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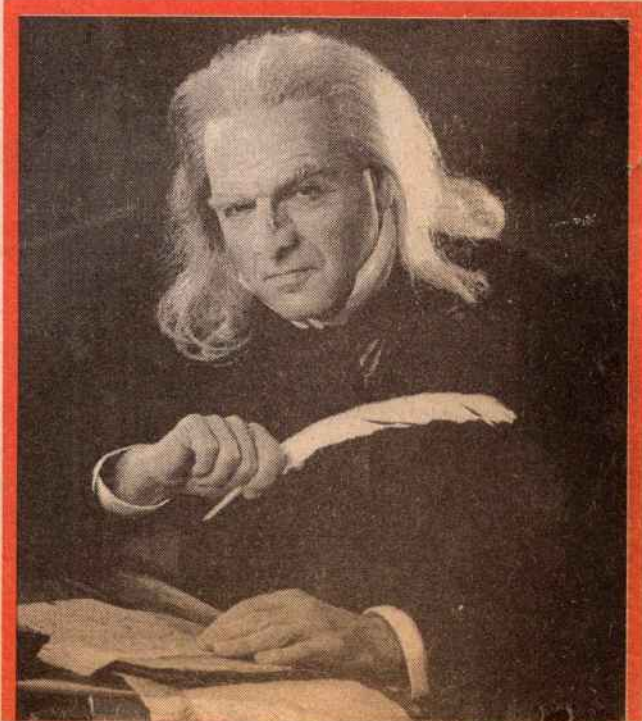
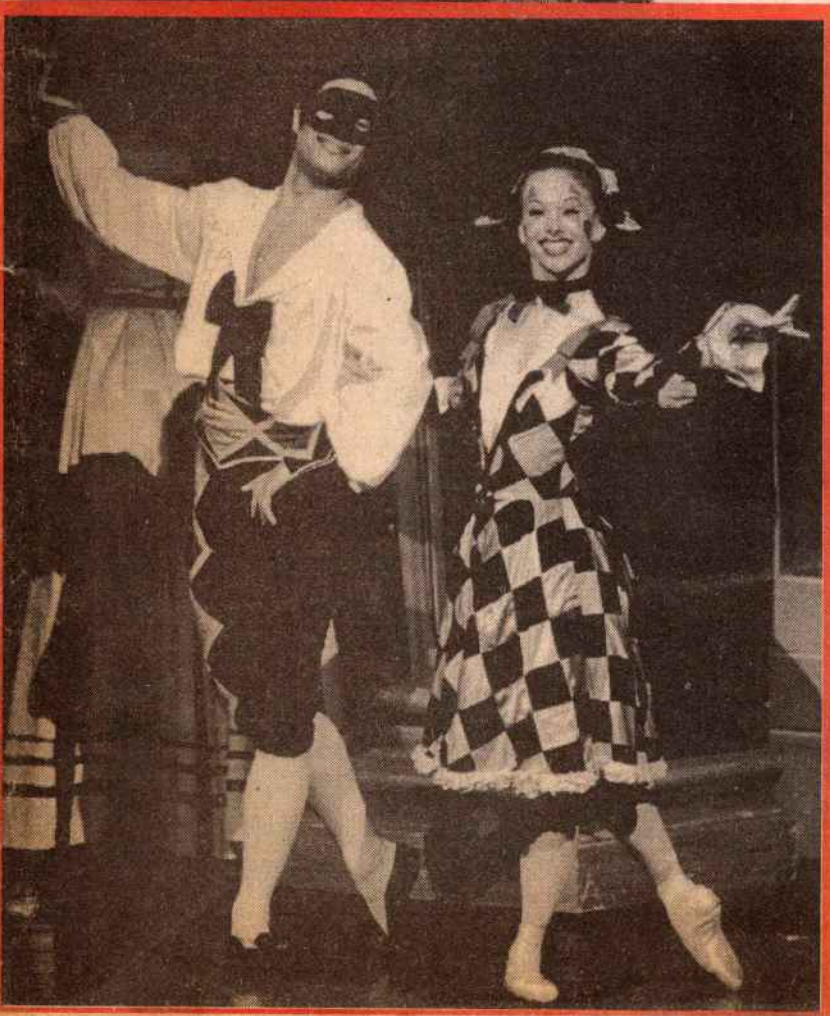
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Cover: Wisconsin Performers are steppin' out for the Holidays. Pictured are James Pickering as Ebenezer Scrooge in the Milwaukee Rep's production of **A Christmas Carol**; dancers Matt Bruno and Alyce Andrews from the Milwaukee Ballet's **Nutcracker**; and Stephen F. Vrtol III, Sarah Day, Colleen Burns and Jack Forbes Wilson, the cast of **'Tis the Season** at the Madison Rep. See Arts section for details on these and many other events.

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NEWS

Kitty Barber Shot After Highway Chase, Stand-Off with Police in Dane County

"Dynamic" Activist Reportedly Despondent Over Law School, Relationships

By Jamakaya

Madison — As *In Step* went to press, Kitty Barber, a long-time activist in Milwaukee's Lesbian community, was recuperating at University Hospital in Madison from gunshot wounds sustained after a high speed chase and stand-off with police and sheriff's deputies.

The incident began at about 2am Friday, December 1 on Madison's east side when police began their pursuit of Barber, who was reportedly exceeding the speed limit in her minivan.

Barber fled the police, who were joined by sheriff's deputies and the State Patrol as she sped north out of the city. The chase ended at the Super America at the junction of highways 19 and CV, when Barber stopped, got out of her vehicle and, according to police, put a gun to her head.

Barber was ordered to drop the gun, but instead, the police say, aimed it at an officer. At this point, other officers opened fire, wounding Barber in the chest, abdomen and legs. Madison Police Lieutenant Steve Gilmore defended the action, saying "Deadly force was going to be used against the officer."

Numerous sources indicate that Barber was despondent over falling behind in her school work — she was a second year law student at the University of Wisconsin — and several recent break-ups of relationships.

Barber has spoken openly about her struggles with alcoholism and depression in the past, including in songs she wrote and performed. The song "Doktor, Doktor" on her album *Over the Line* contained a bitter indictment of psychiatric abuse.

Close friends from Milwaukee, including her former partner, Karen Gotzler, rushed to Madison to be with Barber who underwent many hours of surgery.

"A HORRIBLE TRAGEDY"

Meanwhile, friends and colleagues in Milwaukee expressed shock and sadness at the news about Barber, who has been a high profile and much-admired activist in the feminist and Gay and Lesbian communities since the 1970's.

They recalled Barber's work, from helping to revitalize the Women's Coalition in the 1970's, through her performing as an openly Lesbian artist, to the founding of the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) and her leadership as a spokeswoman for Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community during the crisis brought on by Jeffrey Dahmer's murders in 1991.

"I'm shocked, devastated, sad," said Lesbian activist Stephanie Hume. "Kitty was one of my mentors. She inspired me to take my commitment to my community more seriously and make it a lifetime thing."

"Her leadership when our community was going through times of great crisis — like the Dahmer case — served us well and helped us to grow and move on. Her articulate voice enhanced our image in the straight community. She taught so many of us how we could work effectively for political change, at the local and the national level."

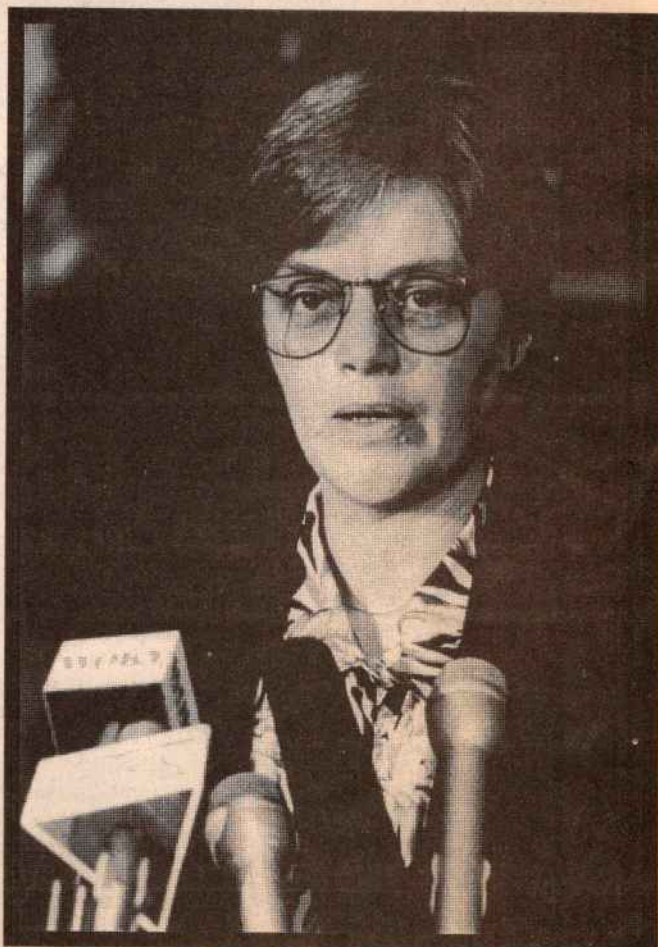
"Kitty's a real pioneer," Hume concluded. "She's like our Mother Jones."

"This is a horrible tragedy," said Julie Kleppin, who worked with Barber to help found LAMM in 1989. "Kitty is a terrific person and I hate to see this happen to her."

"Kitty's one of those brilliant people who's very driven, and I don't think she always heard her inner voice or friends' voices telling her she was OK, she was wonderful. Sometimes a person working as hard as she did can feel isolated and alone. It's so sad."

Another political colleague and friend in the Gay community, Scott Gunkel, said of Barber: "She's one of the strongest women I've ever met in my life. She's been a dynamic spokeswoman and organizer for us. I personally owe her a lot for my own political education and growth. I've missed her around Milwaukee in the past few years."

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Kitty Barber spoke up for Milwaukee's Gay & Lesbian community during the crisis surrounding the Jeffrey Dahmer case in 1991-1992.

STATE Briefs

Opponents Lambast Proposal to Gut Housing Protections

Madison — Assembly Bill 662, which would gut civil rights protections in the area of housing, got a hostile reception from the majority of people who testified at a hearing before the Assembly's Committee on Housing November 30. Among those speaking against the measure were representatives of the Madison AIDS Support Network, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) and Action Wisconsin, the LesBiGay advocacy group.

An analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau describes AB 662 in this way: "Under current law, a person may not discriminate in housing based on the age, ancestry, color, disability, family status, lawful source of income, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation of another person.

"This bill adds an exemption to this prohibition, permitting owner-occupiers of a dwelling that contains independent living units of 4 or less to discriminate in the provision of housing in that dwelling. The bill requires local ordinances to be consistent with this exemption."

Proponents say the bill is needed to protect the rights of property owners to free association. But critics say the bill would punch a huge loophole in current housing protections, allowing many land-

lords to openly discriminate against people they do not like.

The bill would be a setback to all the protected groups, including Gays and Lesbians and people with HIV/AIDS, who in recent years fought hard to win such protections.

Openly Lesbian State Rep. Tammy Baldwin, who serves on the Housing Committee, expressed her strong opposition to the proposal on a variety of grounds. And Mike Gifford of ARCW told **In Step**: "Sixty-five percent of our clients are in jeopardy of becoming homeless each year. This bill will make a bad situation much worse."

Because of the negative feedback from the public, the Housing Committee has not scheduled the bill for committee vote. Although AB 662 is not in imminent danger of being passed, people are encouraged to call their state representative to express opposition to the measure. To be put in touch with your representative, call toll-free: (800) 362-9472.

Gotzler, Rose Seek Position on Milwaukee's Common Council

Milwaukee — In a historical "first" for Milwaukee politics and the city's LesBiGay community, two openly Gay candidates are seeking to represent the Third Aldermanic District on the Milwaukee Common Council. The candidates are Karen Gotzler and Steve Rose. They may face as many as 8-10 other candidates in the non-partisan primary election scheduled for February 6.

The third district runs along Milwaukee's lakefront, roughly from the downtown area north to Shorewood. This area of Milwaukee's fabled east side is home to many of the city's LesBiGay activists and businesses.

While some worry that having two openly queer candidates will split the LesBiGay vote, Rose saw some benefits to the race: "What better way to combat apathy in the Gay community than by having two qualified openly Gay candidates run? Two committees working on get-out-the vote campaigns in our community can only help in the long run."

Gotzler, 41, was born and raised in the Third District and has been involved in many community groups, including the Task Force on Battered Women, the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, the No Retreat on Civil Rights Network and Milwaukee's Overall Economic Development Program Committee. She currently

works for the Wisconsin Department of Development, and feels that her background as a business owner and economic development consultant makes her well qualified to tackle the many economic development issues facing Milwaukee.

Rose, 25, was born in Texas but has made Milwaukee and the Third District his home for the past two and a half years. He works as a residential property manager and has been actively involved in many LesBiGay groups including PrideFest, the Metropolitan Community Church, People of All Colors Together and AIDS Walk Wisconsin. His campaign is focussing on "quality of life" issues at the neighborhood level.

A fundraiser and variety show, *A Rose by Any Other Name*, will be held for Rose at the 3B's, 1579 S. 2nd Street, at 10:30pm on Saturday, December 9. Entertainers include Jessica Mills, Brittany Morgan and Mary Richards. The \$2 cover will benefit the BESTD Clinic, although the BESTD Clinic has indicated very clearly it has not endorsed Rose. (ED. NOTE: Please see *Letters* section in this issue.)

On December 12, Gotzler is holding an "Economic Development" fundraising reception at the City Grille at the corner of Brady and Van Buren from 5:30-7:30pm. On the 16th, she'll hold a fundraising reception for the LesBiGay community at the Yankee Hill Apartment Complex from 4-7pm.

Both campaigns need volunteers for literature drops, phone banks and other duties. Contact the Gotzler campaign at (414) 264-4354. Contact the Rose campaign at (414) 332-2889.

Medical College AIDS Researchers Granted \$3 Million

Milwaukee — Jeffrey Kelly, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine and Director of the Center for AIDS Intervention Research (CAIR) at the Medical College of Wisconsin, has been awarded a four-year, \$2.6 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.

The grant will be used to study ways to transfer successful AIDS prevention approaches from the research arena to community-based AIDS prevention organizations in 75 cities nationwide, making their prevention measures more effective.

