

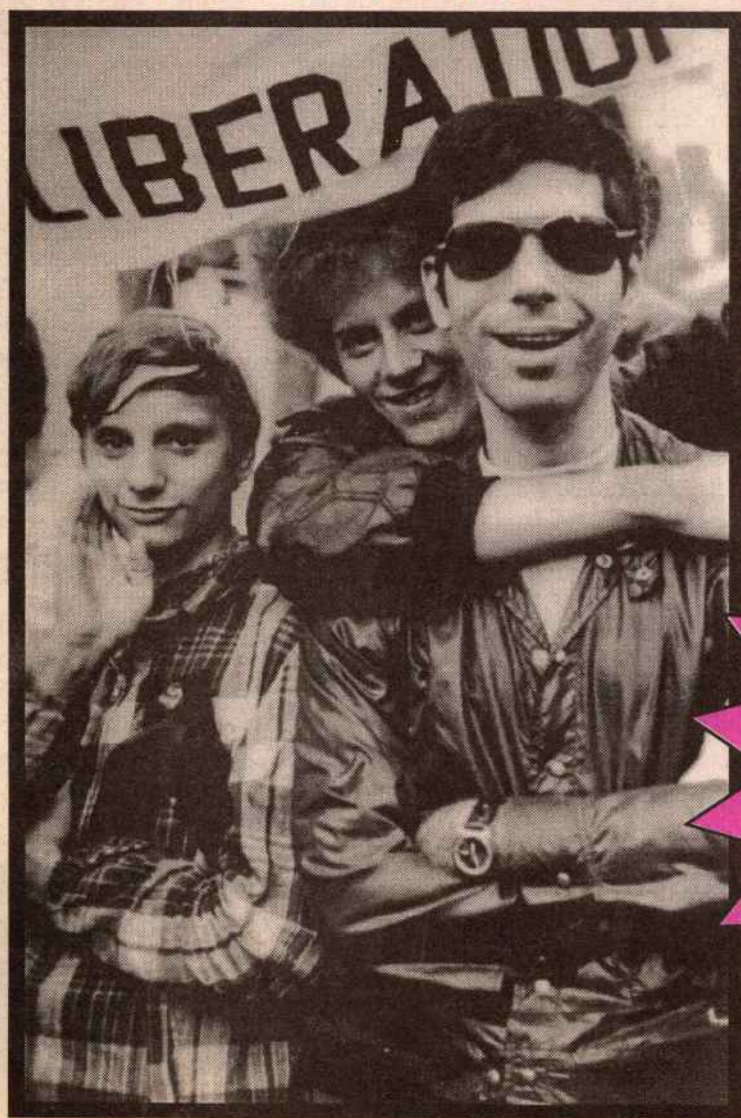
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News Feature

In Step Publisher Ron Geiman Sends Greetings & "Thanks" to Community

"I'm Still Alive and Kicking!"

Recently, there's been a lot of speculation about *In Step* Founder and Publisher Ron Geiman, who wants to assure members of the Gay and Lesbian community: "I'm still alive and kicking!"

Ron retired from his duties as Editor in July, after twelve years of constant deadlines and continual efforts to improve and expand Wisconsin's LesBiGay magazine.

The first issue of *In Step* appeared on February 9, 1984 and was 48 pages long in a 5 1/2 x 8 inch format. The *Guide* included just a few dozen listings, mostly of Gay bars in Wisconsin and bordering states. The press run was 5,000.

"It's real important for people with HIV to stay active...Go out and live life to the max!"

Today, *In Step* runs anywhere from 56-80 pages in the standard 8 1/2 x 11 inch format with more news, features, photos and events than any other queer publication in the state. The *Guide* now includes more than 400 listings of bars, businesses, political organizations, sports teams and religious groups, and the press run is 11,000-12,000.

"Wow, now that I've stepped back and think about how I did all that," Ron sighed, "no wonder I'm pooped."

As many people in the community know, Ron is also HIV-positive, and after many years of good health, the virus began taking its toll this Summer.

"REALLY LUCKY"

"I'm really lucky," says Ron. "I tested positive in 1987. I'm pretty sure I was exposed prior to 1985, so I guess I'm a long-term survivor. I really only developed symptoms in the last year and a half."

"I've been retired since July 7, and I've been in and out of the hospital five times since then with a variety of HIV-related complications, including kidney problems."

"I want to thank everyone for standing by me during the time I've been sick, and also thank the people who have known when to leave me alone so I could have time to recover."

Ron's roommate Kim has been "a big support" — running errands, cleaning

By Jamakaya



Ron Geiman accepting PrideFest '95 Lifetime Achievement Award. Photo by Jamie.

house and cooking meals. Ron has always loved eating out, so they continue to go to restaurants each week. He is supposed to stick to a certain diet but Ron has sometimes found that hard.

"I fell off the wagon last week because McDonald's had a special on double cheeseburgers," he confesses as he breaks into a hearty laugh.

And he's become something of a "soap queen," spending long afternoons watching the boob tube. He balances the trashy stuff, however, by also challenging his mind with *Jeopardy*.

Ron has only one regret.

"I feel bad for missing so many wonderful [community] events in September and October."

HOLDING COURT

The last big Gay event Ron attended was MAPfest at the Performing Arts Center on August 26. As luck would have it, that was also his 44th birthday. Because he had just been in the hospital, everyone was glad to see him and he was just as thrilled to mingle again with his many queer friends.

With characteristic good humor, Ron greeted his friends with the salutation: "I'm glad you could all come to my party!" At one point, reclining on a lounge and surrounded by well-wishers, someone commented that he looked like a queen holding court. "I am," he laughed.

"I want to thank everyone for standing by me..."

Upon his retirement, Ron appointed this reporter to be the new Editor and Annabelle Havlicek, a longtime supporter of the LesBiGay community, as Associate Publisher.

"I guess I hired you and Annabelle at just the right time, and I think you're doing an excellent job."

Ron has also overseen the incorporation of *In Step* into Gayman Enterprises. He explained that the name was a play on his own surname and was not meant to exclude Gay women. "I don't want the Lesbians to get pissed off at me," he said in mock terror. (If anything, Ron has worked to make the paper more Lesbian-friendly in the past few years.)

Ron has a message for people who are HIV-positive: "It's real important for people with HIV to stay active. I'm convinced it helped me stay healthy all these years. So don't go curling up and jumping into your grave because you get an HIV-positive test result. Go out and live life to the max!"

Friends can send cards and letters to Ron in care of the *In Step* office at 225 S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204. Phone messages can also be left at (414) 278-7840. The cards and messages will be relayed to him on a regular basis.



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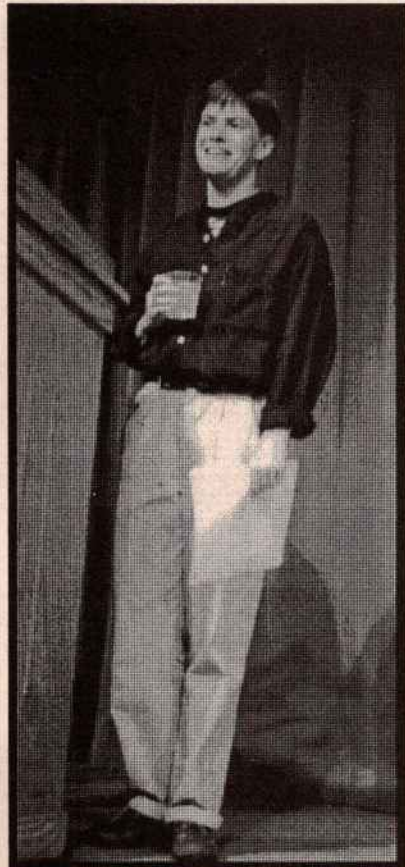
Candace Gingrich Gets Warm Welcome in Wisconsin

Madison — Candace Gingrich, the lesbian sister of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, received a warm welcome on her recent visits to Madison and Milwaukee, including a standing ovation on the floor of the State Assembly.

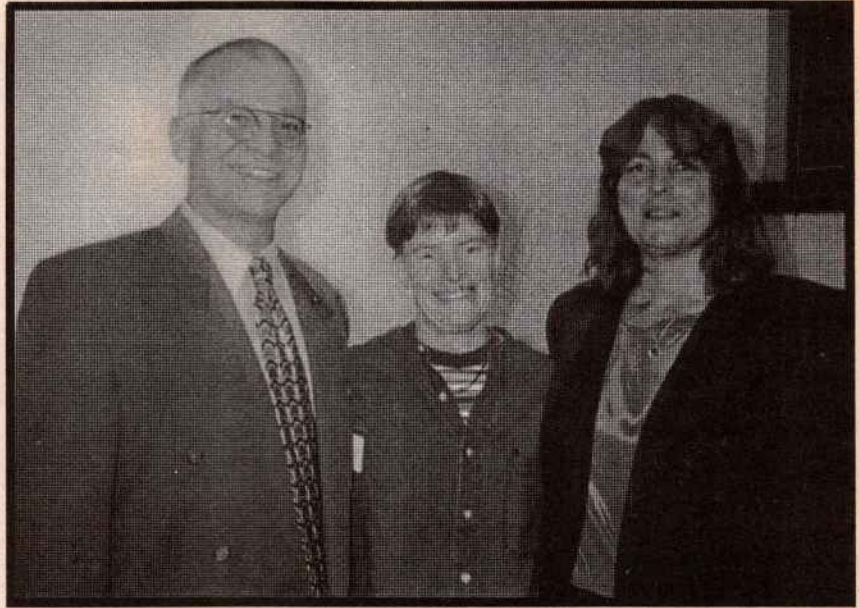
Gingrich was in the Gay Rights State October 3 and 4 as part of a 50-city tour sponsored by the National Coming Out Project, a program of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, in conjunction with National Coming Out Day (October 11) activities.

In Madison, she spoke to several hundred people in the auditorium of the State Historical Society and, as in Milwaukee, was interviewed by the mainstream print and broadcast media.

A high point came when openly lesbian State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) introduced Gingrich on the floor of the State Assembly chamber. (Legislators have the prerogative to introduce "distinguished" visitors.) Everyone present gave her a round of applause and a standing



Candace Gingrich. Photo by Jamakaya.



Human Rights League members Gary Hollander and Karen Gotzler flank Candace Gingrich during her appearance in Milwaukee October 4. Photo by Jamakaya.

ovation — Democrats and Republicans alike. A source told **In Step** the Democrats cheered her for being a Democrat and liberal activist while Republicans may have been paying their respects to her GOP brother.

In Milwaukee, she brought laughter to the crowd at Centennial Hall when she said she was glad to finally make it to Milwaukee because "I always wondered what the 'L' on Laverne's sweaters stood for."

In both cities, she urged Gays and Lesbians to come out of the closet and become active in the fight for their civil rights. She also encouraged the families and friends of LesBiGays to stand up for their loved ones' civil rights.

President Mugabe, Who Defamed Gays, in Milw. October 25

Milwaukee — President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, who recently stunned the world with viciously anti-Gay remarks, will be at the Ramada Airport Convention Center in Milwaukee October 25 to deliver the keynote speech at the Second International Workshop on Trade and Business Between Africa and the US. His speech is set for 7:30pm.

At presstime, it was unclear whether any local Gay and Lesbian or civil rights groups would mount a demonstration against Mugabe's visit. On the national

level, LesBiGay groups as far-flung as New York, Cincinnati and San Francisco said they planned to send representatives to protest Mugabe.

The apparent lack of local reaction may be due to the fact that major groups in Madison and Milwaukee have been preoccupied with National Coming Out Day events. Spokespersons for several groups said they thought the most effective protests could be lodged with state and local officials attending the conference, the idea being that they would convey their disapproval of his anti-Gay remarks to Mugabe himself. Another source told **In Step** he thought it would be inappropriate for the area's "white-dominated" LesBiGay groups to demonstrate against an African leader.

In August, the Zimbabwe government threatened to cut off support for the country's International Book Fair if a Gay group was allowed to participate. At the book fair's opening ceremonies, Mugabe referred to Gays as "sodomists and sexual perverts...who offend both against the law of nature and the moral and religious beliefs espoused by our society."

Mugabe called Gay groups "immoral and repulsive," and later referred to homosexuals as "lower than dogs and

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pigs." In response to a letter from 70 members of the US Congress, Mugabe declared: "Let the Americans keep their sodomy, bestiality, stupid and foolish ways to themselves."

Among the organizations sponsoring the Trade Conference are: the Milwaukee Metropolitan Association of Commerce; the University of Wisconsin; the Marquette University Center for International Studies; Milwaukee County; and the US-African Chamber of Commerce.

MAP Seeks Food and Gifts for Holiday Give-aways

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) will again this year distribute Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for clients in need, and Christmas gifts to children affected and infected with HIV disease. In order to make this program successful, MAP depends on donations from the community.

For specific information and to sign up to help, please call MAP's Holiday Line: (414) 225-1622. When you call, you will be asked which program you wish to support: Thanksgiving food baskets, Secret Santa Program, or Christmas food baskets. You will also be asked to give your name, address, and phone number. A MAP employee will call you to confirm your donation and give you more information.

THANKSGIVING/CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

After you volunteer to donate a food basket, you will be sent the family's menu wish list. You will be asked to purchase the items on the list, at a cost of about

State Rep. Tammy Baldwin and Sowa Unora seated beside In Step Editor Jamakaya at the Progressive Milwaukee Awards Dinner September 30. Jamakaya was presented with a community activist award. Photo by Jamie.



\$25.00, and return the items to MAP, 820 North Plankinton, Milwaukee. MAP employees will deliver the food to the client's home.

If you would like a small donor card placed in the basket you donate, please indicate that when you bring your basket to the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

In order to meet the needs of all clients in need, please sign up to sponsor a family **before Monday, October 30 for Thanksgiving baskets and before Monday, November 27 for Christmas baskets.**

SECRET SANTA PROGRAM

After you volunteer to donate a gift, you will be matched with a child affected or infected with HIV. You will receive a gift tag that lists the child's name and his/her three gift wishes. Donors are asked to purchase one gift, at a cost of less than \$25.00, and bring the gift to MAP, 820

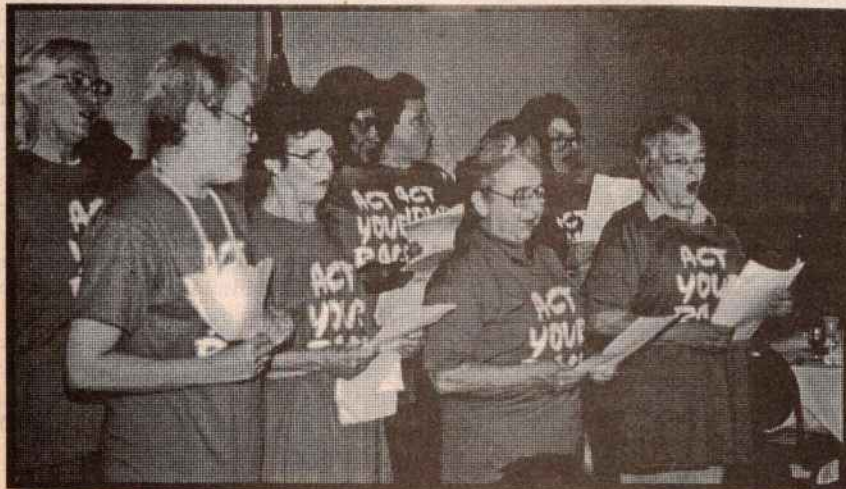
North Plankinton, Milwaukee. MAP employees will deliver the gifts to the children.

In order to be sure that all the children receive gifts, MAP asks that donors sign up to participate before Monday, November 27.

Last year, through the generous support of the community, 200 Thanksgiving baskets, 200 Christmas baskets and 260 gifts were distributed.

For more information, call the Milwaukee AIDS Project's Holiday Line at (414) 225-1622.

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The Raging Grannies sang songs with political bite at the Progressive Milwaukee Awards Dinner September 30. The t-shirts say "Act Your Rage." Photo by Jamie.



Urvashi Vaid will speak at NGLTF's Creating Change Conference. Photo by Karen Zimmerman.

NATIONAL News Briefs

\$1.7 Million Awarded in Same Gender Sex Harassment Suit

Miami, FL — A federal judge in Miami has ordered a company to pay \$1.7 million in back pay and lost future earnings to a former female employee who was sexually harassed on the job by her ex-lover, a woman who was also her supervisor.

Marta Blanch and Elba Llampallas lived together in an intimate relationship for ten years. They both worked as managers for Mini-Circuits Labs in Hialeah, though Blanch was a general manager. Shortly after the two women broke up, Llampallas was fired. She filed a civil rights lawsuit, claiming that Blanch had her fired for refusing to continue their sexual relationship.

US District Judge Clyde Atkins agreed with Llampallas' allegations, saying she was clearly subject to unwelcome sexual harassment by Blanch. Atkins also ruled, apparently for the first time by any federal judge, that as a Lesbian, Llampallas was a member of a group protected by the 1964 Civil Rights Act. He ordered the New York-based firm she

worked for to pay her the highest amount of damages ever awarded in a same gender sexual harassment case in federal court.

A spokesman for Mini-Circuits Labs said the ruling would be appealed to the US Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta. "We hope to persuade the 11th Circuit that the alleged sex harassment is not actionable under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act."

Leadership Forum Urges Black Gays to Participate in "Million Man March"

Los Angeles, CA — The National Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum has declined to formally endorse the "Million Man March" organized by Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and scheduled for the nation's capital October 16. But officials of the group are encouraging Black Gays and Lesbians to attend nonetheless. The march is intended as a show of black unity, particularly among black men.

"The Forum did not vote to endorse the march because we do not agree with

its sexist and patriarchal tone and the homophobic comments made by some march organizers," a statement released by the Leadership Forum's Board stated.

But, the Board continued, "Hundreds of Black Gay people participating openly in such an event will send a powerful message, one that will enable many black Gays to abandon their masks of invisibility and assume or maintain their rightful place as citizens, mentors and leaders of their communities."

"We're expecting anti-Gay rhetoric at the march," Board member Dr. Dennis Holmes told the *Washington Blade*. "But that shouldn't stop us. We want to communicate that this is wrong and that we have a role to play in black community affairs."

For more information about the black Gay community's involvement in the Million Man March, call the Leadership Forum's office at (213) 964-7820.

NGLTF's "Creating Change" Conference in Detroit November 8-12

Washington, DC — The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute will present its 8th annual *Creating Change* Conference at the Westin Hotel in the Renaissance Center in Detroit from November 8-12. It is the largest conference in the country that aims to teach political organizing skills to activists in the LesBiGay and Transgender communities.

Major speakers at this year's *Creating Change* include former NGLTF Director Urvashi Vaid, who has just published an assessment of the Gay and Lesbian movement called *Virtual Equality*; Wisconsin State Rep. Tammy Baldwin; former San Francisco Supervisor Harry Britt; and Dr. Elias Farajaje-Jones, an African and Native American writer and theologian.

The conference begins on November 8 and 9 with day-long institutes on *People of Color Organizing* and *Youth Organizing*. The conference will include workshops on fundraising, equal marriage rights, campaign skills, campus and workplace organizing, military policy, etc.

The early registration deadline, which qualifies participants for cheaper rates, is October 20. For registration information, call NGLTF at (202) 332-6483, ext. 3209.

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Washington Blade Crusades for Transgender Victim

Washington, DC — The *Washington Blade*, the weekly Gay paper serving the nation's capital, has filed a suit in District of Columbia Superior Court charging that the District's Fire Department has violated the Freedom of Information Act. The Department has refused to divulge the names of 16 EMTs who were present when a Transgender victim of a hit-and-run traffic accident was allegedly denied treatment.

Fire Department officials claim that after an internal investigation, they cannot identify which EMTs were at the accident scene August 7 when Tyrone "Tyra" Hunter, 24, was allegedly denied treatment. Witnesses report that one EMT said "This ain't no bitch" and laughed when he realized that Hunter was a man dressed as a woman. They say the EMTs delayed treating Hunter, who died at a hospital several hours later.

At a press conference after the incident, Hunter's mother said: "When someone is injured, you don't stop to check their gender or their sexual preference. You help them because you can help them, because they are human beings hurt — scared and in need...I want there to be a lesson in Ty's death — that everyone should be treated with fairness, dignity and, above all, with respect."

"To spend your last few minutes on earth being mocked for that most hurtful of things, your gender identity, is an absolute disgrace," Transgender Nation activist Jessica Xavier told the *Blade*. "The DC Fire Department should be ashamed of itself."

Tyrone Hunter, a hairdresser, also performed in drag shows under the name "Tyra." Friends say Hunter was well-liked and fully accepted in his neighborhood as a man who cross-dressed.

