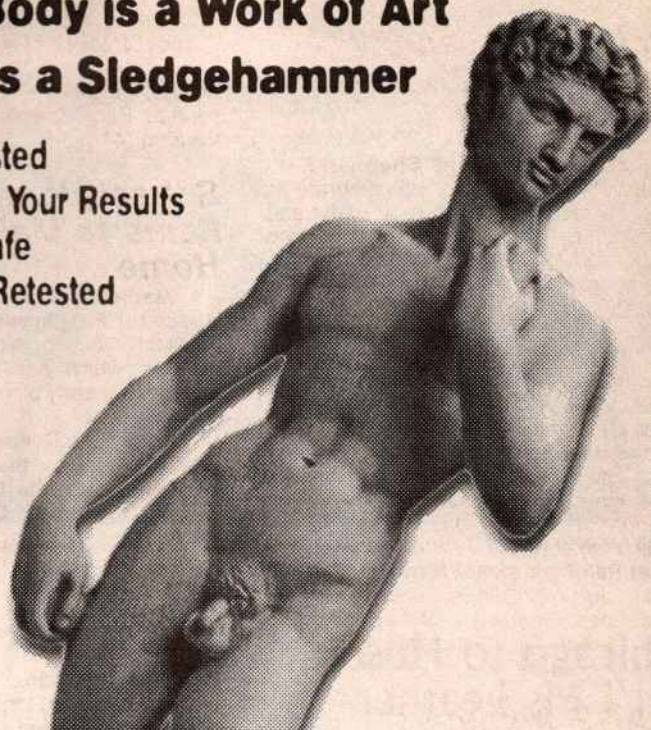
Chicago Hilton and Towers, 720 South Michigan will host this exciting event, including the Friday night "dirt Rodeo." Sundown Stables will host an estimated 4,000 spectators each day. Food, beer, a vendor tent with over 40 exhibitors, and a good-sized tented dance floor will all be available.

It's hard to believe all this fun is for good causes, but it's true. The **Illinois Gay Rodeo Association (ILGRA)** is a non-profit organization of men and women dedicated to raising funds for community related charities.

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## Chicago to Host Int'l Ms Leather

### Int'l Mr. Held Memorial Day Weekend

Chicago — The Windy City is certainly *The* place to view outstanding leather competitions of all kinds. Over Memorial Day weekend, Chicago saw 50 hunky men compete for the **International Mr. Leather,™ 1995** title. On July 21-34, Chicago will play host to *Bare Images Productions' (BIP) 1995 International Ms. Leather* competition.

A full weekend of events is planned for the Ms. contest including auctions, workshops, play parties, vendor space and of course, the contest. A special attraction for the weekend will be the Chicago premiere of *Blood Sisters*, a 70-minute documentary on the women's leather community.

The Bismarck Hotel Palace located on LaSalle and Randolph will be the host hotel. A complete weekend package with brunch is only \$70 at the door. Individual events may be purchased separately. Hotel reservations may be booked directly with the Bismarck at (800) 643-1500.

The competition will be held Saturday, July 22 at the Bismarck Hotel Palace Theater. To obtain a registration form, please write to BIP at 4332 Browne Street, Omaha, NE 68111-1829 or e-mail BIP at [imsl@dizznix.expansive.com](mailto:imsl@dizznix.expansive.com).

Larry Everett of Collinsville, OK was chosen as **1995 Int'l Mr. Leather** on May 28 in Chicago. Larry, the reigning Mr. Oklahoma Leather, was triumphant over a field of 50 contestants from London, Amsterdam, Toronto, and the **IN STEP** ▾ July 6-19, 1995 ▾ Page 12

US. Sponsored by Silver Star Saloon, this 34-year old is an electronics technician and his leather affiliations include Tool Box Technicians (charter member) and T.U.L.S.A. (honorary member).

Al Reese of San Diego, CA, a retired Marine officer, took second place. Mr. Reese does fundraising for LesBiGay legal rights and is a member of "Love Center" (a house for people with AIDS who have no other place to go). Peter Schoonheim of Amsterdam, Netherlands, took third place.

Alvin Robinson from Madison, the reigning Mr. Madison Leather (sponsored by Rods); and, Robert Davolt of Milwaukee, a Mr. WI Levi/Leather Daddy '94-'95 were among the 50 contestants.



(L to R) Al Reese 2nd place International Mr. Leather; Larry Everett, winner, and 3rd place Peter Schoonheim.

This year the contest was again held at the restored Congress Theater in Chicago's Humboldt Park. Legendary Jeff Stryker, Mark Davis, Michael Griffin and vocalist Rick Beach provided entertainment. The first Int'l Mr. Leather, David Kloss of San Francisco, who won the title in 1979, walked down the runway again 16 years later to thunderous applause from his community.

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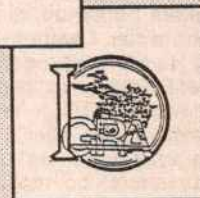
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# Letters

## Editor:

I recently attended both Pride Parades in Milwaukee and Chicago. Although Chicago's Gay community is larger and therefore they had a larger parade, I was disappointed in the lack of participation by the Milwaukee Gay bars compared to Chicago.

The Milwaukee Gay bars (except Nut Hut, Loose Ends and Just Us) were not represented. The cost of using someone's convertible or truck with a few signs and decorations with some staff from the bar is minimal.

I think businesses whose life blood depends directly on the Gay community should show their support of that community. If we, as a community, don't support one another, how can we expect the straight community to??

Sincerely,  
Joe Rathsack, Milwaukee

## Editor:

I am writing to you from the Racine County Jail, asking you to print this and asking your readers and the Gay community for their assistance, if possible.

My name is Dan Scheidell and I was a member of the Milwaukee community for many years. I worked the bar scene — the Wreck Room in its early days, the River Queen, shortly before its demise, and for Chuck at the old Factory.

In February of 1994 my mother became seriously ill and was hospitalized for several weeks and then recovered in a nursing home for several months. During that time I quit my job at the Marc Plaza Hotel and moved back here to Racine where I grew up, to be near my mother and sister. I went to work at the Chancery Harbor Walk on the lake front in the Reef-Point Marina, and moved into an apartment building in downtown Racine where shortly after, I became the resident manager. Several of my fellow employees ended up moving into the same building.

I became friends with Jennifer Dickert, who was one of the managers of the Chancery during the previous year. She moved into the first floor apartment.

On the 19th of May, 1995, we had a country western show here at the Festival Park on the lake front, and the Chancery brought in a local country group for the bar that evening. At about 10pm, I went down to see friends and have a few beers. I was there from 10pm until about 12:30am. Before leaving the bar I saw Jennifer and she told me that she had to be up early for work the next morning. Being an early riser, I offered to call her at 5:30am to make sure that she was up.

The next morning when the alarm went off at 5:30, I phoned her about twenty to 6, and when she answered she started screaming at me, and hung up

the phone. Not knowing what was going on, I got up and dressed to go down and see what was going on. As I left my apartment and started downstairs, I was met by three officers from the Racine Police Department and Jennifer telling them that I was the one. I was handcuffed and taken back to my apartment.

Someone had broken into her apartment and tried to rape her. She awoke with the covers pulled off of her and her t-shirt pulled up and a man in jeans and a t-shirt with jacket wrapped around his head as a mask, on top of her.

She fought off the attacker who she states was armed with some type of knife (she was cut on the hand according to police reports). She fought this person off two or three times before breaking away and grabbing a gun from a dresser where she threatened to shoot, and the attacker fled.

During the struggle she says the "jacket-mask" came undone enough to see his eye and part of his cheek. Upon this she has identified me as the attacker. I was arrested that morning and brought to the jail.

The charges filed were Burglary while armed and masked, and attempted First Degree Sexual Assault while armed and masked. A bond of \$20,000 was placed on each charge, and I was placed in a cell. On the following Monday I was assigned a court-appointed Public Defender who I spoke with for maybe five minutes through a hole in a door where I was held in a cell with 9 others awaiting to be formally charged.

Shackled and wearing an orange jail

uniform, I was lead into a courtroom where the charges were stated and the judge raised the bond to \$125,000 because this is a hate crime against a woman. And I was lead back to my cell in a state of shock.

My sister was able to hire a private attorney (Thank God!) who has been very good. The arraignment was on the second of June when Ms. Dickert testified on the stand to the events and again stated that I was her attacker.

My attorney entered a plea of not guilty and I have been held over for a jury trial on August 28th. In the original police report it does state that I informed the officers that I was Gay. But to this date, it apparently doesn't matter.

Being the apartment manager, I did have a key to her apartment, because of work I was doing on the apartment and the District Attorney is saying that I used said key to gain access to her apartment and to attack her.

I am innocent of these horrendous charges and am going through a mental and physical hell during this ordeal. My family and a few of my friends have been 100% supportive while others have turned their backs on me.

We are trying to raise money to continue paying the attorney and the private investigator. My family does not own property that we could post for the bond, even though my attorney thinks if we can raise ten to twenty thousand dollars that she might be able to get a bond reduction and I could possibly be free until the trial.

I don't know how this will come out. I pray to God that the truth will be proven and that I will be cleared of these

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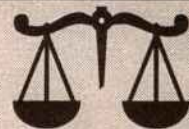
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charges, but I have to admit that I am scared. Something like this changes a person tremendously. I ask you for your prayers and thoughts. If anyone would like to write, the address below will get you in contact with me.

**Dan Scheidell #95-2971**  
4-D Cell #2, Racine County Jail  
1717 Wisconsin Avenue  
Racine, WI 53403

*Editor's Note: I've known Dan since 1973. These charges are completely out of character and based on slim, circumstantial evidence.*

**Editor:**

Did I miss it? Since I'm not a subscriber to the **Milwaukee Journal** [sic], perhaps I did. I mean a particular news story present in past years but not this.

One night I heard fireworks at the lakefront, which is where I live. It sounded like a display worthy of any of Milwaukee's famous festivals. It turned out to be from the Gay Pride Celebration.

The only mention I noticed of that celebration in the **Milwaukee Journal** [sic] was two brief messages, a 6-line notice on June 9, and a caption under a picture on June 12. Of course the picture, with its epigraph "Showing their pride," was a significant amount of space.

The **Journal** [sic] "coverage" of this event should upset anyone concerned about those who stoke the fires of hatred in our community. The notice on June 9 was tacked onto a story about an AIDS fighter who died of it and the organization he led. The picture showed that same group marching with AIDS signs.

What was the message of the **Journal** [sic] news coverage? It was very clear: the epigraph above the picture *Showing Their Pride*, clearly intended to send the message that the only thing these people have to be "proud" of is AIDS, AIDS, AIDS. The notice of the festival, "PrideFest," was incorporated into an AIDS story, again sending the message that their "pride" is an epidemic of disease.

I'm reminded of the coverage Nazis gave to Jews in the 1930s. The Jews were scapegoated as carriers of disease, especially typhus. The Nazis justified setting up ghettos for Jews in Poland on the grounds that Jews were lice-ridden spreaders of typhus who had to be isolated from the population. The fact was that the crowding imposed on the Jews and the difficulty of getting adequate health care, their very uprooting by the German army, was the cause of the disease that was used as an excuse to isolate and later exterminate these "disease carriers."

And now we have the **Milwaukee Journal** [sic] using disease to stigmatize another small and unpopular group. I wonder if the **Journal** [sic] is proud of its

attempt to use Nazi health-scare tactics to associate Gays with disease. Maybe it ought to break out the swastikas and change its name to **Milwaukische Beobachter**.

**Yours,**  
**Al Geiersbach**

*Editor's Note: The Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel provided anemic coverage — there were several other brief articles, but nothing compared to the coverage the ethnic festivals receive. If you would be reading In Step or The*

*Wisconsin Light, you would have been fully informed of all PrideFest activities.*

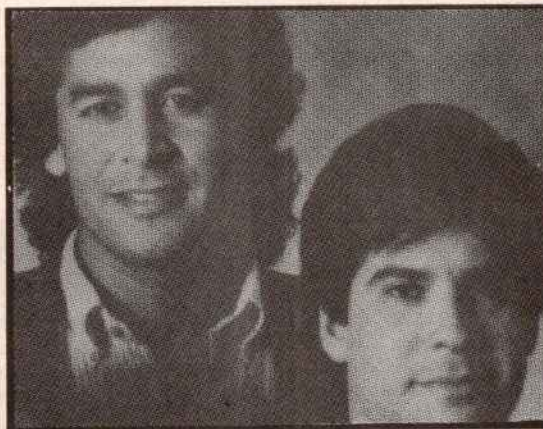
**Editor:**

Thanks for your part in throwing a great PrideFest party this year. Several of our members came up from Chicago. We stayed at the UWM dorms — clean, comfortable and cheap.

Looking forward to Mad Town, next.

**Regards,**  
**Earl Weather**  
**Midwest Men's Center (Chicago)**

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## Health

### HIV Prevention Conference Aug. 17-18 in Milwaukee

**Milwaukee** — The Center for AIDS Research of the Medical College of Wisconsin will present its first annual conference, *Partnerships in HIV/AIDS Prevention*, at the Milwaukee Hilton Hotel August 17 and 18.

Anyone involved in HIV/AIDS prevention, education, service or research activity is encouraged to participate. Attendees will: learn what's new and what's working in HIV prevention; hear experts discuss their HIV prevention models and approaches for adolescents, women, Gay men, people of color, the homeless and drug users; and exchange through small group discussion strategies to improve HIV prevention efforts.

Presentations include: "Community-Level Intervention for Women," "Extending HIV Prevention to Homeless Mentally Ill," "Learning to Live with HIV and Addiction" and "Remobilizing Gay Men to Stop AIDS."

The two-day conference costs just \$50 (which includes materials and lunch both days). Limited scholarships are available. Registration deadline is August 1. For more information or a registration

form, call Tami Payne at (414) 765-8850.

### People With Advanced AIDS Sought for Invirase Trials

**Washington, DC** — The government has given approval to a lottery system by which 2,000 people with advanced AIDS who are not currently enrolled in other drug tests will be chosen to participate in clinical trials of the experimental drug Invirase.

Invirase, developed by Hoffman-LaRoche, is the first in a new group of drugs called protease inhibitors that has gained the Food and Drug Administration's approval to proceed to human trials. Protease inhibitors are drugs that block protease, an enzyme believed to play a key role in the replication of HIV in cells.

A dozen companies are rushing to develop protease inhibitors after preliminary research on products developed by Hoffman-LaRoche and Merck indicated they may be effective in reducing, at least temporarily, HIV levels in the blood. The protease inhibitors tested so far seem to have less severe side effects than other AIDS medications,

another reason they are looked on with such hope. But researchers have also found that HIV can develop a resistance to protease inhibitors, just as it can to other drug therapies.

Physicians and people with AIDS can obtain lottery registration forms and further information on the Invirase trials by calling (800) 332-2144.

### HIV Infection in Men of Color Skyrockets

**Atlanta, GA** — New data released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirm long-held predictions that the rates of HIV infection among African-American and Latino Gay men are increasing dramatically.

The statistics trace the rates of HIV infection among various groups between 1989 and 1994, when the last complete figures are available. While the rate for white Gay men increased 14% (from 10.7 cases per 100,000 in 1989 to 12.2 cases per 100,000 in 1994), the rate for black Gay men jumped by 79% (from 20.8 cases per 100,000 in 1989 to 37.3 cases in '94). The rate for Latino Gay men increased 61% (from 14.0 per 100,000 to 22.6).

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epidemiologist who conducted the study, told the **Washington Blade**: "The numbers represent black and Hispanic men who were infected in the '80's but for a myriad of reasons, not the least of which was a lack of focused intervention, are just now showing up in emergency rooms around the country — only now with diagnoses of full-blown AIDS."

Cornelius Baker of the National Association of People with AIDS, who is African-American and HIV-positive, cited three primary reasons for the alarming statistics: "Disparate ways of handling or mishandling the epidemic, homophobia within communities of color, and a lack of appropriate levels of funding. When

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## Thomas L. Neuman

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him suffer and saw him  
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you could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating.  
Hard working hands put to rest.  
God broke your hearts to prove to you,  
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I memory of a brother, brother-in-law,  
uncle and a friend. We will all love  
and miss him.