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State Rep. Tammy Baldwin delivering a keynote address at the "Creating Change" Conference in Detroit in November. Photo: Stephanie Hume.



"CAIR has developed a number of HIV prevention interventions that meet with considerable success in helping people reduce high-risk behavior," says Dr. Kelly. "However, we are concerned that information on how to conduct and implement these approaches does not always reach the front line AIDS prevention staff of community-based organizations. They often don't have access to scientific journals and detailed 'how-to' information for conducting state-of-the-art HIV prevention strategies in their own communities."

The new grant project will enable CAIR staff to provide inventive, on-site training in state-of-the-science HIV prevention programs to the staffs of 75 of the country's community-based AIDS prevention programs.

Meanwhile, Dr. David Holtgrave, Director of AIDS Policy Research at CAIR, has been awarded a two-year, \$424,817 grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to conduct studies to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and cost-utility of HIV/AIDS prevention interventions. A nationally recognized expert in cost-effectiveness research, Holtgrave's objective will be to identify how many HIV infections are averted by AIDS prevention and what types of AIDS prevention approaches provide the greatest benefit in relation to their cost.

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HIV Infections in Wisconsin Now Over 5,100

Madison — The AIDS/HIV Program of the Wisconsin Division of Health reports that as of September 30, 1995, 5,111 state residents have contracted HIV, the virus that causes AIDS and there have been 3,051 cases of AIDS itself. Sixty-five more people died of AIDS complications in the third quarter of this year, bringing the total of AIDS deaths in Wisconsin to 1,765.

Of the 5,111 people who contracted HIV since statistics were compiled in 1982, 13% are female, a number that has been slowly but gradually rising. Of all those with HIV infection, 61.9% are white, 29.3% are black, and 6.9% are Hispanic. Of the total number of AIDS cases, 64.5% were contracted through male to male unprotected sex with an infected partner. Injection drug use contributed to 12.7% of cases. The combination of unprotected male to male sex and injection drug use accounts for 5.9% of cases, and 6.5% are due to unprotected heterosexual relations with an infected partner.

The national statistics issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are increasingly grim. As of September 30, 1995, 477,000 Americans had been diagnosed as HIV-positive, and more than 295,000 have died from AIDS complications.

"Public Sex" Ordinance Referred Back to Madison City Attorney

Madison — In November, the Madison City Council in a unanimous voice vote referred the controversial "public sex" ordinance proposal back to the City Attorney for reconsideration and re-drafting.

Alderman Mike Verveer told *In Step* that Council members recognized the ordinance contains potential violations of due process rights and therefore declined to act on the measure until it is significantly revised.

The ordinance was drafted in reaction to neighborhood complaints and inflammatory reports in the media about male-to-male sex taking place in Olin Turville Park. It was initiated by Police Captain Ellen Schwartz and was unanimously endorsed by the city's Parks Commission.

The measure would give police the power to banish a person from all city parks for up to six months for violating certain ordinances, including public exposure, the use of "profane" language, and "boisterous behavior."

The proposal was sent to the City Attorney for a 60-day review, so the first time it could possibly come up for consideration by the Council is in early January.

— Briefs Compiled by Jamakaya

NATIONAL News Briefs

Congress Needs to Hear About Medicaid Cuts, Ryan White CARE Act

Washington, DC — AIDS activists and service groups are alerting the nation to the terrible impact that proposed cuts in Medicaid, the government's program of health assistance for low income people, will have on people with HIV/AIDS.

Medicaid is the federal effort that makes health care available to 36 million low-income Americans. Nearly half of all Americans living with HIV and AIDS rely on Medicaid — including more than 90% of children with the disease.

Congress is expected to vote on a budget bill for 1996 by mid-December. A face-off between the Republican majorities in both houses of Congress and President Clinton resulted in the federal government closing down in mid-November. A revised bill must be debated and adopted this month.

AIDS advocates say that it is *critical* for people to contact their members of Congress and oppose the current proposal which aims to cut \$182 billion from Medicaid in the next seven years. Instead of a minimum guarantee of medical support for indigent Americans from the federal government, medical assistance would be left up to the states, which will receive federal block grants and decide the criteria on which that aid will be distributed.

"People with AIDS are not politically popular to defend," Mark Barnes of the AIDS Action Council told the *New York Times*. "As a person who grew up in Alabama, I fear, I tremble for the fate of people with AIDS under a purely state-administered Medicaid program."

Doug Nelson of the Milwaukee AIDS Project said that with the demise of

General Assistance payments in Milwaukee County and the closing of Doyno Hospital, people with HIV/AIDS in the Milwaukee area will be even more dependent on federal assistance.

Also held hostage in the tug-of-war between Congress and the President has been the Ryan White CARE Act Re-Authorization. Although the CARE Act was passed by both the House and the Senate, a conference committee has only recently met to negotiate a compromise on the slightly different versions of the bill. It has not yet been sent to the President for his signature.

Appeal in Cammermeyer Case Heard by 9th Circuit

San Francisco, CA — As In Step went to press, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals was to hear the government's appeal of a lower court ruling which allowed the reinstatement of Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer, the highest ranking Gay or Lesbian service member to have been (initially) discharged from the military service.

The entire case is based on the government's pre-Clinton policy against Gays in the military. The government is not actually contesting Cammermeyer's reinstatement — partly because the case deals with the old policy but also, many believe, because of the massive publicity and support Cammermeyer has received. The appeal is limited to the issue of whether it was proper for the district court to go beyond ordering Cammermeyer reinstated to rule that the former policy, as applied to her and on its face, is constitutional.

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"It's a real shock to see this happen," Gunkel said. "If it can happen to her, it can happen to any of us. All of us are very vulnerable at times. None of us are exempt from that type of crisis."

Cindy Van Vreede reports that in recent communications with Barber via an online Lesbian bulletin board, "Kitty's latest postings were very witty and upbeat. This seems very out of character for the woman I've been communicating with the last few months."

Van Vreede says Barber expressed excitement about her former partner Karen Gotzler's race for the Third District Aldermanic seat in Milwaukee. "She was very enthusiastic about Karen's campaign and the good she could do at City Hall."

"I hope Kitty makes it. We're all pulling for her."

Based solely on her statement that she is a Lesbian, the military discharged Col. Cammermeyer from her position as Chief Nurse of the Washington National Guard on June 11, 1992. Cammermeyer, a Bronze Star recipient with 28 years of service in the Army, Army Reserve and National Guard, filed suit that very day.

On June 1, 1994, US District Court Judge Thomas Zilly, granting Cammermeyer's motion for summary judgment, found that the military ban on Lesbians and Gay men has no rational basis and is rooted only in prejudice. Judge Zilly ordered the military to reinstate Cammermeyer to her former position, prohibited the government from taking any adverse action against her based on statements concerning her sexual orientation, and declared the military's discharge of her and the military's former regulation unconstitutional.

Because the government admits the reinstatement is proper, Cammermeyer will continue to serve regardless of the resolution of the appeal.

Judge Upholds Ban on Gays in Boy Scouts

Trenton, NJ — In the latest court decision challenging the Boy Scouts of America's exclusion of Gays from the ranks of Scout leaders, a state judge in New Jersey cited the Biblical tale of Sodom and Gomorrah in his ruling that the ban does not violate New Jersey's law prohibiting sexual orientation discrimination.

In the November ruling, Judge Patrick McGann wrote that it is "unthinkable that in a society where there was universal governmental condemnation of the act of sodomy as a crime, that the BSA could or would tolerate active homosexuality if discovered in any of its members."

McGann found himself in a contradiction, however, because New Jersey itself does not prohibit sodomy. He rationalized in this way: "The criminal law has changed. The moral — as to the act of sodomy — has not."

"Sodom is derived from the name of the Biblical city, Sodom, which, with the nearby city of Gomorrah, was destroyed by fire and brimstone rained down by the Lord because of the sexual depravity of their male inhabitants," the judge said.

Many Biblical scholars disagree with this interpretation of the story of Sodom and Gomorrah, and legal experts expressed outrage that Judge McGann would use it as justification for a legal decision about a discrimination case. The New Jersey case was brought by James Dale, an Assistant Scout Master and

former Eagle Scout, who was fired from his position with the Monmouth County Boy Scout unit in 1990. He is being represented by the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund. Lambda plans to appeal McGann's ruling.

P-FLAG Under Attack for Hard-Hitting Ads

Washington, DC — Hard-hitting public service ads about the horrors of Gay bashing and Gay teen suicide, sponsored by Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG), have elicited outrage by fundamentalist leaders and threats of legal action against any broadcast stations which run the ads. The two 30-second spots were created by P-FLAG for its "Project Open Mind" campaign. Controversy has raged because the ads intersperse images of a Gay bashing and (simulated) suicide attempt with the image and words of fundamentalist ministers Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell.

In one of the ads, Robertson is heard saying, "Homosexuality is an abomination...The practices of these people is [sic] appalling...Many of those people involved with Adolf Hitler were satanists; many of them were homosexuals. The two things seem to go together. It is a pathology, it is a sickness." Falwell says: "God hates homosexuality."

Immediately after the ads first appeared, attorneys for the Christian Broadcasting Network, owned by Pat Robertson, sent a letter to the general managers of TV stations across the country, telling them that the P-FLAG spots contain potentially defamatory material against Robertson and threatening legal action if they are run. As a result, P-FLAG reports, numerous stations have since rejected the ads. In addition, Nancy Rodriguez, the mother of a murdered Gay man who speaks in one of the ads, was apparently fired from her job because of her involvement. She has filed a complaint with the Georgia State labor Board.

Sandra Gillis, the Executive Director of P-FLAG in Washington, DC told the **New York Times** the purpose of the hard-hitting ads: "Mainstream Americans are not an intolerant lot. They don't realize the level of abuse and violence against Gay and Lesbian people. [The message is] Watch your words. They can create a climate in which violent people think their violent action is OK."

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More Gay Leaders Are Lost to AIDS

Beverly Hills, CA — Two more leaders of the Gay community succumbed to AIDS complications in November. Gay philanthropist Bruce Decker, 45, died at his home in Beverly Hills November 11, and New York activist Steven Powsner, 40, died in his Manhattan home November 20.

Decker was very active as an openly Gay man in Republican Party circles throughout the 1980's. He served as President of the GAY GOP group Concerned Americans for Individual Rights.

Decker was also deeply involved in AIDS issues. He helped found a number of AIDS research organizations, including the American Foundation for AIDS Research and the Health Policy and Research Foundation of Los Angeles. He also served as a consultant to a number of pharmaceutical firms working to develop anti-AIDS therapies. In 1986, he was financial coordinator of the campaign which defeated Proposition 64, an initiative that would have required the quarantine of all people with HIV in California.

Powsner was a founder and former President of the New York City Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center. An attorney, Powsner successfully negotiated with the city to obtain the old Food and Maritime Trades High School on West 13th Street where the Center has its headquarters today. Powsner is also responsible for initiating the two and a half mile lavender line that stretches along Fifth Avenue, marking the route of the annual Gay Pride Parade.

Gay Church Banned From Key West Parade

Key West, FL — Organizers of the annual Christmas parade in Key West have stirred controversy with their decision to ban a predominantly Gay church, the Metropolitan Community Church, from participating in the event. The Christmas parade is organized each year by the Lower Keys Ministerial Association. The 120-member MCC has not joined the parade in years past, but its spokesman, the Rev. Steven Torrence, told the *New York Times*: "I thought it was time for us to be in this community parade. We had a wonderful float."

The parade chairman, the Rev. Gary Redwine of the Big Coppitt Baptist Church, had other ideas, however. In rejecting the MCC's application, he sounded a call that has become almost cliché among fundamentalist Christians: "It's not that we hate homosexuals or anything. We just don't agree with homosexuality and we can't condone the homosexual lifestyle."

Key West has a large and vocal Gay and Lesbian population, and the decision has been greeted with anger by them and their many allies. The Grand Marshal, the mayor of Monroe County, withdrew from the event as did several other churches and numerous politicians and local celebrities.

"I think it is hypocritical on the part of the association," said Key West Mayor Dennis Wardlow. "Key West is a very tolerant town. We've always had a live-and-let-live feel. We're all God's children; we're all created equally."

Sharon Bottoms Re-Files for Custody of Her Son

Richmond, VA — Sharon Bottoms, the Lesbian mother who was denied custody of her own son by the Virginia Supreme Court because her Lesbianism allegedly made her an "unfit" mother has filed a new petition for custody.

Attorneys for Bottoms say the new attempt to regain custody of 4-year-old Tyler Doustou is based on conditions that have changed in Bottoms' home life and that of her mother, who won custody of the boy.

The new petition says that while Bottoms is still a Lesbian, she has now lived in a stable relationship for several years, has a steady job and has maintained a stable residence. This is in contrast to her mother, Kay Bottoms, who has moved into a mobile trailer and has sometimes been without running water. The rationale of the courts had been that Kay Bottoms could provide Tyler with a more secure home.

The petition also charges that Kay Bottoms, in violation of the previous court agreement, has denied visitation to her daughter on 23 occasions. The petition seeks a contempt order. An attorney for Kay Bottoms has countered that Sharon has violated the agreement by allowing Tyler to see her lover, April Wade, at their home.

A spokeswoman for the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund said the outcome of the new petition would be a good barometer of how the court feels about all the non-Lesbian-specific issues around this custody case.

House Members Protest Invocation by Lou Sheldon

Washington, DC — Twenty-two members of the US House of Representatives have sent a letter to Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich protesting his decision to allow the Rev. Lou Sheldon, leader of the anti-Gay Traditional Values Coalition, to deliver an invocation on the floor of the House in November.

In his prayer, Sheldon said: "Loving and living God, we greet you in the name of Jesus Christ... Please convert our hearts to believe and obey your ways as taught in the Holy Scriptures. May we learn from

your Holy Word what is morally right and morally wrong. May we come to fully understand that the nation whose God is the Lord is the Nation that shall be blessed."

The letter to Gingrich referred to Sheldon as "a man who has made a career out of vilifying Gays, Lesbians and persons with AIDS" and accused him of "promoting fear and intolerance."

"We are concerned," the members of the House write, that "in a Congress in which members of the leadership have used anti-Gay slurs and others have called Gays and Lesbians "disgusting and revolting," Rev. Sheldon's presence only legitimizes such attacks and encourages further displays of hate."