Shocking Gray Catalog Firm Files for Bankruptcy

San Antonio, TX — Shocking Gray, the mail-order company that sold clothes, books, jewelry and other items to the Gay and Lesbian community through a glossy catalog, has declared bankruptcy. Numerous vendors and patrons are angry with the company for its allegedly poor business practices and its failure to notify them of its imminent demise.

At least one individual in Wisconsin, veteran Gay activist Scott Gunkel, had filed a complaint with the State Office of Consumer Protection, claiming that Shocking Gray had cashed a check he sent them for merchandise but failed to send him the items.

Bankruptcy documents filed in Texas indicate that Shocking Gray had \$800,000 in debts to vendors plus additional overdue taxes. A year ago, an investment group took over management of the firm

and expanded by launching a second catalog operation. Critics say the company spread itself too thin.

A former employee of Shocking Gray said of the business: "It was a real big mess. We had vendors stop supplying us unless we paid cash. Creditors were hounding us and we just dug a big hole too deep to get out of."

Navratilova to Promote New "Rainbow Card"

New York, NY — The *New York Times* reports that tennis champ and out Lesbian Martina Navratilova is teaming up with Subaru, the Travelers Bank and Visa USA to promote a new credit card aimed at the Gay & Lesbian community.

Money from use of the "Rainbow Card" will go through a special Rainbow Card Foundation which, in turn, will channel funds to six major LesBiGay and AIDS groups: the AIDS Information Network; the Astrea National Lesbian Action Foundation; the Community Research Initiative on AIDS; the National Breast Cancer Coalition; the National Lesbian and Gay Health Association; and the National Center for Lesbian Rights.

Ads promoting the Rainbow Card and featuring Navratilova's photo and endorsement will appear throughout the Gay and Lesbian press (including *In Step*, beginning in this issue).

Designs Sought for Key West AIDS Memorial

Key West, FL — The Key West AIDS Memorial Planning Committee is seeking designs for an AIDS Memorial to be built in Key West, Florida. They hope to create a worldwide symbol of awareness and provide a place for loved ones to reflect and grieve over those lost to AIDS.

The memorial will be built within a 5,000 square foot area between two beaches and a pier extending out to sea, where it will be viewed by millions of visitors who flock to the tropical island.

The international design competition is open to all who wish to participate. The deadline is November 25, with winners being announced in February next year. The winning designer will receive \$3,000.

A guideline packet to the design competition is available by writing to: Key West AIDS Memorial Competition, 1113 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040. The request must be accompanied by a \$35 entrance fee. For further information, call Landmark Enterprises at (414) 276-6355.

Marriage Suit, Relationship Founders in D.C.

Washington, DC — The full District of Columbia Court of Appeals has refused to review a decision of a three-member panel which said denying a marriage license to a same gender couple was legally sound.

The couple who initiated the court action in 1990 after they were denied a marriage license are Craig Dean and Patrick Gill. They have decided not to appeal this latest decision to the US Supreme Court because in Dean's words, "We don't think we have a chance in hell there."

At the same time their appeal was rejected, Dean and Craig announced that their relationship ended last year. "We continued the lawsuit," Dean told the *Washington Blade*, "because we believed in what it was all about. The irony is we sued to be together and that act eventually caused the breakup."

Attorneys for Gay rights groups had discouraged Dean and Craig from filing their lawsuit for strategic reasons. Tom Stoddard, former Director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, told the *Blade*: "They chose the wrong place, the wrong time and the wrong manner to push the issue. Even if they had won their lawsuit, the result would almost certainly have been overturned by Congress."

Also on the Newswire...

New York, NY — The Unabomber, who has sent letter bombs that have killed three people and injured others, has included Gays in his denunciation of "modern leftism." In the lengthy statement he wrote published by the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times*, he defined leftists as "mainly socialists, collectivists, 'politically correct types,' feminist, Gay and disability activists, animal rights activists and the like." He denounced as "common catch-phrases of the left" the words "sexism," "racism" and "homophobia."

Washington, DC — A Subcommittee of the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee has again postponed hearings into allegations of Gay influence and "recruitment" in the schools. The hearings were prompted by leading homophobe Rev. Lou Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition. Gay activists see the hearings as an anti-Gay propaganda ploy which could degenerate into a witch hunt, and have lobbied to have them canceled.

Washington, DC — Former Oregon Gov. Barbara Roberts (D), who worked valiantly with Oregon's Gay and Lesbian community to defeat the anti-Gay Measure 9 in 1992, has joined the Board of Directors of the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "I am looking forward to participating in the leadership of HRCF," Roberts said. "We must enlist the support of more and more non-Gay citizens to ensure that all Americans without exception may live free from discrimination."

Carrboro, NC — Mike Nelson, the only openly Gay elected official in Jesse Helms' home state of North Carolina, hopes to be the first openly Gay mayor there. Nelson was elected in 1993 as an Alderman in Carrboro, a suburb of Raleigh. Nelson will be facing two challengers in the mayoral election next month.

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Group Notes

Action Wisconsin Speaker in Eau Claire October 15

Eau Claire — The October 15 meeting of the Northwest Wisconsin Pride Council (NWPC) will feature a speaker from Action Wisconsin, the statewide grass-roots political organization for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender equality. Michael Martinez will lead a discussion of the activities and opportunities for participants in Action Wisconsin.

The meeting will be held at 6:00pm at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Church in Eau Claire, at 421 South Farwell Street.

"With our equality challenged every day by politically active extremists, we need the support of all members of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community as we work to promote our rights from Madison to Superior to Washington DC," said Action Wisconsin President Juliet Brodie.

The mission of NWPC is to provide people of diverse lifestyles in western Wisconsin with a safe place to find support, fellowship, encouragement, and a sense of community. For additional information on NWPC, contact the Northwest Wisconsin AIDS project at (715) 836-7710. To learn more or get involved in Action Wisconsin, call (608) 231-1099.

Father/Gay Son Relationships Topic of Discussion Group

Milwaukee — *The Coming Out Journey: A Dialogue with Fathers* will be the October topic of the Gay Men's Discussion Group at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 North Bartlett, Sunday, October 22 from 6-8pm.

How do fathers first react to their son's disclosure? How has this disclosure affected relationships between fathers and sons? Are there suggestions or "techniques" that might help make the coming out process less stressful on their relationships?

Gay men are invited to join a group of fathers of Gay children as they relate their stories and experiences in the coming out process. Conversation will offer an opportunity to investigate the unique father/Gay son relationship.

The Gay Men's Discussion Group is designed to be a safe and supportive place to share the diversity of experiences as Gay men. Preregistration is not required, and the cost is a \$3 donation. For more information call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

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LesBiGay Book Discussion Group in Racine County

Racine — A new book discussion group will review literature positive and affirming to Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual life. Co-facilitated by Brent Nance and Christine Pasinski, the group will meet on alternate Wednesdays beginning October 25, from 7:00-8:30pm at the Racine Public Library, downtown.

The first book to be discussed, *Stranger at the Gate* by Rev. Dr. Mel White, is an account of the author's more than 30 year journey to come to terms with his homosexual orientation. Dr. White is a former ghost writer for Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson and other well known public figures. He shares a personal and heart-warming story of the many challenges Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals encounter in the process of accepting their orientation.

The group is open to all who wish to grow in their understanding and acceptance of Gay and Lesbian people. Call (414) 681-5480 to register. The fee to attend will be a donation to offset the cost of room rental. Participants are asked to purchase the book on their own.

ARCW and MAP to Hold Community Forums

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) and Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) invite members of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community to share their opinions about the HIV care, prevention, research and advocacy programs offered by the two organizations.

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The forums will be held Wednesday, November 1 from 6:30-8:30pm at the M&M Club, 124 North Water Street; and Thursday, November 2 from 6:30-8:30pm at ARCW, 820 North Plankinton Avenue. Snacks and beverages will be served.

"We have had what we consider to be a very successful first ten years. Now, as we shape our future, we want to hear what people have in mind for MAP and ARCW," said Neil Albrecht, Deputy Director of Programs. "We encourage people to come to the forum and bring their ideas, questions, suggestions and concerns."

For more information, call Andy Bagnall, Manager/Gay Outreach, at (414) 225-1502.

Gay/Lesbian Entertainers Rally to Support the Grinkeys

Appleton — The "Angel Tour," three benefit shows by Wisconsin's top Gay and Lesbian entertainers, will kick off at the Pivot Club in Appleton, October 18, to benefit Georgie and Annie Grinke's "Help Adopt Angel" legal fund. The show will then travel to ZA's in Green Bay on Saturday, October 21 and Just Us in Milwaukee on October 22.

Among the celebrities scheduled to appear on the tour are Vickee, Ms. Gay Wisconsin USofA; Loretta LaMour, 1995-96 Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA; Sage LaRue, Miss Gay Great Lakes USofA At-Large; and a host of other title-holding female impersonators, comedians, singers and other acts. The show will be hosted by veteran entertainer Gloria Holloway, with assistance from a variety of guest hosts.

Although a court order prevents the Grinkeys from discussing the final outcome of the case and any of its particulars, Anne Grinke is now the adoptive parent of the nine-year-old daughter of biological parent Georgie Grinke. The Grinkeys' legal bill currently stands at \$12,600.

The tour is being organized by Green Bay activist Mike Fitzpatrick. Showtime each night will be 10:30pm. Performers may be tipped with cash or checks made out to the "Adopt Angel Fund." All proceeds will benefit the legal fund.

The United Seeks Phone, Speakers Bureau Volunteers

Madison — The United, Madison's Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Center, is seeking volunteers to join the Speaker's Bureau and to staff the phone lines. Training for the phone line position began October 9; Speaker's Bureau training is October 19. Call Monica, Melissa, or Sande at (608) 255-8582 for more information.



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Milwaukee Events to Stop the Violence and Break the Silence

Milwaukee — October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and two upcoming events will focus on stopping violence against women and families.

A *Take Back the Night* march and rally on Thursday, October 19 will feature a gathering and clothesline project at 5pm and welcoming address at 5:30, with the march beginning at 5:45, rain or shine, at North Point Park (North Avenue at Lake Drive.)

The post-march rally will feature a survivor speak-out, a candlelight vigil, and speakers including County Supervisor Dorothy Dean, State Senator Gwen Moore, State Representative Sheldon Wasserman, and Claudette McShane. The march is sponsored by a coalition of local organizations. For more information call (414) 229-2852.

Voices Breaking the Silence, an auction, dinner and dance on Friday, October 27, will benefit the Milwaukee Women's Center, Inc. The event takes place at the Pfister Hotel Grand Ballroom, 424 East Wisconsin Avenue, with special room rates offered for out-of-town guests.

The reception/silent auction opens at 6:00pm, with entertainment by Pangaea. Dinner begins at 7:30, with music by The Clayton Frounfelder Jazz Quintet. A voice auction and spotlight auction are at 9:00, with dancing to follow to the music of the Dredbeat.

The Milwaukee Women's Center is a multi-faceted social service agency, offering specialized services empowering women, their children and men to break the cycle of family violence, substance abuse and poverty. For more information, call (414) 272-6199.

Panel in Green Bay to Discuss Being Married and Gay

Green Bay — "Married and Gay" will be the subject of a panel discussion of men and women who are coping with those dual identities at the October 16 general membership meeting of Positive Voice. The nine-member panel will share their experiences and discuss the numerous issues which confront people who live what some call a "double life."

The meeting will be held at 6:30pm in the lower level meeting rooms of the Brown County Central Library in downtown Green Bay. Refreshments will be served, and all Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered and other supportive people are welcome to attend. Call (414) 499-5533 for more information.

Oberons Host Fundraisers for Kids with AIDS

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee leather club The Oberons announces its fifth annual Christmas Club for Children with AIDS fundraising effort. The kick-off event is a "Naughty Nightmares" club night on Saturday, October 21 at the Wreck Room, featuring a \$5.00 beer bust and raffles.

Additional club nights include "Gobble, Gobble, Gobble THIS Up!" on Saturday, November 18, and "Saint Nick's Second Cumming" on Saturday, December 9. Castaways MC will host a beer bust during their anniversary run the weekend of November 10-12, and donation jars will be placed at a number of Milwaukee bars and business.

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The money raised each year provides Christmas presents for children affected by AIDS through the Milwaukee AIDS Project's annual holiday party. Any additional funds raised have been used to provide furniture for the child care area at the new MAP building, and in other ways to benefit children affected by HIV disease.

Sheboygan Church Hosts Reconciling Worship Service

Sheboygan — Wesley United Methodist Church, 823 Union Avenue in Sheboygan, will hold a special Reconciling Worship during their regular worship hour on Sunday, October 29, at 9:00am.

Wesley UMC has been a Reconciling Congregation since May of 1990, and celebrates annual services particularly focused on their ministry for and with Gay and Lesbian persons. Pastor Terry S. Underberg, a Gay clergy who recently assumed the full time position with the church, will lead the worship with the theme "Bound for the Promised Land."

This Worship of Reconciliation is an invitation for all persons, regardless of religious affiliation or sexual orientation, to join an affirmation of self-worth, overcoming the sense of rejection and alienation often projected by the religious right. All are welcome. For further information, call (414) 458-4889.

Coming Out Service at Cross Lutheran Church

Milwaukee — "A Rainbow of Love for Everyone" will be the theme of the Coming Out Sunday service on October 15, 9:30am, at Cross Lutheran Church, 3785 North Eleventh Street in Milwaukee. Adult Bible Class and dialog on "Witnessing to/with the Gay/Lesbian Community" will follow at 11:00.

The purpose of the service is to affirm the gifts and the witness of Gay and Lesbian Christians, and to nurture straight and non-straight believers in an understanding, welcoming acceptance of each other.

The service will include a testimony by members of the Gay and Lesbian community, sharing their story of struggle and witness in the Church and in the larger community. It will also feature special music, litanies and prayers led by straight and non-straight members of Cross.

Cross Church became a "Reconciled in Christ" congregation in 1990, going on record as welcoming Gay and Lesbian believers. For more information, call Pastor Joseph W. Ellwanger at (414) 344-1746.

Lesbian Killers Topic of Lecture at Historical Society

Madison — Author Lisa Duggan will speak on *Sapphic Slashers: Love, Murder and Lesbian Desire in the US, 1880-1920* on Friday October 27 at 5pm in the State Historical Society Auditorium. This presentation examines the earliest accounts of Lesbian killers at the turn of the century and analyzes their relation to newly emerging categories of sexual identity, and to the bitter contests over the meaning of love between women during the past century.

Duggan is Assistant Professor of American Studies and History at New York University, where she teaches the history of gender and sexuality, and Lesbian and Gay studies. She is co-author with Nan D. Hunter of *Sex Wars: Sexual Dissent and Political Culture*, and author of the forthcoming *Sapphic Slashers: Love, Murder and Lesbian Desire, 1880-1920*. She is currently working on a book-length study of Senator Jesse Helms' career.

Duggan's campus visit, which will also include a Friday

noon workshop, is co-sponsored by the Ten Percent Society, the Department of History, and the UW-Madison Gay/Lesbian/Bi Alumni Council with funding from the University Lectures Committee. For information call (608) 262-5895.

SAGE/Milwaukee Plans October Events

Milwaukee — On Tuesday, October 17 at 6:30pm, Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE)/Milwaukee will present the acclaimed documentary *Word is Out* at the Eastside Library, 1910 East North Avenue. The film features interviews with 26 out front Gay men and Lesbians ranging in age from 18 to 82, discussing what being Gay means to people from all walks of life.

On Sunday, October 15 the *Light on Milwaukee* show will rebroadcast an interview with Arlene Kochman, Executive Director of SAGE/New York, that was done last fall. The show, hosted by Joanne Beauchamp, will air at 6am on Light 97, WLTQ FM 97.3 and at 6:30am on WISN AM 1130 AM.

If possible, Beauchamp will also interview Kochman during her upcoming visit to Milwaukee to conduct the workshop *Providing Access to Services for Gay and Lesbian Older Adults: Historical Issues, Current Concerns* on October 27. For information on the workshop call Theresa Bellone at UWM, (414) 227-3310. The broadcast time for any updated interview will be announced on the above two shows.

Gay Northwestern Alumni Invited to Homecoming Event Oct. 20

Chicago, IL — The Gay and Lesbian University Union of Northwestern University is inviting all Northwestern alumni who are Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual to attend a special Homecoming event at the Ann Sather Restaurant, 929 West Belmont in Chicago on Friday, October 20 at 9:30pm. Many Northwestern alumni live and work in Wisconsin.

The all-university reception will mark the first recognition by Northwestern University of its Gay and Lesbian alumni.

It's an exciting time at the university right now. Northwestern's Board of trustees is expected to vote next month on domestic partnership benefits, and the administration is developing a mentoring program for Gay and Lesbian students.

For more information, call Samantha Westcott at (708) 491-4693.

Adult Children of Gays, Lesbians Sought for Study

Minneapolis, MN — Adult children of Gays and Lesbians are being sought by Dr. Linda E. Jones, an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, for a study called *Retrospective Views of Growing Up in a Lesbian or Gay Family*.

The purpose of the project is to contribute to the growing literature about Lesbian mothers, Gay fathers and their children. Most current research covers the experiences of young children. This one will focus on the feelings of *now adult* children of Gays and Lesbians.

Volunteers will be asked to participate in a 90-minute audio-taped interview. All information will remain confidential and will be reported in such a way that individuals cannot be identified.

Dr. Jones has spoken about Lesbian and Gay families at professional conferences. She also teaches a course on social work practices with Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals.

Contact Dr. Jones at (800) 779-8636, or send E-Mail: jones002@maroon.tc.umn.edu.

Send group notes to: In Step Magazine, 225 S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204. Attn: Group Notes.

Letters

10% Magazine Lacking Customer Service

To the Editor:

It's disappointing to read about a Gay business that fails, such as the recent demise of Shocking Gray [see National News Briefs]. Gay businesses should receive all the support that our diverse community can give them. However, I'd like to address a Gay business whose practices are questionable.

In support of Gay media, I ordered a subscription to 10 Percent magazine two

years ago. I received three or four issues, and then my subscription stopped coming. My partner received a free copy of an issue I already had, but I never got another. When I wrote to the company, requesting a refund, because I felt they have faulty business practices, I was sent a card from someone named Pam Lewis,

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Profiles

Cream City Chorus Elects New President

Milwaukee — At a special meeting on September 27, the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Ltd. elected Matt Pamperin to fill the vacancy left when previous president Scott Sowles resigned in early September.

Since joining the organization a little over a year ago, Pamperin has assumed the chairmanship of the Finance Committee and of the newly formed Marketing Committee. Following his assumption of the Presidency, he will be focusing on his new duties and the Marketing Committee.

"For too long, the WCCC has been 'One of Milwaukee's best kept secrets,'" Pamperin commented. "It's my intention to help this grass roots organization maintain a vision for growth. It is essential in today's economy that a not-for-profit organization continue to be recognized as stable, through being committed to the development of financial and organizational growth."

"The chorus is in the process of transition into something bigger and better than it has ever been," said Pamperin. "This will be best achieved through the expansion of our Board of Directors to include both corporate and member delegates. I believe that once we install corporate guidance and representation, this grass roots chorus will obtain a level of solidarity that will enable it to be one of the best Fine Arts groups in the city."

The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus rehearses at the First Unitarian Society at 1342 North Astor, Milwaukee, every Wednesday evening from 7-10pm. Anyone interested in joining is invited to attend, or call (414) 344-9222.

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requesting a copy of my canceled check. I sent this back to her, but I have yet to receive a refund. When I mail reminder letters, I am always told my letter will receive "immediate attention," which I've been waiting for almost two years.

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Minneapolis

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The Great American Smelting Pot

By Marvin Liebman & Anthony Young

This past August, the authors were the featured guests at a faculty seminar at San Diego City College in California called "Celebration of Voices." The ongoing multicultural seminar assembles speakers from different backgrounds before faculty members to engender a better understanding of diversity and to foster more effective and creative education. We were the gay "Voices," following a Native American poet in July and preceding a Japanese-American WWII internee. The seminar is duplicated, in one way or the other, on hundreds of campuses across the nation, and all with the very best intentions. Our hosts were charming and hospitable. The questions and discussions were intelligent and to the point. The seminar could be considered a great success in furthering the faculty's understanding and toleration of Gay men and Lesbians which they can pass on to their students.

But was it really successful?