The Neuman Family

## John Esser

1940 — 1995

John Esser, co-owner of the  
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John's store sold second-hand and  
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was one of the first in the antiquarian  
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friend David, in what had been the old  
Sister Moon Bookstore, an early Gay  
and Lesbian bookstore in Milwaukee.  
Many of the customers who had  
frequented Sister Moon continued to  
shop at Constant Reader and over the  
years the store has been patronized by a  
large part of the Gay community.

John was a collector of Gay fiction  
with a love for humorous Gay stories. He  
was a member of GAMMA Book  
Discussion Group and the AfterWords  
Bookstore Book Discussion Group.

John is survived by a sister, Sharon  
Nugent; a brother, Dale Shuda; and his  
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— David W. Hurlbutt

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1924 — June 28, 1995

Bob passed away last Wednesday  
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# The Arts

By Carmen A. Murguia

## Benefit Raises More than \$60,000

**Milwaukee** — On Sunday, June 25 from 10am until 2pm the Italian Community Center was transformed into a gallery of galleries. Milwaukee's vision of a **MAM, MOMA** and **The Guggenheim Museum** brought together local and national artists whose donated works raised money for AIDS care, prevention, advocacy and research throughout Wisconsin. Through the dedication and hard work of Co-Chairs **Rose Holloway** and **Greg Ross** and the 1995 Steering Committee, **Arts for AIDS** surpassed all expectations by raising \$60,000, \$10,000 over the goal!

A volunteer for the 6-10am setup crew, I gently carried one-of-a-kind jewelry pieces and unravelled magnificent paintings and sculptures, and I realized first hand the personal impact **Art for AIDS** has on those individuals living with HIV and AIDS. I was reminded once again that it is more than an exchange of an artist and a business. It is more than getting dressed up for a Sunday brunch and rubbing elbows at the who's who summer auction event. Each piece of 413 pieces auctioned symbolized one more mouth to feed, one more home to offer, one more person to care for and one more life to save.

Once again, publisher **Ron Geiman** supported the community with his presence at this year's event and gave generously at the silent auction. Ron is now the proud owner of **Fred**, a unique mixed media sculpture by artist **Steven Grais**. Stop in and visit **Fred** at the **In Step** offices...

## Different Drummer Anticipates Exciting 1995-96 Season

**Milwaukee** — If you haven't seen **Different Drummer Theatre** Company in their ever-popular **Queer One Act Festival**, then here is your chance to plan your Fall calendar to include Milwaukee's *only* Gay and Lesbian Theatre Company. **Different Drummer** will open with the Midwest premiere of **You Should Be So Lucky** by **Charles Busch**, September 14-24 at the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway. Additional productions will include **John Glines'** *Men of Manhattan*, and *A Third Queer Evening*.

**Different Drummer Theatre** is looking for actors, tech people, stage crew and promotional personnel. Look for audition notices in upcoming issues of **In Step Magazine**. To learn more about these productions and how you may participate, please contact DDT offices at (414) 347-0673 or (414) 276-2596.

## Cream City Chorus Wraps Up Another Exciting Season

**Milwaukee** — With the performance of the **Wisconsin Cream City Chorus'** Spring Concert *Diversity: Voices of Our Village*, another exciting musical season comes to a close. According to publicist **Emory Churness**, "The concert was attended by a very appreciative and attentive audience," to say the least. There was an uproarious sound heard throughout *Italian Salad*, a comical mini-opera with a pseudo Greek chorus accompanying performer/ soloists **Terri Wedner** and **Scott Sowell**. Also featured were several numbers by lesbian and gay song writers, including **Holly Near**, "As always," said Emory, "our audience made the concert a joy to perform."

The Chorus expresses their deepest gratitude to the community for their encouragement. Following a one month hiatus, the Chorus will resume rehearsals on August 2. For more information about WCCC, call (414) 344-9222.

## Magazine Submission Call for Pornography and Performance Art

**Milwaukee** — The editor of a special issue of **P-Form**, an international, interdisciplinary art magazine, is seeking submissions (in any form, except poetry), on the subject of pornography and performance art. The deadline is October 1, 1995 and SASE queries should be sent to: D. Travers Scott, P.O. Box 762, Portland, OR 97207-0762.

## In Any Language, "Strawberry & Chocolate" Was A Sweet Success

**Milwaukee** — The first film with a Gay theme to be supported by the notoriously homophobic Castro regime, Director **Tomas Gutierrez Alea** proved *Strawberry and Chocolate* was a story meant to be told. I sat pinned to my seat listening to the sweet spanish triangle between the stereotypically queer revolutionary **Diego** (played by **Jorge Perugorria**), his suicidal and sexy friend and neighbor, **Nancy**, and the naive, young collegiate **David** (**Vladimir Cruz**) who discover each other's suppression as human being's, artists and as intellectuals. The winner of an Oscar nomination for Best Foreign Film, *Strawberry and Chocolate* comes to a dramatic and passionate climax amidst the backdrop of 70's Havana.

Unfortunately, the film lasted a mere 5-day run in Milwaukee. See the English subtitled film when it hits the stands on video.



**Pansy Division to tour Wisconsin - turn to next page for article**

Volunteer Jim Bartelt chats with  
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## Pansy Division

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Combining humorously sexual, overtly queer lyrics with catchy-as-hell, guitar-driven melodies, their blend of guitar pop and punk rock references the past without dwelling on it. Plus, the songs handle sex in an open, honest and celebratory way, which has political consequences in a country where squeamishness about sex in general is a national preoccupation. Though entertaining and humorous, these songs deal with serious issues below the surface. Their CD booklets include plain-spoken safe sex information and Gay youth hotline numbers.

Pansy Division has 3 full-length releases on the Berkeley-based Lookout! label: *Undressed* (1993), *Deflowered* (1994) and *Pile Up* (1995). Over the past 3 years they've released numerous singles and have been on several compilations (these songs have been gathered together on *Pile Up*). Their next album will be recorded later this year for a late '95-early '96 target release date.

They've toured extensively, covering the US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. They spent a big chunk of '94 as the opening act for Green Day, taking their unique repertoire to the arenas where they blew the minds of thousands of teenage Green Day fans. The last gig of the tour was at New York City's Madison Square Garden. Shortly afterward, a profile of the band appeared on MTV News, spreading their name and music far and wide. They don't claim to be for everyone, but their fast-growing (and very diverse) audience reveals that the time for their message has truly come.

They'll be on tour most of the rest of '95 including gigs in Madison & Milwaukee. See the queer sensation that's rockin' the nation! The band will appear at the MAGIC Picnic the afternoon of July 15 in a free outdoor show. Later that night you can find them at Club deWash. They'll appear at the Unicorn in Milwaukee on July 16.

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## Film

### "Love and Human Remains" is Tedious Melodrama

#### Cardboard Characters, Predictable Plot to Blame

By Jamakaya

Early in the movie *Love and Human Remains*, Candy, a book reviewer, says that the challenge of critiquing badly written books is saying "It's shit," but stretching that sentiment to fill three pages. I'll spare you the three pages here and cut to the chase.

At least a dozen times during my viewing of this supposedly Gay-friendly film I had the urge to jump onscreen and slap the characters around to knock some sense into them. Worse yet, I sort of hoped a serial killer on the prowl in the movie would dispatch a few of these annoying people.

A character study about a variety of 20-somethings searching for love in all the wrong places, the cliché-ridden *Love and Human Remains* drowns in a sea of self-consciousness and bathos. The characters are one-dimensional, the dialogue is alternately overwritten and underwritten (but most of all obviously written), and every plot development is signaled in advance.

Oh, and have I mentioned yet that the serial killer is a repressed Gay man? I haven't given anything away. If you see this movie, you'll figure it out pretty early on. He's the guy with a nervous twitch who spits at strangers and scowls at every woman he sees and calls them "cunt." Oy-vay...

Candy, an apparently straight woman, is in love with her ex-lover and Gay roommate David. David, for his part, enjoys casual sex but doesn't believe in love. Of course, he secretly craves it. Bernie, a twitchy wreck, is conflicted over an affair he had with David, whom he still loves. His outlet is murder.

David, meanwhile, is also tempted by an innocent 17-year-old busboy from work who is beginning to explore his sexuality. Will they or won't they? Candy, still pining for David, unexpectedly comes across two new suitors, a married man and a lonely Lesbian (referred to as "The Psycho Lesbian"). The scene in the film when they both show up at the same time to woo Candy is meant to be a dramatic/comedic high point. It's clumsy and ludicrous instead.

And have I mentioned David's friend Benita, the clairvoyant dominatrix? In a

throwaway line delivered after a session with a masochist, Benita says vacantly, "My father was never that gentle." That's the extent of her character's motivation. Her primary role seems to be to add some completely gratuitous S&M scenes into the movie and to drive home the already obvious point that we are all, in one way or another, damaged, vulnerable human beings.

*Human Remains* underlines everything repeatedly so we DON'T MISS IT. David constantly reminds Candy to eat something. Later, as things get rough, this healthy looking gal is revealed to be a binge eater. (Her manic eating episode is idiotic and misleading.) The killer saves his victims earrings, so naturally the camera zooms in on the earrings of every woman in the film just before she's attacked. Jerri, the "psycho Lesbian," is the only sensible one to not wear earrings and thus emerges unscathed. But in another stupid touch, meant to be a red herring, I guess, she buys her beloved, Candy, a pair of earrings!

Well, I won't go on any longer. I think I've made my point that *Love and Human Remains* is a deeply flawed film. Director Denys Arcand is an award-winning filmmaker, so the failure is doubly disappointing.

The one positive thing I can say is that most of the actors are visually appealing and show great promise, especially Thomas Gibson as David, Cameron Bancroft as Bernie and Joanne Vannicola as Jerri. In this case, however, they are all weighted down by really bad material.

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# New York Drag Stars Shine in "Wigstock"

## "Hallelujah, We're Alive!"

By Jamakaya

*Wigstock: The Movie*, a madcap drag entertainment that will have audiences laughing and grooving to the music, makes a joyful noise unto the world. It showcases many of the top stars in New York's club/theater scene and is likely to introduce them, and drag culture generally, to a mainstream audience.

At just 85 minutes, *Wigstock* moves at a deliciously frenetic pace. It consists of concert scenes, interviews with drag artists and rehearsal footage shot at the annual Labor Day drag festival in Manhattan in 1993 and 1994. The growth of the festival since its inception in 1984, and the added attention the movie is expected to bring it, means *Wigstock* may have to be held in Central Park this September.

Producer Dean Silvers noted that hundreds of thousands of people might show up this year and worried about the possibility of rain: "If you thought Woodstock was something else, picture 100,000 high heels in the mud!"

*Wigstock* is, of course, a take-off on Woodstock but touted as a "celebration of life, liberty and the pursuit of big hair." Homage is paid to the sexual revolution and the "let-it-all-hang-out" ethos of the '60's in the songs that serve as bookends to *Wigstock*. The opening tune has Mistress Formika singing "The Age of Aquarius" while John Kelly sings a haunting version of "Woodstock" ("Wigstock" with queer-positive lyrics) toward the end.

In between there are colorful costumes, great dance numbers, powerful vocals (and a lot of lip-synching), wild wigs, tons of make-up, feathers, sequins, a pumped-up audience and plenty of queenly attitude.

Among the more established performers featured are Lypsinka, who assays Lauren Bacall's vibrant "But Alive!" number from *Applause!* Joey Arias astonishes with his brilliant impersonation of Billie Holliday. He sounds so much like Lady Day, it's spooky.

RuPaul struts her stuff and inspires the crowd in several numbers, including "A Shade Shady (Now Prance)" and "House of Love." Every time I see RuPaul perform, I'm reminded of what a really great star she is and why she has risen above the pack. Her utter

confidence while on stage, her poise, her power, her charisma and her deep compassion, win audiences over. We love you, Ru!

Other highlights include "Somebody" and "Say Ahhh" by Deee-Lite and the wonderfully overheated "100% Pure Love" by Crystal Waters. Whew!

Among the drag artists new to me is Mistress Formika, who lip-synchs "Aquarius" and later performs "Fight for Your Right." Behind the scenes, Mistress Formika explains how she got into drag and offers humorous commentaries about mainstream culture: "They're trying to brainwash us to be closed-minded, to be prejudiced, to be — *Republican*. It's not going to happen while I'm around."

## WORK IT, GIRLS!

Some of the best scenes juxtapose footage of the entertainers and dancers sweating and practicing during rehearsals with the finished product they present on stage. It gives you a sense of the work and commitment put into it. Look for the *Wigstock* Dancers shakin' it to "Chic Cheer."

One disappointment I have with *Wigstock* is that so many numbers are crammed into the short film (about 25), they are often cut short in favor of interviews with participants or audience members. With a couple of the clumsier acts, you don't mind the cutting away, but some of the better routines you can't

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get enough of! The combination concert/documentary format was probably too much to fit effectively into such a compact film. Because the interviewees' comments are more amusing than insightful, *Wigstock's* strength is as a concert film.

The lack of analysis about drag culture also disappointed me. *Paris is Burning*, the documentary about drag balls several years back, managed to convey the excitement of performance and the drive and ambition of the artists while also looking into the darker side of drag culture: competition, drug use, unemployment, dangerous tricks, etc.

*"I don't see drag queens as inherently full of despair...They are often leaders of the Gay community."*

—Barry Shils

*Paris is Burning* turned a sharp eye on how the balls provide an escape from the unrelenting racism and classism contestants experience in their daily lives and offered a reality check to those queens (like most in *Wigstock*) who say they "respect" and "idealize" women. Pepper Labelija talked bluntly about woman-hating.

But the director of *Wigstock*, Barry Shils, wanted to balance the image presented in *Paris*: "I don't see drag queens as being inherently full of despair. On the contrary, they are often leaders of the Gay community. The queens at *Wigstock* are fulfilling their dreams and inspiring others. They are talented performers, outspoken, both avant-garde and successfully penetrating mainstream popular culture."

*Wigstock* co-founder Lady Bunny responds this way to the charge of a lack of politics: "Wigstock is a party and nothing else. Individual performers may have a political agenda, but I think we need to have a day without politics. That's all. Just say, 'Hallelujah, we're alive!' and nothing else deeper than that."

On those terms, *Wigstock: The Movie* succeeds. Everybody say, "Hallelujah!"

# Playwright Brad Fraser is Hot Property

## "Love & Human Remains" Adaptation of His Hit Off-Broadway Play

By Dale Reynolds

What luck to cause a scandal in Cincinnati! It used to be that you prayed to get banned in Boston because then the ensuing press coverage would practically guarantee you a large, sale elsewhere. These days, however, it takes the non-progressive Ohioan city to help put you on the map: remember Mapplethorpe? Well, friends, add Brad Fraser to that limited and honorable list of put-upon and spat-upon Gay artists.

Playwright Fraser, 36, is a Canadian from Edmonton, Alberta, the central wheatlands of our companions to the north. He cut his theatrical teeth there by winning several provincial awards early in his career for his writings. "I write alternative theatre; I'm not interested in writing for middle-class audiences." Which has, surprisingly, allowed him to make quite a comfortable living since 1989. And now the solid bets go towards him doing even better, since his first feature-film is finally released in the US.

The film, *Love & Human Remains*, is the Denys Arcand (*Jesus of Montreal*) directed version of Fraser's controversial 1989 play *Unexamined Human Remains* and the *True Nature of Love* (which had a successful run off-Broadway

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Thomas Gibson (David), Joanne Vannicola (Jerri), Rich Roberts (Robert), Mia Kirshner (Benita) Matthew Fergusm (Kane), Carmeron Bancroft (Bernie) and Ruth Marshal (Candy in "Love & Human Remains", a Sony Pictures Classics release opening this weekend at The Downer Theatre in Milwaukee.

a few seasons ago). Starring Thomas Gibson (the only American amongst a talented Canadian bunch), it examines the inherent problems with relationships, spread evenly between men and men, women and women, and men and women. The plot features all of the above, spiced with the phantom menace of a serial killer. It's getting a nationwide release from the increasingly adventurous Goldwyn Pictures.