"At a time when this country is in deep need of leadership that will heal divisions, we object to you providing a national pulpit to an individual who embraces a divisive, homophobic and sexist agenda aimed at tearing this country further apart. We strongly urge you not to provide bigots like Rev. Sheldon with an official platform in the House of Representatives in the future."

The letter's signatories included: Reps. Barney Frank (D-MA), Patricia Schroeder (D-CO), Richard Durbin (D-IL), Patsy Mink (D-HI), John Lewis (D-GA) and Tom Foglietta (D-PA). All were Democrats.

Disney Stands Firm on Partners Benefits

Orlando, FL — The Walt Disney Company is standing firm on its recent decision to extend health benefits to the partners of Gay and Lesbian Disney employees in the face of mounting criticism from the Religious Right.

One of the first volleys came from Rev. Lou Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition. "With the understanding that the homosexual agenda has penetrated Hollywood, it should come as no surprise that Disney now supports anti-family values," Sheldon opined. "Disney is no longer Walt Disney; it is a secular, anti-family corporation."

A group of Florida lawmakers then jumped on the bandwagon, calling the partners policy "a big mistake both morally and financially" and asking, "We wonder what Walt Disney himself would think of your decision if he were alive today?"

Most recently, the Florida Baptist Convention passed a resolution at its annual meeting condemning Disney and saying the company's "moral leadership has been eroded." The American Family Association, also based in Florida, is also threatening a boycott of Disney movies and products.

"We made this decision because it brings our health benefits in line with our corporate non-discrimination policy," Disney spokesman John Dreyer said. "We regret that people are offended by a decision to provide health care to our employees."

Holiday Group Notes

MAP Sponsors New Year's Eve Benefit for AIDS

Milwaukee — The hottest ticket in Milwaukee for New Year's Eve promises to be the Milwaukee AIDS Project's benefit, *An Eve of Entertainment*. The show is organized by MAP's Art Action Committee.

Showtime is 8pm at the Stiemke Theater in the Milwaukee Center and features two hours of Milwaukee's best performers from the Milwaukee Repertory Theater, the Skylight Theater, Dale Gutzman Productions, the Milwaukee Musical Theater, the Bay View Players and the Playwright Studio Theater.

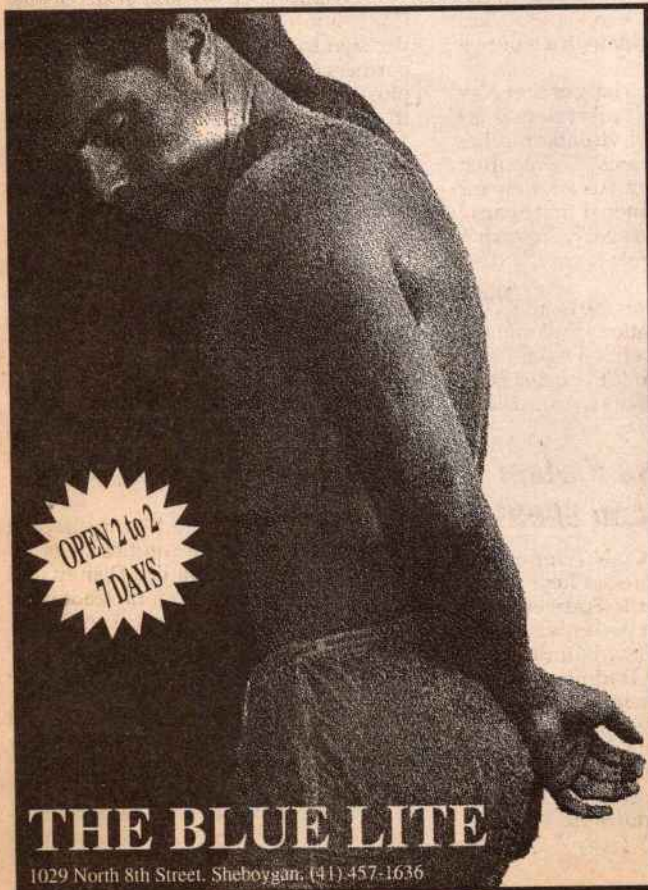
Master of Ceremonies will be Ken Albers, Assistant Artistic Director of the Milwaukee Rep. He'll welcome an eclectic blend of entertainment including Reggie Kirschner, Michael Neville, Chris Flieller, Marilyn White, Barbara Kerr, the Donna Kummer Trio and BoyGirlBoyGirl.

Following the New Year's Eve benefit show, the cast will join the audience for a post-reception with hors d'oeuvres, coffee and a champagne toast.

Tickets are \$30 and can be obtained by calling the Milwaukee Repertory Theater Box Office at (414) 224-9490 or MAP at 225-1549.

The United Holds "Pink Party" on New Year's Eve

Madison — The United will host *New Year's Eve Out! The Pink Party* from 9pm December 31 to the wee hours of the New Year at the Madison Civic Center, 211 State Street.



For the entire evening of enjoyment, which includes hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing, party favors and a complimentary champagne toast at midnight, tickets are \$30 a piece or \$50 for two. For the dance party only, which commences at 10:30pm and includes dancing, party favors and the complimentary champagne toast, tickets (in advance or at the door) are just \$10. Randy Tewes will be the evening's DJ, with a good mix of music and lights to set the festive mood.

For further information and for tickets, call The United at (608) 255-8582.

PrideFest Seeks Entertainers for 1996 Event

Milwaukee — There may be snow on the ground, but PrideFest is busy looking ahead to June 7-9th next year when it will make its debut on Milwaukee's Summerfest grounds. Wisconsin's LesBiGay Pride celebration is looking for entertainers to help fill its four stages with fabulous sights and sounds. The number to call is (414) 272-FEST.

Interested performers must submit a tape or reviews of past performances in order to be considered. PrideFest is *not* looking for impersonators. The PrideFest line-up will include impersonators who are specially invited to perform.

The stages and the types of acts being sought for them are: *The Alyn Hess Stage* — bands, dance troupes, choral groups, comedy troupes and singing groups; *The Harvey Milk Stage* — individual singers, comics and dancers; *The Fine Arts Tent* — classical musicians, storytellers, actors, theatre troupes, choral groups and performing artists; and *The Shepherd Express Rainbow Cafe* — folk singers, acoustic blues players and other performers who do not use amplified instruments.

Members of the community who have suggestions for entertainers should call PrideFest.

PrideFest hopes to have its entertainment schedule completed by the end of January. Therefore, all interested parties are urged to call (414) 272-FEST no later than the end of December.

LAMM Holds Holiday Party at Just Us December 12

Milwaukee — The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) will hold its annual Holiday Party at Just Us, 807 S. 5th Street, on Tuesday, December 12 from 7-10pm.

LAMM's Terri Gabriel reports that "nibbly things" will be available and bar beverages will be 2 for 1. A sing-a-long to the *Queer Holiday Carols* found in this issue of *In Step* along with other surprises may also occur. The party is free and all Lesbians are welcome.

For more information, call LAMM at (414) 264-2600.

GAMMA Holds Banquet and Plans Ski Trips

Milwaukee — At its 18th annual banquet November 17, Milwaukee GAMMA presented two newly created awards: *Volunteer of the Year* and *Innovator of the Year*. Honored as *Volunteers of the Year* were Bill Heinemann and Pat Brady for their leadership in providing social volleyball for the Gay and Lesbian community. Paul Borchardt was honored for reintroducing miniature golf as a successful GAMMA activity.

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The annual elections added Ray Elenteny and Jim Heidt to the Board of Directors, and re-elected Paul Borchardt, Doug Johnson, Bob Moore and Kurt Schwanz.

A keynote address stressed the five reasons GAMMA has survived and grown over the past 18 years: 1) successful major events such as the Iroquois Boat trip, the annual picnic and the annual banquet; 2) emphasis on outdoor activities open to all members of the greater Milwaukee Gay and Lesbian community; 3) the successful organization of year-round volleyball at the social, competitive and outdoor level; 4) the restriction of GAMMA activities to a "fun" agenda; and 5) the dedication of the people who manage and who participate in GAMMA events.

GAMMA's upcoming activities include a downhill skiing weekend on the Whitecap slopes from January 4-7th, a cross-country skiing weekend near Eagle River, and its major winter activity: a fun-filled weekend (in a condo with a hot tub and sauna) at the base of Indianhead Mountain in Upper Michigan.

For information on these activities and on any of the host of other GAMMA events, call GAMMA at (414) 963-9833.

New Year's Eve Women's Dance at the Wil-Mar Center

Madison — Women are invited to dance the night and the year away at the New Year's Eve Women's Dance sponsored by Apple Island. The evening runs from 7pm to 1am January first at the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 953 Jenifer Street, in Madison.

The dance will run from 9pm to 1am and, on a sliding scale, costs \$6-\$12. An earlier Hors D'oeuvres Party is scheduled from 7 to 8:30pm immediately before the Dance. This part of the evening includes soft music, humor, elegant edibles, fun, candle-light, "the works" for \$18-\$23 on a sliding scale, which includes the dance afterwards. The Hors D'oeuvres Party requires advanced registration, so call Apple Island at (608) 258-9777.

Lesbian Moms' Space to Discuss "Dads" December 10

Milwaukee — The topic for the December 10 meeting of the Lesbian Moms' Space discussion group at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee is "Do I Have a Dad?" January 14's topic will be "Lesbian Moms with Adult Children."

Lesbian Moms' Space is a group that meets on the second Sunday of every month from 3:30 to 5:30pm at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Avenue on the east side. The meetings include discussion and guest speakers that cover the complexities of Lesbian parenting. Breakout sessions focus on the variety of roles that exist within alternative families.

Mothers, co-mothers and prospective mothers with children of all ages are encouraged to attend. Child care is available with reservations for a fee of just \$2 per child. Call Cheryl at the Counseling Center, (414) 271-2565, for more information.

Ujima Starts Men's AA and Women's Support Groups

Milwaukee — Ujima, the co-gender social organization serving Milwaukee's LesBiGay African American community, has initiated two new groups: an African American Alcoholics Anonymous (AAAA) Men's Group and Het-Heru Hetep — the pleasures of peace — for African American Lesbian and Bisexual women.

The AAAA Men's Group is based on the 12-step fellowship and will explore taboo subjects relating to addictive behaviors

and African American Gay men. Upcoming meetings are set for December 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 7:30 to 9pm at Ujima headquarters, 1442 N. Farwell Avenue, Suite 602.

The focus of Het-Heru Hetep will be issues surrounding anger, oppression, pain and life choices. Dates of upcoming meetings are Dec. 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 3-5pm at Ujima's office.

Pre-registration is requested for both these groups, so interested persons should call (414) 272-3009. All inquiries will be treated confidentially.

Madison Notables' Recipes Featured in "Cook for a Cause"

Madison — The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) and Madison Urban Ministry have released a fundraising cookbook, *Cook for a Cause: Madison's Favorites*, to Madison area outlets.

The cookbook features a wide array of recipes from Madison area luminaries such as L'Etoile owner and chef Odessa Piper, Gov. Tommy Thompson, Michael's Frozen Custard owner Michael Dix, US Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold, University of Wisconsin System President Katharine Lyall and Sun Porch Cafe owner Linda Derrickson.

The retail price of the book is \$14.95 and it's available at Borders Bookstore, Column One, Magic Mill, Tellus Mater, Orange Tree Imports, Paul's Bookstore, Canterbury Bookstore, A Room of One's Own, the Madison Art Center, Sun Porch Cafe, Tap-It Dancing and Theatrical Company, L'Etoile and the Madison Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Telephone orders are also being taken at MASN. Call (608) 252-6540.

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Triple "L" Social Club Holds New Year's Eve Dinner, Dance

Milwaukee— The Triple "L" Social Club of Milwaukee will hold its first annual New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance on December 31 from 7:30pm to 1am New Year's Day at the Ramada Inn, 633 W. Michigan Street. Triple "L" stands for "Live and Let Live."

Festivities will open with a cash bar at 7:30, and dinner follows at 8:30. The menu selection includes a choice of Sliced Top Round of Beef or Rock Cornish Game Hen. Tickets are \$25 per person and reservations must be made in advance. Semi-formal attire is requested.

For tickets and more information on the New Year's Eve event or on Triple "L" itself, call Shorty at (414) 873-8741 or Dee at 344-5937.

Early Registration Urged for 3rd "Danc'n for AIDS"

Milwaukee — Registration is now being accepted for the 3rd annual *Danc'n for AIDS*, a fundraising dance extravaganza set for Saturday, February 3 at the MECCA Convention Center in downtown Milwaukee. It will take place from 7-11pm and will feature great music, live entertainment, spectacular lighting, a huge dance floor and a lively dance mix each hour.

Participants are asked to raise at least \$30 in pledges from friends, family, co-workers and neighbors. Last year, more than 500 people attended. Since its inception in 1994, *Danc'n for AIDS* has raised more than \$70,000 for AIDS care and prevention services. Proceeds will go to the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project — Kenosha, the Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project — Eau Claire,

the Milwaukee AIDS Project and the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.

Admission to the dance is limited to pre-registered dancers with a minimum of \$30 in pledges. Each dancer will receive a *Danc'n for AIDS* bandanna. Those who bring in \$100, will get a t-shirt, and people with \$250 will get a sweatshirt.

Grand prize for the person who turns in the most money will be two round-trip tickets on Continental Airlines to any European destination Continental flies.

To register for *Danc'n for AIDS*, call (800) 348-9255.

Gay Chamber of Commerce Formed in Chicago

Chicago — Chicagoland Gay and Lesbian business owners have formed a Chicago Area Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce. Designed for businesses that are owned by LesBiGay people, the Chamber will launch its first project, a "walking map" of Gay and Lesbian-owned businesses in the Lakeview area, early next spring.

"The Chamber's goal is to draw more customers to Gay and Lesbian businesses in the city and suburbs, attract national tourism to Chicago, and provide opportunities for business growth through visibility, networking and shared marketing," said Tracy Baim, co-owner of Lambda Publications.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce's Steering Committee are Tom Tunney, owner of Ann Sather's Restaurants; Carrie Barnett, owner of People Like Us Books; Arthur Johnston, co-owner of the Sidetrack bar; and Baim.