The concept of the great American melting pot has sustained American culture for nearly three centuries, and it has shaped and organized our society, our values and perceptions. But the "melting pot" myth is just that. A more apt description would be the "Great American Smelting Pot" where cultural diversity and identity is subsumed and purified into a far-removed Puritanical image of the 17th Century – the consummate white, Anglo-Saxon, Protestant male who, with his dutiful wife, would proliferate and build the perfect nation. To be successful, to be part of the mainstream, American requires its citizens to typify or be as similar to the mold as possible. Our culture, in reality, requires total assimilation rather than an accommodation of the many different values and identities that make up our country.

According to Dr. Gary Weaver, Professor of intercultural communications at the American University in Washington, DC, "We would have to search diligently to find evidence of Chinese, Latin, Middle Eastern, Indian-American, African, or of Eastern or Southern European ethnic patterns of behavior and thought being absorbed into the American culture."

A FAULTY SYSTEM?

While Congressional measures, such as affirmative action and other mandates, have sought to level the playing field through opportunities for minorities over the years, they have been impotent in resolving the real problems of America's

diverse culture of minorities. These measures simply attempt to give a larger share of the culturally imperialistic system, created by the dominant WASP culture, to minorities whose potential success lies only in conformity and in assimilation.

Too many people still believe that government can solve racism, inequity, sexism, homophobia and intolerance. Is it possible that the system by which we live is faulty? Perhaps we should stop crafting policy that still pays homage to the great American melting pot theory and simply accept people who are different, who don't fit into the mold, and don't necessarily want to fit.

Government policies are generally designed to give the people greater access to the "American Dream." But this, in effect, mandates tolerance of specially selected and designated "minorities." Much more than tolerance is required if we are to progress as a nation in the new world society and economy of the 21st century. We must learn, teach, and practice *acceptance*. But, far too many Americans still subscribe to the old thinking that "tolerance" is sufficient. How, then, can we remedy the cultural divide in America without more ill-conceived, albeit well-meaning, government programs?

It won't be easy! The answer lies with the faculty and students of San Diego City College and the millions of other students and faculty members across the nation. Rogers and Hammerstein wrote in one of their timeless lyrics "You have to be taught to hate." By the same token, people can be taught to accept differences. It is not necessary to embrace difference, but it is vital to *accept* it. Seminars and lectures and discussions and classes – beginning early in the education process are what's needed.

ACCEPTANCE

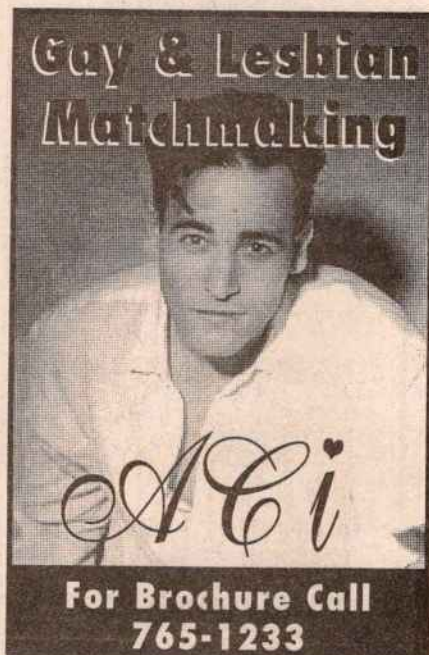
We as a nation must endeavor to teach *acceptance* of different cultures, lifestyles, religions, and ethnic groups that are part of the rich fabric of American life. Without learning and practicing acceptance, America will be left behind as the new millennium begins. Americans will become the faceless, soulless, and inhuman creatures of the ultimate meltdown: the consummate white Christian male, his comparable mate and children, all rosy-cheeked and steeped in family values, staring blindly into – nothing.

Teachers, take heed of your overwhelming responsibility to the children, to the young men and women of our country. First, learn to acceptance difference yourselves, and then learn to teach

such acceptance to your students. Make no mistake! Such teaching will face strong opposition from those full of hate in our society, from those unable to accept anything but their own mirror image. You must prevail against them for the future of our country. Over the centuries, teachers and students have helped to shape and change the world. This is the time once again.

Dr. Betty Berzon, author of the best-selling *Permanent Partners*, and one of the great Lesbian activists and psychotherapists of our day, writes in her still-to-be published biography:

"We live in a world that rewards sameness because in sameness there is safety. Differentness is feared, and too often punished. We are, therefore, inclined to hide, when we can, the parts of ourselves that others might find displeasing or threatening, the parts we believe will stigmatize us. But hiding parts of ourselves diminishes us. We do not appear as authentic. We are fragmented, weakened, always vulnerable to discovery. Only when we come out of hiding do we gain the strength to challenge others' false superiority over us. Only when we experience ourselves as integrated and unafraid can we become people whose lives are meaningful and potent, people make a difference."



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National Academy of Sciences Endorses Needle Exchanges

Washington DC — A National Academy of Sciences (NAS) panel has paved the way for the lifting of a ban on federal funding for needle exchange programs. Exhaustive review of research on such programs indicates that "the on-ly use of sterile needles and syringes remains the safest, most effective approach for limiting HIV transmission" among injection drug users, according to the report issued last month.

Since 1988, Congress has prohibited the use of federal funds to support needle exchange programs. Legislation passed in 1992 called for the NAS study, and indicated that the Surgeon General could reverse the policy if the study found that needle exchange and bleach distributions were effective in reducing the spread of HIV.

Panel chairman Dr. Lincoln E. Moses told the *New York Times* that while the report indicated that the funding ban should be lifted, it did not call for a national, mandated needle exchange program. "There are communities where there is strong opposition," Dr. Moses said, "and the Federal Government should not force such programs on these communities. We're just asking that existing restraints be removed so people can make their own decisions." He also noted that the need for such programs may vary greatly from community to community.

The report raises hopes that AIDS organizations may finally gain access to federal funding for their needle exchange programs. In addition, the findings may facilitate obtaining state and local funding. Madison City Council member Mike Verveer told *In Step* that he expects the

report will aid in the approval of a \$10,000 allocation in the City Health Department budget to initiate a clean needle exchange program. The Milwaukee AIDS Project has operated its LifePoint needle exchange program for almost two years.

The NAS report also dispels certain myths that have surrounded needle exchange. "There is no credible evidence to date that drug use is increased among participants as a result of programs that provide legal access to sterile equipment," it states. These programs also bring users into more frequent contact with health care services where they have access to safe-sex information and drug rehabilitation programs.

Research also suggests that it is not lack of information about health risks or any kind of "bonding ritual" which leads drug users to share needles. Laws against carrying drug paraphernalia such as syringes create an artificial scarcity on the streets, leading users to share needles out of desperation.

ARCW Releases Updated Statistics on AIDS/HIV

Milwaukee — In conjunction with last month's AIDS Walk Wisconsin, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) issued a fact sheet of updated figures on AIDS and HIV disease.

Out of 2,932 cases of AIDS in Wisconsin since 1982, more than 1,700 people, or 58%, have died from AIDS. In 1984, 22 new cases of AIDS were reported in Wisconsin; in 1994, 352 cases were reported, almost one per day. Seventy-two percent of cumulative AIDS deaths reported in Wisconsin occurred between 1992-94.

As of January 1995, 3,101 people in Milwaukee and Dane Counties have been infected with HIV. This is approximately 60% of the state's HIV cases. Other counties with large numbers of people who've been infected with HIV include Brown (141 reported cases), Racine (129), Kenosha (129), Waukesha (99), Rock (99), La Crosse (82), Winnebago (82), Dodge (74) and Eau Claire (51). The balance of those who have been diagnosed with HIV (810) live in other counties of Wisconsin.

As of August 1995, more than 441,500 US residents had been diagnosed with AIDS, of whom 270,870 have died in the last 13 years.

AIDS is the leading cause of death among men aged 25-44 in the United States.

While men represent 86% of AIDS cases reported among adults and adoles-

cents, the proportion of cases among women has increased steadily during the past decade. Females represent 14% of adult and adolescent cases compared to 6% in 1982.

According to the **National Underwriter: Life & Health/Financial Service Edition**, AIDS may grip 4.4% of the adult US population by the year 2020, and the annual death toll from AIDS could exceed one million people per year, or 25% of all US deaths.

The World Health Organization (WHO) reported that as of late 1994, 18 million adults and 1.5 million children had been infected with HIV. If present trends continue, WHO expects approximately 30 to 40 million people will be infected with HIV by the year 2000.

According to WHO Global Programme on AIDS (GPA) estimates, approximately 2.5 million people worldwide were infected in 1994 with HIV. WHO estimates that more than 4.5 million AIDS cases have occurred worldwide since the beginning of the pandemic.

Free Poster on Vision Disorders & AIDS Available

New York, NY — A colorful new poster and brochure illuminating and describing vision disorders that often accompany the AIDS virus are now available.

The four-color poster, which measures 24 x 36 inches, graphically illustrates the human eye in cross-section. Each of nine potential vision disorders is located with respect to the part of the eye that it affects. The poster warns that up to 80% of persons diagnosed as HIV-positive or who have AIDS will have an ocular problem.

The four-page brochure that accompanies the poster uses the same four-color illustration on its cover. Pages two and three give a brief description of each of the nine vision disorders displayed on the poster: CMV retinitis, ocular hemorrhages, cotton wool spots, Kaposi's sarcoma, keratitis, conjunctivitis, ocular toxoplasmosis, lymphoma, and herpes zoster.

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By Attorney Arlene Zarembka

Winning The Elusive Marriage License

What should Gay and Lesbian communities on the mainland do about marriage while the Hawaiian case is pending?

The Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, together with some other national Gay organizations, advocates an "educate, don't instigate" strategy. Under this strategy, Gay and Lesbian couples should neither apply for marriage licenses nor should they file lawsuits challenging denials of licenses. They should wait for a favorable decision in Hawaii, and, in the meantime, educate the public and politicians about the marriage issue to prevent state legislatures from passing anti-Gay marriage laws.

This strategy reflects two concerns if a couple is given a marriage license from a friendly town hall: 1) Another court precedent limiting marriage to opposite-sex couples could get on the books, either because the state will refuse to recognize the license granted by the town and the couple will file suit, or because the state will file suit to overturn the town's decision. 2) State legislatures will respond by explicitly prohibiting marriage licenses from being issued to same-sex couples. In short, the "educate, don't instigate" strategy is based on the fear that granting marriage licenses to Gay couples will precipitate a legal and political backlash across the country.

The problem is: there already is a strong anti-Gay backlash sweeping from coast to coast and to the halls of Congress. While the campaigns for passage of anti-Gay initiatives and laws prohibiting discussion of homosexuality in public schools have been the most virulent parts of this backlash, the marriage rights backlash has already begun. Utah has passed legislation barring recognition of same-sex marriages. Other states have considered similar legislation.

REFRESHING LEGAL BREEZE

While it makes sense not to initiate lawsuits in most states, we cannot rule out the possibility that in some states, a legal challenge to the marriage laws may be successful. Before the 1993 Hawaii Supreme Court decision I thought that a legal challenge on the marriage issue was a waste of time. I was wrong. There's been a refreshing breeze clearing the anti-Gay pollution in some judges' minds, not only on marriage, but in issues such as the military ban and second-parent adoptions.

Even in states where courts are likely to be hostile to same-sex marriages, a

strategy of seeking marriage licenses from friendly city halls should not be ruled out. If Ithaca, New York were to issue a marriage license to Toshav Greene Storrs and Philip Storrs, for example, the media attention surrounding that event would kick off a nationwide debate over Gay marriages. Nationwide TV and newspaper stories, not to mention media interviews of Toshav and Philip or of other couples who wish to marry, would likely ensue. The PR value of having the entire city council and mayor of Ithaca support the right of Gay men and Lesbians to marry cannot be underestimated. In a very brief period, the educational work that everyone supporting marriage rights agrees needs to be done would start happening all over the country.

Agitation and instigation have been part and parcel of all movements for social change, and should be part of this movement as well.

Of course there will be anti-Gay responses. That is an inevitable part of the debate on equal rights for Gay men and Lesbians, whether that debate is about marriage, civil rights protections, sodomy, custody, or adoption. We cannot expect to engage in a process of educating the public as to why same-sex couples ought to have the right to marry without homophobic attacks. Moreover, even if we lose the marriage debate in some states, we are likely, through the process, to gain more public support for less controversial issues — for example, banning employment or housing discrimination, and perhaps even for repealing sodomy laws.

Moreover, there is no assurance that a Hawaiian victory (assuming we are victorious in Hawaii) will, on a concrete level, mean nearly as much for mainland Gay and Lesbian couples as it will for Hawaiian couples. There are three barriers to implementing a Hawaiian victory on the mainland: money, the law, and politics.

CONTINUING BARRIERS

It's not cheap to go to Hawaii. Not all mainland Lesbian and Gay couples wishing to marry in Hawaii would have the financial resources to do so.

Even if a mainland couple were able to marry in Hawaii, this would not mean necessarily that their home state (or the federal government) would grant them all

the same benefits accorded heterosexual married couples. Although, normally, states recognize marriages granted in other states as valid, at least some agencies on the mainland are likely to refuse to give recognition to a Hawaiian marriage certificate held by a same-sex couple. Litigation to require recognition of the Hawaiian marriage may or may not be successful. Judges might conclude that their state's public policy forbids same-sex marriage, and therefore, that out-of-state same-sex marriages should not be recognized. Or, judges might be willing to recognize such marriages only in limited ways, for example for purposes of inheritance, but not for purposes of filing joint tax returns.

For those unable to go to Hawaii to get married, litigation or legislation to be able to marry in their own state still will be necessary. While it certainly will be helpful to have a victory in Hawaii when seeking to achieve equal marriage rights in the other 49 states, the battle for marriage rights will have to be fought in each state. We can start that battle now, or we can wait two years, but a battle it will be nonetheless.

Agitation and instigation have been part and parcel of all movements for social change, and should be part of this movement as well. There is no one "best" strategy to achieving marriage rights for Gay and Lesbian couples. Education, litigation, and agitation all have a role to play.

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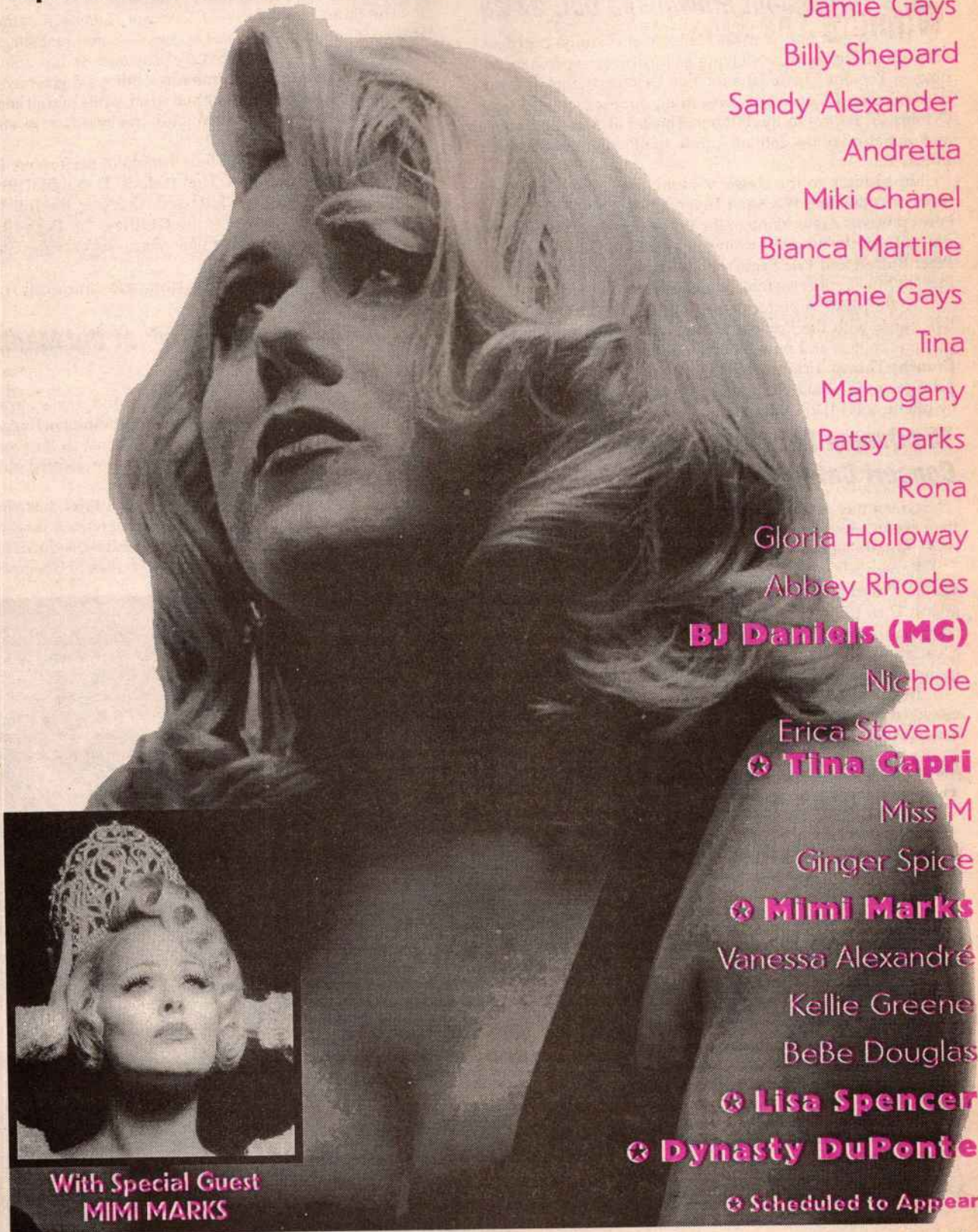
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In addition to the classic vampire film *Nosferatu* and the quasi-documentary *Witchcraft Through The Ages*, this Halloween event presents a reworking of the 1932 cult classic *Freaks*, with a musical score by internationally recognized and local composers Peter Buffett and Eric Segnitz collaborating with violinist and Present Music core ensemble member, John Tanner.

At the MECCA performance, the night of dead movies and live music with the Present Music Ensemble also includes a costume contest and post-concert entertainment by Little Blue Crunchy Things. Tickets are \$15 - Premium Seating; \$12 - General Admission; \$8 - Students and Children. They can be purchased by phone at (414) 271-0711.

The Queers Set Punk Gig at Green Bay's Concert Cafe

Green Bay - At last, The Queers arrive in Wisconsin with their classic mixture of pop and punk rock for an all ages show on Saturday, October 21, at The Concert Cafe, 1116 Main.

Known as America's longest-lived punk bands, The Queers feature a hard hitting traditional three chord punk rock guitar attack. Their music is heavily overlaid with melodic vocals and choruses that reveal singer-guitarist Joe King's fascination with a variety of influences ranging from 50's doo-wop, 60's girl groups, the Beach Boys, and above all, the Ramones.

Tickets are \$5 for the 7:30pm show at the Concert Cafe's mixed crowd/alternative setting, and includes several opening bands. For more information, call (414) 435-7742.

Leslea Newman and Poets to Read at Room of One's Own

Madison - A Room of One's Own Feminist Bookstore in Madison will present author and editor, Leslea Newman, on Friday, October 20 at 6:30pm.

Newman, who will read from *The Femme Mystique*, a collection of essays that looks at the world of the femme identity within the Lesbian community, has 20 books to her credit. One of her most popular books, *Heather Has Two Mommies*, is also one of the most banned books in the country.

On Friday, October 27 at 6:30pm, local poets Rhonda Lee, Andrea Potos, Gay Davidson-Zielske, and Jennifer Jones celebrate the seasons of Autumn and change.

Both events are free and open to the public. For further information, call (608) 257-7888. A Room of One's Own is located at 317 W. Johnson Street.

Theatre X Presents "70 Scenes of Halloween"

Milwaukee — From now through October 29, the Theatre X Company, as part of its annual Women's Series, will perform

the Jeffrey Jones play *70 Scenes of Halloween*, with Theatre X veterans Flora Coker and Marcie Hoffman.

The Soho News calls *70 Scenes of Halloween* "almost a cartoon, a succession of brief scenes — some realistic, some perfectly absurd — separated by blackouts. A hip suburban couple sits at home on Halloween watching TV, greeting trick-or-treaters, drinking, quarreling and so on, while two all-purpose alter egos known as 'the witch' and 'the beast' make strange appearances."

Following the play will be a variety of performers in the Theatre X Late Night Series. They include: Deborah Clifton in the play *A Cook's Tale*; Ron Ellis and Al Jewer; the Juli Wood Quartet; the Dead Alewives; the Ghillies; the Peggy James Band; and Paula Killen in her new work, *Niagara Falls: Straight to the Top!*

For ticket information and performance times, call Theatre X at (414) 278-0555.