Oh, did we mention that Fraser's Gay? But he's more than Gay; he's *Queer!* A lot of his life is lived in moments fueled by being spelling in capital letters, no better-explored than in his latest play (the source of the Cincinnati scandal), "Poor Super Man," which is labeled "a play with captions," as it uses a theatrically brilliant device of flashing captions onto the characters and the set, reflecting the subtext of the individual scenes. Fraser came to his career by originally studying to be an actor.

"In Edmonton, trapped in winter for half a year, you have to entertain yourself inside, out of the cold." Which has lead that small, northern city to develop a phenomenal number of professional theatres — 17 in all. "During the hectic '70s, oil money paid for the arts, but now it's reversing itself. But as a teen, acting in plays, I kept thinking, 'I could write better than this!'"

And so he's proving. "With all my work, it's become clear to me that there are reasons for Gays and non-Gays to be here on earth — that happiness goes to all peoples. When I write, I want to create the world we actually live in, not the one we wished we lived in — too much theatre is, 'All is fine, don't worry.' I want to say, 'No, it's not fine, let's worry!' And so I use sex and language to increase people's vocabularies. There are more exciting ways which demand real reactions than being trapped in the simple ways TV looks at ourselves. Mostly, audiences have seen (this frankness) before, but they don't want to acknowledge that they have."

*"I need to write about the importance of all human experience."*

— Fraser

Fraser has had eight plays professionally produced; *Love* lies in the middle of his oeuvre, and *Super Man* is his latest. It was *Super Man* which got the flack in Ohio, but he's been stirring up that hornet's nest in Canada too, where he's thought of as their very own Peck's Bad Boy. But then this is a man who survived having Keanu Reeves, then a gangly, homely, 18-year-old, nearly screwing up the debut of his play, *Wolfboy* in Edmonton. "Well, the play could have used some work as well, along with better direction.

If Fraser, a tall, intense-looking man sounds as if he should be directing, well, by St. Kushner, he does. But he's mainly still a writer: "I need to write about the importance of all human experience. I believe in how Gay peoples have been forced to reinvent the notion of family, as we're forced to go out into the world to replace the families we were born into." That's a huge theme in all his work, coming as he does from a dysfunctional family.

"Alcoholism was a standard. My father worked road construction and by the time I was 16, I'd never lived more than a year in one house. In the second grade I went to five different elementary schools. And I was subjected to constant beatings and sexual abuse from an older adult relative I've never confronted (nor will he name). I've not bothered with psychotherapy; I use my writing for that."

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Perhaps as a result, Fraser hasn't settled down in any one spot but is "on the move or prowling a lot. I lived in hotel rooms and airplanes when I'm out of Canada, but I've an apartment in Toronto, and a house in Edmonton." He's not married, exactly, but is sustaining relationships with three different guys, "who know about each other. I don't believe in monogamy for men — it's a lie, something foisted on us by Judeo-Christian history — which I think is a basis for most of our unhappiness. I can't speak on behalf of women, but it's true for men, Gay or straight. Part of my criteria in a successful relationship is my being able to see other men. I'm not necessarily promoting promiscuity, but if I meet someone who excites me, I believe I should have the freedom (to stray) without feeling guilty."

It becomes even more interesting when learning that one of his lovers is ostensibly otherwise straight, and one of them is HIV+. "My sexuality is not relegated to a black-and-white situation. I'm mainly Gay, but women have played a part in my development, too, and I lived successfully with a straight friend for 3-1/2 years.

At 6'1", and a strapping 190 lbs., Fraser can pretty well call his shots — personal as well as professional — as he sees them. "I'm totally out in my life (as a Gay man), and I'm all for people being out as it's better for the world. But for the actor — whose money depends on being quiet — they shouldn't be forced to say whether they're Gay or straight. I speak at a lot of schools and drama clubs since, as someone who's out and fairly successful, I can teach kids that they can be all the things they want to be."

The response to him is "invariably positive in that at least there's no hostility to my face. I've noticed that while young people are more able to be out today, there's still a great deal of fear that if they really are themselves, they'll get nowhere in society, college students worried about getting jobs; high school students reflect the fear of being (socially) penalized for being Gay. It's all because of the conservative

governments have created situations in which everyone is frightened for their jobs and futures. That's why it's important to show them someone who can succeed by saying what the government doesn't want you to hear. Things are changing; they're fighting like hell to stop the flood, but they're slowly losing."

**"I'm alive because I made safe-sex an integral part of my sexual life."**

— Fraser

Fraser, who has tested negative for the HIV virus since 1985, feels that it's actually becoming more acceptable to be known as someone who is living with HIV/AIDS. "I'm alive because I made safe sex an integral part of my sexual life. 'Poor Superman' starts to touch on it, where people get up and still function while dying. I want us to get our shit together and begin to counteract the scare tactics so successfully waged by the right wing. It's true that I'm a bit unfair in the play, in that the Gays live a far superior lifestyle than do the straights; they have money; they live lives that are full and fun. I'm promoting homosexuality! Well, why not? I'm tired of being represented (in art) as tired, pathetic people who only die. Some straight male critics are pissed off at my chauvinism; it scares them. The Gay critics have tended to come from more academic backgrounds, and have been annoyed at what they feel is my lack of good role models; the characters aren't representative of the best of us to them."

Fraser's not afraid to speak out about American Gay theatre either: "I really liked *Angels in America*, but like so much of your theatre, it's too literal, and it was too long (at six hours). But so much of Kushner's writing was so brilliant. I quite often feel insulted by American writers: they tell me what I should feel."

Fraser has had the chance recently, however, to "go

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Thomas Gibson (David)

Hollywood." The Disney corporation, or all entities, hired him to write a film, *Beauty*, which in the best tradition of LaLaland is now in turnaround (meaning Disney has let it go to whomever will buy it). "The producer is Roger Davies and although it's not a Gay script, it has several Gay characters in it; sort of a Generation-X thriller/romance." He's also been hired to write a series for Fox Television called "Insomnia," set in a night-time world of an adult soap-opera. "It's esoteric in that it deals with other issues than just sex. I really don't like to use the words Gay or Straight for my characters; I'm trying to create a supportive world for all sexuality."

To those ends, he has written the pilot and long-lead plot line, the 'bible' for the show. He has also written a screenplay for a Canadian film company. *Our Man in Manila*, based on a true story of a Canadian journalist based in the Philippines, who disappeared for years, only to surface running a brothel for teenage girls. He's also written a musical based on the late Craig Russell's mad excursion, *Outrageous*.

Now, while *Love* is a terrific watch, there were subtle changes from the transition to film which occurred as a result of a non-Gay director in his 50's meeting the writings of a Gay man in his 30's. "I have mixed feelings about the result. Denys' attitude about the depth and humanity of the women is like mine, but I would very much have liked to rethink the serial killer angle — it's too much of a cliché. What I like most is the fact that the lead Gay man (Thomas Gibson) is not dying of AIDS, not coming out of the closet, and not whining about his situation. I like how well he's reacted to (by the other characters). Everyone was nervous about the sexuality between the men, and, in truth, Denys didn't relate to the male sexuality, so it got played down."

So now you'll go see it, go back and read the play, and make up your own minds.

The film opens in Milwaukee at the Oriental Theatre on Friday, July 7.

## Thomas Gibson Stud Muffin

By Dale Reynolds

American actor, Thomas Gibson, was born on the same day and date as another Thomas, one master Cruise. The

comparisons don't end there, however. Both are left handed and both were born Catholic. And perhaps we'll let the comparisons gracefully end there. Gibson plays the central Gay character in the multi-sexual thriller, *Love & Human Remains* (see accompanying story).

A non-Gay, married man, Gibson has played Gay, or at least bisexual, before in the timid version of Armistaud Maupin's *Tales of the City* for PBS. He was also seen to good effect in (non-Gay WASP) director Whit Stillman's *Barcelona*, and is a series regular (nice work if you can get it) on CBS's *Chicago Hope*, as Dr. Daniel Nyland, Chief o'Trauma.

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# Interview

## Exploring the Gender Frontier

### Talking with Kate Bornstein, Author of "Gender Outlaw"

By Owen Keehnen

A decade ago, **Al Bornstein** underwent genital reconstruction surgery to become **Kate Bornstein** and soon fell in love with a Lesbian who recently had female-to-male surgery. **Kate Bornstein's** very existence is a defiance of gender labels, so it's no wonder it should be the topic of her first book.

**Bornstein**, a transsexual S&M feminist, performance artist, playwright, NEA casualty, spokesperson, and talk show regular became a celebrated theorist as well with the publication of **Gender Outlaw**. This fascinating and informative account of her own experiences is also an accessible exploration of gender politics and the current bipolar gender breakdown as an oppressive class system. Drawing on numerous sources and told with frankness and humor, the book covers a great deal of territory such as the mental preparation for and the logistics of genital reconstructive surgery, her reentry into the world, her argument for gender as a social construct, the script of her art/theory play "Hidden: A Gender," and roles the transgendered have played in other cultures.

With her plays, her book, her talk show appearances, and her lectures, **Kate Bornstein** is working to break the myths and mystery of the transgendered. Her work is a true union of life and art with education and understanding as the end goal. Talking to her about gender was a fascinating exploration of a topic mostly taken for granted in our culture. Is gender more than genitalia?

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**Owen:** If you had opposed the bipolar view of gender ten years ago, would you still have felt a need to have a vagina rather than a penis?

**Kate:** Yes. It's a lot more fun. I've regretted having extra piercings in my ears, but I've never regretted the surgery.

**As a transgender Lesbian, how have you been accepted by the Lesbian community?**

I want to start off by saying I do not call myself a Lesbian anymore. There's many who would agree with the definition of Lesbian as a woman who loves a woman. I don't fall into that definition. I'm

not a woman. I love women, but I'm not one and I'm also sexually attracted to quite a few men though not romantically — so what does that make me? My sexuality depends upon what people do and if they turn me on, but as far as romantic and sexual attachment, it's women.

**Given that statement, and your lover's recent decision to have female-to-male surgery, do you foresee a problem?**

So much has happened since the book came out. He's now a boy named David and we stayed together for a year and a half during his transition into a guy and realized it wasn't working. We're not lovers anymore, but we're still very good friends, we're very tight. It wasn't sex. I've enjoyed sex with David as a woman and as a man. It's the romance part.

**In "Gender Outlaw," you discuss gender as neither a male or female, but as an outsider. How do you see our culture create gender from that place?**

That's the subject of next book! It's called **My Gender Workbook**. It's one thing to say there's no such thing, and gender is all a social construct, it's another to explain it. In the new book I'm going to trace the way gender enters the culture primarily through advertising, television and the media — through capitalism. Gender is used as an amazing marketing opportunity. You've got these two huge classes and if you can hold up a standard for each and say "To be a real man you have to buy this and to be a real woman you have to buy this" — they you can sell an awful lot of goods. It's one of the big things holding gender in place in our particular culture.

**What hurdles do you think need to be overcome for our culture to dismantle gender?**

To dismantle the gender system will take a clear majority of the people. Minnie Bruce Pratt and Leslie Feinberg have come up with an amazing coalition idea. Look at who the political right is targeting — women, Lesbians, Gays, the transgendered, bisexuals, SM workers, sex workers — all are in the area of sex and gender. Why hasn't the Gay and Lesbian movement, the bisexual movement, the SM movement, the sex worker movement, aligned themselves with the women's movement which is clearly where most of the violence is being targeted. More people are being wounded because they are women than any other group in the world. I think the fledgling transgender movement provides the missing piece to this puzzle. Any



uppity woman, any feminist, is transgressing rules of gender by not following rules that say real men love women and real women love men. When you love a man or a Lesbian loves a woman you are breaking a rule of gender, you are transgendered. Unless we join forces and begin to back the women's movement where most of the damage is being done, we can't make any clear headway.

**In "Gender Outlaw" you also discuss the losing of male privilege after your operation, what did that entail?**

As soon as I became a woman and was walking around in the world as one I took a pay cut of about 30%. That was amazing to me. As soon as I started walking around as a woman I realized how unsafe I was on the streets. I'd never thought twice about it as a man. As far as what's ingrained, most boys are raised with a sense of entitlement, a sense that women are less than, and they behave that way as they do with anything that isn't the norm. I still have a lot of that left over. I think that's why I can be so vocal. I use that bravado, but not to oppress. I think male privilege also means violence, and intruding on someone else's space of person without their permission.

**Much of your book reflects heavy feminist theory, is that the basis of your gender politics?**

Feminism has come this far because it's been right on the mark in terms of the target, the patriarchy. I think what they are missing, which the Gay and Lesbian movement brought, was the freedom to love the freedom of sexuality. But yes, I'd align myself mainly with feminism. It's the front line that needs to be fought right now.

**In different societies the transgendered have had specific roles like the shaman and berdache in Native American cultures. Do you redefine that trickster role for yourself in contemporary society?**

Absolutely. Look at what's happened with the women's movement. If you call yourself a feminist you can join. If you come out of the closet as Gay or Lesbian, it's scary, but you can land in a community. If transsexuals go from one socially accepted gender to another there is a place to land, but if you move out of a socially approved gender into some other gender there is no place to land. You're left in this kind of... "Oh my gosh" state and you either develop a sense of humor or go suck on the tail pipe of a school bus. We see it all because we do not have a real culture or sense of community as yet.

**What are the advantages of seeing things from that vantage point?**

You see a whole lot more laughs in the world. It's also increased my compassion. I want to understand people and I want people to understand that transgendered. That's why I wrote the book, to start people asking questions.

**So is education your goal?**

Yeah, and I think education begins with questions rather than being lectured to, we're lectured at way too much.

**Going back to your comment about the transgendered not having a community — what do you think it will take before a formal community can be established?**

It's happening big. We're coming together under so many different banners, but we are coming together. I was just at a conference in Atlanta for The International Foundation for Gender Education. There were drag queens, heterosexual male crossdressers, males-to-females, females-to-males, butches, femmes, you name it. There were a couple hundred people and I have never performed for an almost exclusively transgendered audience before. I did my show, "The Opposite Sex B Neither." When I finished I got a standing ovation and started crying and said, "This is my family." I was there hugging straight white boys in dresses and I was saying, "You're brave." I think a lot of the communication is a result of the InterNet. People are talking more and more deeply on a daily basis with each other. Ideas are being exchanged at an exciting rate.

**You're Outlaw Gal aren't you?**  
That's my screen name.

**Is it an extension of your role as educator?**

People ask me all kinds of questions. I just got something from a male-to-female seventeen year old in Toronto. I said, "Baby, do you have anyone to talk to?" And he said "no," so we stayed on line and talked for a while. Sometimes there's more counseling like that too.

**It's been a decade since your genital reconstruction surgery. How clear is the male-to-female split in your mind? Is it "the" dividing line in your past or just another part of it?**

We all have major turning points, getting sober was a lot harder to do. Another major turning point was getting into and then the fuck out of Scientology. Usually we're counselled by our psychologists, peer group, and families to forget our past as a boy or girl. They're like, "All right, be a woman, be a man, but we don't want to hear what you were." That robs us of our history. Transsexuality is the only state where the approved therapy is to lie. Fortunately there are some therapists who don't buy into that.

**Besides "My Gender Workbook," what else do you have lined up in the future?**

I'm writing a novel called *Nearly Roadkill* with Caitlin Sullivan. The most I can say is that it's a cyber romance thriller. I'm also really getting excited about the idea of coalition building and plan on getting more involved with that.

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A native of Charlestown, SC, Gibson graduated from Julliard's prestigious School of the Arts, and hasn't stopped working as an actor since then. They shot *Love & Human Remains* in Montreal, after the Alberta Film Commission, the province where the play was originally set, backed away from the financing.