To join or learn more about the Chicago Area Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, call Baim at (312) 871-7610, or write to: Chamber, Box 805, 3712 N. Broadway, Chicago, IL 60613-4198.

WTSO's "Saturday Night Out" is Now "Inside Out"

Madison — *Saturday Night Out*, the two-hour LesBiGay radio show that airs on WTSO, Madison's Talk Station, from 5-7pm on Saturdays, has been rechristened *Inside Out*. Denise Matyka came up with the new moniker and is the lucky recipient of \$200 worth of CD's and other prizes for her efforts.

(ED. NOTE: In *Step* readers may recognize *Inside Out* as the name of Yvonne Zipter's column, which appears monthly in these pages. Ever true to her generous queer nature, Yvonne gave the show's producers permission to use the catchy title.)

The December 9th *Inside Out* radio show includes a discussion of the body politic with self-proclaimed "fat activist" and author Susan Stinson. During the show's second hour, the current state and future hopes of Madison's Gay men's community will be the topic.

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Milwaukee MCC Holds Advent, Christmas Services

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church will be holding special Advent services each Sunday before Christmas at 11am at the Hotel Astor, 924 E. Juneau Avenue.

"Each Sunday will cover a different component of Advent — Anticipation, Preparation, Expectation and Celebration," says Rev. Lew Broyles, Pastor of the Church.

In addition, on Sunday, the 24th of December, there will be a Christmas Eve service at 7pm.

"This is a preview of things to come in the New Year," Broyles said. "Starting January 7th, we will be adding an evening service." A four-part sermon series entitled "Single, Les/Bi/Gay/Trans and Christian, What's a Person to Do?" will kick-off the New Year.

Rev. Broyles began as Pastor of the Church in March, 1993, and the services have grown in popularity over the past three years.

"Our service is over in an hour, because ministry is done outside of worship," Broyles said. "God didn't put us here to stand in a circle, hold hands and point fingers in condemnation at one another."

"We have sought to have a more visible presence in our community, greater participation by our membership at PrideFest in the Interfaith Service, the mass wedding — cake and all — and, in addition, the viewership of our TV show, *Gay By God's Will*, continues to grow."

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"Out and Devout" Catholic Discussion Group Begins

Milwaukee — Out and Devout is a group of men and women searching their spirituality through reading and discussion of books, articles and issues relating to Gay and Lesbian Catholics. Meetings are currently held on a bi-weekly basis on Tuesday nights. For further information, call Joanne Meyer at (414) 545-4316.

Lutherans Concerned Hold Potluck, Eucharist December 17


Milwaukee — Lutherans Concerned of Milwaukee will hold its next Potluck and Eucharist on December 17 at 5pm at the Village Church, 130 E. Juneau Avenue in Milwaukee. For more information, call (414) 372-9663.

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Profiles

Miriam Ben-Shalom Honored for Neighborhood Work

Milwaukee — Miriam Ben-Shalom, best known as the longtime fighter for equality for Gays and Lesbians, and specifically for her long court battle to be reinstated in the Army, has been honored by Lisbon Avenue Neighborhood Development for her work to improve her Milwaukee neighborhood.



Miriam Ben-Shalom. Photo by Pat A. Robinson.

At the group's annual Appreciation Program November 28, Ben-Shalom was presented with an award for her significant contributions to helping rehab and improve her west side neighborhood.

Ben-Shalom has lived in the area of 37th and Lisbon since 1987. She helped found the Lisbon Street Business and Residence Association and, over the summer, helped to close down some drug houses and participated in paintovers of graffiti.

"For someone who has been recognized for so long for only my sexual orientation, it's nice to be recognized for my everyday efforts in my own neighborhood. It was quite nice," Ben-Shalom told *In Step*.

In Step seeks news about weddings, awards, promotions and other accomplishments by LesBiGay people or groups across Wisconsin. Send info and photos to: *In Step*, 225 S. Second Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204. Or fax us at: (414) 278-5868.

Letters

MAP: "A Bitter Disappointment"

To the Editor:

RE: Article in the 11/9/95 issue, "MAP promises action..."

Because of other responsibilities, I was not aware of the November forums regarding dissatisfaction with Milwaukee AIDS Project but I would like to add my voice to those expressing a need for reform.

My partner died from complications of AIDS, November 18. By August, it was becoming apparent that we would need assistance if he was to remain at home during his final months. Confident that an agency which we had supported consistently over the years and one geared to the needs of persons with AIDS would be there when we needed their services, we called MAP. Repeated calls to my partner's case manager resulted in responses of "I'll look into it" to "We don't have any volunteers available." No information about other sources of assistance was provided. In most instances our calls were not returned, but we kept trying. In August, now confined to a wheelchair, we began asking about facilities for care and were told to look into Wisconsin House which was, we were told, wheelchair accessible. We drove there and discovered a flight of concrete steps with no elevator in sight and it was obvious the facility and staff were not geared for taking care of non-ambulatory patients. The case worker either didn't know what the facilities were or didn't care.

By October 15th, I had come home from work more than once to find him lying on the floor, unable to reach the telephone. Still no assistance from MAP. Desperate for any help, I called his case manager to find out how we could get him admitted to a nursing home, which one, and who to talk with regarding paying for it. I was given the name of one home, which didn't have an opening, was given no information about hospice facilities (to this date I don't know if MAP supports one or even knows of others friendly towards people with AIDS), was told to call the national Social Security hotline for information - which was not correct since Milwaukee County Social Services handles nursing home matters under the Medicaid program - and that "You can always take him out to County Hospital and leave him there. They have people trained to expedite that sort of thing."

A totally insensitive, uncaring and uninformative response.

A friend recommended contacting St. Camillus. I explained the situation to them. Within a week, their nursing director and social worker made an in-home evaluation; explained the Medicaid program and its application to us; and had organized a team of volunteers from their staff to come in during the day while I was at work, until a bed opened in their facility.

The first of this month, I canceled my monthly payroll deduction assigned to MAP and I will no longer support or recommend their services. It appears to me that they are not serving the needs of the community in the most basic of ways. Their inability to provide ANY useful information or assistance in our time of greatest need was a bitter disappointment.

Richard Miller

cc: Doug Nelson, MAP

PrideFest Offers "Thank You's"

Dear Friends,

We want to make sure that everyone understands that our triumph [in getting use of the Summerfest grounds for PrideFest '96] was the result of the hard work put in by many of our organizations, businesses and community leaders. This isn't a victory for PrideFest. It is a triumph for all of us. Space does not permit us to single out every one who has helped, but we do wish to thank a representative list of people and groups that deserve our special thanks.

The Cream City Foundation has been a major contributor to PrideFest. Over the years, CCF has donated over \$28,000 to PrideFest. Three years ago, they came to our rescue and provided the money we needed to continue. We will never forget the support that CCF as a whole and the individual members of its Board have extended to us year in and year out.

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We will also be forever grateful to the Wisconsin Light, In Step magazine, Quest and their staffs. They have worked hard to get the word out about PrideFest.

We have received support from many businesses, but special note should be made of the generosity expressed year after year by Attorney Steve Brondino, This Is It, the M&M Club, AfterWords Bookstore, Boot Camp, Za's in Green Bay, the New Bar in Madison, Stein Medical, Landmark Enterprises and Havlicek and Associates.

Many organizations have pitched in and provided volunteers and entertainment. The commitment shown by the BESTD Clinic, the Saturday Softball Beer League, the Cream City Chorus, Sherman Park Rainbow Association, the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, GAMMA, Metropolitan Community Church, the Children of Color Coalition, the Shoreline Dancers, the Cream City Squares, the Lake Michigan region of the Lambda Car Club and others has been outstanding.

We also wish to acknowledge the outstanding support we have received from the members of our Pride Council and a few outstanding individuals. Deserving of special recognition are elected officials Mayor John Norquist, County Executive Tom Ament, Ald. Paul Henningsen, State Rep. Tammy Baldwin and Milwaukee County Supervisors Dorothy Dean and Elizabeth Coggs-Jones. We also thank Marge Beil from the Mayor's Office, Tina Torres from the Department of Public Works, and Milwaukee County Parks staff members, especially Keith Kalberer and Jim Murray, as well as David Drent from the War Memorial/Art Center.

Other individuals deserving our thanks include: Joe Brehm, Bob Schmidt, Dan Fons, Rev. Lou Broyles, Steve Rose, Sandy Lewis, Chris Lubus, Jon Martin, Tom Reed, Barb Peterson, Scott Stewart, Fred Bauer, BJ Daniels, Erv Uecker, Ross Walker, Dan Fortney, Dion, Shirl Greeb and Kim Zweibohmer.

Finally, we extend our most sincere gratitude to our former Co-Director, Roberta Niggemeier.

These organizations, businesses and individuals, along with so many others, share in what we have accomplished. Our success has truly been a community effort that provides a source of strength and unity for us all.

As we move toward a new chapter in PrideFest history, we invite everyone to join with these and other supporters. Together we can — and will — produce a celebration that will be an even bigger source of pride for us all.

Sue Cook
Bill Meunier
PrideFest Co-Directors

BESTD Clinic Impartial in Gotzler-Rose Race

To the Editor:

BESTD Clinic as an agency admires and applauds both Karen Gotzler and Steve Rose for putting their hats in the ring as openly Gay and Lesbian candidates in the Third Aldermanic District race [in Milwaukee]. BESTD volunteers in many cases will personally support and work for one or the other, since choices must be made.

BESTD Clinic as a non-profit corporation, however, must and will remain politically neutral and silent in this and all other political races at all levels. While the Clinic appreciates recognition and fundraising efforts on its behalf by others, including political candidates, this must not be viewed as BESTD support or endorsement.

Even though choices will be made, it is our hope that, especially within the Queer community, they can be made without divisiveness or hostility. When the race is over, winners, losers and all of their supporters should be able to unite toward strengthening and supporting OUR community. It takes everybody to get the job done!

Ross B. Walker
BESTD Clinic President

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Legal

By Attorney Arlene Zarembka

Beware of the Gay Marketeers!

Some Studies Offer Bogus Facts on LesBiGay Community

If voters continue to defeat statewide anti-Gay initiatives, as they have in elections since 1992, it will be no thanks to Gay marketeers who promote a jet-setting image of the Gay community. Consider a recent mailing that solicited advertising for a Gay event in St. Louis. Enclosed with the solicitation was a rainbow-colored insert that called our community "The Dream Market." It declared that, compared to the average American household, Gay households have over \$23,000 more income, travel abroad almost five times as often, and are frequent flyers almost 14 times as often.

The problem is that these claims are based on mail-in responses to an unscientific non-random survey inserted in eight select Gay newspapers by the Simmons Market Research Bureau in 1988, not on an academic analysis of the income and spending habits of Gay and Lesbian households. As Lee Badgett, Assistant Professor of Public Policy at the University of Maryland, points out in an article published in the July, 1995 issue of the *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, the respondents to the survey were disproportionately white, urban, and well-educated. Moreover, 86% of the respondents were men.

A July 18, 1991 *Wall Street Journal* article on corporate advertising in the Gay

community quoted the figures collected by the 1988 Simmons survey as scientifically accurate "facts" about Gay households. The 1991 *Journal* article has, in turn, become the "authority" for the type of nonsense included in the St. Louis advertising solicitation.

CONFLICTING EVIDENCE

Dr. Badgett's own scientific study of the economic status of Gay men and Lesbians arrived at conclusions that were directly contrary to the Simmons survey. Dr. Badgett analyzed data contained in the 1989-1991 General Social Survey, which was a national random sample conducted by the National Opinion Research Center. She compared data for persons who said they had had one or more same-sex partners since age 18, with data for those who denied having had any such relationships. Her statistical analysis found that Gay and Bisexual men in similar occupations and with similar educational levels as heterosexual men earn, on the average, considerably *less* than heterosexual men, between 11% and 27% less. The data for Lesbian and Bisexual women indicate that they also may, on the average, earn less than heterosexual women with comparable occupations and education, but those findings were not statistically significant.

As Dr. Badgett notes, no survey of Gay men, Lesbians, and Bisexuals will be completely accurate. Not all persons interviewed will disclose honestly their sexual behavior, even when researchers assure confidentiality. Although analysis of data in the National Social Survey therefore cannot result in an absolutely accurate picture, it is far more reliable than reporting the results from surveys of readers of Gay newspapers! The most that such marketing surveys show is the demographic characteristics of a certain subset of the Gay community — those who happen to read the newspapers surveyed and who choose to respond to survey inserts.

The scientific soundness of conclusions about the Gay community derived from such marketing surveys is as valid as it would be to draw conclusions about all Christians in this country by surveying only those Christians who respond to questionnaires contained in publications of Christian right-wing groups such as Focus on the Family.

Gay marketing hype may sell the Gay community to corporate America, but it does so at a heavy price. As Amy Gluckman and Betsy Reed pointed out in the November/December, 1993 issue of *Dollars and Sense*, an economic affairs magazine, solicitations based on the marketing surveys whitewash the Gay community, covering up its diversity. The selling of the Gay community to corporate America also implies that Gay men and Lesbians are valuable only as consumers, insinuating that those without purchasing power are unworthy of concern. Most importantly, the radical right, in its campaigns against civil rights protections for Gay men and Lesbians, has seized gleefully on the bogus data promoted by Gay marketeers.

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Michael S. Biernbaum died peacefully at home on Thursday, November 14, 1995, with his family and friends at his side. Michael was born on September 9, 1943 in Philadelphia, PA. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his PhD in Organic Chemistry from Stanford University. He was married in 1969 to Diane Sommers, then moved to Madison in 1973.

Survivors include his son, Joshua, and daughter Rachel; his granddaughter, Jessica Lynn; his sister Joanne; and a multitude of strange and wonderful friends. Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Jerry Israel and Hattie Moskowitz Biernbaum; his soul friend and adventurer Peg West; and the love of his life, Dickey Lee Stafford.

Michael was an activist and feminist who embraced personal and political movement toward nonviolence. He was the co-founder of many organizations, including Protective Behaviors, Men Stopping Rape, and *Changing Men Magazine*.

He was an avid collector of folk art, kitsch, and chatchkes as well as interesting people from all over the world. He gathered with friends in Australia, the Midwest Men's Festival and at Short Mountain Sanctuary.