"A Month in the Country" at the Madison Rep Oct. 13-29

Madison - Lauded as being "one of the state's strongest and most interesting theater companies," the Madison Repertory Theatre will present Ivan Turgenev's *A Month in the Country*, performed in UW-Madison's Mitchell Theatre, located in Vilas Hall, 821 University Avenue.

Contemporary Irish playwright, Brian Friel, has written an energetic and thoughtful adaptation that retains Turgenev's 1840's setting. In retelling the story of the restless, seductive wife of a rich landowner, Friel brings the play's humor and compelling



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David Rommel and Marcie Hoffmann in Jeffrey Jones' *70 Scenes of Halloween* at Theatre X through October 29. Photo by Linda Kimpel.



relationships into sharp focus. Combined with a score created especially for the Rep's production that musically evokes the Russian milieu by American composer/musician Peter Ostroushko (best known for his long association with Garrison Keillor's *A Prairie Home Companion*), the Rep's production of *A Month in the Country* proves to be a performance worth experiencing.

For performance times and ticket information, call the Rep at (608) 256-0029.

Madison's 10th Annual Lesbian Variety Show Weekend Extravaganza!

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For a hot start of the weekend, Friday evening presents *Love and Lust Songs* for your listening and viewing pleasure

at the Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin Street. The first set of sizzling torch and vamp songs is from 7-9pm with the second from 9:30-11:30pm.

The excitement continues on Saturday on the first floor of the Madison Senior Center, with the *First Lesbian Community Carnival & Apple Island Crafts Fair* to raise funds for local Lesbian agencies. The Community Carnival presents local craftswomen, food and fun from 11am-4pm. At 7pm, the lights go down at The Barrymore Theatre, 2090 Atwood Avenue, for the **10th Annual Lesbian Variety Show** featuring veteran acts, new acts and many surprises.

Sunday continues with the *Art Show Reception* from 11am - 1:00pm, and the *Lesbian Poetry & Story Telling Showcase* from 1:30-3:30pm.

Join in the Dykade Celebration by purchasing your hot tickets by calling (608) 242-9672 or write: KGP, P.O. Box 6091, Madison, WI 53716.

Danceworks Presents Jeff Friedman in Workshops, Solo Show

Milwaukee — Danceworks continues its *Queer Art: Gay Dance in the 90's* series with San Francisco-based choreographer and performer Jeff Friedman. Friedman will do his solo repertory program, *LOCUS Solo Dance*, at the Walker's Point Center for the Arts, on Friday, October 20 at 7:30 and 9:30pm.

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Juli Wood performs Oct. 18 at Theatre X.



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Friedman's Milwaukee debut will feature *Muscle Memory*, a movement and text work that premiered at the Bay Area Dance Series in 1993. *Muscle Memory* is based on Friedman's *LEGACY Oral History Project Collection*. The work is being performed in conjunction with the National Oral History Association's annual meeting in Milwaukee.

Friedman will also be in residence at Danceworks October 17-22 where he will conduct a two-day workshop on *Oral History for Communities at Risk*, and a dance technique class.

For ticket information about Friedman's solo performance and for more information on his other programs, call Danceworks at (414) 481-2010.

"Love Worth Fighting For" - New CD Celebrates Gay and Lesbian Songwriters

New York, NY — Some of America's most influential Gay and Lesbian singers and songwriters have united their awesome talents on a new CD called *A Love Worth Fighting For: A Celebration of Gay and Lesbian Singers and Songwriters*.

Included on the CD are **Janis Ian, Cris Williamson, Michael Callen, The Flirtations, Ann Reed and Holly Near**. Getting significant exposure to a new and wider audience are **Pam Hall, Grant King, Ani DiFranco and Jess Hawk Oakenstar**.

The music ranges from pop ballads ("Listen to My Heart" sung by **Bill McKinley**) to blues ("Human Being Blues" by **Steve Sandberg**) to jaunty rhythm tracks ("Anyway" by **Laura Love**) to anthems ("A Love Worth Fighting For" by Callen and "Love Don't Need a Reason" by **Marsha Malamet**). All of the songs are well-crafted, with outstanding production values. The CD boasts 78 minutes of quality musicianship by many of the best and most promising Gay and Lesbian talent in the US. To purchase a copy

of *A Love Worth Fighting For*, contact Streeter Productions, Inc. at (212) 595-8932.

— Compiled by *Carmen Alicia Murguia and Jamakaya*



Pam Hall at right, (photo by Kim Hanson) & the Flirtations, above (photo by Monroe Warshaw) are featured on a new CD called A Love Worth Fighting For.



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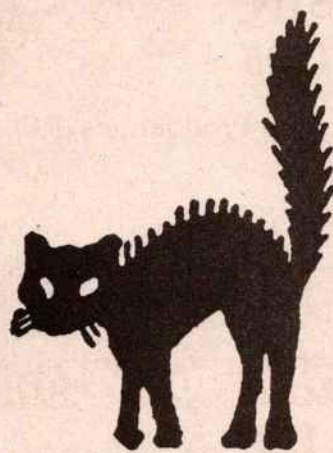
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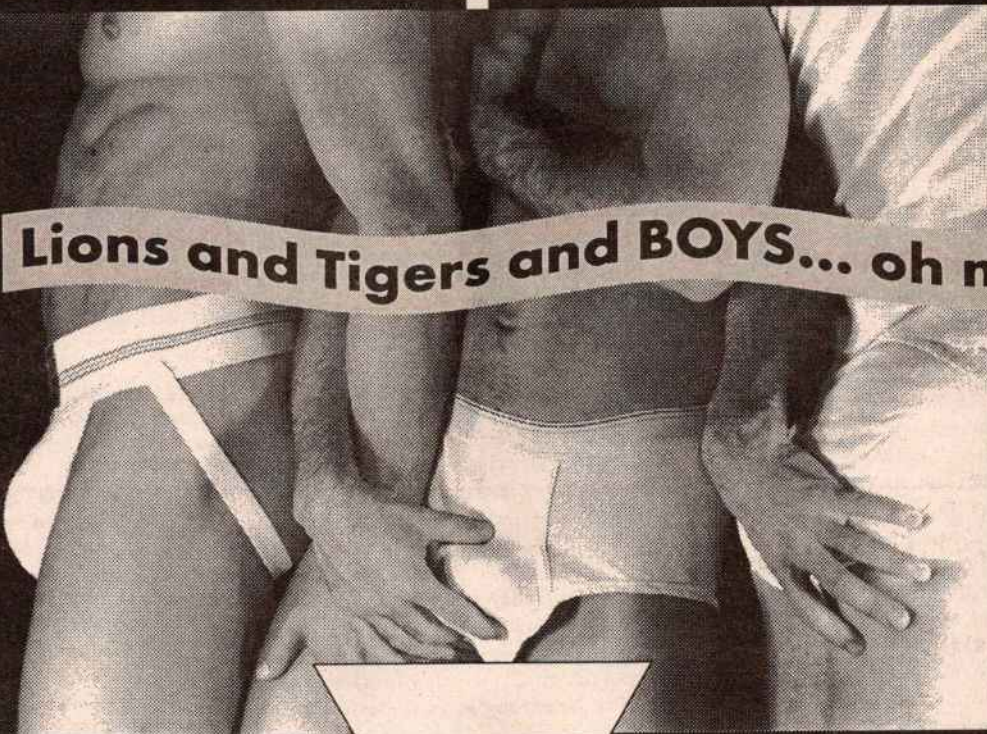
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Books

"Entries From a Hot Pink Notebook" Newest Addition to Coming Out Literature

By Carl M. Szatmary

As long as Gay literature continues to be found on bookshelves, the "coming out" novel will continue to be represented.

There seems to be a prerequisite for each newly emerging Gay novelist which makes "rites of passage" fiction mandatory before moving on to other types of fiction. Jeannette Winterson (*Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*), Edmund

White (*A Boy's Own Story*), Rita Mae Brown (*Rubyfruit Jungle*) and perhaps even Scott Heim (*Mysterious Skin*) have all begun their careers as novelists with autobiographical "coming of age" fiction.

Many of these "coming Out" novels, certainly those by the above-mentioned authors, are among the most endearing and enduring works of Gay and Lesbian fiction. While Todd D. Brown's debut novel, *Entries From a Hot Pink Notebook*, may not qualify for inclusion in such a select group, it is a wonderfully engaging read that may well surprise even the most jaded Gay readers.

If the genre of the "coming out" novel has one basic characteristic, it is that the first person narrator invariably comes from a white, middle-class background. Ben Smith, *Entries'* erstwhile journalist, is no exception. In fact, Ben dwarfs virtually any of his "coming out" counterparts in his absolute ordinariness.

Ben's family is the very image of the failed American dream. Two kids, one car, and, don't forget, a father in the midst of mid-life crisis, seeking but finding no comfort in the arms of another woman (and at the bottom of a bottle of booze). When Ben's dad splits, mom, a career homemaker, finds a McJob at the local McDonalds her only option.

Big brother Jeff might not be too bright, but he plays a mean game of basketball. Only no college scouts ever seem to show up at any of his games to offer him the college scholarship that will be his ticket out of Tranten Township, a little town on the wrong-side-of-the-tracks America. Perhaps a McJob is in his future too. That leaves Ben.

Todd Brown has invested his teenage protagonist with an authentic and most appropriate youthful voice. Ben is

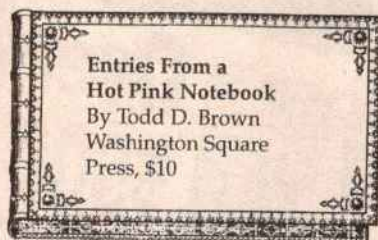
actually a pretty typical teenager, like so many trapped in small-town America. Bright and surprisingly articulate, Ben is trying his damndest just to fit in (just like everybody else). At night, he lies awake wondering if escape from Tranten

Township is in his future. During the day, he worries that someone might find out about him. Ben is Gay.

Part of fitting in for many Gay teens is going along with "faggot" jokes — laughing and not even for a second considering defending the victim of this homophobic abuse. Years later, hindsight may well prove ironic as many others in the crowd will later turn out to be Gay as may some of the worst of the tormentors. But Ben knows that to be labeled a "faggot" in high school is something to be avoided at all possible costs.

The year of Ben's life contained within this hot pink notebook is a marvelous blend of the extraordinary and the day-to-day. With puppy love, family fights, broken hearts, patched-up friendships, a lot of growing up and more than a few surprises, *Entries in a Hot Pink Notebook* emerges as something more than simply a "coming out" novel. Todd D. Brown has created a dead-on portrait of the supposedly idyllic small-town American life gone awry. At times poignant, at other times painfully funny, and always engagingly written, *Entries in a Hot Pink Notebook* is a wonderful first novel.

Highly recommended.



Gay & Lesbian History Books Recommended Titles

GAY AMERICAN HISTORY by Jonathan Ned Katz, NAL/Dutton, \$20

GAY/LESBIAN ALMANAC by Jonathan Ned Katz, Carroll & Graf, \$21.95

OUT OF ALL TIME: A Gay and Lesbian History by terry Boughner, Alyson, \$8.95

GERTRUDE STEIN IN WORDS AND PICTURES edited by Renate Stendhal, Algonquin, \$19.95

ODD GIRLS AND TWILIGHT LOVERS: A History of Lesbian Life in 20th Century America by Lillian Faderman, Penguin, \$12

MAKING HISTORY: The Struggle for Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights, 1945-1990 by Eric Marcus, Harper, \$14

THE MAYOR OF CASTRO STREET: The Life and Times of Harvey Milk by Randy Shilts, \$13.95

OUT OF THE CLOSETS: Voices of Gay Liberation by Karla Jay and Allen Young, NY University Press, \$15.95

ZAMI: A New Spelling of My Name by Audre Lorde, Crossing Press, \$8.95

LESBIAN LISTS; A Look at Lesbian Culture, History and Personalities by Dell Richards, Alyson, \$8.95

ANOTHER MOTHER TONGUE: Gay Words, Gay Worlds by Judy Grahn, Beacon, \$16.95

BROTHER TO BROTHER; New Writings by Black Gay Men edited by Essex Hemphill, Alyson, \$8.95

THE TROUBLE WITH HARRY HAY: Founder of the Modern Gay Movement by Stuart Timmons, Alyson, \$12.95

THE PERSISTENT DESIRE: A Femme-Butch Reader edited by Joan Nestle, Alyson, \$14.95

COMING OUT UNDER FIRE: The History of Gay Men and Women in World War Two by Alan Berube, Free Press, \$11

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TV/Video

AIDS Activist TV Features Dancer/Historian Jeff Friedman

Milwaukee — San Francisco choreographer and performer Jeff Friedman will be the special guest on the Wednesday, October 18th broadcast of *AIDS Activist TV*. The show will air live on Milwaukee's Channel 47 at 8:30pm and viewers will be invited to call in with questions or comments.

Friedman will be discussing his Milwaukee performance of *Muscle Memory*, a movement and text work that premiered at the Bay Area Dance Series in 1993. *Muscle Memory* is based on Friedman's LEGACY Oral History Project, which seeks to record and preserve the histories of Bay Area artists at risk of being forgotten, including those with AIDS.

AIDS Activist TV is broadcast live every third Wednesday at 8:30pm on Milwaukee's MATA Channel 47. Since 1992, each show has broadcast the latest in AIDS news, politics and scandal, plus a special feature focus.

Video on Gay, Lesbian Immigrants Screens in Chicago

Chicago — The Lesbian and Gay Immigration Rights Task Force (LGIRTF) will host a Chicago screening of its video documentary, *Love Knows No Borders*, a work-in-progress about the fight against discrimination against Gays and Lesbians by U.S. immigration laws. The screening has been scheduled for October 27, 1995 at 7:30 at the Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church. Lavi Soloway, National Coordinator of LGIRTF and an immigration lawyer and activist, will address the audience after the screening.

Love Knows No Borders consists of moving, sad, and sometimes funny interviews with four binational couples struggling to stay together in this country despite unfair immigration laws which threaten to separate them. Besides the couples interviewed, the video also contains interviews with Gay and Lesbian activists, including Evan Wolfson, senior staff attorney at Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, who is co-counsel on the pending Hawaii marriage case.



Coverage of the 4th World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, along with interviews with the drag stars of *To Wong Fu* are among the subjects on "In The Life" to be aired in Milwaukee on Channel 10 October 26 at midnight. Photo by Donna Binder/Impact Visuals.

"The purpose of this film is to demonstrate how our lives and relationships are being destroyed because we cannot marry," explains producer/director Elizabeth Bird. "We have to educate ourselves and the public to understand why we are fighting for the freedom to marry. The couples depicted in the documentary just happened to be from different countries, and they are trying, against all odds, to stay together. This is a compelling and moving drama, revealing the devastating results of discrimination."

For more information on the Lesbian and Gay Immigration Rights Task Force, call (312) 922-3751 or E-mail: LGIRTF@dorsai.org.

Memo to Blockbuster...

Fort Lauderdale, FL — The nation's leading video rental chain — Blockbuster Video — has not always been a showcase for New Queer Cinema. In the latest issue of *Blockbuster News & Previews*, an in-store promotional magazine, the company has begun soliciting customer recommendations. "Anybody listening out there?" the magazine asks. "What have you seen, heard or read? What would you like us to write about?"

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation thinks a review of Blockbuster's queer-themed films would be nice. So would a concerted effort to acquire new Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender titles. Send these or other

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"In the Life" Seeks Entries for Video Festival

New York, NY — *In the Life*, the Gay/Lesbian newsmagazine show that runs on PBS, is calling for entries to the *First Annual In the Life Lesbian and Gay Short Film and Video Festival*. Chosen entries will be broadcast nationwide on *In the Life's* June, 1996 Gay Pride episode.

One outstanding entry will receive a special Jury Award to be presented in New York City May 2, 1996. Film and video directors are encouraged to enter their work on Lesbian and Gay issues and culture.

The criteria for submission include: a running time of film or video of 30 seconds to 10 minutes; documentary or narrative films; work must not have been previously broadcast on national TV; original format — 16mm, 35mm, beta, 3/4, SVHS, or Hi-8 (film and hi-8 must have been transferred to beta).

Submission materials must include an entry form, a VHS screening tape and a \$15 processing fee. To obtain entry forms and complete contest information, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: *In the Life*, Short Film Committee, 30 W. 26th Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10010.

Is Late Night TV Ready for Ru Paul?

Los Angeles, CA — *Variety* recently reported that Buena Vista Television — one arm of the vast Disney empire — is developing a talk show featuring drag queen, singer and overall *Supermodel of the World*, Ru Paul.

According to *Variety*, the Disney company "might decide to launch" Ru Paul on its newly acquired ABC network, following the popular news show *Nightline*. To encourage such a show with Ru Paul, contact: Buena Vista TV, 500 S. Buena Vista Street, Burbank, CA 91521; (818) 560-1000.

Channel Surfing...

New York, NY — Bill Bouyer, a former Board member of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association, is now News Director at VH-1, the national music/entertainment cable channel.

Chicago, IL — The Tribune wire service reports that young Gay actor Wilson Cruz (formerly of *My So-Called Life*) may play a Gay fashion student in *Seventh Avenue*, a possible NBC mid-season series. Contact NBC Entertainment, 3000 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, CA 91523.

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Wanderings

By Mary Shafer

The Writing Life and Other Curious Things

In Step is pleased to initiate this column by Mary Shafer.

Shafer is co-owner and creative director of The Foxfire Group, a creative services ensemble operating out of its Wauwatosa office, and is making her main living as a graphic designer. A longtime contributor to In Step and The Wisconsin Light as both a writer and illustrator, Shafer has turned more and more of her efforts to writing both fiction and nonfiction. Her first book, Wisconsin: The Way We Were, (1993, Heartland Press) is a popular history of the state from its inception through WWII. Her second book, Rural America: A Pictorial Folk Memory, a light historical overview of the country's agrarian roots, was recently published by Willow Creek Press. She is currently editing a book on Wisconsin's all-German Volunteer 26th Infantry Regiment, which fought on the Union side during the Civil War, and working on a proposal for a third book of her own.

You'll be seeing my words in this column once or twice a month from now on, or until In Step decides otherwise. The editor has generously offered me this space to muse on about whatever it is that might be kicking around in my head at any given time; hence, the column's name, *Wanderings*. Now, you might be thinking, who IS this babe that she thinks we'll even be interested in reading any of her ramblings?! Well, don't be alarmed. Jamakaya wasn't totally off her nut in asking me to write this column; I do actually have some experience at this game, namely being Gay and writing. Which brings me to the subject of this first column: my experiences as a writer who is also a Lesbian.

Not that this is an unheard-of combination. There are lots of Lesbian writers out there. Some of them are heroes of mine. However, there is a difference in being a Lesbian writer and in being a "Lesbian" writer. The former is someone who writes on any number of subjects and is published as an author with little or no reference to her sexual orientation. The latter may write things other than Lesbian oriented material, but is published as an author whose books usually deal either with Lesbian life or are specifically Lesbian lover stories and/or erotica. I think of such people as May Sarton (bless her recently departed soul), Virginia Woolf and Vita Sackville-West as Lesbian writers. They were Lesbians (or perhaps, in the case of Woolf and West, bisexual) and they wrote, and some of their later material contained Lesbian references, characters and such, but most of that was minor compared to the main body of their work. Then there are women like Rita Mae Brown, Jewelle Gomez, Robbie Sommers and Jane Rule, who are Lesbians and who may write about other subjects, but whose main body of work centers on or around Lesbian characters and situations, and who are mainly noted for this work.



Mary Shafer.

SCHIZOID FEELINGS

I feel that, at this point in my writing career, I fit into the former group. It's not that I don't write about Lesbian life; I do. It's just that my main body of published work, thus far, is not about Lesbians per se. Most of it is historical nonfiction, in which Lesbians certainly played a part, but they are not the focus of this writing. Now, you might ask, where the devil is she going with all this tedious defining? Well, I make the point to introduce my own experience as a Lesbian who is — for the time being, at least — known for publishing non-Lesbian-oriented material. I have found that this particular way of making one's writing reputation can lead to some rather interesting, sometimes uncomfortable situations at the least; and at the extreme, could probably cause some rather schizophrenic feelings in both the writer and her readers.

I write popular histories because I love history myself and have a personal investment in trying to engender that same kind of interest in others my own

age and younger by making the subject more accessible than I feel it's been in the past. However, because my books are about nostalgic kinds of subjects, I tend to have a lot of readers more in my grandparents' age bracket. I am not at all put off by this reality; in fact, I love it. I love older people, I find them interesting and delightful to talk with, for the most part, and I very much enjoy the interaction with them provided by such events as book signings and presentations. But this situation also has a flip side.