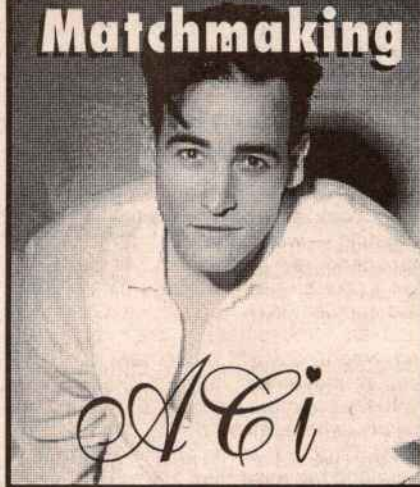
As played by Gibson, the character David resists being labeled simply as "Gay." "What I found interesting is that although he's only recently come out of the closet, emotionally he went back in — love doesn't exist for him. He embraces himself in a totally new sexual life, then denies the entire reason all these kids are fighting the good fight; looking for a purpose and trying to survive in this hostile, urban environment."

Gibson likes the idea that as a non-Gay actor, he can play someone different than he. "The idea of being an actor is to be able to put yourself into someone else's shoes. And there's something about David wanting to break out somehow, exercising control over his destiny. I share that feeling of bitter disappointment. But I also felt that he could be quite exuberant in his Gayness." Although he embraces the idea of researching a role, he reports that his wife wouldn't let him sleep around. "I've seen plenty of my Gay friends through our adolescence and adulthood, embracing their own sexuality."

Asked why he thought a straight actor was hired to play a Gay character, "to a certain extent, the showbiz establishment is very homophobic, although they're trying to come to terms; they still treat it gingerly — homophobia

is still a deep-seated fear. People have to be educated — it's so much easier to be a reactionary. Certainly, the worst (Gay-haters) have been the Gay ones themselves: people like J. Edgar Hoover or Roy Cohn. But it's never been an issue for me. No anxiety about being with Gays — none at all. If there's any agenda that you adhere to before you pick a project, you end up missing out: selling yourself short."

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# Books

## Surprise: You're Bisexual

Reviewed by Richard D. Mohr

Marjorie Garber, *Vice Versa: Bisexuality and the Eroticism of Everyday Life*  
New York: Simon & Schuster, 1995  
606 pp. Illustrated. \$30.

In *Vice Versa*, her just-released book on bisexuality, Harvard English Professor Marjorie Garber repeatedly reminds the reader that her last book, *Vested Interests*, on cross-dressing landed her on the television talk-show circuit. Geraldo cast "Dr." Garber in the role of "expert" brought in to determine whether her transvestite couch-mates were normal. Her answer: "rare, but normal." Given bisexual chic's current status as a talk-show staple, Garber's important new book may cast her again in the same role. But when asked whether bisexuals are normal, her answer will be that they are more than normal: virtually everyone is bisexual and society will be better off for acknowledging this fact.

A sprawling book in equal measures fascinating and frustrating, *Vice Versa* is the first major cultural study of bisexuality. The book is an instant classic in that future discussions of the subject — there will be many — must take it as their point of departure.

The book rummages through virtually every dimension of twentieth-century Anglo-American culture for traces and sightings of bisexuality. The book fights the numerous cultural forces that try to erase, belittle, suppress, or re-categorize bisexuality out of existence. Garber examines and chronicles newspaper clippings, song lyrics, novels, movies, plays, psychoanalytical treatises, science journals, diaries, vampire legends, celebrity bios, and, yes, talk shows. We are treated to, sometimes swamped by, dozens upon dozens of capsule biographies and plot summaries. Ultimately Garber is more successful in finding bisexuals than explaining what bisexuality is.

But the findings are impressive. Most of the Bloomsbury group, for example, turn out to be bisexuals. The economist John Maynard Keynes is a star case — a man who had profound and openly acknowledged affairs with men, including the artist Duncan Grant, but who in later life married and lived happily, sexually, and long with the ballerina Lydia Lopokova.

Many of Garber's reclamations to bisexuality are reclamations away from perceived Gay status, even from canonized Gay status, as in the case of Oscar Wilde. Though Wilde launched Gayness as a cultural style, the facts of his life are more accurately described as bisexual than homosexual. Garber acknowledges that these reclamations could easily be read as fronting an anti-Gay agenda. But her sensitivity to lurking homophobia is so acute in so many cases — she trashes the movie *Orlando* for it — that she absolves herself of this charge.

Or almost does. For one of Garber's strategies to get everybody under the big tent of bisexuality is to count as bisexual any man who marries a woman even if his sexual desires are always exclusively directed toward men. For Garber there are no sham marriages. But here we have bisexuality valorized and FTPextended by a Gay erasure that depends upon privileging heterosexuality in its most institutionalized form.

Other big tent strategies are equally dubious. Garber

counts everyone in a mixed-sex menage a trois as bisexual even if every sex act performed and desire expressed by the trio is of the boy-girl variety. The reason: the very idea of the sexual triangle is itself sexy and the triangle contains both sexes.

Garber also counts as bisexual any male who has ever admired a male movie star. The reason: even the butchiest of movie stars has a feminine side (Garber's one example is Sylvester Stallone). And any student who has ever had a crush on a teacher is bisexual. Her views here will give principals and deans hissy fits. She holds that to be good, teaching must be eroticized: the student must be sexually attracted to the teacher and vice versa. Further, to work in passing on the love of learning, this reciprocal attraction must not be articulated or acknowledged. But widespread, homophobic-enhanced sexual abuse in the Boy Scouts suggests that eroticism when unacknowledged between mentor and apprentice is a recipe for disaster.

The book has many analytical failings. In keeping with fashionable academic skepticism about science, the book holds that bisexuality must be a product of choice, not nature, because in it one can fulfill one's sexual drive differently in relation to two different types of objects. But take the case of the lung fish. It seeks out the same thing (oxygen), from two different sources (air and water) in two different ways (though gill or lung), and yet no one would suppose that this state of affairs is anything but genetically caused or that the fish's vacillations between air and water are the product of choice. Garber also claims that because bisexuality is a phenomenon that falls across a spectrum (some bisexuals are more same-sex directed than others), bisexuality cannot be a subject of scientific investigation. But light is manifest across a spectrum and it is the subject of several sciences — chromatics, optics, quantum mechanics.

On the practical side of things, the book helps dispel various bisexual stereotypes — that bisexuals are unstable, immature, or confused. And so the book may well help in the formation of bisexual communities, perhaps even serve as a banner for them, though this is not Garber's aim. Indeed she is skeptical that bisexuality should develop as a social or political identity. Garber is not a bisexual liberationist.

On the conceptual side of things, even after six-hundred pages of rummaging, Garber fails to give any positive definition of bisexuality. She steadfastly denies that bisexuality can be interpreted as an overlap of homosexual and heterosexual desires, but offers no alternative account. In the end, she punts, claiming that bisexuality confounds sexual categories, is unbounded liquidity, is contradiction. But these claims are just to say that there is nothing to say. A predicate that excludes nothing, asserts nothing. The book's richly detailed case studies, though, should provide the ground from which others who wish to brave questions of bisexual definition, classification, and meaning may begin to build a better theory.

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**Great Gay & Lesbian Place to Live** is now available on diskette (Mac or PC), 3-1/2 or 5-1/4 for \$19.95, and in

book form (\$16.95) from your local bookstore.

### WHAT THE BOOK SAYS ABOUT WISCONSIN

Both Madison and Milwaukee are listed in The Official Guide. The first thing on the page is information on Wisconsin adopting a Gay Rights bill in 1982 (has it been 15 years already).

Both the Madison and Milwaukee information covers two pages each. Under the listings of Gay/Lesbian friendly businesses, the book only lists 8 for Madison and 8 for Milwaukee. (I'm sure there's more than 8, just looking through

**In Step** would have provided them with a much larger number.

In the "What the Locals Say..." section for Milwaukee, it says: "The Gay & Lesbian community is both closeted and open. Politically the community is very healthy. Some people who live in Milwaukee are extremely closeted, while newcomers to the area tend to be more open." (Seems like they hit that nail right on the head.)

It goes on to say much more, but here's a direct quote on Milwaukee's health care system: "The health care system is wonderful if you can access it. The Brady East STD Clinic is great. The Milwaukee area is a leader in health care."

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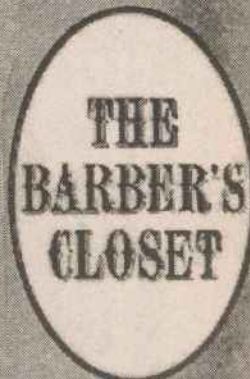
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# Steppin' Out

by Jamie

WOW! This is much nicer than plunking away on an old IBM typewriter. A friend of mine, Chris, gave me a great deal on a laptop. I would rather use the cash I would have spent on a new home computer, to go to Europe. (I was supposed to go over a year ago but I couldn't seem to get schedules to match with one of the two people I can really say I was in love with, Randy. I'm glad we are good friends.) Now I can write this column at home; load it onto a diskette; bring it to **In Step**; load it on to the computer there; and let it go off into proofing and editing land... I'm sooo happy!

The **Oberons** celebrated their 8th anniversary at the **Wreck Room**, June 16th & 17th. After going to the Asian Moon Festival, I stopped in at **Wreck Room** for some photos, and caught **George Stancell and The Experience**, playing the blues for a packed house.

**Tag Team Productions**, held the **Miss Gay Great Lakes USA At Large Pageant**, at **Za's**, June 17th. Sources tell me that even though the other 2 contestants did a great job, **Sage LaRue** stole the crowd and is now the 1995 title holder. I also hear that **Maxi Houston** (1994 Miss Gay Great Lakes USA At Large) was also "a very HUGE success".

The **New Bar** (Madison) held the 1995 **Mr./Miss/Ms. Gay Madison Pageant**, Sunday, June 18th. Winners are: **Russ Burns** (Mr.); **Victoria Smith** (Ms.); **J'quee** (Miss).

**Club 219+** was blessed by the presence of **Carol Channing**, presented by the cast of the National touring company of **Hello Dolly**, with a dance fantasy featuring New York's hottest Broadway dancers. Proceeds from the event went to **MAP** and **Broadway Cares**. It was standing room only. My apologies to the people who's toes I stepped on — its hard to carry a camera, a beer, and walk at the same time!

On to a little more personal matter, I lost my address book. I will try to keep the story brief. Thursday June 22nd, I invited Eric, (a cute 21 year old, straight, co-worker) to a cool road, here in Saint Francis, where the road drops about 15 feet in a very short distance, and if you take a motorcycle over it at about 40 mph, you will "catch some air". Well that was fun for about 45 minutes. After that, I suggested that we take a ride downtown (we both own motorcycles) and after about a mile Eric looked over at me and said "I'm not going to the Gay bars". Of course I wouldn't take "no" for an answer and he's pretty cool about me being Gay (actually everyone at my real job is pretty cool about it) so he agreed.

We drove by the Triangle to see if **Lady Gale's** car was there, but it wasn't,

so we went to **Club 219**. Of course **Gale's** car was there (she is so predictable). Well after a few drinks, all of us decide to go over to **Triangle** for a couple more. Eric had to go home and I had to get my car, (I promised to meet other friends out later). Well, needless to say it was a little difficult getting up for work Friday morning. In the rush to get to work on time I didn't strap my address book on the back of my motorcycle very well, and it had fell off, somewhere between 27th street and 60th street on 894. I went to look for it but only found a few items that were inside it. Do you know how strange it is to find your personal items in the middle of the expressway? Later that day I also lost a pair of sunglasses getting on 894 at the 60th street on ramp. So..... if you have my phone number, and I haven't called you in a while, better call me with your phone number or you might not hear from me for a while.

**Operation: Road Trip to Wausau.** **Katrina K** hosted the '95 **Miss Central Gay WI-USA Pageant**, Saturday the 24th at **Madhatter**. With a perfect score, (out of 5 contestants) **Loretta Lamour** is now 1995 **Miss Central Gay WI-USA**; 1st runner up; **Lucy**. My thanks to **Vicki** and staff, they always treat me like a celebrity. The **IDIOT DRIVER** factory was

pretty high on the way back, Sunday. Some woman in a mini-van would not move out of the left lane!

Sunday the 25th I gave up my annual trip to **Chicago's Gay Pride Parade** to go to **Club 219** for **Spike's** last day of employment there. **Spike** wanted some time off, but couldn't get it, so he is moving on to other things. I know a lot of people that are not happy with **Spike** leaving. Let's try to get him back!!! Also that afternoon **Chuck** (Cowboy) and **Bobby** (Cowgirl) had an impromptu wedding ceremony on the stage a 219 (**Spike** pronouncing them husband and husband). Congratulations!

It sounds like **Station 2** will re-open the beginning of August. **Sheri's** customers convinced her to not close permanently, so watch **In Step** for news on an opening date.

Until next time, I'll be seein' ya and remember, *slower traffic keep right!*

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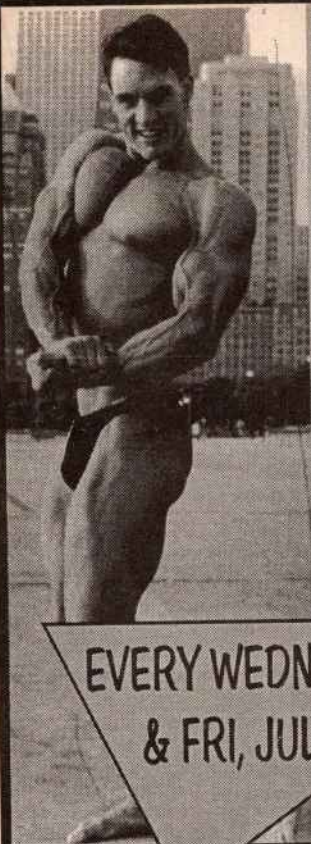
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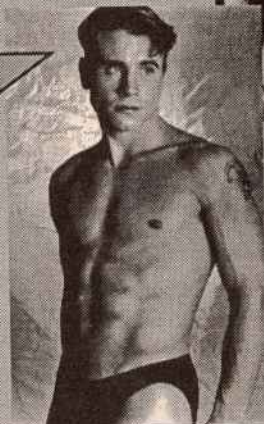




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# Calendar

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

**LaCage (Milw):** BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 10pm-1am.

## THURSDAY, JULY 6

**BESTD Clinic Live:** Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Special guests: Rick Finger and Sheldon Schurr with "1995 Pride Parade" video.

**Positive Voice (Green Bay):** LesBiGay Guide to new dinner meeting. 6:15pm, Bay Family Restaurant-East. Business meeting follows. All welcome.

## FRIDAY, JULY 7

**Rod's (Madison):** Rod's 16th Anniversary Weekend. \$3 (4-5pm); \$4 (5-9pm). Complimentary pig roast served 6:30pm. DJ Ty.

**Club 219 (Milw):** Heartland Hunks male dancers.

## SATURDAY, JULY 8

**Frontiers (Madison):** Devil's Lake Hiking and swimming, picnic potluck. FMI call (608) 241-2500.

**Commitment '95 (Milw):** Promotional Dance to raise funds. Galano Club, 9:15pm-1am. with DJ Garth, \$3 donation. Non alcohol/drug free event.

**'95 United Awards Banquet (Madison):** Concourse Hotel's Grand Ballroom.

**1100 Club (Milw):** Michael's Birthday and Michael & Gramma's Anniversary. Free food and beer, 7:30pm-?

**Club 219 (Milw):** They're back! Mountain Men, an erotic leather dance show.

**3B's Bar (Milw):** Premiere of Retro Disco Oldies Night, 9-Close.

**Club 94 (Kenosha):** Heartland Hunks male dancers.

**Wreck Room (Milw):** Oberon's Club Night, 10pm-1am. Black & Blue Raffles (courtesy of AfterWords Bookstore).

**Jo'Dee's Int'l (Racine):** Beth Kelly presents *Show Extravaganza*, 11pm showtime.

**Just Us (Milw):** Latin Beat Dance Party, 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 8-10pm, followed by music mix.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

**People of All Colors Together (Milw):** Premiere of 8-session discussion group entitled *Intro to Contemporary African-American LesBiGay Thought*. 2

sessions/month through October. The group will meet at the Center Street Library, 2727 North Fond du Lac, from 6:30-8pm. Free, light refreshments served. FMI contact Veral at (414) 347-0580.