Michael never held back on his love and generosity. He lived. He lived full of passion and spirit. He will be remembered for his gifts of humor, creativity, and his ability to turn obstacles into adventures.

A Memorial Gathering was held at the Mode Theatre, 121 S. Monroe St., Waterloo, WI, on Sunday, November 19, 1995.

James T. King

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Jimmy King passed away December 10, 1994, about one year ago.

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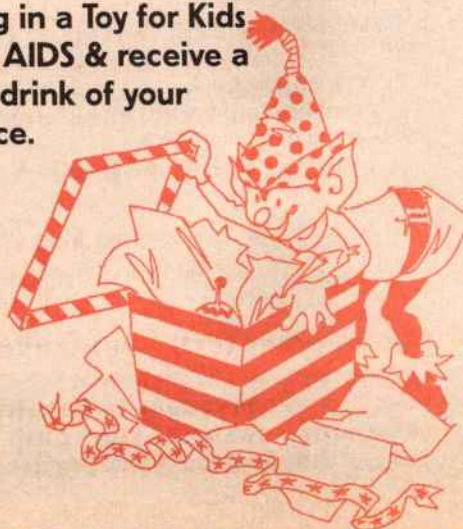
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Health

FDA Approves Three New AIDS Drug Therapies

Washington, DC — Last month the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the use of three new drug therapies against AIDS: 3TC or Efavirenz, produced by Glaxo Wellcome; d4T or stavudine/Zerit, created by Bristol-Meyers-Squibb; and Saquinavir or Invirase, manufactured by Hoffman-La Roche.

The three drug makers received accelerated approval for the marketing of their anti-AIDS medications after their applications were given the green light by the FDA's Anti-Infective Drugs Advisory Committee in November.

The approval allows drugs to be marketed when studies have shown promising signs of usefulness, but when definitive information on safety and efficacy is not yet available. The manufacturers are required to proceed with more definitive studies and to reapply for full approval.

The FDA approved 3TC for use in combination with the already-approved drug AZT. In clinical trials among individuals with advanced HIV disease, 3TC in combination with AZT helped to increase the patients' CD4 "helper" cells — cells needed to fight HIV infection — and reduced, in some cases significantly, levels of HIV in the blood. 3TC with AZT seemed to be even more effective in patients who had never taken AZT before.

"The real significance of this combination," said a key researcher of the 3TC/AZT approach, "lies in its potent and sustained anti-viral effect."

Glaxo-Wellcome has no plans, however, to evaluate the effectiveness of 3TC in people at early stages of HIV infection.

The second drug to receive accelerated approval, d4T, is intended for patients after they have concluded AZT therapy, either because of severe side effects or its ineffectiveness. The drugs d4T and 3TC are known as *nucleoside analogues*, drugs that aim to inhibit an enzyme in HIV called reverse transcriptase, which aids in viral reproduction.

Saquinavir, which will go by the brand name Invirase, is one of a new group of *protease inhibitors* which, in studies, have been shown to block another enzyme that is critical to the successful replication of HIV. At this time, Invirase can only be used in combination with other anti-AIDS drugs, not alone as a sole therapy.

FDA Director David Kessler said the most promising area of AIDS drug re-

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Holiday Arts

"Tis the Season" at the Madison Rep December 15-31

Madison — Catalog shopping, holiday crafts, food and families are fodder for a fond look at the holidays as penned and performed by **Colleen Burns** and **Jack Forbes Wilson** in *'Tis the Season*. Commissioned by the **Madison Repertory Theatre**, this world premiere opens Friday, December 15 at 8pm in the Mitchell Theatre of Vilas Hall, 821 University Avenue. The show runs through December 31.

With laughs, music and something for everyone, Burns and Wilson have created a holiday party atmosphere. *'Tis the Season* looks at everything from being snowed in, holiday cruises and xeroxed family updates to a hilarious look at "Krismmas Krafts" as taught by Mary Hollie Noel. An effervescent musical revue that reflects the many shared experiences of the season, it promises a charming evening of entertainment.

Burns' and Wilson's first collaboration, *Consumer Affairs: A Guide to Love in the 90's*, was produced at the Rep last summer and won the Dale Wasserman Drama Award for 1994. Burns is a familiar face to Madison Rep audiences having appeared in productions of *A...My name is Alice*, *Arms and the Man* and *Nunsense*. Wilson, Musical Director for the production, has served in this capacity for Madison Rep, Next Act Theatre and the Skylight Opera. Wilson is a popular cabaret performer and actor in Milwaukee.

For show times and tickets to *'Tis the Season*, call (608) 266-9055.

Amy Tan at Audubon Court Books December 12

Milwaukee — Amy Tan, the much admired author of the best-selling books *The Joy Luck Club* and *The Kitchen God's Wife*, will visit **Audubon Court Books**, 383 W. Brown Deer Road in Milwaukee Tuesday evening, December 12.

Tan is scheduled to read and discuss her new book, *The Hundred Secret Senses* of which she says: "When I began writing this story, I let go of my doubts. I trusted the ghosts of my imagination. They showed me the hundred secret senses. And what I wrote is what I discovered about the endurance of love."

Because the store is expecting a large crowd for this special event, numbers for the signing will be available at the store beginning at 7am that day. The signing is limited to copies of *The Hundred Secret Senses*. For more information, call Audubon Court Books at (414) 351-9140.

Author Amy Tan will appear at Audubon Court Books December 12.



Milwaukee Rep Celebrates 20 Years of "A Christmas Carol"

Milwaukee — Ebenezer Scrooge's grumpy "Bah Humbug!" will fill the air and the true spirit of Christmas will fill the stage at the Pabst Theater again this holiday season — with a different look than in years past. In honor of the 20th anniversary production of the yuletide classic, the **Milwaukee Repertory Theater** has unwrapped a new adaptation of *A Christmas Carol* with new costumes, sets and technology. The show runs through December 23 at the Pabst, 144 E. Wells Street.

The new adaptation of the Charles Dickens classic — the third the Rep has used in two decades — was written by **Romulus Linney**. New sets and props give the play a new look, and this year, a new computer-operated system will move set pieces on and off stage. New costumes, including the elaborate, four foot irridescent wig of the Ghost of Christmas Past, were designed by the Rep's resident costume designer, **Sam Fleming**.

"We're constantly looking for ways to make our presentation of *A Christmas Carol* even more spectacular," says the Rep's Managing Director **Dan Fallon**. "This new technology along with some exciting new special effects will add to the magical experience of the production."

James Pickering, a 22-year veteran of the Rep, makes his fifth appearance as Scrooge this year. **Michael Nash** will reprise his role as the jolly Ghost of Christmas Present, along with other actors returning to the production. The 38-member cast includes 12 children. **Austin Young**, a first-grader at Lake Bluff Elementary School, and **Jonathan Garcia**, a third-grader from Ben Franklin School in Franklin, will take turns playing Tiny Tim.

For show times and ticket information, including discounts for children, call the Milwaukee Repertory Theater Box Office at (414) 224-9490.

Poetry Reading, Open House at Woodland Pattern Dec. 17

Milwaukee — **Woodland Pattern Book Center**, celebrating 15 years at its Locust Street location in Milwaukee, is thanking patrons, customers and neighbors with an *Open House* Sunday, December 17. Refreshments will be provided and discounts offered on regular stock. The fun begins at Noon at 720 E. Locust Street.

Eight poets from the *Wisconsin Poets' Calendar 1996* will be featured in a reading of their own works from 2-4pm that day. The poets include: **Chris Christie**, **Sprague Vonier**, **DeWitt Clinton**, **Margaret Rozga**, **Dale Ritterbusch**, **Geo Kiesow**, **Karen Howland** and **Max Garland**. Editor of the calendar, poet **Angela Peckenpaugh**, will introduce the readers and present her own work.

There is no admission charge. For more information, call Woodland Pattern at (414) 263-5001.

Next Act Presents "Noel and Gertie" at the Stiemke

Milwaukee - *Noel and Gertie*, the musical devised by **Sheridan Morely** from the words and music of **Noel Coward**, is being presented by the **Next Act Theatre** company through December 17 at the Stiemke Theater in the Milwaukee Center, 108 E. Wells Street.

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Jonathan Weir is Noel Coward and Carrie Hitchcock is longtime pal Gertrude Lawrence in the Next Act Theatre production of *Noel and Gertie*, playing through December 17.



Noel and Gertie is an entertaining musical memory of the charming love affair and professional lives of two of this century's greatest stage personalities: Noel Coward and Gertrude Lawrence.

Noel and Gertie met at age 13. She gave him an orange and told him some risqué stories; he fell instantly in love. The devotion of their enduring friendship comes alive through a cleverly woven tapestry of songs, sketches and scenes from Coward's plays. Excerpts from *Private Lives* and *Tonight at 8:30* and songs like "I've Been to a Marvelous Party" and "Men About Town" epitomize the high style and elegance that surrounded these two major theatrical stars.

Carrie Hitchcock, a favorite of Next Act and Milwaukee audiences, delights with her portrayal of the charming and mercurial Gertrude Lawrence. Chicago actor Jonathan Weir, making his Milwaukee debut, portrays Noel Coward. C. Michael Wright returns to Next Act as Director of *Noel and Gertie*.

For information on show times, tickets and group discounts, call the Milwaukee Rep Box Office at (414) 224-9490.

Milwaukee Ballet Presents "Nutcracker" Through December 28

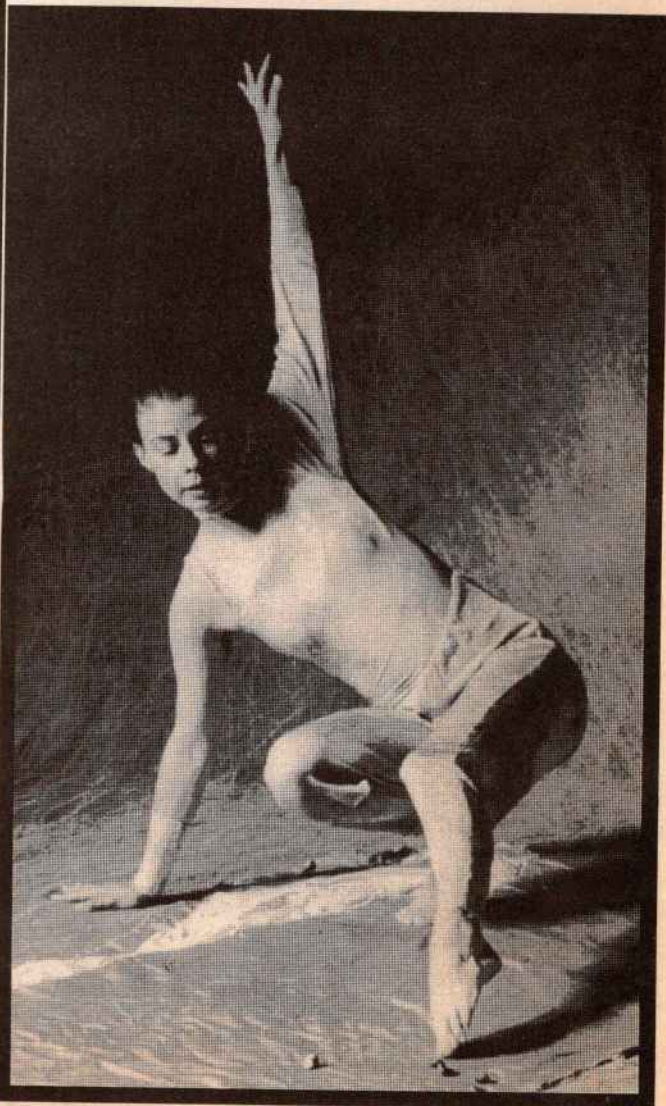
Milwaukee — The Sugar Plum Fairy, the handsome Nutcracker Prince and an enchanted sleigh ride to the dazzling Land of Sweets will all come to life again when the Milwaukee Ballet

presents its annual production of Jean-Paul Comelin's *Nutcracker* from December 8-28 at the Performing Arts Center.

In each performance, Tchaikovsky's ever-popular *Nutcracker* score will be performed by the Milwaukee Ballet Orchestra and Chorus, led by resident Conductor Jamin Hoffman. *Nutcracker* will be performed by four casts of principal dancers, with each full cast consisting of approximately 40 professional dancers and 40 students from the Milwaukee Ballet School.

"*Nutcracker* is the highlight of the year for students," says Ballet School Administrator Timothy Hess. "Working with the Company dancers and staff is inspiring and gives the students a taste of what it's like to be a professional dancer."

The Ballet issued a release with a number of fascinating facts about the current production. For instance, the dancers will wear about 200 pairs of shoes during *Nutcracker's* run. These include pointe shoes and ballet slippers for the women and pointe slippers and jazz shoes for the men. The Ballet's annual budget for shoes alone is \$31,500. The Ballet will use more than 1,000 feet of crepe paper for snow and 4,000 pounds of dry ice for fog. In addition, there are more than 250 on-stage explosions during a *Nutcracker* run. For the third year, the Miller Brewing Company is the primary sponsor of *Nutcracker*.



Betty Salamun premieres a new dance work, *Shamans and Survivors*, at Milwaukee's Modjeska Theatre Dec. 8 and 9. Photo: Deone Jahmke.

For show times and ticket/group info, call the Milwaukee Ballet at (414) 643-7677 or the PAC Box Office at 273-7206.

See Betty Salamun's DANCECIRCUS and SMARTDANCE Dec. 8-9

Milwaukee — Danceworks launches its *Home and Away Series* with a shared program featuring contemporary dance from Betty Salamun's DANCECIRCUS and Madison's SMARTDANCE/ Maureen Janson and Dancers on December 8 and 9 at Milwaukee's Modjeska Theatre.

Salamun will premiere *Shamans and Survivors: Women's Project*, a trilogy of interdisciplinary performance works developed in collaboration with visual artist and writer Deone Jahnke, the Milwaukee Women's Center and women in the community. The three works are all built around creative self-portraits of women.

SMARTDANCE returns to Danceworks with two premieres. *More Dances About Buildings*, choreographed by Janson and set to original music by composer Frank Pahl, combines theatrical elements with Janson's trademark high-energy, raw physical movement. Five dancers share their relationships in the witty, yet melancholic suite of dances. Janson also dances in the first showing of *Yellow Jacket*, a solo choreographed by UW-Milwaukee professor Janet Lilly, a former member of the Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company.