I am very "out" as a Lesbian, and openly acknowledge it both in my personal interactions with people (where appropriate) and in the acknowledgments in the frontispieces of my books. However, for the kind of writing I do, sexual orientation is not an issue. It has never come up at one of my personal appearances insofar as discussions with my readers were concerned. What have arisen, though, are some rather awkward situations where some people who know me as a rather rowdy, out, party-girl Lesbian have encountered me as Mary the Author of History Books.

So, let me set the stage for you here: I am dressed in what is currently known as "office casual" — nice pants, semi-dress shoes, a crisp blouse and maybe a blazer — with low-key makeup on and my hair done kind of soft. I am speaking with readers in a bookstore who have come to buy my book and have it signed for them. Most of these people are at least fifty, although there are a few younger. Suddenly, out of the corner of my eye, I'll see someone who either heard me discussing my upcoming appearance and decided to show up for it, or who just happened to be there that night. The only problem is, the last time I saw this person and she saw me, we were both in a Gay or Lesbian bar or at a Gay community event. We both probably had had a few, I was telling some lewd joke or making a bodily function reference (it runs in my family), and chances are pretty good that I was wearing full black leather regalia

from head to toe, since that is one of my favorite outfits for going out.

Needless to say, if this person does not know me quite well, this chance meeting at the bookstore comes a something of a shock. Usually what happens, much to my chagrin, is that once she recognizes me in straight-girl drag is that she'll come up and smile really big. And then I know I'm in trouble.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

It's not that I'm closeted. I'm about as far out of the closet as a person can get without being RuPaul or Martina in present incarnation. But I do begin to lose

the thread of the conversation I'm having with the 73 year-old woman who has been telling me about her childhood on a Kansas farm as I imagine the possibilities of what might emerge from the mouth of my Lesbian friend.

"Wow, Mar! I didn't know you were a writer! How do you manage to write when you've got those handcuffs on?" (Old woman rolls her eyes toward the speaker. I begin to sweat.)

or:

"Shafer! You look kinda different than last time I saw you! What happened to all that leather?" (This is pretty close

to an actual conversation that was mercifully aborted when the speaker realized exactly what was going on.)

or:

"Oooooooh, girlfriend! You're lookin' kinda femme tonight." (Wink, wink. Lesbian friend approaches and gives me an overly friendly and not-very-subtle pat on the butt. Old woman fixes me with a confused stare.)

Well, you get the idea. It's sad but true that many of my history readers would be put off by the fact that I'm Gay, and most of them probably think my acknowledging a woman partner means we're in business together or something. Fortunately, no one has yet made a complete faux pas, as they have all been lucid and conscious enough to grasp the fact that I am promoting historical nonfiction and not Lesbian erotica right now, and have been more than respectful of my need to separate the dichotomies of my life. I greatly appreciate the restraint most of them have shown to me in what can be tremendously uncomfortable situations.

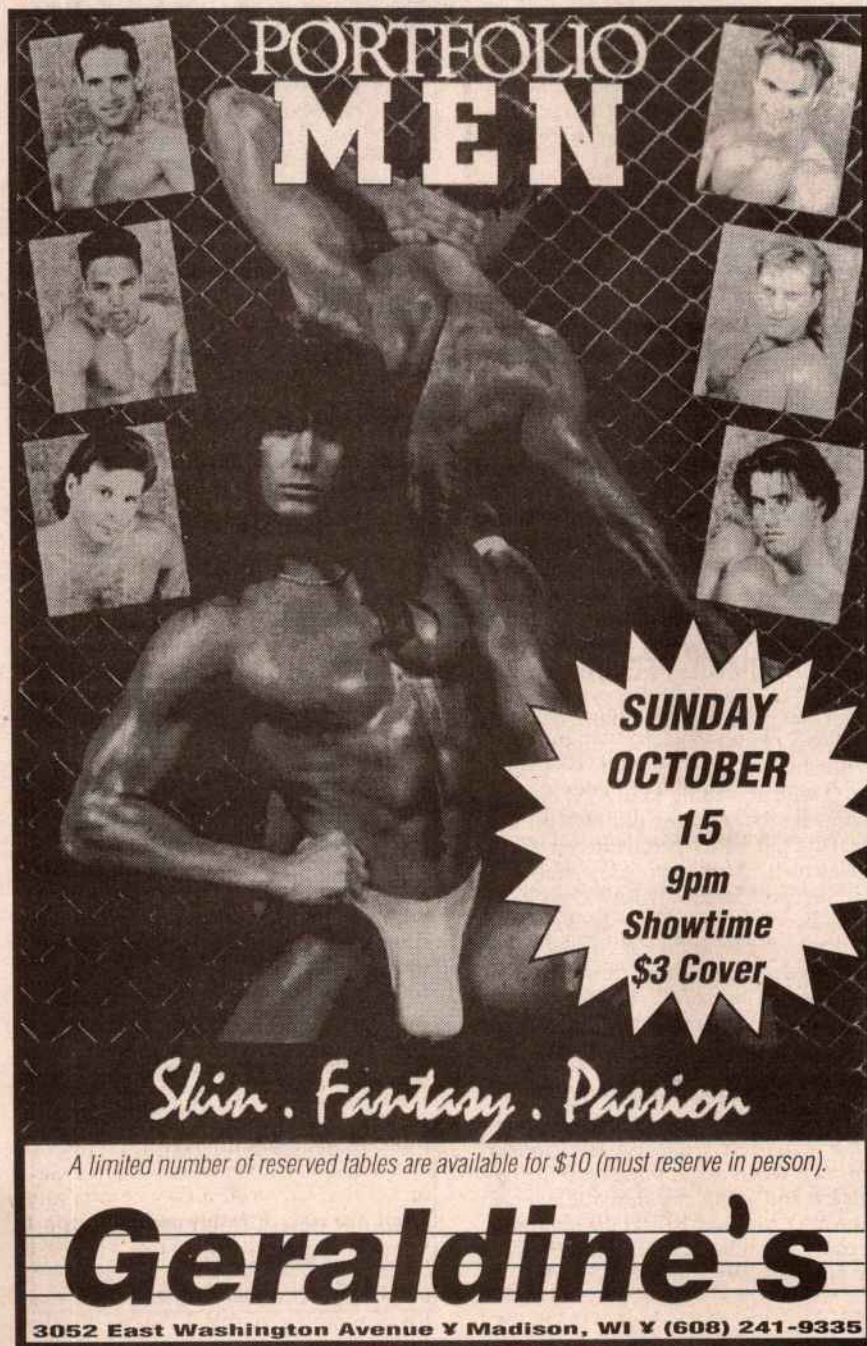
But I must say that I fantasize a great deal about the time that I finally finish those seventeen stories now occupying several megs worth of space on my hard drive and approach Naiad or Firebrand or one of those lovely Lesbian presses with them. Then I hope that those same friends will appreciate that I have also been able to turn my writing skills to the realities, quirks and humor of a life that we all share, and will be able to connect with my writing on that level.

In response to this and all future columns, I both welcome and encourage your feedback. Do you like what I'm writing? (Great.) Hate it? (Even better.) Have I raised some issues with you (best of all) or left something out you feel I should cover? I can't promise I'll respond personally or with a column, but I'll try. And I certainly do want to hear from you. Please send your thoughts to me in care of **In Step**, and I'll do my best to entertain, engage, explore and educate. I appreciate the time you spend with my work, and I'll try to show you as much by keeping it at the highest level I can.

Thought for the day:

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Roberts Rules

By Shelly Roberts

Smells Like Team Spirit

Smelled any Gay guys lately?

Well, yes, it is a kind of a personal question for a survey, but, hey, we're friends, right? I'm not Connie Chung. You can tell me. Just whisper.

You see, I was up early this week, checking the TV to see if it was okay to remove the hurricane shutters yet, or if we still had to duck and cover from the latest Florida adventure in whetherland. Instead of Opal circling wind advisories, I clicked right into the real news of the day on my favorite tabloid TV channel: Gay perfume.

Right. From news of us in men's toilets, we've gone straight - oops sorry - gaily forward, to news of specialty eau de toilette.

It seems that some bright marketer - a straight man, my TV was quick to point out - has figured out what Bill Clinton's kids figured out, politically, a couple of years ago, and Naya and Absolut already knew. We're a bloc. We're *Decision Makers*. We're *Community Influencers*. We're a market.

One of our own organizations, Overlooked Opinions, interviewed a bunch of Gay men with hilltop houses and invented the world perception that Gays have more disposable income than your standard demographic family. Gay men, the survey says, often qualify as the most highly desirable of all the psychographs: DINKs. Double Income No Kids. (That's as opposed to Lesbians who often fall into the NITSODKs category: No Income To Speak Of Double Kids.) DINKs are the most desirable target households, it goes without saying, for any manufacturer who wants to add a few kopecks to the purchase price of, oh, say, meat loaf by calling it boef pate. In "normal" circles, these are the (read heterosexual here) couples with the most spendables.

EUREKA!

However, there's a fatal heterosexual logic flaw. In those "normal" couples one of the income contributors is a (gasp!) woman. Therefore, one of those contributors will still make only around 69 cents to every dollar her big, strong, handsome, hetero-hubby hoards. Surely they can do better?!

Surely there are newly discovered Gay couples! Two, two, two male contributors in one household! What a "Eureka!" to every marketer who can override his revulsion to those silly limp wristers, and find a homo-hotbutton.

And they have, actually. One that makes perfect scents.

Men's perfumes, oops, colognes (more manly sounding) are formulated to attract women. Duh!

Something to do with squeezing the life out of poor innocent he-whales for the substance they use to attract she-whales, so that they then only attract Greenpeace volunteers. And figuring that anything that would attract something as big as a whale, should be plenty powerful enough to add some pull for as slight and simple-minded a thing as a mere female heterosapien.

If you're a Gay man? What're you supposed to do?

If you wear Chaps, do you attract any? Not hardly. Wrong pheromones. (those airborne wafters nature invented as radar to help people in heat zero in on each other.)

You could, of course, borrow some Chantilly, or Eau d'Expensive from Sissy's dresser. Or wander into Lord & Taylor or K-Mart in early May implying you're doing some mom shopping, and stock up. But then you'd smell like your sister. Or your mom. Which would, for most of the Gay men I know personally, and many I know in theory, send the wrong message both about who you want to attract, and who you want to smell like.

GAYLY, GUYLY AROMA

So why not a Gayly guyly kind of aroma that pulls in the right direction?

Enter Q. (What else would they call it, "Butch"?)

Q will, according to my TV, be sold in, now let me see, how did they phrase it exactly? Oh, yes, "special interest stores for Gay men." So that would be, um, let's see: Nieman Marcus? IKEA? The Gourmet Galleon? Toyota dealerships?

I wonder who they'll choose to be their spokes-Gays besides those Siamese twin poseurs, Jackson-Paris? Too bad that Rock Hudson is gone. He'd have been perfect, and they could have called it ROCK.

A Gay man's perfume. What a smart idea! Though some, like the non-Gay men in the focus test groups who seriously squirmed when asked politely to turn to their left and inhale the aromatic essence of the next guy, may balk at the idea of so specially formulated a sachet, I, personally, sense the sweet smell of success.

Interesting that the more we claim to be just like *them*, the more who we really are, and how we should really be treated shows up as truth in advertising.

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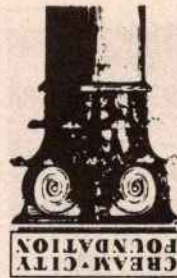
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Feature

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN HISTORY MONTH

Test Your Queer I.Q. With This Quiz

By Jamakaya

October is National Gay and Lesbian History Month. Educators and activists have worked hard to establish the designation. Its purpose is to encourage individuals to learn more and educational institutions to teach more about Gay and Lesbian people and culture. It is hoped that an understanding of Gay and Lesbian history will engender more respect toward Gay people and among Gay people themselves.

So, how about your knowledge of Gay and Lesbian history? What's your Queer I.Q.? *In Step* offers this quiz to our readers as a service and a challenge. Don't feel bad if you don't know all the answers — the important thing is learning. The answers can be found immediately after the Gay and Lesbian History book list that is part of this feature too. Good luck!

1. Which of these composers and lyricists are/were Gay? a) Cole Porter, b) Marc Blitzstein, c) Jerry Herman, d) Benjamin Britten, or e) Lorenz Hart
2. In 1955, Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon began the first Lesbian organization in the US. What was it called?
3. This poet and writer was a major figure in the Harlem Renaissance, the flowering of African-American culture in the 1920's. Evidence suggests he was Gay, though his descendants vigorously deny it. Was he a) James Baldwin, b) Robert Wright, c) Langston Hughes, or d) Paul Robeson?



Sgt. Leonard Matlovich. Photo by Doug Hinckle, *Washington Blade*.

4. What year did the American Psychiatric Association stop classifying homosexuality as a mental disorder? a) 1969, b) 1973, c) 1976, or d) 1982
5. Who was the first public figure in the US to speak out in support of Gays and Lesbians?

6. Currently, who are the three openly Gay members of Congress?



Butch-femme Lesbians in the 1950's in the French Quarter of New Orleans. Photo credit by Lesbian Herstory Archives.

7. This actress had a long and impressive theatrical career which only ended with her death in 1991 at age 92. Easily an equal of Helen Hayes and Lynn Fontanne, her open Lesbianism may have doomed her chances at wider popular acclaim. She is a) Louise Brooks, b) Norma Desmond, c) Eva Le Gallienne, or d) Paulette Godard.
8. Which of these royals were *not* Gay? a) Sweden's Queen Christina, b) England's Edward II, c) Spain's Phillip II, or d) Frederick "The Great" of Prussia
9. Name five award-winning Gay and Lesbian writers.
10. In the 1970's, straight feminist leader Betty Friedan declared that the presence of Lesbians was ruining the credibility of the women's movement. She

referred to Lesbians as a) Lavender Herrings, b) Pink Albatrosses, c) the Lavender Menace, or d) Bulldykes.

11. What is the inscription on the headstone of the grave of Sgt. Leonard Matlovich, one of the first soldiers to challenge the military's ban on Gays and Lesbians?
12. In 1642, in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, one Elizabeth Johnson was found guilty of "unseemly behavior with a maid." Her punishment was a) beheading, b) hanging, c) tar and feathering, or d) whipping.
13. In the infamous 1986 Supreme Court case *Bowers v. Hardwick*, the high court upheld the anti-sodomy law of which state? a) Georgia, b) Mississippi, c) Arizona, or d) New York
14. As of October, 1995, how many states in the US have passed laws prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation?



Gertrude Stein. Photo from Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript library.

15. The late Audre Lorde is revered by many African Americans and Gays and Lesbians of all colors for her a) musicianship, b) athletic prowess, c) writing and teaching, or d) religious leadership.
16. The first major March on Washington for Gay and Lesbian Rights took place in 1987. True or False?
17. Radclyffe Hall's pioneering Lesbian novel was challenged in obscenity trials in England and the US. England banned it, the US did not. The book is

called a) **Forbidden Love**, b) **The Well of Loneliness**, c) **The Children's Hour**, or d) **Rubyfruit Jungle**.

18. Magnus Hirschfeld is an extremely important contributor to modern Gay history. Who was he? What did he do?
19. The career of this distinguished actor was affected only briefly in the 1950's when he was arrested on a "morals" charge. Though never a Gay rights crusader, he has never hidden his homosexuality. He is a) Anthony Hopkins, b) Terence Stamp, c) Laurence Olivier, or d) John Gielgud.



Harry Hay. Photo by Robert Giard.

20. A recent biography says that First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt had a long term affair with a woman named Lorena Hickok. What was Hickok's profession? a) journalist, b) White House maid, c) social worker, or d) golfer

21. Who first coined the phrase, "the love that dare not speak its name"?

22. An actor and Communist activist in the 1930's, Harry Hay founded one of the earliest and most enduring Gay groups, the Mattachine Society, in 1950. Still active in the 1970's, the tireless Hay then founded a) The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, b) the Radical Faeries, c) the Transgender movement, or d) the Lesbian Avengers

23. Sylvia "Ray" Rivera played a pivotal role in what big event in modern Gay history?

24. Name the military leader who conquered the Mediterranean world and much of central Asia in the 4th century BC.

25. This civil rights leader was the chief organizer of the 1963 March on Washington (famous for Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech) but was cold-shouldered by many colleagues because of his homosexuality. He was a) Bayard Rustin, b) Dick Gregory, c) Malcolm X, or d) Ralph Abernathy.

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Answers to History Quiz

1. Porter, Blitzstein, Britten, Hart and Herman (who is still with us) were/are all Gay.
2. The first Lesbian organization in the US was called the Daughters of Bilitis.
3. c) The Harlem Renaissance poet/writer was Langston Hughes.
4. d) The APA removed homosexuality from its list of mental disorders in 1973.
5. The radical Emma Goldman. Goldman crusaded for women's rights, workers' rights and sexual freedom. She was deported to Russia in 1919.
6. Reps. Steve Gunderson (R-WI), Barney Frank (D-MA) and Gerry Studds (D-MA).
7. c) Eva Le Gallienne
8. c) Spain's King Philip II, whose Armada was destroyed by the forces of Queen Elizabeth.
9. Tennessee Williams, Edward Albee, E.M. Forster, Willa Cather, W.H. Auden, Paul Monette, Truman Capote, W. Somerset Maugham, Alice Walker, Adrienne Rich, Thornton Wilder, May Sarton, Gertrude Stein, Jean Cocteau, Gore Vidal, etc. (Ed. Note: *Aren't all writers Gay?*)
10. c) the Lavender Menace
11. The inscription reads: "A Gay Vietnam Veteran: When I was in the military they gave me a medal for killing two men and a discharge for loving one."
12. d) whipping
13. a) Georgia
14. Nine states and the District of Columbia. The states which have passed civil rights protections based on sexual orientation are: Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Hawaii, Connecticut, New Jersey, Vermont, California, Minnesota and Rhode Island.
15. c) writing and teaching

16. False. The first national March for Gay and Lesbian Rights took place in October, 1979. Approximately 80,000 attended. The march occurred in the wake of Anita Bryant's "Save Our Children" campaign and the murder, one year before, of openly Gay San Francisco Supervisor Harvey Milk by a homophobic cop.



Writer James Baldwin. Photo by Irmeli Jung.

17. b) The Well of Loneliness. Most Lesbians today find the book badly written and horribly dated.

18. Magnus Hirschfeld was a pioneering sexologist who inquired specifically into the nature of homosexuality.

In 1897, he founded the Scientific Humanitarian Committee, whose goal was to overturn Germany's anti-sodomy law. He established the Institute for Sexual Science in Berlin, which collected all the research and literature available at that time on homosexuality. The Institute was the very first target of the Nazis after Hitler took power. It was raided, and the valuable books and files were destroyed in the Nazis' infamous book burnings. Hirschfeld fled Germany but died two years later.

19. d) John Gielgud

20. a) journalist

21. Lord Alfred Douglas, Oscar Wilde's lover, uttered the now classic phrase. The flamboyant Wilde, a brilliant, witty playwright (*The Importance of Being Earnest*), was convicted of sodomy and imprisoned. He emerged a broken man, and died in 1900 at the age of 46.

22. b) the Radical Faeries

23. The Stonewall Rebellion in Greenwich Village in June, 1969.

24. Alexander. Needless to say, the people in the lands he subjugated do not refer to him — as most western texts do — as "the Great."

25. a) Bayard Rustin

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Inside Out

By Yvonne Zipter

Everything Old Is New Again

The last couple of years has brought us, along with the usual fare from Hollywood, two new (or re-newed) trends: (1) an unusually high number of films in which Gays and/or Lesbians are featured (Jeffrey, *The Incredibly True Adventures of Two Girls in Love*, and *To Wong Foo* are among the most recent examples) and (2) remakes of movie hits from years gone by (the Warren Beatty/Annette Benning remake of *An Affair to Remember* and *Little Women* spring to mind and I've heard someone's remaking the Humphrey Bogart/Audrey Hepburn classic *Sabrina*). So what I'm thinking, of course, is why not combine the two? The classics redone with a Gay male or Lesbian theme.

This would save queers, young and old alike, the trouble of having to translate the hetero movies they love into a same gender configuration. Not that this is especially hard for most of us, having done just that fluidly and effortlessly almost from the start without even realizing half the time we were doing it. Part of it, of course, is just empathizing with the human element in the characters, but what really gives those kisses between Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy or between Bacall and Bogart that emotional punch for many of us was intuiting how it would be for us to kiss someone with that much passion ergo, someone of our own sex. Despite the ease with which we make this translation, it is always nicer more comforting somehow to hear things in one's own "language." So I say, the time is ripe for remakes of classics in which the

leading roles are changed to Gays or Lesbians.