**Triangle (Milw):** *The Big Seven* 7th Anniversary Bash. Balloon drop, prizes, drink specials, Trek Mountain Bike Raffle.

## THURSDAY, JULY 13

**BESTD Clinic Live (Milw):** Warner Cable Channel 47, 7pm. Special guest, Roger Stevens, MSW on LesBiGay access.

## FRIDAY, JULY 14 GALVANize Weekend 10% Society Dance

**Wreck Room (Milw):** BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 5-8pm.

**Sherman Park Rainbow Association (Milw):** 2nd Anniversary party. Loose Ends (4322 North Fond du Lac Avenue). Cookout, BYO dish to pass and something for the grill. FMI call (414) 777-3986; or see article in *Group Notes* section of this issue.

(L to R) Beth Kelly (1st runner up Ms.); Russ Burns (Mr. Gay Madison '95); Victoria Smith (Ms Gay Madison); Mark (1st runner up Mr.); Tricia Reese (1st R.U. Miss); J'quee (Miss Gay Madison '95); and Izanna Troy.

Nine contestants vied for the titles of Mr./Miss/Ms Gay Madison pageant held at The New Bar.



Photos by Jamie Taylor



Ms. Gay Madison '95 Victoria Smith.

J'quee gets crowned as Miss.

**Club 219 (Milw):** Teasers male dancers.

**Za's (Green Bay):** CC Rae, She's a Scream!, 10:30pm.

## SATURDAY, JULY 15

### 22nd Annual MAGIC Picnic

**(Madison):** Noon-6pm, at the traditional Brittingham Park on Lake Monona. Join thousands for food and beverages, raffles, information booths, vendors, music and games. Includes a picnic meal and unlimited beer and soda. All proceeds benefit Madison Area LesBiGay organizations.

**3B's Bar (Milw):** Miss 3B's American Pageant, \$3 cover. 10:30pm showtime, call (414) 653-0768 for information.

Contestants must compete in fashion, talent, evening gown and questions.

**Jo'Dees Int'l (Racine):** Judii Lowe, singer/guitarist, fresh from PrideFest's main stage, 10:30pm showtime, Advance \$3, \$4 Door.

**Just Us (Milw):** 2nd & 4th Saturdays, Country Hoe-Down Dance Party, followed by a musical mix of dance music.

## SUNDAY, JULY 16

**GALVANize's 2nd Annual Madison Gay Rights & Pride Parade:** 1pm step off, starts off at State Street entrance (State & Carroll) to the Capitol, proceeds down State Street, ends with a political rally at Library Mall.

**The Blue Lite (Sheboygan):** Keith's Birthday Party.

**Wreck Room (Milw):** BESTD Clinic offers free, Anonymous HIV testing and counseling 5-8pm.

**Zippers (Milw):** 2nd Anniversary Celebration, 6pm-Midnite. Prizes, drawings every 1/2 hour. Grand Prize: Color TV. Bountiful Buffet, special appearance by "Miss Wolff."

**GLEEDA Annual Picnic (Appleton):** Noon, High Cliff Park.

## TUESDAY, JULY 18

**Action Wisconsin Region 2 Meeting (Milw):** 7pm at 2266 North Prospect, Room 324. All interested are welcome.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

**La Cage (Milw):** First Class Male annual tour makes a stop at La Cage. America's #1 Male Revue.

**Za's (Green Bay):** 6th Anniversary and Miss Gay Green Bay-USA Pageant. 10:30pm, no cover.

## THURSDAY, JULY 20

**'95 3rd Annual Great Northern Shindig (St. Paul):** Hosted by the North Star Gay Rodeo Association (NSGRA). Community Corral Carnival, dancing, music, entertainment.

**BESTD Clinic Live (Milw):** Warner Cable Channel 47, 7pm. With Juana Sabation-Smith on Wisconsin partner referral program.

**Positive Voice (Green Bay):** Dinner meeting, 6:15pm, Bay Family Restaurant-East. Business meeting follows. Everyone welcome.

## FRIDAY, JULY 21

**Just Us (Milw):** Premiere of Friday Fish Fry and daily sandwich menu.

## SATURDAY, JULY 22

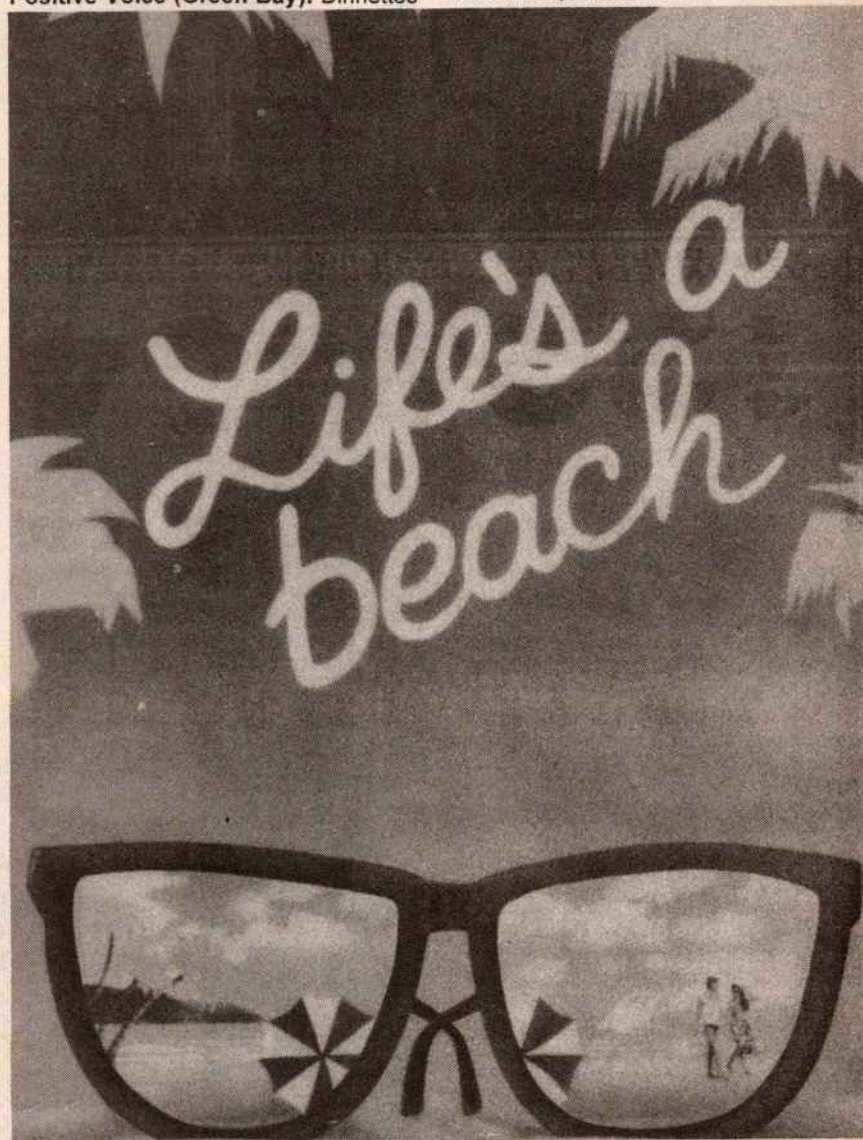
**Positive Voice (Green Bay):** Dinnettes

annual Pool Party & BBQ. DePere, 1pm. FMI call Glen or Larry at (414) 725-6738.

**SAGE/Dane Co. (Madison):** Monthly meeting, 1-3pm at the Verona Senior Center, 304 Church Avenue, Verona. Social afternoon, potluck. All welcome. Call George at (608) 257-9751 FMI.  
**Club 94 (Kenosha):** Stallions Male Dancers.

## SUNDAY, JULY 23

**SAGE/Milw Annual Picnic:** Estabrook Park Area #8. BYO side dishes and beverages. SAGE will provide burgers, brats, grill, ice and utensils. Picnic is free and open to all.



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# Juicy Bits

By W.W. Wells III

## Yes, But Is He Husband Material?

According to recent scientific analysis, the above question was the most frequently uttered phrase worldwide by people watchers cruising hot men at this year's Gay Pride festivals. Furthermore, statistics compiled by Queer Nation indicate that finding an attractive, compatible partner or stable relationship is the primary goal of 45% of single gay men and 8% of gays already involved in relationships. However, if my own research, (which involves paying inordinate attention to the fantasy lives of friends) is to be believed, the vast majority of gay men are desperately looking for a husband, but are unable to determine if that cute guy at the end of the bar is worth an hour of their time, only the night or the rest of their natural lives.

As a result I have compiled the following guidelines and it's my determination that a man is husband material if...

...No matter how embarrassing it is for him, he doesn't say a word when you insist on sauntering on down Main Street like you're **Ru Paul** with a big load in her pants strutting down a runway at a **Donna Karan** fashion show.

...He's willing to help you memorize the entire new and improved "hanky code" which includes almost 3,500 color variations assigned to every conceivable sexual fetish and position preference.

...He's a terrible at lip synching so he will never cancel a date so he can appear in a drag show.

...He doesn't mind that you fantasize about **Batman Forever's Robin**, **Chris O'Donnell** while having sex with him. In fact, he supports your drive to turn your home into a **Chris O'Donnell Shrine** (much like Graceland) and allows you

charge a \$5 admission to use the bathroom because it's where you display a half used roll of toilet paper and a pubic hair laced bar of soap from a hotel room where **Chris** was said to have stayed back in 1992.

...He's supportive when you get depressed and says it doesn't bother him when you get a new piercing every time you have a bad day, even though you now look like a pin cushion factory exploded and he has to get a tetanus shot every time he tries to give you a hug.

...He doesn't enjoy the musical stylings of **John Tesh** or **Yanni** and doesn't own a copy of that annoying chanting monks CD.

...He says he admires the way you have cultivated a large, over-sized mustache which must require at least one can of mousse to properly tame.

...He allows you to have sole control the TV remote, and praises your ability to zip through all 86 channels in 2.3 seconds while expertly hitting the high points of **Melrose Place**, **Friends** and the new **Paula Abdul** video before landing on an awesome male skin display on **Bay Watch**.

...He does not begin every sentence with "I" and end it with "me".

...Is not ashamed to walk down the street with you and your puppy even though the dog is a pitiful tiny girly dog with a grand rhinestone studded collar, named it after your favorite character from some Broadway musical.

...Doesn't like kids so you'll never have to worry about him being a pedophile.

...Is not concerned that you met your last nine lovers during "drive by cruisings" in

questionable neighborhoods and still keep their phone numbers on the speed dial.

... He doesn't even flinch when you mention you're going start dating your dentist in hopes of getting free dental exams and enlisting his help on methods of improving your gag reflex.

... Doesn't care that you carry a mobile phone at all time and sometimes use your vibrating beeper as a sex toy.

In conclusion, if he introduces you to all his friends, plans elaborate romantic dates, calls you four times a day, wants to meet your family and sends flowers for no reason he is probably excellent husband material. Either that, or he's so co-dependent he's beyond the help of modern science and should be avoided at all costs... you make the call!

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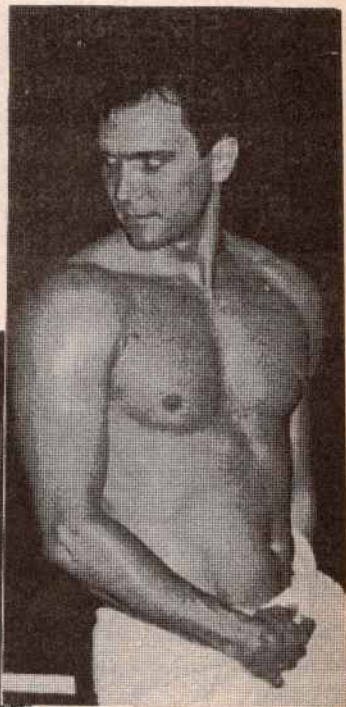
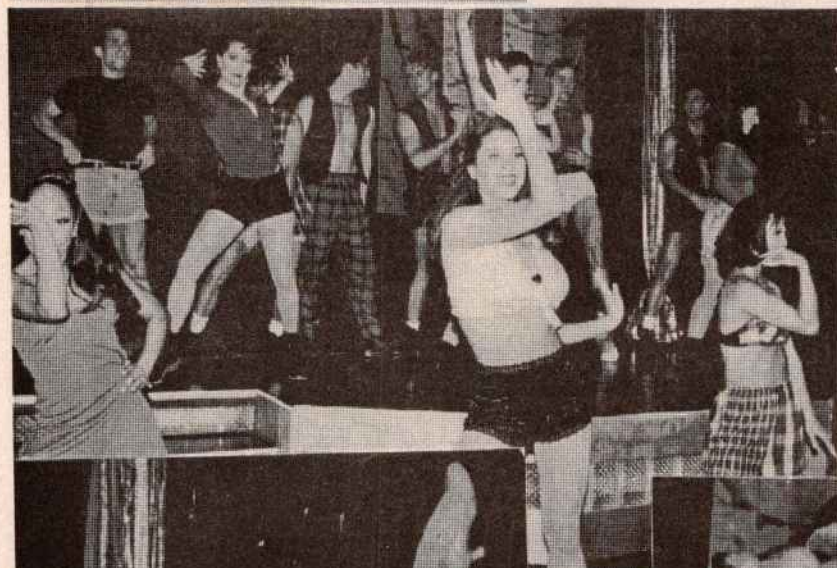
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Carol Channing graced the stage at Club 219, along with some of her "Hello Dolly" Broadway Dancers in a "One Night in Heaven" AIDS benefit. Miss Channing also bestowed two of her "Diamond" awards on MAP '94 chairs of the Arts Action Committee, Susie Bauer and John VandeWalle.



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J'queen gets crowned as Miss.



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Chicago, like most of the nation, commemorated the anniversary of the Stonewall Riots on June 25 with a parade and rally. Organizers estimated participants and spectators in excess of 135,000 personifying this year's theme, "From Silence to Celebration".





# Roberts' Rules

By Shelly Roberts

## Biology is Destiny

I guess I first realized that something had changed yesterday when I found myself booked into an aisle seat in Row Two thousand on a Delta Flight from Austin, Texas. I was on my way to a major publishing, book-selling, big-deal convention in one of the vowel states in the middle of the country. Illohoioay. Heartland. Home country.

Now, I have done this before. If they had truly been counting since I first boarded a DC three at the age of 10 on my own to visit foreign forebears, I have probably racked up enough frequent flyer points to fly free to Saturn. And back. More than once.

I was standing by the aft galley anticipating *Roberts Rule of the Flying Universe Number Three Hundred Eleven*: any aisle seated person connecting seatbelt buckle with conjoining seatbelt harness adjacent to two unoccupied spaces WILL, at least twice, be required to unbuckle, rise, and let pass a Jenny Craig dropout wielding a lethal imitation Mark Cross attache. Or someone with a brand new baby.

Well, let me tell you, this was a baby flight. The little crawly critters were everywhere. And down the aisle they came, aimed at me. Yuppie puppies with spawn. Under normal circumstances, even on full flights, I would have been looking to flee. Seeking exit rows, surveying lavatories for safe haven.

As luck would have it, their destination was not my row, but the preceding one, and here's what's so different. I was DISAPPOINTED. Me, who visualizes virtual earplugs, and mantras on any aircraft toting tiny tots. I watched them with the plastic paraphernalia that accompanies even the smallest nursing. They were a struggling executive couple suddenly modeling thirty pounds of pink and blue encumbrances all in the accompaniment of five pound bundle of requirements.

How old? I inquired after witnessing their encampment.

Six weeks.

Oooh, I coo in the squidgets direction.

Something in me had irrevocably altered.

You see, yesterday, I welcomed my delineation into the world, one descendent Christopher Michael Roberts, seven pounds, eleven ounces, first and probably only grand- heir, to life in an oxygen based environment.