The performances begin at 7:30pm at the Modjeska, 1134 W. Mitchell Street. Tickets are \$12 for general admission, \$8 for students and seniors. For further information, call Danceworks at (414) 481-2010.

Milwaukee Symphony in Free Concert at Calvary Baptist Church

Milwaukee — Resident Conductor Neal Gittlemen will lead the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra in its first performance at Calvary Baptist Church at 7:30pm Saturday, December 16.

The diverse program that night will feature orchestral music by African American composers, including William Grant Still's *Cumbia y Congo* from *Danzas de Panama*. In addition, the program will include the world premiere of *At Calvary* for Clarinet and Strings. It was composed in honor of Calvary's 100th anniversary by Director of Music Ministries Judith Baity, who will be featured as soloist.

Other works on the program will include Barber's *Adagio for Strings* (featured in the movie *Platoon*), Holst's *St. Paul Suite* and Corelli's *Christmas Concerto*.

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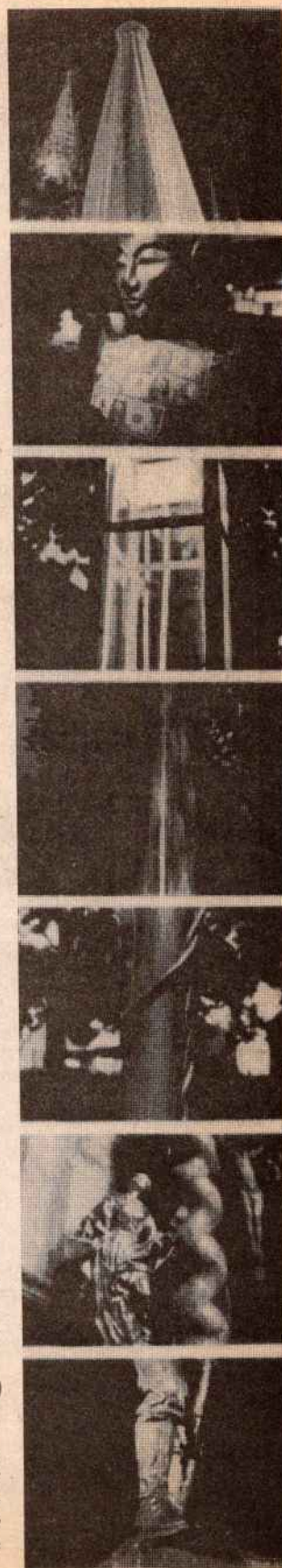
Midwest Talent Showcased in Photo Exhibit at Madison Arts Center

Madison — A new exhibit at the Madison Arts Center, *New Photography From Wisconsin, Minnesota and Illinois*, featuring over 100 recent works by regional artists, will be on display through February 18.

Highlighting important artists and ideas, the exhibition suggests the broad range of photographic activity in the upper Midwest. In addition to traditional black-and-white and color photos, it includes collaged, manipulated, and computer-generated images, as well as an interactive environment animated by slide projections.

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Lewis Koch's "False Profit Totem," made up of seven gelatin silver prints, can be seen in the *New Photography From Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota* exhibit, now on display at the Madison Arts Center. Photo: Lewis Koch.



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search was such combination therapies which can hopefully provide a "one-two punch" against HIV.

The Treatment Action Group (TAG), an AIDS advocacy organization, praised the FDA for giving accelerated approval to the drugs, but appealed to the drug companies to keep the cost of the new drugs within reason.

Glaxo's wholesale price for the amount of 3TC needed over one year by a patient is about \$5,000. The retail cost is expected to be much higher still.

TAG's Peter Staley commented: "In a time of unprecedented cutbacks to the reimbursement programs upon which most people with HIV depend, it is critical that manufacturers price their new drugs at affordable levels."

Each of these three new drugs should be available before the end of the year. Consult your physician for further information and advice.

Thalidomide Effective for AIDS-Related Mouth Ulcers

Washington, DC — Thalidomide safely and effectively heals severe mouth ulcers in persons with HIV infection, according to an interim analysis of data from a study supported by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID).

The study, sponsored through NIAID's AIDS Clinical Trials Group, compares the safety and effectiveness of thalidomide with placebo for treating patients with severe oral and esophageal ulcers. In the second or maintenance phase of the study, doctors are evaluating thalidomide's ability to prevent recurrences of ulcers in the mouth or the esophagus.

As a result of the findings, current and newly-enrolled study participants with oral ulcers will all receive open-label thalidomide rather than being randomized to receive either placebo or drug. Patients with esophageal ulcers will continue to be randomized. The maintenance phase of the study will continue as planned.

"Many patients with HIV infection suffer from these extremely painful mouth ulcers, making eating difficult and contributing to weight loss and debilitation," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of NIAID.

"Thalidomide is the first treatment shown in a rigorous scientific study to heal these ulcers. As the study continues, we anticipate additional valuable information about the drug's effectiveness and long-term toxicity." (Thalidomide is known to cause malformations in infants born to women taking the drug.)

For more information about this and other AIDS clinical trials, call the AIDS

Clinical Trials Information Service at (800) TRIALS-A (800-874-2572), Monday through Friday from 8am to 6pm CST.

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Photographic artists included are Madison's **Gregory Conniff** and **Lewis Koch**, Milwaukee's **Steven D. Foster**, Manitowoc's **J. Shimon** and **J. Lindemann**, and Wauwatosa's **Lindsay Lochman**. Also included are **Jay Wolke**, **Jin Lee**, **Barbara Crane**, **Barbara Ciurej**, **Joyce Neimanas**, **Bob Thall**, **Donald McGhie** and **Simon Anderson** — all of Chicago, and **Rita Cihlar**, **David Goldes**, **Mary Tortorici** and **JoAnn Verburg** — all of the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.

For viewing times and more information, call the Madison Arts Center at (608) 257-0158.

Also on the Arts Scene...

Milwaukee — The UWM Choral and University Choir will present **Bach's Cantata BWV, Buxtehude's Das neugeborne Kindelein** and carols of the season on December 8 at 7:30pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 915 E. Knapp Street. Tickets are \$6 and \$3. Call (414) 229-4308.

Milwaukee — The **Milwaukee Players** will present *Something's Afoot*, a murder mystery musical by **James McDonald**, **David Voss** and **Robert Gerlach** at the Pitman Theatre of Alverno College, 39th and Morgan, at 8pm on Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9 and at 2pm on Sunday, December 10. Tickets are \$13 for adults, \$10 for those 17 and under. Call (414) 647-6050.

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A BOOMERANG EFFECT

For example, the October 27 **Washington Blade** reported that **Carolyn Cosby**, the founder of Concerned Maine Families, and lead organizer of Maine's anti-Gay initiative, **Question One**, made the supposed wealth of the Gay community one of her four key arguments in support of **Question One** in an October 10 debate. She deftly combined the stereotype of the rich Gay person with "no special rights" rhetoric, arguing that high-income Gays are demanding "special protections." Likewise, the *Gay Rights, Special Rights* video, which the radical right circulates nationally, argues that Gays are not disadvantaged, because they have high incomes and, therefore, they have no need for civil rights protections.

Granted, the economic status of Gay men and Lesbians as a group is not relevant as to whether or not civil rights laws should prohibit sexual orientation discrimination. Thus, even if the average Gay man and Lesbian were as well-off as Gay marketeers and the right wing pretend, that still would not justify discrimination based on sexual orientation.

But in the battle over civil rights protections based on sexual orientation, it will be hard to get heterosexuals riled up about discrimination against a group marketed as having all the economic advantages. It will be especially difficult to get the sympathy or votes of those in the uncommitted middle, when many American households are worse off than they were a generation ago.

As economic stress increases in the country, so will scapegoating. Demagogues are playing on the stereotype of wealthy Gay men and Lesbians flying around the world, whipping up powerful resentment against the Gay community. It is disheartening to know that myths promoted by some segments of the Gay community are among the arsenal that the scapegoaters are using in their attacks on the Gay and Lesbian community.

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Books

Top Gay/Lesbian Nonfiction Titles of 1995

By Carl M. Szatmary

Perhaps even more so than has been the case with fiction, Gay and Lesbian themed nonfiction has especially flourished over the past twelve months. Virtually stealing all of the spotlight this fall were two "virtual" titles: Andrew Sullivan's *Virtually Normal* (Knopf, \$22) and *Virtual Equality* (Anchor Books, \$24.95) by Urvashi Vaid.

These dueling "virtual" books both focus on the future of the Gay rights movement but from decidedly different points on the political spectrum. Andrew Sullivan's position as editor of *The New Republic* virtually guaranteed widespread mainstream media coverage of *Virtually Normal*.

Far more controversial, particularly

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within various areas of the Gay and Lesbian community was Vaid's, *Virtual Equality*. As a former Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Vaid has written a book that is a virtual call to arms to the Lesbian and Gay community to begin the work necessary to achieve not "virtual" but genuine equality with the rest of America.

Sadly not televised by Milwaukee's Public television outlets is the widely acclaimed *The Question of Equality*, a wonderful, thoroughly researched four-part series chronicled Lesbian and Gay politics in America since Stonewall. Still, a companion volume to the series, likewise titled, *The Question Of Equality* (Scribner, \$35) is available featuring many rare photographs and essays by Jewelle Gomez, Mab Segrest, David Deitcher (who also serves as the book's editor) and Dale Peck.

The season's most controversial title is not specifically a Gay or Lesbian title: *The Gravest Show On Earth* (HoughtonMifflin, \$24.95) by Elinor Burkett. In this behind-the-scenes portrait of America in the age of AIDS, Burkett has shown a bright, often harsh and occasionally very critical light on those individuals and organizations fighting the war against AIDS.

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At 635 pages, **Out In All Directions: The Almanac of Gay and Lesbian America** (Warner, \$24.95) is chock-full of fascinating facts and figures in any and every aspect of Gay and Lesbian life. The book's trio of editors' fabulous finds include the complete list of Lambda Literary Award-winners, 10 Lesbian and Gay Military heroes, and a Gay Psychokiller Hall of Fame, to name just a few. A perfect gift idea.

The biography/autobiography shelves in Gay and Lesbian bookstores overflowed this year with a surprising roster of subjects including the usual celebrity suspects.

The Gay bestseller honors from any category during the year certainly must go to Olympic Diving Champion Greg Louganis with his remarkable story in



RuPaul told all in her book *Lettin' It All Hang Out*.

Breaking The Surface (Random House, \$23), with Eric Marcus.

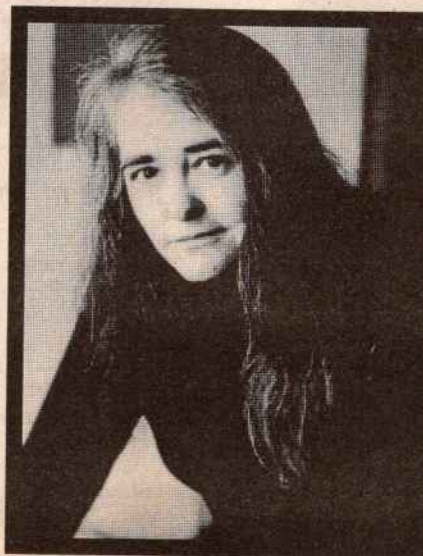
In **Lettin' It All Hang Out** (Hyperion, \$19.95), a kiss & tell (with appropriate make-up tips, naturally) biography from "Supermodel of the World" RuPaul, highlighted summer-reading doldrums. Interspersed throughout the text are rare and previously unseen photographs. A must for all RuPaul fans!

Boy George's **Take It Like A Man** (HarperCollins, \$22.50) might also be categorized as a "celebrity bio," but unlike **Lettin' It All Hang Out**, Boy tells his story of the price of fame with surprising, often shocking candor. A remarkable life told in an equally remarkable book. Highly recommended.

Equally candid is a memoir from Gore Vidal, **Palimpsest** (Random House, \$27.50). With the likes of the Kennedys, Eleanor Roosevelt, Tennessee Williams and the Duke and Duchess of Windsor amongst many others crossing his path, Vidal portrays his fascinating life intermixed with meditations on writing, history and politics.

In **Favored Strangers: Gertrude Stein and her Family** (Rutgers University Press, \$34.95), Linda Wagner-Martin looked beneath the usual Stein legend to create a fresh new look at Gertrude Stein as a part of her family growing up and also of her and Alice B. Toklas's survival during the second World War.

Of the many other dazzling biographical works that emerged in 1995, a handful of others also merit special mention. Writer, activist and artist Kate Millett has written an engaging memoir, **A.D.** (Norton, \$25), a book about education and art and politics - and about being Gay in the 1950's.



Kate Millett published her memoir, *A.D.*, in 1995.

In a book that is part memoir and part performance, **Dancer/AIDS activist Bill T. Jones** chronicles his incredible life in **Last Night On Earth** (Pantheon, \$35). In John Preston's last book, **Winter's Light** (New England University Press, \$19.95), he reflects, with great eloquence, on his search for home, in the small town of Portland Maine. Perhaps the most unique biography of the year is the amazing **I Am My Own Woman** (Cleis Press, 10.95), a look at the life Charlotte von Mahlsdorf, a transvestite who lived openly in Berlin during World War II.

These are just a small selection of wonderful Gay and Lesbian reading to pass many a cold winter's night!



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Film

Writer Finds "Entrenched Homophobia" Surrounding "Total Eclipse"

Interviews Denied to the Gay Press

By Dale Reynolds

(ED.NOTE: Dale Reynolds has provided *In Step* with many excellent film features over the last few years. Here he comments on an experience he had trying to pursue an interview with Leonardo DiCaprio, who plays the French Gay writer Rimbaud in the Fine Line release *Total Eclipse*. In the movie, DiCaprio plays opposite David Thewliss as Paul Verlaine.)

This journalist became involved in the marketing of the film "Total Eclipse" in a most unfortunate manner. I became aware of the film when it wrapped in late Spring of 1995 and the first information on it went out to the Hollywood trade papers. I had a friend connected to the shoot and he gave me some background on the director and DiCaprio. At that time, all the Gay press, including myself, began the usual search for stories by calling FineLine, which was releasing the film in America, the producers in Paris before that, and DiCaprio's public relations firm in Beverly Hills, Baker/Wynokour/Ryder.