Having mentioned *Sabrina* already, let's start there. How easy it would be to cast Keanu Reeves as the gawky young son of the chauffeur, sent off to cooking school in Paris because he can't get over his crush on the arrogant and philandering Gay son of his father's employer, played by Brad Pitt. Of course, the whole time in Paris, Reeves's character can think of nothing but becoming sophisticated enough to win the heart of Pitt's character, only to discover, upon returning home, that it is truly the straight laced older brother (Dustin Hoffman) who has captured his heart. Of course, the title would have to be changed from *Sabrina* to, say, *Simon*. Or, for a bisexual version, how about casting Sandra Bullock as the shy offspring of the chauffeur, head over heels for the employer's dashing son played by Tom Cruise, but realizing in the end, that it is really the Cruise character's more nun-like older sister (Susan Sarandon, dowdied down a little) who has captured her heart. Initially, I was going to suggest Winona Ryder for the *Sabrina* part in the bisexual version, but even though she only played the daughter of Sarandon's character in *Little Women*, I couldn't get past the incestuous feel of their pairing in a romantic way. Call me old-fashioned. . . .

While not exactly a classic yet, I love the movie *Big* and think a shoo-in for a successful remake would be to put Ellen DeGeneres in the Tom Hanks role. Imag-

ine all of her budding baby dyke angst and youthful exuberance winning over Helen Hunt as the corporate dyke with a heart of gold and bothering the heck of the Hunt character's heartless closeted lover/coworker Sigourney Weaver. Wow! Can you imagine the fireworks of that cast together?

And for really inspired casting, how about Whoopi Goldberg in the Jimmy Stewart role and Emma Thompson in the Donna Reed role as the parents of a pas-sel of AI and adopted kids in a Lesbian remake of *It's a Wonderful Life*? Blockbuster hit for sure. Drew Barrymore as the ditzy socialite in *Bringing up Baby* and Amanda Donohoe as the absent-minded paleontologist of her dreams? Alec Baldwin and Kevin Kline as the sparring exes of *Philadelphia Story* with Paul Reiser as the mild man caught in the middle? Or how about a remake of *Imitation of Life*, in which the daughter of two Lesbian feminists, herself a Lesbian, decides to go through life passing as a heterosexual? Or, in one of my all-time favorites, how about casting Joanne Liebler of "Hometown" fame as the partner of advertising exec. Laurie Metcalf reprising their Lesbian encounter on "Roseanne" as the hapless homeowners of that Cary Grant vehicle of 1948, aptly retitled, for the nineties, *Ms. Blandings Builds Her Dream House*?

And not since the days of Lewis and Martin, Abbot and Costello, Hope and Crosby, and Laurel and Hardy have there been comedy duos who make slapstick comedy after slapstick comedy and never any pairs of women buddies. So come on! Let's get with the nineties! I think it's high time for *DeGeneres and Cho Meet Frankenstein*, starring Ellen DeGeneres and Margaret Cho, to be followed by *DeGeneres and Cho Meet the Mummy*, *DeGeneres and Cho Meet Dr. Jeckyl and Ms. Hyde*, and *DeGeneres and Cho in Society*.

If anyone out there in tinsel town is listening, this is what we want! If the public is ready for Wesley Snipes and John Leguizamo in dresses, why not in pants, wooing each other as members of rival gangs in a modern-day version of *West Side Story*? If the public is willing to accept Warren Beatty as a Cary Grant stand-in, why not Laurie Metcalf. She's much more likable and funny than Beatty it all makes perfect sense to me. And Hollywood? I am available to update any and all of the aforementioned scripts.

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By Kirk Stark

Enough is Enough!

I've heard a certain term for many years. Even before I came out, I saw this term used in a manner to both define and defame the LesBiGay *lifestyle*. Even thinking the word brings bile to the back of my throat.

The first time I heard it was on a *Donahue*'s show when I was 13. I was sick, and my only solace was television. Donahue had Gay men on that day — it still being a shocking thing in the pre-Ricki Lake era of talk shows.

The men ranged from drag queens to hot, butch men. Though I didn't understand my own fascination for the topic, my sense of social justice was immediately rankled as a woman from the audience mentioned the "*Gay lifestyle*" and how filthy she thought it was. Now, as then, I was enraged by this insipid comment.

This is the tack used by people like Jesse Helms and many like him to slander Gay men and Lesbians everywhere. Supposedly, we live a *lifestyle*. If polite, it is referred to as an *alternative lifestyle*, as if no one in their right mind would choose to enjoy such a thing. *Perish the thought*.

So, what is this *lifestyle*? Is it stores that cater to the wants and needs of LesBiGay patrons? A bevy of Gay restaurants, bookstores and clothing stores?

WHAT'S A "LIFESTYLE"?

If that is a lifestyle, then what can be said of ethnic restaurants, African-American stores, and Korean grocery stores? Are these people simply living a *lifestyle*? Do these people deserve to be condescended to, to be told and reminded that in the minds of the mass culture they are an aberration? No, and neither do we.

We don't see the lives of the heterosexual demeaned in such a way, because that's how everyone should *want* to be. If it isn't white, male and heterosexual, it is an oddity which is entertaining if flamboyant and harmless, but is threatening if it is unrepentantly demanding. It is dangerous to want these same rights because if you get them, then *everyone* will want them.

But our *lifestyle* isn't just shops, restaurants and entertainment, though that is what many straight people think. No, we are perverts who are obsessed with and have deviant sex, and 'recruit' their children. We are the killers in mass market movies. We are the seemingly nice man next door who molests children. We are the Dahmeresque people who are necrophilic cannibals.

Few other minority groups have had such a graphically negative propaganda campaign set against them. And no other campaign has been so widely supported.

If this virulent concept of a 'Gay lifestyle' wasn't so widely disseminated, there would be a lesser problem within our global Gay community. We would have less people believe they are 'bad' or 'wrong,' we wouldn't have to constantly justify our lives and our love. We would be equal members of this society, for better or worse.

THE POWER STRUCTURE

I know this won't happen though. Minorities in this country are given the run-around. Women, the largest minority in the world (there are actually more of them than there are men) are still lesser partners in society. Even with the great numbers of women that exist, there is a power structure which disempowers them and keeps them from advancing as any homosexual male can.

Women are oppressed. There are stores only for women. Health clubs, magazines and meetings which are for women only. I wonder if men think women live a *lifestyle*?

But you see, the argument is that women, African Americans and anyone else considered to be a minority aren't living a lifestyle, because they didn't choose to be what they are. They did not necessarily want to be what they are. What is missed is that we didn't choose it either. But just as any other group, we have *pride*.

Some, though unhappy with what they are, have pride because while they have to put up with crap, they know they deserve better. Others know there is nothing wrong with what they are and won't settle for any treatment that tells them there is.

We don't have a *lifestyle*, we have *lives*. We are not aberrations, we are people. We've been stepped on, and continue to be stepped on. But if we have pride, we have it all.

Don't let someone else define what your life is. It isn't something as shallow as a *lifestyle* — it is *much more*. We have culture, traditions and community. We are not a scattered people, but a thriving multitude who will not accept anything less than the best treatment, because we deserve it.

Jock Shorts

GAMMA Hosts Volleyball Teaching Clinic Oct. 14

Milwaukee — GAMMA is hosting a teaching clinic to help those interested in improving their volleyball skills on Saturday, October 14 beginning at 3pm at UW-Milwaukee's Engelmann Hall Gym.

Participants should enter Engelmann across from Columbia Hospital's emergency entrance. Street shoes are *not* allowed for play. All participants (except for UWM students) are required to join GAMMA and UWM for the day at a cost of \$2 per person. There is no cost for the coaching.

This opportunity to improve volleyball skills comes just before the opening of the Fall/Winter season of the Cowles Volleyball League. On October 21, there will be informal volleyball play, with the season opener the next week. For more information, call Paul at (414) 327-5142.

H.I.T. Plans Casino Trip October 21

Milwaukee — The Holiday Invitational Tournament (H.I.T.) has booked a bus tour to two casinos on Saturday, October 21. The bus will depart from Milwaukee bright and early at 6am.

From 9am to 1pm, participants will try their luck at the Northstar Casino where they can get \$20 in coins and \$20 free. From 1:30 to 5:30pm, the tour will continue at the Menomonee Nation casino. Here participants get \$17 cash playing money, \$3 in food coupons and two free drinks. At 5:30 the bus departs, with arrival in Milwaukee at approximately 8:30pm.

At a cost of \$35 per person, the one day excursion includes transportation, the rebates mentioned above, tour escort, games and prizes on the trip, and "slots" of fun with H.I.T. The casino tour is a fundraiser for H.I.T.

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Ask Billy Holiday

Off-Key Advice From an Off-Color Life

By Billy Holliday

Well gang, I'm back, I'm tan and I'm rested. Now let's delve into my mailbag of delights...

Dear Billy,

My boyfriend — three years of loving — has one very pesky habit: he shows the worst taste in clothes. It's really embarrassing to be seen with him sometimes. I've tried to buy stuff for him for gifts and all, but he just won't wear what I buy. I'm afraid to say anything because I don't want to insult him. What do you think I should do?

— N.B., San Antonio, TX

Dear N.B.,

So who called and named you Mr. Blackwell? If your boyfriend is that bad, then how did you get through the first three months, not to mention the last three years? But if, in truth, you are suffering from more than just petty angst, and your boyfriend does evince the taste of a toad, then things must change. Your first step is to stuff all his clothes in a bag and drop it off on Riverwalk. Unless it's dry season, you won't see those clothes again. Then it's off to the store for a simple makeover. You must go with him though, and put him in some simple frocks stressing black on the bottom and white on top. Jeans will do. Linen is super-fine. And with each simple outfit, tell him how good he looks. Gush over it, girl. Emote. But I quote — If clothes make the man, the pants are probably stained. So worry less about the clothes and more about the guy.

Dear Billy,

I met this really wonderful guy a few weeks ago. We've been going out pretty regularly and just about everything is great. The sex is great, the talk is great, his bod is great, his apartment is great, his job is great. So, why am I writing? The problem is that wherever we go, people seem to know him and horn in on our time together. Half the time, I feel like a stranger or an outsider, kind of hanging around in the background while he does his thing. I always end up being sort of put out. I don't want to lose him, but I don't like always being in the shadow. What do you suggest I do?

— T.G., Alameda, CA

Dear T.G.,

Think of it this way honey: a man always has his shadow with him. In the daytime, it's in front, it's in back, it's on the side — it all depends on where the sunshine is. And at night, it's underneath. Sounds to me like a not-too-shabby place to be. So, gee, you had the horrid misfortune of meeting a popular, fabulous guy. Poor Miss Thing. Maybe with time, you'll get over it. But watch your

tongue girl, or you'll be getting over it alone: from shadow to wallflower in one big pout. So instead of ending up put out, you'd better learn how to end up putting out. Keep 'im or ship 'im east, honey.

Dear Billy,

I need advice. I'm uncomfortable being older. I'm 64 years old. I never had great sex experiences when I was young, and I know those opportunities have passed me by now. How do you get used to being past it?

— J.T., Boston, MA

Dear J.T.,

Let's get one or two things out on the table right now. First, I've never been past it. And I've certainly never passed it by. Second, 64? Dear me honey, are we dead? Goodness girl, the way I look at it, you're just about the age where you kiss some office goodbye and kiss some orifice hello. Now it's time to spend the next three hundred years looking for the great sex you missed. No one's to say when you can have great sex. Just because you think you missed it in the good old days, don't think it's not still out there. But honey, if you talk yourself into a corner, there's not gonna be anybody to sit with. And when they turn the lights out, no one will know you're there. So you don't have to get used to anything. What you have to do is rethink the way you have to regard your self-image. Old is a state of mind, not an age. If you're uncomfortable with be-

ing older, you're looking at it all wrong. You're always going to be older than someone, but you don't have to be old. So you've been around for awhile...Enjoy it. Push the limits. Spread out. It's better than the alternative.

Having a problem or two? Billy is keen to offer sage advice, whether requested or not. Send questions to: Billy Holliday, P.O. Box, 1726, Old Chelsea Station, New York, NY 10011.

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Having a great time at the first anniversary party at Just Us the weekend of September 29-October 1. Photo by Jamie.

Keepin' In Step

By Jamie

Three adventurous guys, a full tank of gas and the soundtrack from *To Wong Foo*. Those were the ingredients for a fabulous road trip to Chicago.

It was Sunday, October 1st at about 12:30 pm, my phone rang with my friend Dan on the other end. He unexpectedly got the day off from work and asked if I wanted to go to Chicago. I was supposed to build a shed for my motorcycle, the lawnmower, and basically just to free up some space in the garage. The weather was terrible that day so an hour later Dan, Billy, and I were on our way to the Windy City.

On the way down there we were watching all the cars for cute guys to flirt with. Let me tell ya, there wasn't a whole lot to look at. The one time we did find one, it was right by the 94-294 split. I was looking over at the car smiling and waving when before I realized it, we were taking the long way into the city. From there the car ride resembled scenes from *Thelma*

& Louise. I made a U-turn in one of those "emergency vehicle only" spots, (hey it was an emergency) and tried to find an on-ramp for 94 south but couldn't find one. So we took the long route. Worst of all, the car with the cute guys took 94 so we lost them. The closer we got to Chicago, the better the weather got. The skies were a perfect blue with not a cloud to be seen. When we finally got there, we started with shopping. We hit a bunch of the shops along Halsted and Clark Street. After lots of window shopping, Dan bought a couple of books and a pair of sun glasses, and I bought a t-shirt.

After we got our fill of shopping it was time for some (although relatively early) night life. With Dan being designated driver, I was ready to party. And party we did.

With Billy and Dan being show tune connoisseurs, we went to *Sidetracks*. They have Broadway show tunes all strung together on video tape that plays during late Sunday afternoons. The place was hoppin'. There are a couple of new

bars opening here in Milwaukee that might want to try this idea, or any other bar for that matter.

We stopped at a couple more bars but none were as much fun as *Sidetracks*, so we went back for a little while. We met some more cool people and I even got a phone number.

It started getting late so with *To Wong Foo* blaring, it was time to head north. I wish we would have started the adventure on Friday night and brought it to an end on Sunday, but . . .

Wisconsin also had some fun things to offer these past couple of weeks.

As I am preparing this column, *Greg Scheel* is celebrating his (uh-hum) 29th birthday at the *New Bar* in Madison. They are bringing back memories of his teen years with a disco party. Unfortunately I was unable to be there. Not only do I not have a car at the moment (its getting a

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Scenes from *Street Beat*: #1 BJ Daniels emcee'd this first annual event on September 30; #2 Sister Cash narrated the fashion show; #3 TJ Richter, performance artist; #4 & #5 Lilly White and Mary Richards wowed the crowd. Photos by Belle Pepper.

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new rear bumper), but it is deadline week. Happy Birthday Greg!

Friday the 29th began a weekend celebration for **Just Us**. I stopped in Saturday night for some photos. Lots and lots of people came to help celebrate their 1st year anniversary. Sunday capped the weekend extravaganza with Barb's Packer Party. Hats off to **Steve** and **Janet**.

Kathy's Nut Hut opened the doors for the talented singer **Judii Lowe**. I stopped in for a bit of the show. Judii has a fantastic voice. I wish I could have stayed for more but I had to do another photo shoot.

That shoot was at Palomas Esperanza Unida International Building. **Progressive Milwaukee** held a dinner and awards celebration. In **Step's Jamakaya**, received an award for her contributions to the women's movement, labor organizing and the Gay and Lesbian movement. Kudos to Jamakaya!

Well that does it for now. I was tempted to rant and rave about O.J. getting away with murder (in my opinion) but I think a lot of us have reached the saturation point with that whole mess.

Until next time, come out to at least one person on the 11th and remember slower traffic keep right.

By Belle Pepper

Well, I'm single again. After a 10-year marriage, my life is starting anew. In late July I moved into my own bachelorette pad in downtown Milwaukee. I really liked it for the first month or so, but now I'm getting lonely.

To keep busy, and to take the picture shoot pressure off of Jamie, I've been assigning myself several shoots in the local Milwaukee area.

I had such a great time this weekend going to three fun events: PFLAG's National Coming Out Day Event at the Art Museum; Survival Revival's "Street Beat;" and the Footsteps for the Future Tea Dance & Awards Ceremony.

I got up just in time on Saturday, September 30 to hoof it to Milwaukee's Art Museum for the first in a series of National Coming Out Day events sponsored by the Human Rights Campaign for Lesbians and Gays (HRL).

PFLAG held *Straight, But Not Narrow*, an event for friends, family and allies of LesBiGay people. Close to 200 adults and children attended. Kass and Stephanie Hume sponsored artistic activities for the kids, which was well attended. Painters caps and bracelets were decorated with paint, glitter, feathers, doo-dads, and all kinds of things.

The Cream City Chorus performed, as well as **Diane Bloom**. **L.G. Shanklin-Flowers** spoke on making allies and how they can promote the rights of Gay and Lesbian people. She said it was important for allies to appreciate being straight and not feel guilty because they are.

Vicki Kaluzny, President of PFLAG talked about her son coming out, and how she needed to go through a similar situation in response. **Jerry Solik**, a 19-year old, talked about growing up with her Lesbian mom.

After the speeches and entertainment, the Art Museum staff gave free guided tours of the exhibits. You could

also have a Polaroid picture taken of yourself, with your friends, family and allies.

Cathy Arney and **Bernie Meagher** were co-chairs, and Bernie's mom, **Mrs. Dolly Meagher** provided the space at the Art Museum.

By 8pm, I was on my way to Survival Revival on East Chicago for their first annual **Street Beat** party. All proceeds benefitted the Milwaukee AIDS Project, and all told they raised \$2,000.

The event was really well attended. Shopping (one of my favorite pasttimes) was in full swing. I bought some sheets, a clock radio, a vacuum cleaner, some books, and several other items.

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Sister Cash (doing a Valley Girl imitation) MC'd the Fashion show with live models. **BJ Daniels** was the master of ceremonies. **Ruthless Acoustics** was the live band, and performance artist **TJ Richter** performed (what else).

Mary Richards, Lady Miranda and **Lily White** performed during intermission (Happy Birthday Mary), and wowed the crowd.

Hopefully they'll repeat this event next year, because if you didn't go, you really missed some fun. I left shortly after 10pm, and snared **Dan Fons** for a ride home with all my packages (he's such a gentleman).

On Sunday, October 1, all dressed-up and with somewhere to go, I caught the bus and headed for the **Comedy Cafe** on Brady Street. **Landmark Enterprises** threw a great party for all those who participated in the Footsteps for the Future program benefitting the AIDS Walk Wisconsin '95. Unfortunately, hardly anyone showed up, which was really a shame.

They had great food, presented all kinds of awards to participants, had some really great door prizes, and were giving away goody bags full of stuff. I can't believe football games can be more fun than this party.

Doug Nelson gave a brief speech, updating the audience on the AIDS Walk. Milwaukee's AIDS Walk is the 9th largest in the country in total dollars raised. This year on World AIDS Day (December 1), we have been living with the AIDS epidemic for 15 years. Thirteen bars signed up 384 Footsteps For the Future team members, raising \$17,000+ for the AIDS Walk.



Another scene from the Just Us Anniversary Party. Photo by Jamie.

Mama Roux took second place in dollars raised, first place in number of team members. **Just Us** took first place, and the top individual team member **T.L. Ohlmen** who walked on the Just Us team, won an expense paid 3 night/4 day trip to Key West with a stay at Alexander Guesthouse.

Landmark gave away great raffle prizes including a Park East Hotel Stay, a case of wine from Downer Liquor, several rainbow rugs from Out of the Rainbow, plus gift certificates from Shorewood

Florist, Cafe Melange, Wells Street Station and Euro Hair Tech.

The goody bags were filled with things from the major sponsors: Miller, Continental Airlines, Landmark Enterprises, the **Advocate**, Jose Cuervo, SKYY Vodka and the Comedy Cafe.

Too bad you missed it . . . I had a great time!

And for a personal note, thanks to everyone who took the time to say kind things about **In Step Magazine** and thanks for the warm wishes for **Ron Geiman**, I've passed them on to himself.



At the Footsteps For the Future Tea Dance & Awards Ceremony, #1 **Steve Byers** and **Janet Mueller** (at Just Us) receiving the award for first place; #2 **Tom Martin** presents the second place award to **Joe St. Clair** from **Mama Roux**. #3 the Footsteps For the Future Team from **Mama Roux's**. Photos by Belle Pepper.