A grandmother. Me? Imagine. No, I promise I won't subject you to a folder of drooling photos. I don't have any. Yet. Haven't been formally introduced to the

tyke. Couldn't pick him out in a carload. Although, since I would be only four hours away from where my only off-spring had wed and settled, I figured I'd find a Hertz or Avis way to go confront my bloodline.

And I got to thinking about how we are always shouting to the ceilings that we are *just like the rest of you!* How we are your sons and daughters. Only now — I really can't imagine how this happened...well, okay, the birds and the bees mechanics part, I get...but this time passage thing. So now, it seems to me, that we should also be saying, that we are not only your children, but we are also, aging-baby-boom many of us. We are your parents, and even, (shudder) your grandparents. Apparently.

After the weekend assembly adjourns, I'm heading to an introduction. I, who now comfortably announces myself to grocery clerks, and concierge (concierges? Conciergi?) would like to let this baby bit of my DNA understand who he has as an ancestor.

I want him to know from the get-go that he has a grandma who's gay. A lesbian predecessor. I don't want him growing up cosseted by family values, protected from his queer inheritance, and denied the real value of knowing proudly who his family is. Where he came from, and, therefore, who he really is.

I feel a real connection with this as yet unmet few pounds of protoplasm who bears my imprint. Perhaps in decades future he will push my wheelchair in rainbow parades. Not just as a proud ally to one great grandmother. But maybe as a duly authorized participant. After all, it is in the genes.

Christopher Michael, one quarter of the foundation you are built on is someone you'd like to know. A journalist. An explorer. An occasionally-boring drone. A humorist. A very funny looker at life. And a participant. An experiencer of her own environments. An appreciator of others' efforts. And one shameless lesbian for you to look up to.

I want you to know that you are preceded by one great dame.

I love you unconditionally, and unmet, my linkage to eternity. You come from a heritage to be proud of.

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Shelly Roberts is a nationally syndicated columnist, speaker, and author of "The Dyke Detector", "Hey, Mom, Guess What!" And "The Butch/Femme Scale".

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# Stark Reality

By Kirk Stark

## Pride in the Name of Self Love

I've heard countless coming out stories. Painful remembrances of the agony of coming to terms with a sexual identity that is considered marginally unacceptable at best. Somewhere in that story is a part where most come out to their parents. In only a small percentage do I hear a truly positive reaction from parents.

Now, this isn't to say that everyone coming out shouldn't expect a bit of angst filled hand wringing from the parental units. Often the question, "What did I do wrong," comes out. Sometimes it's worse, with Christian condemnation, fire, brimstone, and treacle spewing forth as if they held the power of damnation in their hands.

Many are able to put this in perspective and still maintain a connection, no matter how tenuous, to the people who brought them up. Some need not justify their reasons, while others feel a sense of duty to those who gave birth/ shelter to them. More power to them.

I suggest something a bit different.

I have a mother who cannot be supportive in any way, shape or form. I can't blame her for her beliefs, which she is more than welcome to. But, for the fervency of her venom when even the most subtle pointer of my sexual preference comes out, I decided well over a year ago that I could stomach her attitude no longer.

It isn't simply a negative attitude

towards me that I have seen, or homophobic comments spewed derisively about AIDS, her belief in the non-existent duration of Gay relationships, or her version of faith that says I and all like me are going to hell. It is more than that.

It is my *inability* to be someone I am not.

I refuse to allow a small minded person tell me what it means to be Gay. I will not be told that being Gay is something that only occurs inside a bedroom. I will not endure being passed over at family functions when all the other single people are being asked whom they are seeing. I will not be talked to like my life is an illness that can be cured with the "healing power of Jesus."

This can be endured for a short period of time, but over the long haul, it becomes impossible to endure. And it shouldn't *have* to be endured.

So, after being out for seven years, hearing years of tirades, offers to be healed, and being put on Pat Robertson's Ten Most Wanted List, I broke the connection. I wrote Coleen (formerly known as the biological mother) a letter, telling her why I was disowning her. It was liberating. I felt like I had removed shackles from my hands and feet. I was beholden to *no one*.

This isn't to say that this is the appropriate choice for everyone.

You have to be at a point where you aren't willing to deal with anyone who can't truly be supportive. You have to know that your value as a person is independent of what anyone thinks of you, and that anyone who feels they need to sling shit will be cast aside. It's something you do for yourself, because you know you not only need it — you *deserve* it.

It's not an easy decision to make by

any means. I thought about disowning my mother for a few months before I finally drafted the letter she received. It took a month to write the letter. I wanted to make sure that I said everything I thought I needed to say to create a complete sense of closure.

I pored over the letter, writing it, re-writing it, and chucking out the first two drafts to start the writing process all over again.

Then it was done...

Now it's one year later, and I don't regret it a bit... I've let that anchor go, and now that part of my time and energy aren't consumed by dealing with my family anymore I've moved on and accomplished things I never thought possible.

So, if you've reached a place in your life where you're trying to decide how to deal with the family, remember: you don't have to endure it. Look inside yourself, and decide how much you are willing to endure in contrast to how much they put out. And if you have to go, *go*. Do it not out of hate or loathing for your parents, but for the best reason: because you love yourself and know that you're worth it.

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# Zodiacscope

By Charlene Lichtenstein

*Is it hot in here or is it just my career? July gets all four burners roaring away with a massive planetary march right through sensitive Cancer and ultimately into regal and proud Leo. The Sun (our personal mission in life), Mercury (how we think) and Venus (how we love) all get energized as they figuratively bounce off each other. Let's go for the gusto, friends. The time is ripe for change and we are just the gang to do it.*

## Aries

It is wise to center most of your activities close to or right at home since your heart, mind and complete sense of well being centers there this July. Family issues and unresolved matters involving the dominant parent in your life may take a turn for the better. Good! It's time to get on with your lifestyle. Drop all that excess baggage. Partners need some TLC and attention.

## Taurus

As your mind thinks, so you will speak. The balanced and carefully pondering Gay Bull waves poetic this July with wise observation. Ask and you shall have it, but don't rely on friends to offer it to you. There are still some nasty patches with pals that need to be worked out and it can't be rushed. Everything takes time...

## Gemini

Money matters take on an increased importance this July, but don't worry; everything appears to be on track. You have obviously taken the necessary steps and done the appropriate homework to see that finances are under control. It's a shame that the same thing can't be said for your career. Problems still exist as the learning phase continues.

## Cancer

Happy Birthday! This is your month to shine as your personal magnetism soars. It is an excellent time to meet as many new people as possible and charm the pants off them. Relationships also need some attention, there may be something going on there that you are not seeing properly. Cast off the illusions and demand respect.

## Leo

Leos achieve some major karmic points by volunteering for a worthy Gay cause. The more you give, the more you get, so choose a charity to support and jump right in. There are so many good deeds you can for our community. Take the time to air out a closet and explore any psychological barriers that hold you

back from true happiness. Breakthroughs are now possible.

## Virgo

We all need a strong circle of friends. They reaffirm our sense of self and personal pride and give us confidence as well as plain old good times. Encourage friendships this July and put all important projects on the front burner. It is an excellent time for new beginnings because you have the energy and the stamina to get the whole thing off the grounds.

## Libra

Concentrate on your career; the planetary energy points to professional success. Day-to-day chores may still be sticky and problematic, but long term goals appear to be on track. If you have kept a watchful eye on finances, you may begin to see a huge transition from famine to feast. If you have been negligent, then the opposite is true.

## Scorpio

Personal transformation continues apace. (Or maybe you're just mellowing with age?) Travel is the keynote this month so head for parts unknown and just enjoy yourself. It still may be difficult to tap your more creative side, but don't despair, you simply need to find a more suitable outlet for your muse. If it ain't poetry, maybe it's theater.

## Sagittarius

Career takes off like a rocket blast. I can't remember when you've been so motivated. Thankfully, all that professional energy has not quelled your sexual appetite. Merging on many deep

levels with that special someone is particularly important to your sense of well being and personal happiness (as it is for all of us). Money may arrive through the kindness of others.

## Capricorn

Although you lack a bit of perspective and self confidence, all is not lost. I sense there is someone there to lend support. Relationships are particularly important to you now so try to maintain the balance between partners and the urge to get out and see the world. Why fret? You needn't explore alone. Don't they say that two heads are better than one?

## Aquarius

Finances are still challenging, but you can bury yourself in the day-to-day job and get along just fine for now. In fact, detailed projects may be just what the doctor ordered, so dive right in! Anything involving psychology or mystery will be an especially tempting target. Who knows? It may lead you down an entirely new professional path.

## Pisces

You learn by doing... and perhaps failing, but each setback is a valuable lesson in itself. Believe it or not, you will persevere and gather quite a bit of wisdom and experience in the process. The temptation is to party hearty and forget your stumbling blocks, but try to find time for both work and pleasure. The reward for work will be much sweeter in the long run.

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# Profiles

## Marie Mason: A Pioneer in Eroticism for Women

Marie Mason is an attractive, young, successful entrepreneur who also is a Lesbian. She is the sole owner of *Hot Chixx Video*, a successful company based in Studio City, California, that distributes Lesbian adult videos. Marie has found success as one of the few women in a field that has been controlled and dominated by men.

Marie's philosophy is simple. "The emergence of female-oriented erotica is long overdue," she says. "We are used to male-defined images and I want to offer an alternative to that. Women have healthy libidos, too."

Marie has been a model, stunt woman, actress, and a top salesperson. But these challenges were nothing compared to her launch into adult video. Mason has directed and produced her own video, *Hot Chicks Do L.A.*, and has plans for more. Diane Anderson of *Girlfriends Magazine* says, "Mason has gone where no Lesbian film has gone before: She has made a mainstream, adult video that has real commercial production values."

Besides her production company and video, Marie is outspoken about Gay rights, more specifically, Gay stereotypes. "With these videos and my appearances, I'm trying to show the world that Gays and Lesbians don't all fit into the "fairy" or "butch" stereotypes."

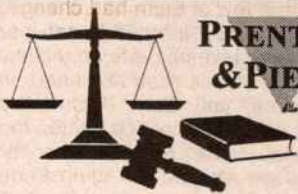
## Local Ad/PR Agency Opens Office in Chicago & Washington, DC

Milwaukee — Landmark Enterprises, Inc., a marketing and public relations firm experienced in working with the Gay and Lesbian market segment, has announced the opening of two new branch offices in Chicago and Washington, DC.

The Chicago office is located at 1355 North Clark Street, Suite 2307, Chicago; and the Washington, DC office is at 1901 L Street, Washington, DC.

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**Panel 1:** WHOA! LINDY? WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE? / HUH! AND HERE I WAS CONVINCED THAT YOU HAD GONE AND MOVED IN WITH THE GODDESS IN-HUMAN-FORM-MARGARET ALREADY... / OH EAT ME!

**Panel 2:** SERIOUSLY, I'VE MISSED SEEING YOU AROUND HERE... WE HAVEN'T HUNG OUT TOGETHER IN AGES. / I KNOW, AND I'M SORRY... IT'S JUST THAT BETWEEN WORK AND SCHOOL AND NOW MARGARET I BARELY HAVE ANY TIME LEFT FOR MYSELF! I DON'T MEAN TO NEGLECT YOU....

**Panel 3:** WELL I FEEL NEGLECTED... AND I DON'T THINK IT'S VERY HEALTHY FOR YOU TWO TO BE SPENDING SO MUCH TIME TOGETHER. YOU'RE GONNA GET SICK OF EACH OTHER!

**Panel 4:** NATHAN, WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET SICK OF EACH OTHER, WE'RE IN LOVE! BESIDES, YOU DID THE SAME DAMN THING AS ME WHEN YOU FIRST STARTED SEEING GEORGE— YOU WERE CREAMING YOUR JEANS OVER HIM SO BAD THAT I DIDN'T SEE AS MUCH AS A TRACE OF YOU FOR OVER TWO MONTHS!

**Panel 5:** ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT... FORGET I BROUGHT IT UP. SO WHAT ARE YOU DOING HOME ANYWAY? / I'M TAKING A BREATH FROM EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE TONIGHT... YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME... I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE MYSELF IN THIS RELATIONSHIP!

**Panel 6:** WHO IS IT? / IT'S MARGARET. SHE DIDN'T HAVE TO WORK TONIGHT AFTER ALL.

**Panel 7:** oh sure, I'd love to! / just 17 give me 10 minutes to get ready... yeah... yeah, I've missed you too.

# Health

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traced the health histories of 756 prostitutes in Senegal from 1985 to 1994. At the outset, 138 women had HIV-2, while 618 had no HIV infection. Nine years later, women with HIV-2 were 70% less likely to have acquired HIV-1 compared to the women who were initially uninfected with either strain. (The persistence of gonorrhea infections among many of the women studied indicated that few of them had changed their behaviors, so the finding cannot be attributed to safer sex practices.)

The development of the smallpox vaccine around 1800 provides a hopeful model for a vaccine against AIDS. At that time in Britain, Dr. Edward Jenner noticed that people infected with a mild disease related to smallpox, cowpox, were less liable to contract the deadly smallpox. That knowledge led to an effective vaccination against smallpox.

Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases said the findings from Senegal offer "circumstantial but not definitive proof that HIV-2 might protect against HIV-1 and thus add a little data that helps buoy an old thesis. It is interesting, but there are a lot of 'ifs' involved."

## PN355 Shows Promise as Anti-Viral Therapy

New York, NY — Paracelsian Inc., a biotechnology drug company, claims that it has developed a new drug from a compound found in Chinese herbal medicines which shows promise in blocking HIV replication.

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by Hofmann

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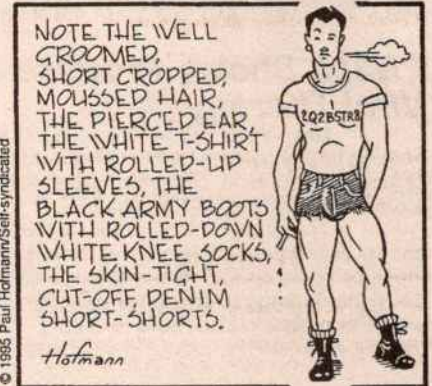
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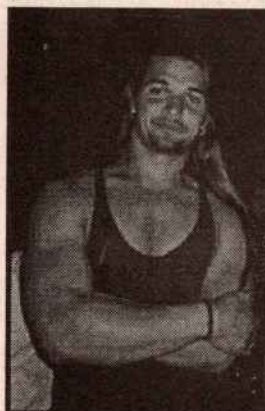
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## Graffiti

**Evita:** Have a happy 24th birthday on July 10. We're confident we have found the perfect gift. **Juan & Tom Josie Lynn & Lady Di:** I can't thank you enough. I could have never done it without you.

**Victi C. AI:** I know in your heart you know I couldn't "use" anyone. You will always be my first and best love. **Love, Joey Kenosha:** Thank you for accepting me as your Miss Gay Kenosha-America.

**Victi C. I would like to thank:** Bruce, Bill, Dennis, Dutch Jack, Lady Bell, Mark, Steve, and Wally for their help and time at our SAGE table at PrideFest. You're all invited to our picnic July 23 at Estabrook Park.

**Tracy To all my friends & fans:** We're going to State! Thanks for all of your love and support. I'll need you more now than ever!