My initial phone call to B/W/R was met with a curt, "Call in late June." When contact was made at the beginning of the summer, this journalist was told — as were all the others — that DiCaprio would not be granting interviews with any of the Gay press. No explanations were given, other than since it wasn't a "Gay film" there was no need for him to talk to us.

I countered that with the sexual situations involving two men on screen, in the buff, this was indeed a Gay film, pressing the public relations woman as to what, in her opinion, would constitute a "Gay film?" She had no answer. I explained that as the reputations of Rimbaud and Verlaine as a Gay couple made them something of an icon to the community, that made the film a big one for us.

She countered that it wasn't a big film, it was a little art-house movie which wouldn't make any money. After a long pause, I realized that she was not working for "Total Eclipse", but rather for Leonardo DiCaprio, and that she was prepared to let the film sink.

In some anger and frustration, I called the American distributors, Fine Line, in New York and repeated our phone call conversation. Then she sent me a letter threatening a slander lawsuit from B/W/R if I continued to repeat my story to outsiders, a story she fully denied having had a part in, accusing me of manufacturing the conversation as an "unethical" way to retaliate for not getting an interview with their young client.

Fine Line then refused to cooperate with me, refusing a picture of DiCaprio, even, as my story (at that time for my Australian outlet, *Outrage*) wasn't authorized. Both the subsequent public relations firms handling the film and the director have expressed bewilderment to me as to the tactics of the PR flack at B/W/R.

I repeat all this to put the experience into some kind of perspective. No journalist should knowingly put him- or her-self into a story; there is a demand for objectivity on our part. Fortunately for me, I found the film superb in its execution and, as is usual with the work of Agnieszka Holland, sensitive to the material. She has elicited excellent performances from her cast and a period-right feel in the cinematography.

But the fact remains that as a result of B/W/R's perceived homophobia in dealing with the national Gay press, no interviews with DiCaprio have been granted, except for a short telephone conversation with *OUT Magazine*, limited expressly to questions about co-star Thewliss and director Holland, and not about Gays. The national *Advocate* has refused to do a story as a result and Los Angeles' *Frontiers* took it off the cover. This

Leonardo DiCaprio as the Gay poet Rimbaud flirts with Mathilde Verlaine (Romane Bohringer) in Fine Line's *Total Eclipse*. Photo: Etienne George.



potentially hurts the chances for this \$8 million dark and sensuous film to do the business it could otherwise have done in America.

While no one has been willing to talk for the record on the rebuffs, it was always my feeling as a critic that the film itself is too strong, too artistic, and too damn good to be jettisoned simply because of the entrenched homophobia of either the actor himself, his manager/parents, or a stultified system which doesn't choose to recognize that we Gay folk are a potent force in the Entertainment Industry today.

TV/Video

Cardinal Stritch Prof, Queer Comics on New "In The Life"

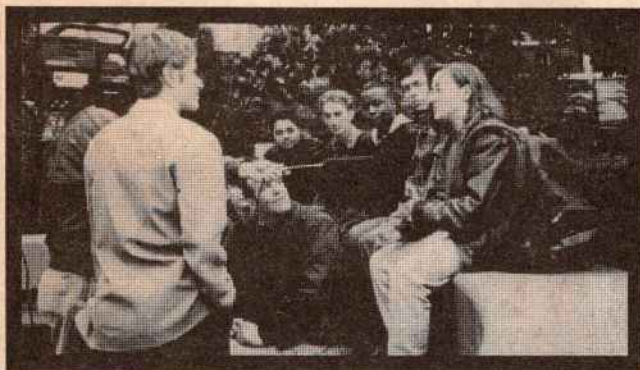
New York, NY — The latest episode of the Gay and Lesbian newsmagazine show *In the Life* features an interview with Dr. Linda Plagman, the Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences at Cardinal Stritch College, who is an open Lesbian. Plagman talks about her experience of being out at the Catholic school while historian Mark Jordan comments on the historic influence of homosexuality within the Church.

Other segments on *In the Life* examine how Gays and Lesbians deal with the holidays — with their traditional biological families and their chosen families — and the thriving Lesbian performance scene in New York. Included are interviews with Holly Hughes and the Five Lesbian Brothers.

Also on the schedule is an interview with President Clinton's aide George Stephanopoulos and a segment on the growth of

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Host Katherine Linton talks to Gay and Lesbian students at Notre Dame University in the December episode of *In the Life*.



Gay cartooning featuring Jennifer Camper and Howard Cruse. *In the Life* visits the US Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington to explore the Nazi persecution of Gays.

The December episode of *In the Life* will be aired on Milwaukee's WMVS-TV, Channel 10 at midnite on Thursday, December 14 (that's the last show on Thursday night's schedule). It will be aired on Wisconsin Public Television on WHA in Madison and to other PBS affiliates around the state on Tuesday, January 2 at 11pm.

Entries Sought for Gay/Lesbian Film Fest

San Francisco, CA — Entries are now being accepted for the 20th annual San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, scheduled for June 21-30, 1996.

Produced by Frameline, the San Francisco Lesbian and Gay Film Festival is the largest and oldest event of its kind in the world. It is also one of the largest film festivals of any kind in America today. In 1995, 53,000 people attended 80 programs. In addition to the festival's signature venue, the 1,500-seat Castro Theatre, screenings will also take place at the restored 500-seat Victoria Theatre.

Audience Awards are presented during the Festival for outstanding works in several categories. Entries of any length, format and genre are accepted by the Festival. The deadline for entries is **Tuesday, February 13, 1996**.

For entry forms and more information, contact Frameline at (415) 703-8650 or write to Frameline at 346 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

Candace Gingrich to Appear in Upcoming "Friends"

Los Angeles, CA — Candace Gingrich, the Lesbian activist and sister of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, is scheduled to appear in an upcoming episode of the NBC sitcom *Friends*. The show airs on Thursday nights at 7pm CST.

Gingrich will play a minister who conducts a Lesbian wedding ceremony for the ex-wife of David Schwimmer's character and the lover with whom she is raising a family. Such a plotline pretty much guarantees that the show will be inundated with irate calls from fundamentalists and other conservatives.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation recommends that LesBiGays and their friends tune into the episode and send supportive words to the network. Write to: Warren Littlefield, Vice-President of Entertainment, NBC, 3000 West Alameda Ave., Burbank, CA 91523 (212) 664-4444.

Lesbian Comedy "Bar Girls" Now on Video

Los Angeles, Ca — *Bar Girls*, the sparkling romantic comedy about a group of Lesbians who hang out at the "Girl Bar" in Los Angeles and become intertwined in each others' relationships, is now out on home video.

Based on the play by Laurant Hoffman and directed by Marita Giovanni, *Bar Girls* centers on the budding relationship between the wise-cracking Loretta (Nancy Allison Wolfe) and the beautiful Rachel (Liza D'Agostino). Once they profess their love for each other, the two move in together, and it isn't long after that that their relationship is challenged by the proverbial "other" woman, in this case a would-be cop named J.R.

The plot thickens, but is also leavened by a bevy of funny supporting players, including Loretta's straight friend Veronica who is a sudden convert to Lesbianism ("I want a femme!") and Loretta's ex-lover Annie, the "psycho athlete from Bakersfield."

Ask for *Bar Girls* at your local video store.



Nancy Allison Wolfe and Liza D'Agostino play lovers in the romantic comedy *Bar Girls*, now out on video. Photo: Orion Pictures.

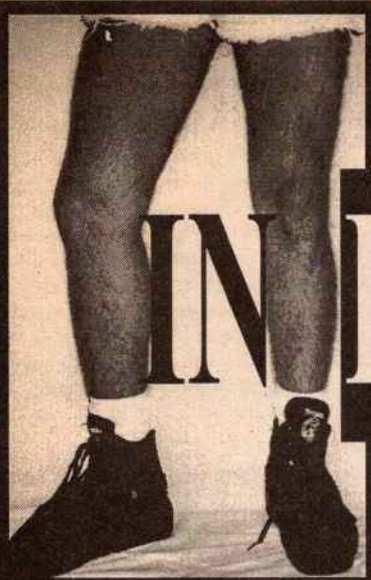
"Courthouse" on CBS Featured Black Lesbian Judge

Los Angeles, CA — A November episode of the CBS drama *Courthouse* focused on the show's African American Lesbian character, Judge Rosette Reide. One of several storylines centered around an impending visit with the judge's parents, "church folk" who would not understand Reide's relationship with her female partner, Dannie.

To avoid "trouble" Reide actually suggested Dannie stay in their hotel room on the night she planned to sing in the church choir and hear her father as guest preacher. Dannie protested vigorously and left the judge's chambers saying, "If you need me tonight, I'll be in the closet!"

Reide ultimately decided to tell her parents the truth, and played out a scene many real-life Lesbians have had to endure. Reide asked her parents why they could not give her unconditional love, as Dannie did. She received no reply. Deciding that she belonged with her partner rather than with her parents, the judge avoided the church service and stayed in her hotel room with Dannie. The last scene had them cuddling on the bed, watching the church service on TV.

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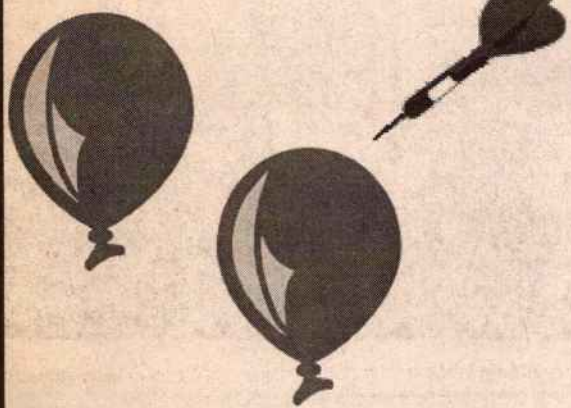
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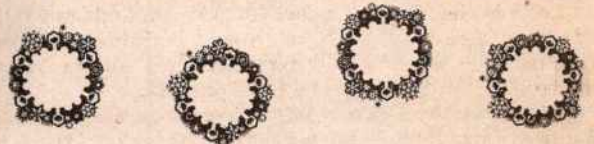
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"I kept stressing in my conversation it was about vampires, but he said it was the Lesbians..."

— Theater Publicist Colleen Loeffler on the Keebler Company's insistence that Ernie the Elf be withdrawn from a performance of "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom"

"I am clear that the mainstream civil rights strategy is not the end point of a Gay and Lesbian movement for me. The end point is achieving a society in which homosexuality is seen as morally, culturally, in every way equivalent to heterosexuality — and that's going to be a process that takes us beyond civil rights and into some kind of social transformation."

— Lesbian activist Urvashi Vaid

"Well, so far as I'm aware, I'm conventionally a heterosexual male. And yet I find something quite flattering in these suggestions of others that I'm something else."

— Actor Patrick Stewart in *The Advocate*

"My uncle was Gay and my godfathers; I was brought up in a very Gay environment. When I was young, the fact of their homosexuality was not hidden. It was so much a part of my life that when I went out, as it were, from the family environment into the world and discovered that homosexuality was not generally acceptable, I was deeply shocked."

— Actress Emma Thompson in *The Advocate*

"Oh, God, well, lots of women, because I love women so much. I think that because of my masculinity — I've got a lot of masculinity — I would probably put myself with someone very feminine, overtly feminine like Michelle Pfeiffer. Actually, I find Michelle fantastically attractive. I'm always kind of rushing up to her and kissing her on the mouth because she's so delicious. But, oh God, it could be any number of women, actually."

— Thompson in *The Advocate* responding to "What actress would you like to be in love with?"



"Where else do two men in satin shorts fight over a belt? And the one who wins gets a purse and they do it in gloves. It's the accessories connection I adore!"

— Actor/playwright John McGivern telling the *Washington Blade* why he loves boxing



"Some nights when there's nothing good on TV and nothing in my porn collection interests me, I lie in bed and dream about being Steve Gunderson. That blandness! That vapid expression! That weak grin! For those of us who find befuddlement and a refusal to defend one's own interests erotic, the House member from Wisconsin is a turn-on of staggering proportions."

— Donna Minkowitz in *The Advocate*

"It is true that before *The Hunger*, the film image of a Lesbian was always very masculine. If there was going to be a woman who liked a woman, then she had to look like a man. *The Hunger* had a very strong image of beautiful women... Suddenly, there was a woman looking like a woman and liking women. Yes, I showed you can be beautiful and be a Lesbian. Maybe I did that."

— Actress Catherine Deneuve in *The Advocate*

"[I]t is a Lesbian magazine, so Lesbians will think I am suing them. It's not true. It does not matter what the product is — whether it is perfume or a magazine. My name is a commodity and you cannot put it on something without my permission. It is not fair. I hope people will understand the real issue here."

— Deneuve on her suit against *Deneuve* magazine

"There was a time in high school and college when I did experiment with women. But I didn't inhale."

— Actor Dan Butler at a Human Rights Campaign dinner



"Of all the half-baked, cock-eyed, no-brain theories I have heard, the one advanced by your cousin takes first prize."

— Ann Landers responding to the notion that handsome movie stars are Gay because they are "sick and tired" of being chased by women

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Milwaukee — Gallery 218 will present its annual holiday event, *Feliz Navidoodads!* on December 8, 9 and 10th. The event includes special hours for an open house/holiday sale of arts and crafts by Gallery artists, as well as the annual *Art in the Round* — *Artists Interpret the Wreath* exhibit.

Twenty artists spaces will offer jewelry, notecards, ornaments, photographs, prints, glass art, wearables, even fine art paintings for that art lover on your gift list.

Artists expected to exhibit include: Douglas Krimmer, Richard Waswo (notecards, photos and paintings); Judith Hooks, Beth Simpson (beaded jewelry); Mike Brylski (one-of-a-kind clocks); Robin Pulda (handmade paper); Sally Fogelberg (handknitwear, baskets); Moustache Mike (handmade banjos).

The exhibit *Art in the Round* includes wreaths created by area artists.

"Each year, artists take the theme of the wreath and apply their own ideas and techniques," said Judith Hooks, President

of Walker's Point Artists, the group which operates the space at 218 S. Second Street.

This year, 50% of the sales from the wreath show will benefit the cooperative gallery. Artists are encouraged to enter more than one wreath, as there is no entry fee. Visitors will be asked to vote for their favorite wreath.