Calendar

Thursday, October 12

Positive Voice (GrBay): G/L Guide to Northeastern Wisconsin Dinner Meeting. 6:15pm, Bay Family Restaurant-East. Business meeting follows at 6:45pm. Everyone welcome.

Rod's/New Bar (Mad): Strippers, strippers, strippers!

St. Camillus (Milw): Thursday Lecture/Discussion Series: Grief and Loss Over the Long Haul: Caring for Ourselves as We Care for Others, 7-9pm. FMI (414) 481-3696.

BESTD Clinic Live! (Milw): Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Guest: Rev. Jan Doleschal, A Celebration of Coming Out!

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Milw): Community Forum: Coming Out in the Bars. Sponsored by Human Rights League for Gays & Lesbians. Dance, Dance, Dance night club, 7-9pm.

Book Signing (Milw): Anne Rice, creator of The Vampire Chronicles, beginning at 4pm at Schwartz Bookshop in Loehmann's Plaza in Brookfield.

Friday, October 13

Trading Company (EaCl): It's Friday the 13th. Drink specials all night. Get a free shot

if you were born on the 13th of any month. 5pm-2:30am.

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Mad): Lecture from Paul Siegel on Lesbian/Gay Rights as a Free Speech Issue, 8pm. Memorial Union.

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Milw): Coming Out Dance at Fannies, 8pm-Midnight. \$5.

Just Us (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing and counseling, 8-11pm.

Shoreline Dancers (Milw): Dance instruction 9pm at 3B's. Tonight: Bayou City Twister.

Saturday, October 14

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Mad): Coming Out Week Dance in the Great Hall at the Memorial Union. 8pm-12:45am. \$3 at the door. DJ and cash bar.

Madison Gay Video Club (Mad): Erotic Choices #2: Instinct & Bull Pen. 8pm. FMI (608) 244-8675.

Shoreline Party (Milw): At 3B's. Free two-step and line dance lessons. Country dancing all night longs.

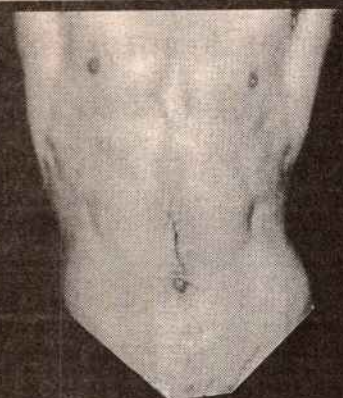
MOOK (Milw): Special Acoustic Show at Schwartz Bookshop-Shorewood, 8pm.



Judii Lowe performed at Kathy's Nut Hut on Sept. 30. Photo by Jamie.

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Volleyball Clinic (Milw): Offered by GAMMA at UWM's Engelmann Gym beginning at 3pm. Cost is \$2.

Sunday, October 15

SAGE/Dane (Mad): Meeting/Panel Discussion: 'Parents Come Out, Too! But How?'

Geraldine's (Mad): Portfolio Men, showtime 9pm. \$3 Cover.

Dignity (Milw): 15th annual pilgrimage to Holy Hill at 1pm. All faiths are welcome. Call Joe at (414) 873-9591 FMI.

PFLAG (Milw): Meeting, 6:45-9pm. Coming Out Play, panel discussion: Parents Come Out, Too, plus reports. At Martin Luther Lutheran Church, 9235 West Bluemound. FMI (414) 299-9198.

AfterWords (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing and counseling, 3-6pm.

M&M (Milw): The musical comedy of Chris Francis.

WLTO 97.3FM (Milw): 6am the Light on Milwaukee Show hosted by Joanne Beauchamp will rebroadcast an interview with Arlene Kochman, the Exec Direc of SAGE/NY.

WISN 1130AM (Milw): 6:30am, the Light on Milwaukee Show hosted by Joanne Beauchamp will rebroadcast an interview with Arlene Kochman, the Exec Direc of SAGE/NY.

Silver Space (Milw): monthly gathering for older Lesbians, 6-8pm at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Inc. \$3 suggestion donation.

Cross Lutheran Church (Milw): A Rainbow of Love for Everyone will be the theme of the Coming Out Sunday service, 9:30am. FMI (414) 344-1746.

Monday, October 16

Positive Voice (GrBay): General Membership Meeting, 6:30pm. Brown County Central Library (lower level). Topic: Married and Gay panel discussion. FMI (414) 499-5533.

Tuesday, October 17

The Queer Program (Milw): 7-8pm on Cable Channel 47. Replays Thurs (4pm) and Sats (11am). The video A Circle of Friends Should Never End.

SAGE (Milw): 6:30pm, Eastside Library, 1910 W. North Avenue, the acclaimed documentary Word Is Out featuring interviews on what being Gay means to people from all walks of life.

Club 219 (Milw): Benefit show for Lady Miranda.

Wednesday, October 18

Pivot Club (Appl): Benefit show by WI's top Gay/Lesbian entertainers for Georgie & Annie Grinkey's Help Adopt Angel legal fund. 10:30pm.

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Mad): Lesléa Newman: Heather's Mommy Speaks Out and selected readings, 7pm, Morgridge Hall, Grainger.

AIDS Activist TV (Milw): 8:30pm on Cable Channel 47. Jeff Friedman, San Francisco choreographer and performer, discussing his Milwaukee performance of Muscle Memory. Viewers are invited to call in.

UW-Milwaukee (Milw): Wilma Mankiller, former Chief of Cherokee Nation speaks at UWM Student Union, 8pm. Free.

Triangle (Milw): 9pm, Rolling Rock 7 Heads Pro Party. Raffles, prizes, give-aways.

Thursday, October 19

Rod's/New Bar (Mad): Rod's monthly Birthday party for anyone celebrating a birthday in October. Show proof of your birthday and get \$1 rail/call drinks and domestic beer all day and all night. Cake and party games provided.

Nat'l Coming Out Day Event (Mad): Lesléa Newman: Heather's Mommy Speaks Out and selected readings, 7:30pm, Memorial Union.

The United (Mad): Training for speaker's bureau volunteers. FMI (608) 255-8582.

Club 219 (Milw): Premiere of new male dance troupe, The Boyz, no cover!

Flu Shots (Milw): 6-8pm, M&M Club (upstairs). Recommended for HIV+ persons, their partners and caregivers.

St. Camillus (Milw): Thursday Lecture/Discussion Series: HIV/AIDS and the Health Power of Touch, 7-9pm. FMI (414) 481-3696.

BESTD Clinic Live! (Milw): Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Guest: Richard Jerome Bennett, Music: the sound of health.

Take Back the Night (Milw): 5pm Rally, 5:30 Welcoming Address, 5:45pm March. Plus speakers, candlelight vigil and survivor speak out to follow. At North Point Park (rain or shine) at the intersection of Lake Drive and North Avenue. FMI (414) 229-2852.

Friday, October 20

Harvest of Hope (EaCI): Annual NOWAP dinner, dance and auction at the Ramada Inn & Conference Center. \$50. FMI 800-750-2437.

DanceWorks (Milw): Jeff Friedman. Muscle Memory. Also October 21. 7:30pm. Venue to be announced. FMI call (414) 481-2010.

Shoreline Dancers (Milw): Dance Instruction at 9pm at 3B's.

Saturday, October 21

Za's (GrBay): Benefit show by WI's top Gay/Lesbian entertainers for Georgie & Annie Grinkey's Help Adopt Angel legal fund. 10:30pm.

Wrestling Club (Mad): Practice/Instruction. No experience necessary, 8pm. FMI (608) 244-8675.

3B's (Milw): Judii Lowe returns, 10:30pm, \$3 Cover.

AfterWords (Milw): Come meet Mark Zubro, Gay mystery writer, author of *Another Dead Teenager*, 1pm.

St. Camillus (Milw): Maintaining Our Balance: A Day of Renewal for Caregivers, a one day retreat. FMI (414) 481-3696.



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HIT Casino Trip (Milw): Bus departs 6am for Northstar Casino (9am-1pm) and then on to Menomonee Nation casino (1:30-5:30pm). \$35 per person includes transportation, rebates, tour escorts, games, prizes. A fundraiser for Holiday Invitational Tournament. FMI (414) 332-9414.

Sunday, October 22

Benefit Concert (Milw): PAC's Vogel Hall, 3-6pm. 2nd Annual Concert for the Heart, Heartstrings. Featuring well known Milwaukee artists and will benefit the Raphael House for PLWA's. Tickets are \$12.50, (414) 273-7206.

Integrity/Dignity (Mad): 7:30pm, St. Francis House, 1001 University Avenue. Eucharist/liturg with social hour to follow. FMI (608) 836-8886.

Rod's/New Bar (Mad): Beer Bash Bingo returns! Play starts at 8pm with great prizes and more.

WTSO Radio 1070AM (Mad): Sunday Night Out. Interview with Randy Bouché regarding his career as female impersonator CC Rae. 6-8pm.

Just Us (Milw): Benefit show by WI's top Gay/Lesbian entertainers for Georgie & Annie Grinkey's Help Adopt Angel legal fund. 10:30pm.

Life's a Drag

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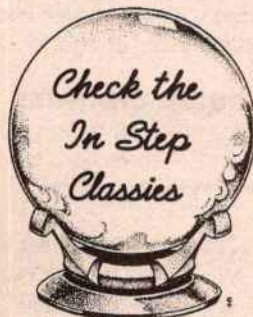
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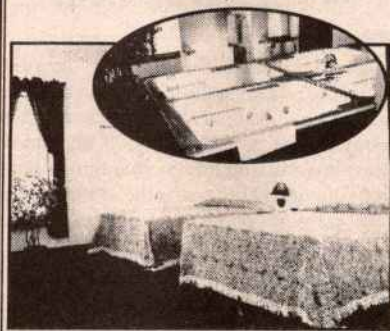
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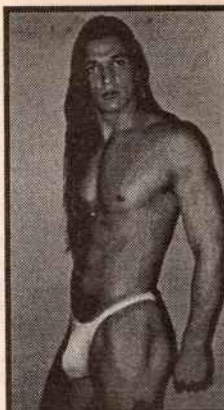
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Mw	Mostly Men, Women Welcome
W	Prefer Women Only
Wm	Most Women, Men Welcome
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- Men's HIV+ Support Group Appleton 733-2068
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- Fox Valley AIDS Project
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- Gay AA/Anon 494-9904
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- Men's HIV+ Support
Green Bay 437-7400
- Women's HIV+ Support
Green Bay 437-7400

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- Parents & Friends of G/L Green Bay 499-7080
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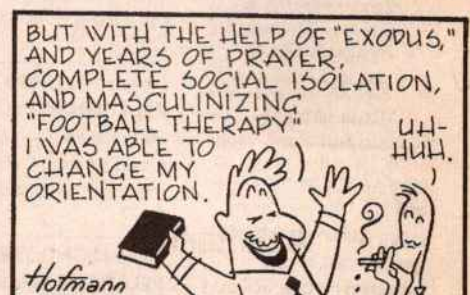
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Milwaukee **NO GAMES:** I'm a 29 y/o GBF lkg4 GWF. I'm lkg4 someone who is not about playing games, someone down to earth and a non smoker. call me. ☎3620

Milwaukee **FEMME FEMALES:** Valerie, 29, GBF seeking other fem females, age race open, must be down to earth, into quiet times and romance, I'll treat you like a lady, you must be femme! ☎3620

Milwaukee **TATTOOS AND HARLEYS!** Sharon, 31 GWF 5'8 brn/hzl, 130, int in lkg for women to develop poss rel, int are outdoors, sports, tattoos HARLEYS, cats dogs, walks in the park, movies, candlelight dinners, sounds interesting, lets be friends! ☎6835

Milwaukee **FRIENDS FIRST** "I'm a 24 y/o black lesbian. I'm lkg4 fem, lesbians 21-28. I'm lkg4 friendship first. ☎3141

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Elkworth **SOMEONE TO LOVE:** Evelyn, 40, 3 grown kids, heavy set, like to go out to eat, want someone to love so I can love them back, thank you so much, goodbye! ☎39049

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636 W. Washington (upstairs) 53703 256-8765
- 2 Allegre (MW)
150 S. Blair, 53703 258-9918
- 3 Shamrock (GS, MW, F, D)
117 W. Main St. 53703 255-5029
- 5 Geraldine's (MW, DJ)
3052 E Washington, 53704 241-9335
- 6 Greenbush (G/S, M/W, F)
914 Regent, 53715 257-BUSH

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Hotel Washington
636 W Washington Avenue, 53703 (608) 256-3360

RESTAURANTS

- Cafe Palms
636 W Washington, 53703 (608) 256-0166

BULLETIN BOARDS

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

ORGANIZATIONS

- A.ASPIN Foundation (Goal or Wish Assistance for PWAs)
2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 (608) 273-4501
- Apple Island (Women's Cultural Center/Hall Rental)
849 E Washington (608) 258-9777
- Campus Women's Center
710 University Ave, #202, 53715 (608) 262-8093
- Dairyland Rainbow Squares
PO Box 1363, 53701-1363 (608) 246-9669
- Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
Box 513, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, Madison 53706
- Different Spokes G/L/B Bicycling Club .. (608) 241-8184
- 18-21 Yr Old Social Group (608) 256-2667
- Frontiers (Gay/Bi Men's Activities Organ.)
14 W Mifflin, Ste 103, 53703 (608) 251-7424
- Gay/Lesbian Phone Line (608) 255-4297
- Gay/Lesbian Information Recording
(ask for tape #3333) (608) 263-3100
- Gay/Lesbian Resource Center
PO Box 1722, 53701
- G/L Educational Employees
c/o The United (608) 255-8582
- Gay Fathers c/o United (608) 255-8582
- Gay Men's Video Club
PO Box 8234, 53708 (608) 244-8675
- GALVANize (Madison LesBiGay Pride)
PO Box 1403, 53701 (608) 256-4289
- Kissing Girls Productions (Lesbian Cultural Events)
PO Box 6091, 53716
- Lavender (Lesbian Domestic Violence Support Group) (608) 255-7447
- LesBiGay Issues Committee (UW Advisory Comm.)
Dean of Students Office, 75 Bascom Hall
Madison 53706 (608) 263-5700
- LesBiGay Campus Center (Office, Lounge, Resource Center) UW Union (608) 265-3344
- LesBiGay 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 Committee
636 W Washington 53703 (608) 256-3404 (EXT 220)
- Men's Alanon (608) 255-8582
- New Harvest Foundation (G/L Foundation)
PO Box 1786, 53701 (608) 241-2500
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- Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
PO Box 1722, 53701
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Box 614, UW Mem. Union,
800 Langdon, 53706 (608) 262-7365
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14 W. Mifflin St., Ste 103, 53703 (608) 255-8582
- UW LesBiGay Alumni Council (Ken) (608) 263-4086
- Womonsong (Womon's Choral Group) (608) 246-2681

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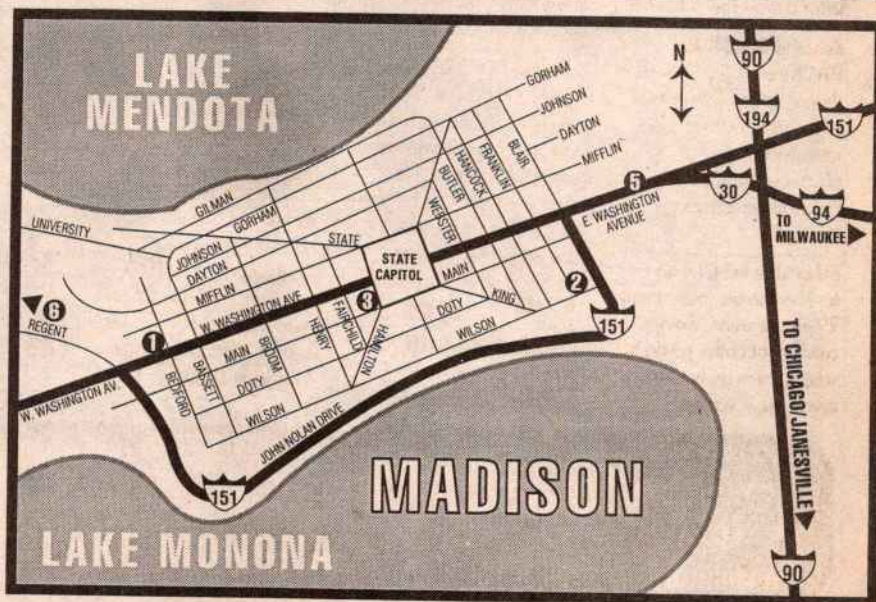
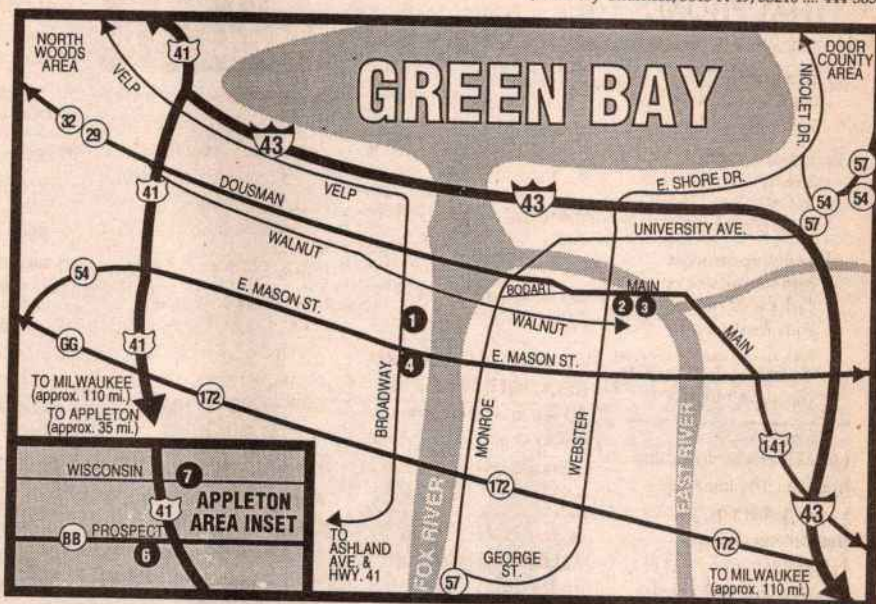
- Integrity/Dignity
Box 730, 53701 (608) 836-8886
- Affirmation (L/G United Methodists)
University Church, 1127 Univ. Ave, 53705 256-2353
- James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Church
2146 E Johnson, 53704 (608) 242-8887

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ORGANIZATIONS

- ACT UP
Milwaukee PO Box 1707, 53201 769-8708
- Alcoholics Anonymous
(regular. Gay meetings) 771-9119
- Beer Town Badgers
PO Box 840, 53201
- BiNet USA (Milw. Contact)
PO Box 93421, 53203 342-3836
- Blacks Education Blacks About AIDS (BEBA) .. 272-3009
- 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)
PO Box 1697, 53202-1697

- Counseling Center (LesBiGay Support & discussion Groups)
2038 N. Bartlett, 53202 271-2565
- Cream City Chorus
P. O. Box 1488, 53201 344-9222
- Cream City Foundation (CCF)
2821 N. 4th St. #217B, or,
Box 204, 53201 265-0880
- Cream City Squares
(G/L Square Dancing Club) 521-1259
- Cream City Cummers (Safe Sex J/O Club)
Box 93421, 53203 342-3836
- DAMES (Dykes Against Minority Erotic Suppression
PO Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201
- Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
PO Box 413, Union Box 51, 53201 229-4054
- Different Drummer Theatre Alliance (G/L Theatre Co)
PO Box 92756, 53202 347-0673
- Fallen Angels (L/L AIDS Support Group) 342-3836
- Fest City Singers (Gay choral group)
PO Box 11428, 53211 263-SING
- Firebirds (L/L group)
1224 N Prospect Ave, Box 69, 53202
- Galano Club (chemical free recovery club)
2408 N. Farwell 276-6936
- Gaylaxians (G/L Sci-Fi group)
c/o Emory Churness, 3815 N 49, 53210 444-3853



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

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

Gay Lesbian Education Employees
of Metro Milw. (GLEEMM), Larry 384-9695

Gay & Lesbian Tavern Guild
209 East National, 53204

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

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

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

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PO Box 44211, 53214 voice mail 297-9328

Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee
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Great Lakes Harley Riders
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Insight (young women 17-21) support 271-2565

Imani (Support/Social Group for Black Lesbians)
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Keep Hope Alive (HIV Holistic Support)
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LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)
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Lesbian, Gay and Bi People in Medicine (LGBPM)
c/o 4042 S. Pine #6, 53207 744-3393

LOC/Women of Color
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MGALA (MU Graduates)
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Marquette LesBiGay Student Group
Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233 288-6873

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700 W State, Rm 322, 53233 297-7053

Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club (Scott) 962-6124

Narcotics Anonymous (request Gay mtgs.) 543-4850

Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group 963-9833

Oberons (Levi/Leather club)
Box 07423, 53207

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
PO Box 21853, 53221 Sandy 299-9198

Positive Outcomes/Gay Males
17-21 (support) 271-2565

PACT (People of All Colors Together)
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Dave 871-3048 Verl 347-0580

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

The Queer Program (Cable TV Show)
PO Box 93951, 53203 225-1500

SAGE Milwaukee (For older LesBiGays)
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Saturday Softball Beer League (SSBL)
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Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA) 276-6936

Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.
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Shoreline Country Dancers
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Silver Space (Group for Older Lesbians)
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S.O.S. (Alcohol/Addiction Recovery) 442-1132

Ujima (African Am. Support/Social, Call Eric)
PO Box 92183, Milwaukee 53202 272-3009

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

Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming)
2717 E. Hampshire 964-1513

The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, nondenominational)
1636 W. National 647-9199

St. Camillus (Interfaith AIDS Ministry)
3661 S KK, 53235 481-3696

St. James Episcopal Church
833 W. Wisconsin Ave 271-1340

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1311 W Lincoln, 53215 643-9313

First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church)
1342 N Astor 273-5257

Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)
130 E. Juneau Ave 273-7617

MEDICAL

Mark Behar, PA-C (Family / Primary Care)
Family Care Center, 1834 W WI, 53233 933-3600

Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD) (VD, HIV testing,
hepatitis screening) 1240 E Brady 53202 272-2144

BESTD Women's Clinic
1240 E Brady, 53202 272-2144

Gay Men's HIV+ Support Group
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Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP)
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820 N Plankinton, 53203 Office/Staff 273-1991
AIDS Information 273-2437

Positive Health Clinic
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945 N 12, 53233 283-7908

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3251 N Holton, 53212 264-8800

Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium
(Experimental HIV/AIDS Drug Program)
820 N Plankinton, 53203 273-1991

RELIGIOUS

Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
1821 N. 16th St. 344-1746

Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)
PO Box 597, 53102 444-7177

Integrity Metro Milw (Open & Affirming)
914 E Knaap, 53211 276-6277

Lutherans Concerned
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MAP Spiritual Care
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Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church
UFMCC PO Box 1421, 53201-1421 332-9995

CURBSIDE

PARTY HEARTY

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MAN, I CAN'T BELIEVE I LET YOU DRAG ME TO AN AFTER HOURS PARTY... I HATE PARTIES, PARTIES SUCK.