**Happy Birthday Starr:** I won't even mention the Hill.

**Love, Tracy Pigeon:** I love you! Let's stay together. **Your Babe**

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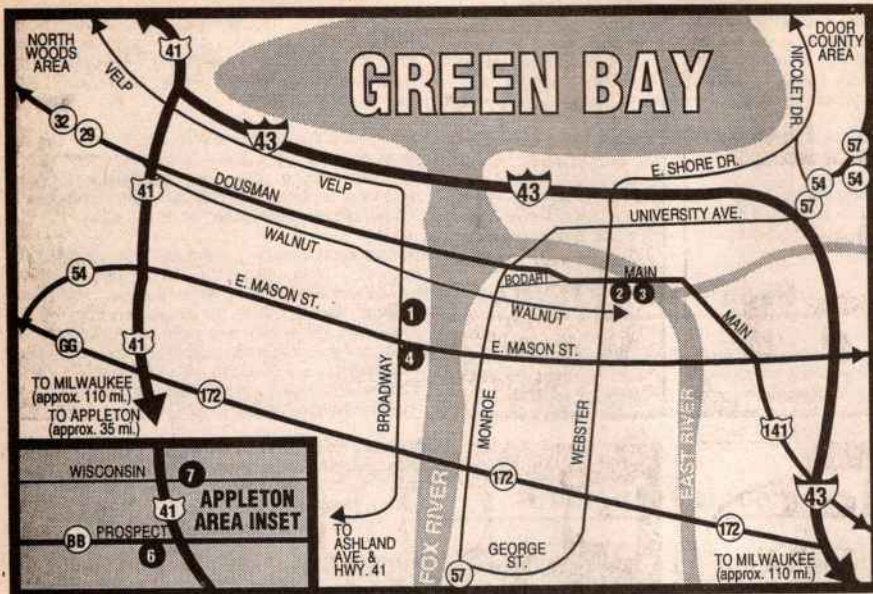
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Men's HIV+ Support Group Appleton 733-2068  
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Dean of Students Office, 75 Bascom Hall  
Madison 53706 (608) 263-5700
- LesBiGay Campus Center** (Office, Lounge, Resource Center) UW Union (608)265-3344
- LesGayBi Teen Support Group**  
(Briarpatch & Picada) (608)251-1126/246-7606
- Lesbian, Gay and Bi Law Student Union**  
UW Law School, Bascom Mall, Madison 53706
- Lesbian Parents Network**  
PO Box 572, 53701 (608)255-8582
- Madison Volleyball Group** Jeff, (608)251-8716
- Madison Wrestling Club**  
PO Box 8234, 53708 (608)244-8675
- MAGIC Picnic Comm.**  
636 W Washington 53703 (608)256-3404 (EXT 220)
- Men's Alanon** (608)255-8582
- New Harvest Foundation** (G/L Foundation)  
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- Nothing to Hide** (Gay cable) (608)241-2500
- Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians**  
PO Box 1722, 53701
- 10% Society** (student organization) Box 614,  
UW Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, 53706 (608)262-7365
- Unicorns of Madison** (L/L club)  
PO Box 536, 53701
- The United** (Education, Counseling, Advocacy)  
14 W. Mifflin St., Ste 103, 53703 (608)255-8582
- UW LesBiGay Alumni Council** Ken, (608) 263-4086
- Womonsong** (Women's Choral Group) (608)246-2681

## ORGANIZATIONS

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- Argonauts of Wisconsin** (L/L Social Club)  
PO Box 22096, Green Bay 54305
- Gay AA/Anon** (Meeting Weekly) Green Bay 494-9904
- Bay City Chorus** PO Box 1901,  
Green Bay 54305 494-5029
- Center Project, Inc.** [CPI] (HIV Test/Counsel)  
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437-7400 or (800)675-9400
- Gay/Lesbian Support at UW-Green Bay** 465-2343
- G/L Guide to N.E. WI** PO Box 595, GB, 54305
- Men's HIV+ Support** Green Bay 437-7400
- Women's HIV+ Support** Green Bay 437-7400
- Northern Womyn, Inc.** (Lesbian Support/social Group)  
Box 10102, Green Bay 54307-0102
- Parents & Friends of G/L** Green Bay 499-7080
- Positive Voice** P. O. Box 1381, Green Bay 54305  
499-5533
- Men's HIV Support Group** Sturgeon Bay (414)733-2068

## ACCOMMODATIONS

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- Blue Bus STD Clinic** (Monday, Thursday)  
1552 University Avenue 53705 (608)262-7330

## BARS

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3052 E. Washington, 53704 241-9335
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710 University Ave, #202, 53715 (608)262-8093
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- Different Spokes** G/L/B bicycling club (608)241-8184
- 18-21 Yr Old Social Group** (608)256-2667
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- Gay/Lesbian Phone Line** (608)255-4297
- Gay/Lesbian Information Recording**  
(ask for tape #3333) (608)263-3100
- Gay/Lesbian Resource Center**  
PO Box 1722, 53701
- G/L Educational Employees** c/o The United (608)255-8582
- Gay Fathers** c/o United (608)255-8582
- Gay Men's Video Club**  
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- GALVANize** (Madison LGBT Pride)  
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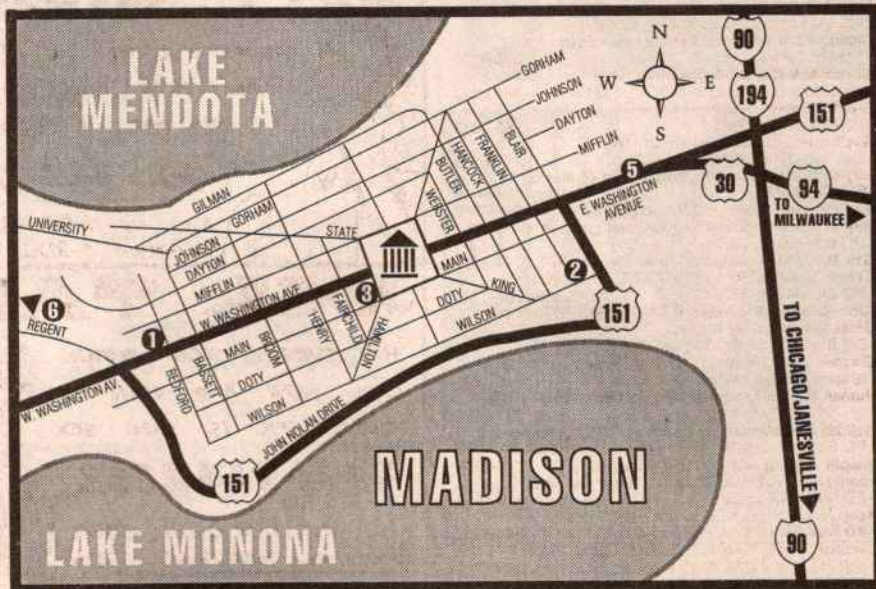
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- Affirmation** (L/G United Methodists)  
University Church, 1127 Univ. Ave, 53705 256-2353
- James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Church**  
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## MILWAUKEE (414)

### ORGANIZATIONS

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- BiNet USA** (Milw. contact)  
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- Black Gay Consciousness Raising** 933-2136
- Caring Bridges** (Wholistic Health & Service for PWAs)  
10101 W Wisconsin, 53226 259-6334
- Castaways M.C.** (Levi/Leather club)  
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**Fallen Angels (L/L AIDS Support Group)**  
342-3836

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## RELIGIOUS

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**Integrity Metro Milw (Open & Affirming)**  
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**Lutherans Concerned**  
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**MAP Spiritual Care**  
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**Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church**  
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**St. James Episcopal Church**  
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**St Mary the Virgin Catholic Church (Anglican Rite)**  
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**Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
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## MEDICAL

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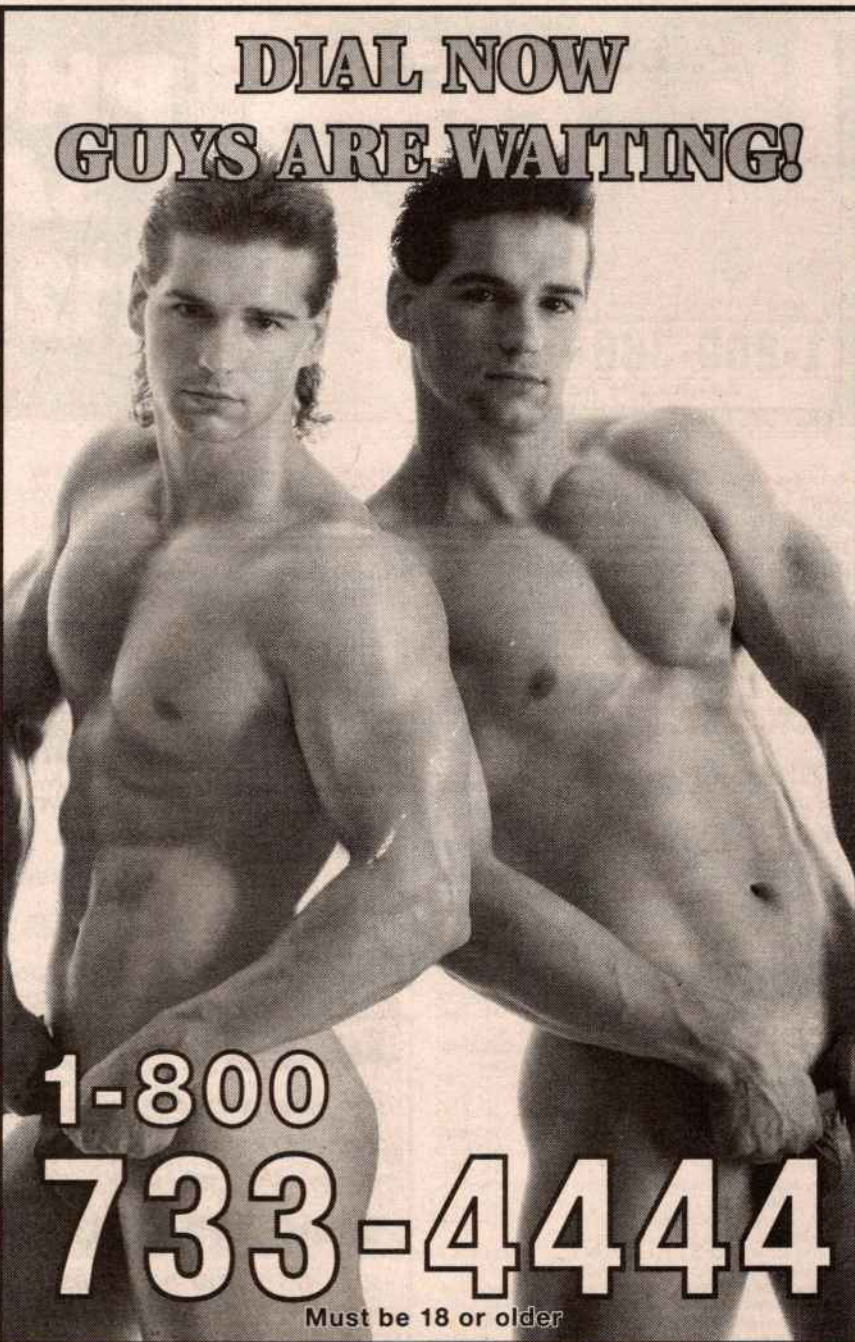
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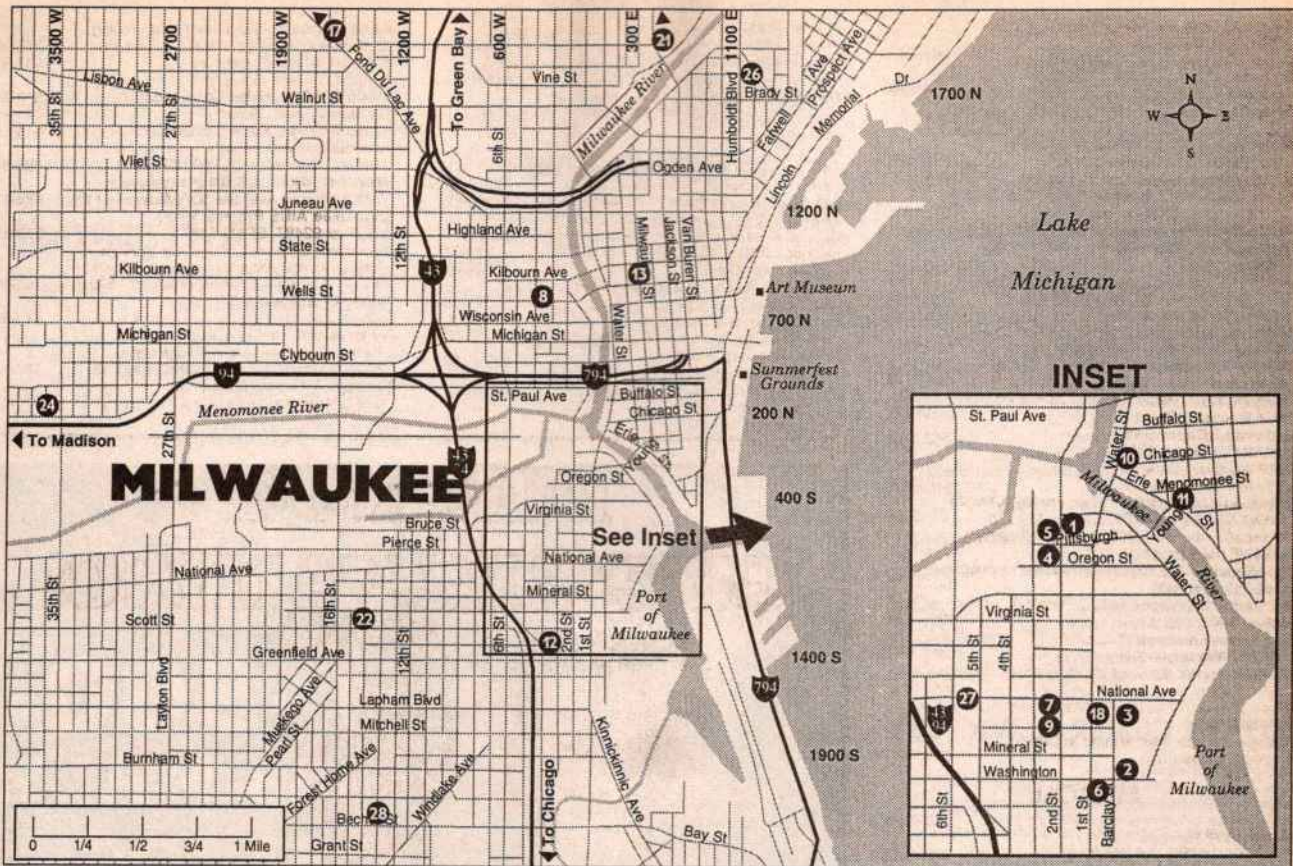
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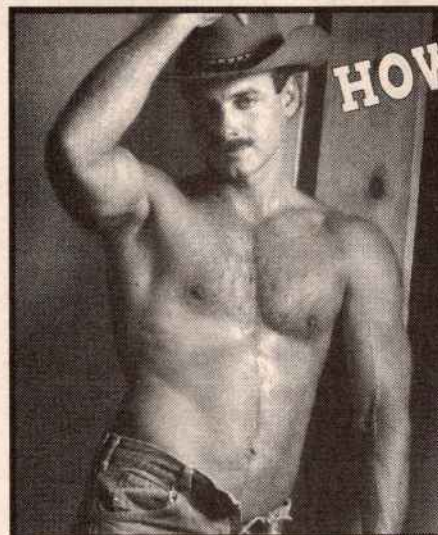
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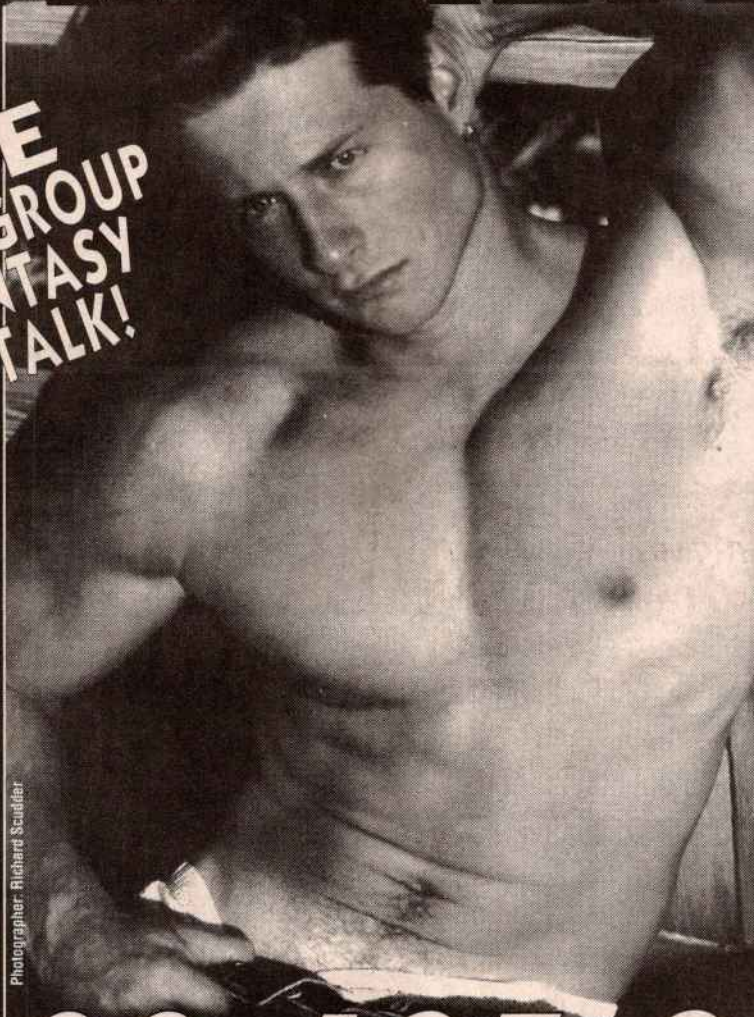
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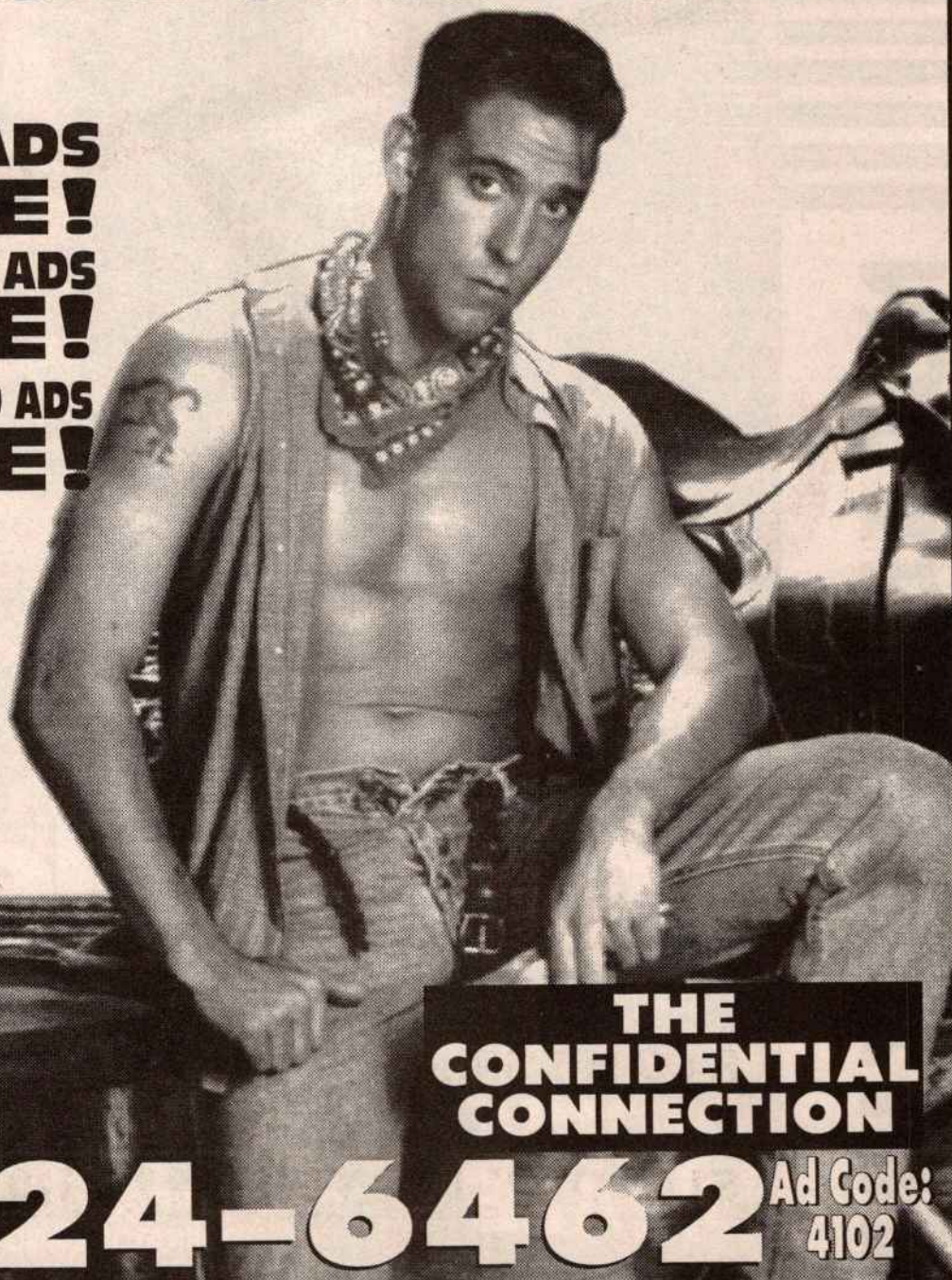
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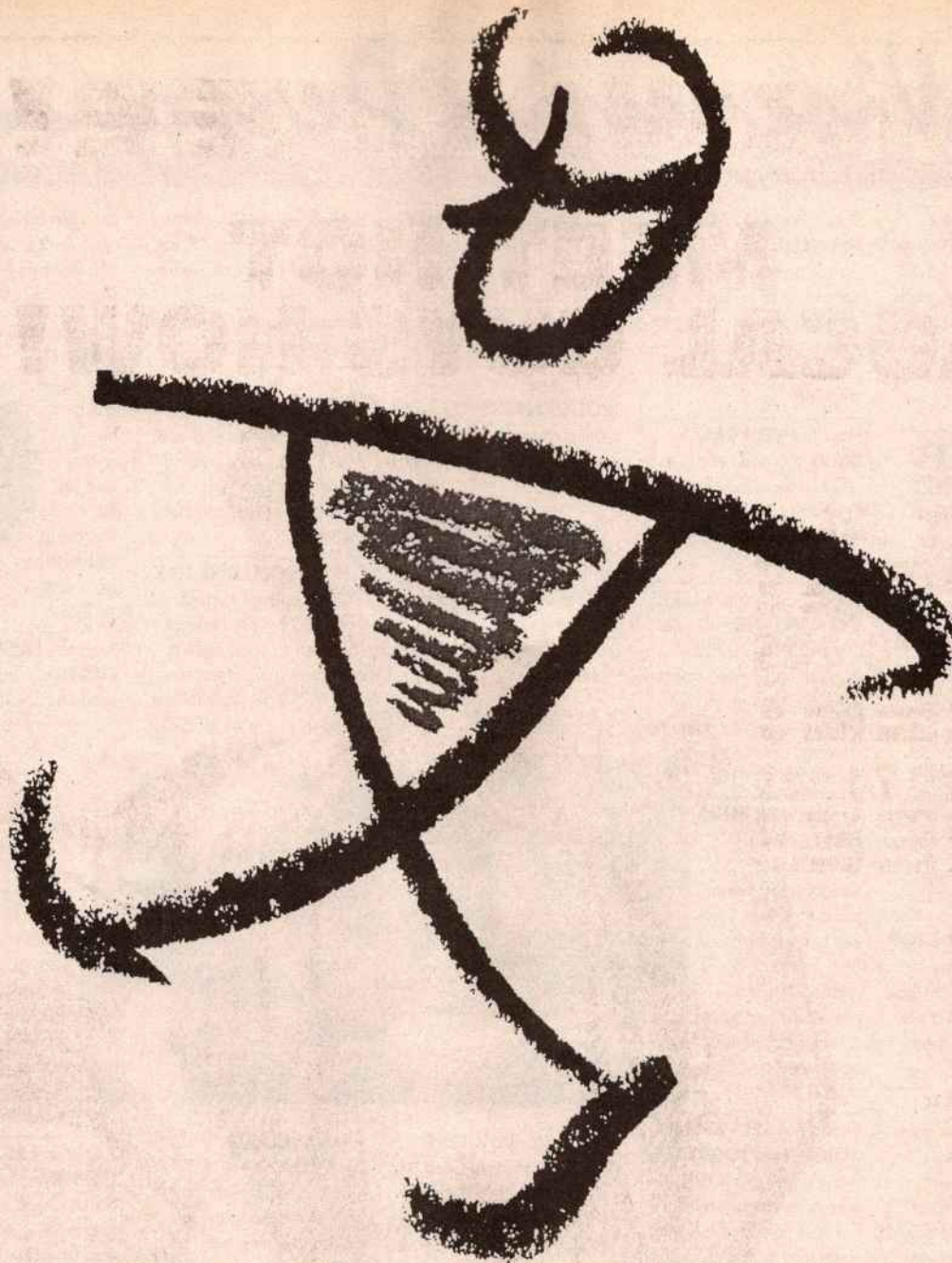
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La Crosse **8 BALL CORNER POCKET**: my name is Lenny, I'm 18 y/o, 6'1, 205lbs. brn/green. I like to play pool, jog and have a lot of fun, call me! ☎46900