OH CHILL OUT WILL YA? WE'LL JUST MAKE AN APPEARANCE AND LEAVE, OK?

SO, HE SAID THAT SHE SAID THAT THEY SAID

Hi Boys!

HEY MATT... WELL EXCUSE ME, I'M GONNA GO GET SOMETHING TO MUNCH ON...

Hi

SORRY I COULDN'T COME OVER THE OTHER NIGHT...

ME TOO. WHERE'S YOUR BOYFRIEND?

OH, HE'S AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE... SO IT'S HANDS OFF FOR NOW...

YEAH, I'LL JUST HAVE TO CONTROL MYSELF I GUESS.

WHOOOPS, SPEAK OF THE DEVIL

HI KEVIN

HELLO

WOULD YOU EXCUSE US FOR A MOMENT NATHAN? I NEED TO SPEAK TO MATT. IN PRIVATE.

Isn't that the guy who does that comic strip?

what comic strip?

you know... uh... CURBSIDE?

There's a... uh... thing in the air that night?

TAP TAP TAP

NICE TO SEE YOU GUYS AGAIN!

"CUTESIDE"??!

The stars were bright Fernando

GOD I HATE PARTIES

GEORGE?

UH, HI NATHAN. I THOUGHT I'D COME OVER AND SAY HELLO...

I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT YOU LATELY...

OH? THAT... THAT'S GOOD. UH, WANNA GO AND GET A CUPPA COFFEE SOMEWHERE?

YOUR PLACE?

UH, YEAH... YEAH!

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- Back Door BBS, 23 lines, messages, chat, games, graphics, Women's area, Internet Mail 744-9336
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- Dr. Pervitis DYM-BBS (e-mail, matching, sub boards) 873-2838
- Dr. Pervitis Wildcat BBS (e-mail, graphics, sub-boards) 873-1680
- GLINN Multi-Board Super System (news, personals guides, files, on-line games, graphics) 289-0145
- Starcom BBS (user descrp., files, echo mail) 873-6969

BARS

- 1 Ballgame (Mw, V, D, F)
196 S. 2nd 53204 273-7474
- 3 Boot Camp (M, L/L)
209 E. National 53204 643-6900
- 4 C'est La Vie (Mw, D)
231 S. 2nd 53204 291-9600
- 5 Club 219 (MW, DJ, V)
219 S. 2nd 53204 271-3732
- 7 Dance, Dance, Dance (Mw, DJ)
801 S. 2nd 53204 383-8330
- 6 1100 Club (Mw, L/L, DJ, F)
1100 S. 1st Street 53204 647-9950
- 2 Fannie's (Wm, D, F)
200 E. Washington 53204 643-9633
- 7 Grubb's Pub (MW, F)
807 S 2nd St 53204 384-8330
- 27 Just Us (MW,D,F)
807 S. 5th St, 53204 383-2233
- 22 Kathy's Nut Hut (WM, G/S, F, D)
1500 W. Scott 53201 647-2673
- 7 La Cage (Mw, DJ, V)
801 S. 2nd 53204 383-8330
- 17 Loose Ends (GS, MW, F)
4332 W. Fond du Lac 442-8469

- 26 Mama Roux (MW, F)
1875 N Humboldt, 53202 347-0344
- 10 M&M Club (MW, F)
124 N. Water 53202 347-1962
- 24 Renez CoZ Corner II (DJ, W/M, G/S)
3500 W Park Hill Ave (I 94& 35th) 933-RENE
- 20 Station 2 (Wm, D)
1534 W. Grant 53215 383-5755
- 13 This Is It (M)
418 E. Wells 53202 278-9192
- 12 3B's Bar (MW, D)
1579 S. 2nd, 53204 672-5580
- 18 Triangle (M, V)
135 E National 53204 383-9412
- 11 Wreck Room (M, L/L)
266 E Erie 53202 273-6900
- 9 Zippers (Mw)
819 S 2nd, 53204 645-8330

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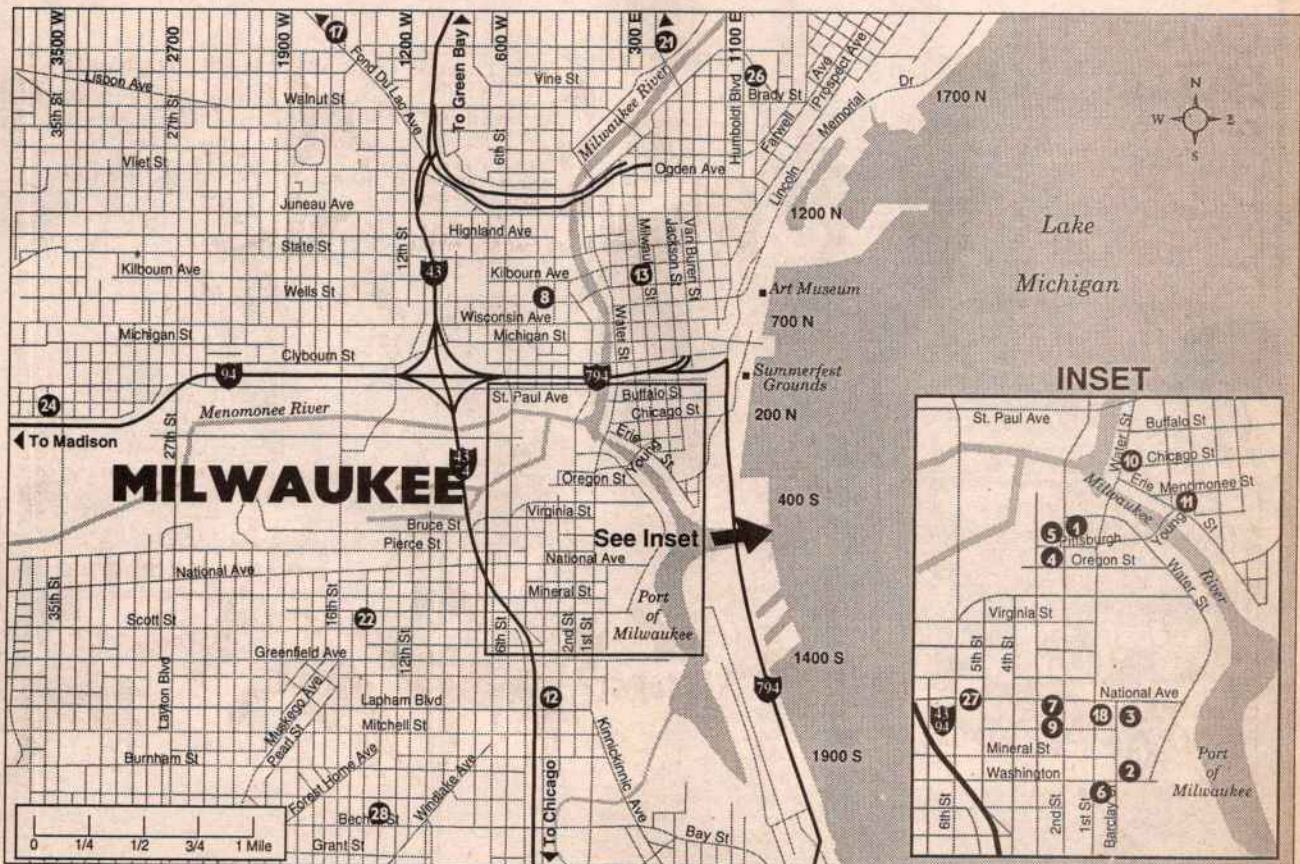
- 10 M&M/Glass Menagerie
(lunch, dinner, Sunday Brunch)
124 N. Water 53202 347-1962
- 7 Grubb's Pub
807 S 2nd St, 53204 384-8330
- Walker's Point Cafe (10am-afterhours)
1106 S. 1st St. 53204 384-7999
- 8 Cafe Melange (MW, G/S, F)
720 N. Old World 3rd St 53203 291-9889

HELP LINES

- Gay Information Svcs.
(referrals) 444-7331
- Gay People's Union Hotline 562-7010
- Gay Bash Hotline (confidential) 444-7331
- Helpline (Crisis Counseling) 271-3123
- Wisconsin AIDS Info Line 273-AIDS
- Milw. Mayor's Office LesBiGay Problem Resolution
Marge Beil 286-2200

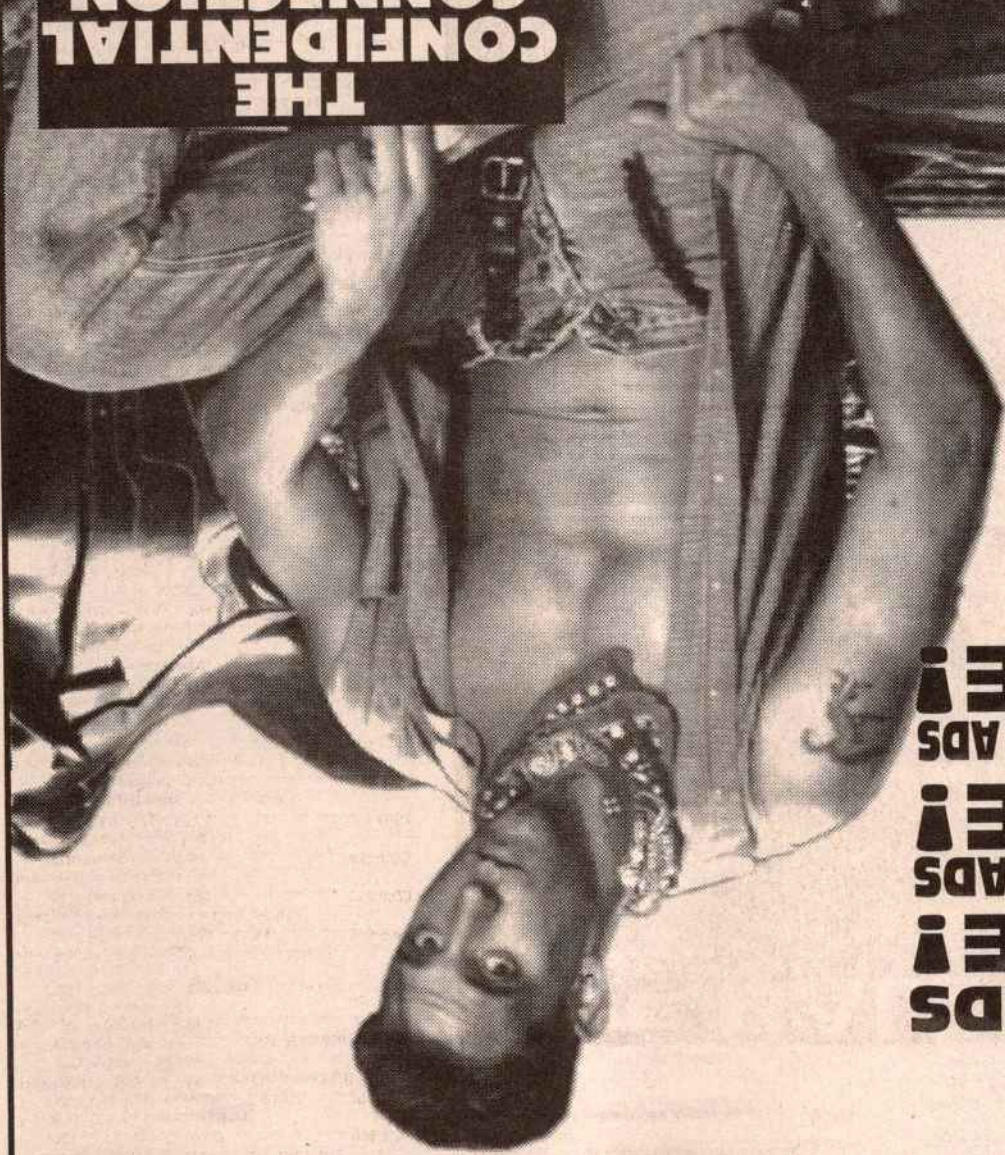
SERVICES

- Able Amazon
(Home Repair, Remodeling) 447-0251
- Alternative Connections (matchmaking) 765-1233
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5401 N 76, 53218 536-7575
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- Coldwell Banker Prestige Homes
Rich Dolan 423-1500
- Discovery & Recovery Clinic (Counseling)
6510 W Layton Ave, 53215 282-6160
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- Financial Planning Services 445-5552
- Theodore I. Friedman, PhD (Psychotherapist)
2266 N. Prospect, Suite 206 53202 272-2427
- Full Moon Productions (Women's Music Promoters)
N235 Co Hwy W, Campbellsport, 53010
- Gay/Lesbian International News Network (GLINN)
PO Box 93626, 53203 (Fax 289-0789) 289-7777
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225 S. 2nd St, 53204 271-5819
- Heritage Funeral Home
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- Horizon Travel (Member IGTA)
N81 W15028 Appleton, Men. Falls 53051 255-0704
- Hume, Attorney Kathleen
5665 S 108th, Hales Corners, 53130 529-2129
- Hurricane Womyn's Productions
PO Box 71268, 53211
- Denis Jackson, PhD. (Relational training, hypnosis, HIV & Vocational Counseling) 276-8669
- K-9 8 till 5 (Dog Grooming) 933-5995
- Klaus & Meyers (attorneys)
5665 S. 108th, Hales Corners 53130 529-2800
- Thomas E. Martin (Attorney & general law)
161 W. Wisconsin, Suite 3189 53203 765-9413
- Jeffrey G. Miller, MS, RN (Psychotherapy)
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Milwaukee 53215 384-8746; 800-417-4159
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- AfterWords (G/L Bookstore & Espresso Bar)
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1221 East Brady, 53202 289-8322
- Clinton Street Antiques
1110 South First Street 647-1773
- Constant Reader Bookshop
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- Second Time Around
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- Survival Revival MAP's Resale Shop
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- Triangle Tire Group
3725 S Howell, 53207 481-8848
- Wishful Things (Antiques)
207 E Buffalo, 53202 964-9799

CENTRAL WI (715)

- Central WI AIDS Network
(CWAN) (HIV/AIDS Service
Organization) 1200 Lake View Dr, Rm 200,
Wausau, 54403 (715) 848-9060
- Empowerment/PAWS (Newsletter for PWAs)
1932 Strongs Ave
Stevens Point, 54481 (715) 342-0576
- G&L Society/Wausau (715) 848-0608
- UWSP 10% Society
Campus Activities Complex, Box 68
UWSP, Stevens, Point, 54481 (715) 346-4366
- LDS Brotherhood (Gay Mormons)
PO box 152, Wausau, 54402 (715) 848-0343
- Mad Hatter (MW, DJ, V)
320 Washington, Wausau 54401 (715) 842-3225
- HIV/AIDS Spiritual Support & Education
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- Marshfield Gay Lesbian Organ. (MGLG)
c/o 117 W Jefferson St, Marshfield, 54449
Ask for Vic (715) 384-2613
- Platwood Club (MW, D)
701 Highway 10W, St. Pt., 54481 (715) 341-8862
- Prince Edward B&B
203 W 5th, Shawano 54166 (715) 526-2805
- Wausau Narcotics Anonymous
(ask for Gay meetings) (715) 536-LIFE
- Women's Resource Center UWSP
336 Nelson Hall, Stevens Pt. 54481 ... (715) 346-4851

NORTH CENTRAL WI (715)

- Gay/Lesbian Support Group
Box 247A, 1411 Ellis Ave. Ashland 54806
- Northern AIDS Network (HIV/AIDS Service Organ.)
June Peters, Courthouse
Rhineland, 54501 (715) 369-6228
- Northern WI Lambda Society
PO Box 802, Rhineland 54501 (715) 362-4242
- SHEM (Support, Heal, Educate) for Parents,

- Family, Friends of
Gays/Lesbians/Bi's (715) 359-7432
- Out Up North (G/L Social/Info/Network)
PO Box 695, Washburn, 54891 (715) 682-2890

SHEBOYGAN AREA (414)

- Blue Lite (Mw)
1029 N. 8th, 53081 457-1636
- Sherlock's Home (Mw, G/S, F)
733 Pennsylvania (No phone)
- Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
Shirley: 458-2506
Carolyn: 467-0422
- Sheboygan Antiques
336 Superior Avenue 53081 452-6757
- Wesley United Methodist Church (Reconciling
Congregation)
823 Union Avenue, Sheboygan 458-4889

**RACINE/KENOSHA (414)
& SOUTHEASTERN WI**

- Club 94 (MW, DJ)
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Kenosha 53140 857-9958
- JoDee's (MW, DJ)
2139 Racine St (Hwy 32) Racine 53403 634-9804
- What About Me? (WM)
600 6th St. Racine 53403 632-0171
- Gay AA (Group 294 Meeting) 554-6611
- Gay/Lesbian Union of Racine
625 College, Racine 54303 634-0659
- Gay Lesbian Union of Kenosha
c/o Unitarian Universalist
PO Box 593, Kenosha 53141 654-9427
- Southeastern WI AIDS Project (HIV/AIDS Service
Organization) 6927 39th Ave.
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

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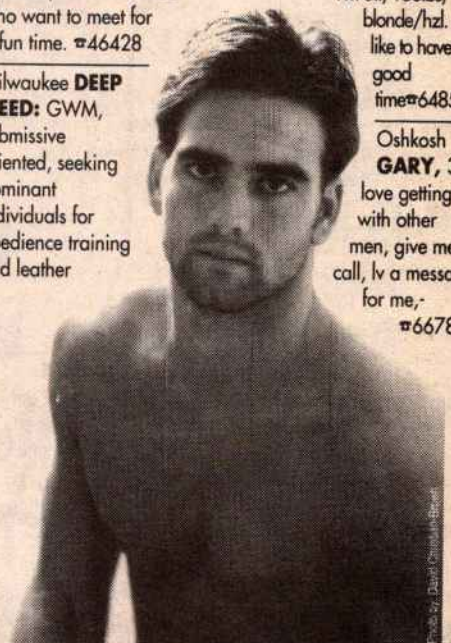
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