North East **LETS GO FOR A RIDE**: summer's here and its time to go biking. I'm lkg2 meet other cyclist for road of off road cycling. call me, lets set up a ride. ☎46768

Plattville **SOMEONE LIKE YOU?**: college student, 24 y/o, 185lbs, 6ft. I'm lkg4 someone to poss. have a relationship with. someone 18-25, 5'5-6ft, 150-190lbs. could this be you? ☎36412

Hayward **YOU CAN DRIVE**: I'm a 20 y/o blonde hair blue eyed boy lkg4 hot top men to have fun with. I am very sub. and waiting for your call. ☎44165

Green Bay/Appleton **LETS GO CAMPING**: 30 y/o GWM, 5'10, 200lbs, brn/brn. lkg2 meet others in my area. I'm not into the bar scene. I enjoy camping, boating, computers and more. ☎46185

Greenbay **FRIENDS**

**FIRST**: 24 y/o GWM lkg4 someone to have a good time with. I'd like to be friends first, then a poss. relationship. If you are 18-30 and have a slim build, call me, hairy chest a +. ☎46216

Green Bay **LETS SPEND SOME TIME TOGETHER**: 36 y/o guy into hiking, biking, outdoors and more. I'm lkg4 someone to spend some time with. call me! ☎46267

North East **LETS GO FOR A RIDE**:

my name is Jim and I'm into biking. I would like to meet some other semi-serious guy's into biking. If you are lkg4 someone to ride with, call me, lets ride together. ☎22935

Milwaukee **OUTDOOR FUN**: my name is Greg. I'm 28 y/o and I'm lkg4 men 18-35 who like to be outdoors and have a good time. call me! ☎46783

Madison **CLEAN SHAVEN**: 21 y/o 6'2 185lb clean shaven guy into swimming, playing pool and eating out. 1m lkg4 friends and hopefully a lot more. ☎37975

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Milwaukee **DRESS UP**: Steve, GWM new to the scene and still in the closet. 1m lkg2 meet guys who like to go out and get dressed up! call me! ☎11250

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Oshkosh **FIRST TIMER:** 39 y/o guy lkg2 meet men to have fun with. this is my first time and Im real curious! call me. ☎44751

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Waukesha **5'8 170lbs** brn/brn 38 y/o lkg4 guy's under 35 into sports, horses, dancing and working out. call me! ☎45218

Appleton **WHATS COOKING:** Dave, 28 y/o bi M blk/hzl 200lbs lkg4 other bi M who are into camping, movies and quiet times. I also like to cook. call me. ☎45395

Waukesha **STRAIGHT ACTING:** my name is Terry, Im a 30 y/o bi M lkg4 other bi M who are very straight acting. call me! ☎45621

Milwaukee **NEW AT THIS:** my name is Brian, Im a 26 y/o GWM 5'8 160lbs and Im kinda new at this and lkg4 guy's 18-28 into sports, the outdoors and more. call me! ☎45643

Milwaukee **LETS GET TOGETHER:** 41 y/o brn/brn 6'1 210lbs Im clean, healthy, drug/disease free. I am lkg4 guys to get together and have fun with. call me! ☎45729

Wisconsin **READY FOR A STEADY:** Scott 23 y/o 6'2 170lbs brn/blu gdlkng. Im sick of the games and one night stands. Im only 23 but ready for a steady relationship. call me! ☎45617

Green Bay **LOOKING FOR FRIENDS:** 33 y/o 155lbs into tennis, walks and going to movies. I collect records and CD's and Im lkg2 meet guys for fun and friendship. call me! ☎45641

Osh Kosh **VERY CURIOUS:** Gary, 39 y/o lkg2 have fun with guy's in my area. lets have fun. Im very curious. ☎45829

Green Bay **GREEN BAY PACK-ER:** 41 y/o GM 190lbs lkg4 dom masc. tops 4 hot fun. Im open to new ideas! call me. ☎40049

Milwaukee **FONE FUN:** Hank, Im into large men, and Im into phone talk! call me. ☎41913

Central **HOT LEO:** GWM 21 y/o 6'1 140lb leo lkg4 friends for fun and talk! call me. ☎41949

Central **OUTDOORS AND DOGS:** I like riding my bike, the outdoors and dogs. If you are interested, call me. ☎42002

WI **DONT DRINK, DONT SMOKE:** Charlie, 19 y/o GBM college student 5'8 130lbs lkg4 a tall slim attr. BM 18-29 for fun and friendship. non smokers/drinkers only! ☎30552

Milwaukee **HEY BROTHER:** single GBM lkg4 other GBM. Im 18 y/o and lkg4 a straight acting masc. BM who's lkg4 a ritnshp. ☎42045

Milwaukee **WEEKEND GET TOGETHER:** 29 y/o bi WM 6ft 175lbs in good shape. lkg4 another GWM into working out and hot fun for a casual weekend ☎42048

Rapids **FRIENDSHIP FIRST:** Bill, 5'10 155lbs into exercise and quiet eve's at home, Im lkg4 frndshp and companionship. call me! ☎42098

Milwaukee **DRESS ME UP:** Bi WM intrstd in crossdressing, Im inexperience and lkg4 someone to show me the ropes. I want my fem side brought out in me. ☎42223

Milwaukee **FULL LOAD:** Brian 26y/o 5'8 160lbs lkg4 guy's 18-28 into

the outdoors. sports and movies. call me. ☎42238

Milwaukee **BIG BOY:** Tom, mid 30's gd lkg GWM 250lbs lkg4 guy's same age and weight for good times. ☎42264

Madison **BOTTOMS UP:** Jeff, 5'18 145lbs lkg4 a hairy tp to show this hot sub btm a good time, call me. ☎42314

Adams County **DADDY BEAR:** Chuck, 42 y/o 6'2 235lb daddy bear lkg4 aggressive boys 18-30 hairy or smooth to show me a good time. call me! ☎42320

Madison **MODERN ROCKER:** Brian, 28 y/o 5'9 145lbs brn/brn into alternative rock & movies. lkg4 guys 21-33 . call me- ☎42364

Madison **CAN YOU TOP THIS?:** Jeff, 5'8 145lbs brn/grn lkg4 a gd lkg top man for fun times. hairy guys a +. call me, lets talk. early mornings best. ☎42455


Green Bay **WILLING AND ABLE:** 23 Y/O GWM 6'4 150lbs lkg4 someone 18-30 willing and able to have fun! ☎42491

Central **YOUNG STUD-ENT:** Brad, 20 y/o 5'10 150lbs into most sports and reading, Im a student ☎43236

Milwaukee **YOUNG DANCER:** 23 y/o 6'2 175lbs into going out and dancing, also into movies. Im lkg4 men to go out and have fun with, call me! ☎43323

Madison **THE HEART IS A LONELY HUNTER:** Danny, 33 y/o 5'10 155lbs lkg4 new friends and a possible relationship. ☎43388

Cleveland **REAL MEN ONLY:** Robert, african american 20 y/o M lkg4 a real BM for a change. you must be very masc. and athletic. bi and straight men a+ ☎10027



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