"Last year, the winner was a foam wreath by Roger Huebner, with a cement wreath by Jim Toth coming in second. The winner receives a prize of a gift certificate for art supplies. Other past wreaths have been made out of peppers, steel, paper, twigs and a radial tire. This year, Moustache Mike promises a very special "Banjo Wreath."

Hours for the *Feliz Navidoodads* holiday sale and open house are 6pm-10pm on Friday, December 8, 11am-5pm on Saturday, December 9 and 12-5pm Sunday, December 10. *Art in the Round* wreaths can be viewed and purchased during those hours. For more information, call (414) 277-7800.



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The event will be held in the Holy Rosary Church basement just across the parking lot from the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Avenue. The Fair is open to the Lesbian and Gay community along with friends and family members.

Among the items for sale will be stained glass, jewelry, small sculptures, pottery, plants, quilted wall hangings and pillow cases, **Entertainment** coupon books and much more.

Someone will be on hand to do psychic readings and there will be plenty of sweet treats offered through the bake sale. Free coffee and hot cider will be available. A \$2 donation for the Fair as a whole is requested.

For more information on the Our Space Womyn's Craft fair, call (414) 271-2565.

Calendars, Calendars – CALENDARS!!

With the ringing out of 1995, comes the need for a calendar for the new year. And Lesbians and Gay Men are sure to find a vast selection of interesting, colorful and provocative calendars, in a variety of formats for both work and home.

1995 has truly seen the growth of calendars appealing to Lesbians. The many fans of Alison Bechdel's enchanting comic strip, *Dykes to Watch Out For* will again find their favorite characters gracing her annual calendar.

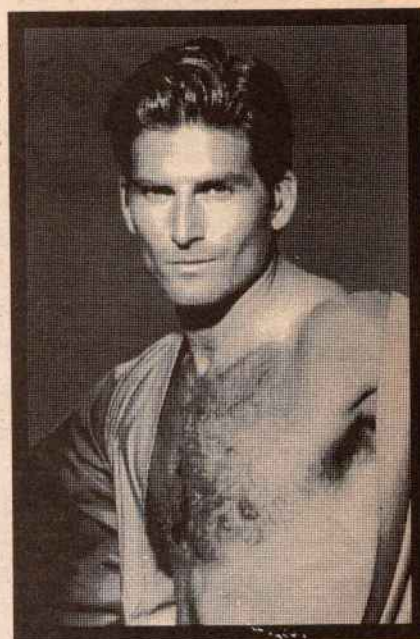
Leading photographers like Judy Francesconi, Jamie Griffiths, Tom Bianchi and Colleen Pride have all created gorgeous calendars featuring stunning erotic black & white images of women.

Popular Lesbian photographer Judy Francesconi's wonderful photographs have been featured on Lesbian cards for the past several years. This year she has self-produced her own 1996 calendar (\$15.00) with 12 previously unreleased images.

Widely known for his photography books on male nudes, Gay photographer Tom Bianchi has created a 1996 calendar with Lesbian images from his forthcoming book, *Among Women* (due in March).

In her "Loving Women" 1996 calendar (\$11.95), Colleen Pride has collected

A photo from the 1996 Annual Man Desk Calendar with photography by Jim French.



an enchanting group of images of Lesbian couples, with their moods ranging from playful to erotic.

A true delight is a spiral bound engagement calendar, "Rebel Chicks '96," \$12.95. With many important Lesbian dates cited (such as k. d. lang's birthday) and accompanied with a wide variety of photographs, cartoons and classic book cover art, "Rebel Chicks '96" is a must for every Lesbian desk.

It's not surprising that the 1996 crop of calendars offers countless pleasures of Gay male images. Men, men and more men, and the more scantily-clad the better.

Leading the way in calendar sales for the third straight year is Colt's 1996 "Colt Man – Steve Kelso" Calendar (\$12.95). The calendar featuring this ever desirable hairy-chested hunk is sure to brighten any room, in home or office.

Among the other of the perennially popular Colt family of calendars are their "Jim French Annual Man Desk Calendar," "Hairy Chested Men 1996," and "Colt Leather!" each priced at \$12.95. Warning! Many of the Colt calendars depict images of male frontal nudity!

The publishers of *Advocate* magazine also publish two of the most popular Gay erotic magazines: *Advocate Men* and *Advocate Freshman*. For the first time in 1996, there are calendars featur-

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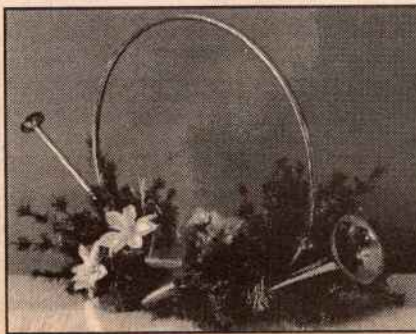
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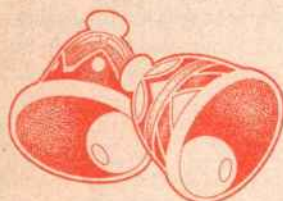
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There are also a variety of calendars for those Gay men looking some something a little bit different. "Bearmen '96" (\$10.95) is a year's worth of naked, natural, hairy men. "Bunkhouse" (\$12.95) is the official 1996 calendar of Cowboys and Country men. Tom of Finland will welcome the 1996 issue of this perennially popular calendar.

Those Gay men and Lesbians looking for less erotic calendar choices will also find a wide range of choices.

The annual "Art Against AIDS" calendar (\$10.99) in 1996 features celebrity photographs from such legendary photographers as Bruce Weber, Robert Mapplethorpe and Herb Ritts. Popular music stars such as Sting, Bruce Springsteen and U2 are among those included in the Elton John AIDS Founda-

tion "Fight the Fight 1996" calendar (\$10.99). Wall and engagement calendars are also available from such well-know Gay artists as Andy Warhol, Robert Mapplethorpe, Herb Ritts and Keith Haring.

Gay icons Marilyn Monroe, James Dean, Susan Seddon Boulet, and Georgia O'Keeffe also have a range of calendars in several different formats devoted to their lives and their work.

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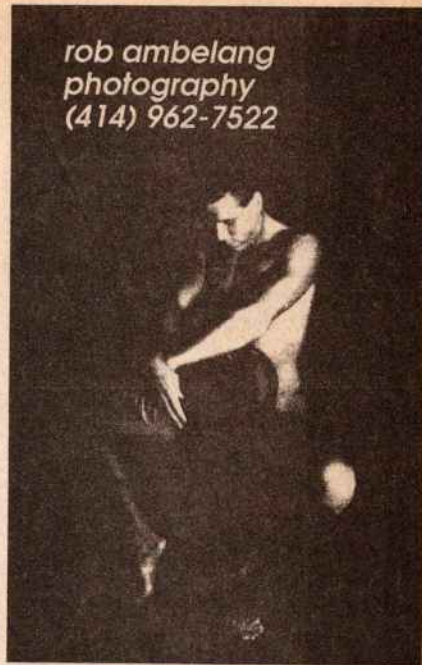
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and then we don't feel so bad!

O, Jesse Helms

(to "O, Tannenbaum")

O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
you homophobic bigot!

O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
turn off your hateful spigot!

You're getting old, you're fading fast,
Please hurry up and breathe your last.

O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
you homophobic bigot!

O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
your evil seems to hover!
O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
your days will soon be over!

For saying Gays engage in sin,
Your bitter heart will do you in.

O, Jesse Helms, O, Jesse Helms,
you'll soon be under clover!

Hark, The Nellie Faggots Preen!

Hark, the nellie faggots preen,
glory to each newborn queen!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
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Hark, the nellie faggots preen,
glory to the newborn queen!

Away In A Futon

Away in a futon, a manger or bed,
The Lesbian Nation laid down her
sweet head.

The stars in the sky looked down as she
dozed,

The Lesbian Nation collectively snoze.

Good Queen Harry Hay

(to "Good King Wenceslas")

Good Queen Harry Hay looked down
on the heirs of Stonewall.

To his people gathered 'round,

"My," he said, "We've grown well."

"Gay rights laws in nine whole states,
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Gay and Lezzie candidates —

progress where we sought it!"

Good Queen Harry Hay had seen
Homo-tribulation.

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in each town and city.

Thousands march in June parades
making Harry giddy!

God Rest Ye Merry Lesbians

God rest ye merry Lesbians
let nothing you dismay.

Remember all our foresisters

who brought us to this day.

Remember Sappho and Miss Edna St.
Vincent Millay —

Oh, tidings of Lesbian joy!

Lesbian joy!

Oh, tidings of Lesbian joy!

From goddesses and runes antique
the blessed wisdom came,

And placed into our hearts and minds
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Oh, tidings of Lesbian joy!

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Remember Gertrude, Alice,
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Oh, tidings of Lesbian joy!
Lesbian joy!
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Keepin' In Step

By Jamie

Yup, the holiday season is definitely here. When you start seeing the old lady clapping her lights out and the Chia Pet commercials, you can bet Christmas is just around the corner. After I finish this column I will start with the annual ritual of pulling out a box of Christmas cards to write some more. I don't send out a whole bunch of cards but after about 10 cards, they all start to sound the same. It's just a matter of re-arranging the words to make them appear different. Not to worry, it's not like your friends get together and compare cards... or do they?

Along with the season comes shopping. This year I have about 7 people I want to get gifts for. I've made 4 or 5 trips to various shopping malls, trying to find things I think will be the best gift for that particular person. The only thing I have to show for those shopping trips, is a new shirt and a new compact disc... for me. I really need a better technique at this gift shopping thing. My current technique of going into a bunch of stores hoping the perfect item will jump out at me just isn't gettin' the job done! The fact that I like to talk to myself while I shop doesn't help either, most people probably think I'm nuts.



More from the H.I.T. Show at Club 219. Photo by Jamie.

OK, ON TO OTHER THINGS...

November 16th at **AfterWords Bookstore**, a group of people gathered for a poetry reading with poet/writer/columnist and all around great person, **Carmen Alicia Murguia**. That night was also deadline so I could only stay for a few pictures. I did get a copy of her book and have read most of it. It's good reading and hey, what a great gift idea!

Female Dancers? Now that's a rare sight in "our world," but that's what was happenin' at **Club 94**. November 18th the **Lady Adonis Female Dancers** were shakin' the bootie for an eager Saturday night crowd. Sources tell me, crowd response was great. I also heard that the

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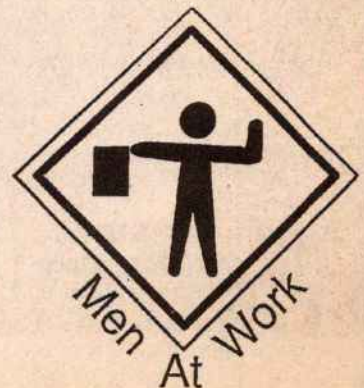
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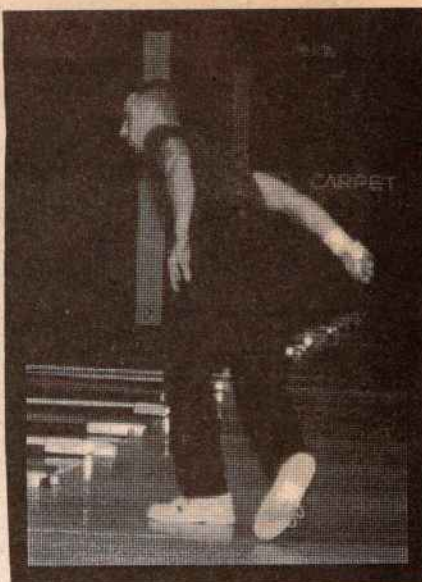
dancers traveling tour trailer "bumped" the Satellite dish behind the bar out of alignment. Oops.

Wreck Room and the Oberons', held a benefit for Christmas Club Children with AIDS November 18th. Also on the 18th, 3B's brought in Chain of Blues for some live music to rustle up some grub for the MAP Pantry Food Drive. Another Food Pantry benefit was the Deer Widow's Ball, at 3B's on the 22nd.

As you may have noticed, hundreds of HIT Bowlers were in town for the week of Thanksgiving. On the 18th, This Is It held their annual HIT Bartender Exchange, with HIT board members servin' up the cocktails.

Thanksgiving Day! I finally cooked a complete Thanksgiving dinner! It was

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They say form is everything when bowling. Photo by Jamie.

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Oberons at the Wreck Room on November 18 raising money for children with AIDS. Photo by Jamie.

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Country boys gettin' into the music of Jeff Miller at 3B's on November 25th. Photo by Jamie.

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fabulous!! After dinner (and of course a "disco nap"), I hopped in the car and drove downtown to check out Milwaukee's newest Gay bar, **Gargoyles**. Plenty of free parking (even with about 20 cars already parked outside the place) was a welcome sight. Milwaukee is obviously starving for new places to hang out because it was the only bar packed with people a little after 7:00 pm.

Later that night at **Club 219**, various HIT bowlers put together a very campy, very hilarious show. I did a freebie photo shoot for **In Step** so there are pictures!

Nashville's Gay country music recording artist **Jeff Miller** made an appearance at 3B's on the 25th. I had a chance to talk to Jeff before the show. I found out that he is a Wisconsin native. No wonder he's a nice guy!

Well that's gonna do it for now. It is 1:45 am and I should be in a nice warm bed by now. I could spend a lot more time and space talking about the blizzard we had to endure but I ain't takin' us into that gridlock this time, so Happy shopping and as always: slower traffic keep right.



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Tuesday, December 5

Relive the Pageant (Milw): On Warner Cable Channel 47, 10pm.

Wednesday, December 6

La Cage (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing and counseling, 10pm-1am.

Mama Roux (Milw): Meet the Candidate Party, Steve Rose. 5:30pm-?. Free beer and complimentary sandwiches.

Thursday, December 7

New Bar (Mad): Erasure Giveaway Party, 10pm. No Cover.

Rod's (Mad): Toys for Tots Drive.

BESTD Clinic Live! (Milw): Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Guest: Ben Johnson, RN, HIV prevention tools - ones that work and ones that don't

Friday, December 8

Rod's (Mad): Toys for Tots Drive.

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

Boot Camp (Milw): Fundraiser for MAP's Food Pantry Program, 7pm. Prizes, shot specials. Cover.

Saturday, December 9

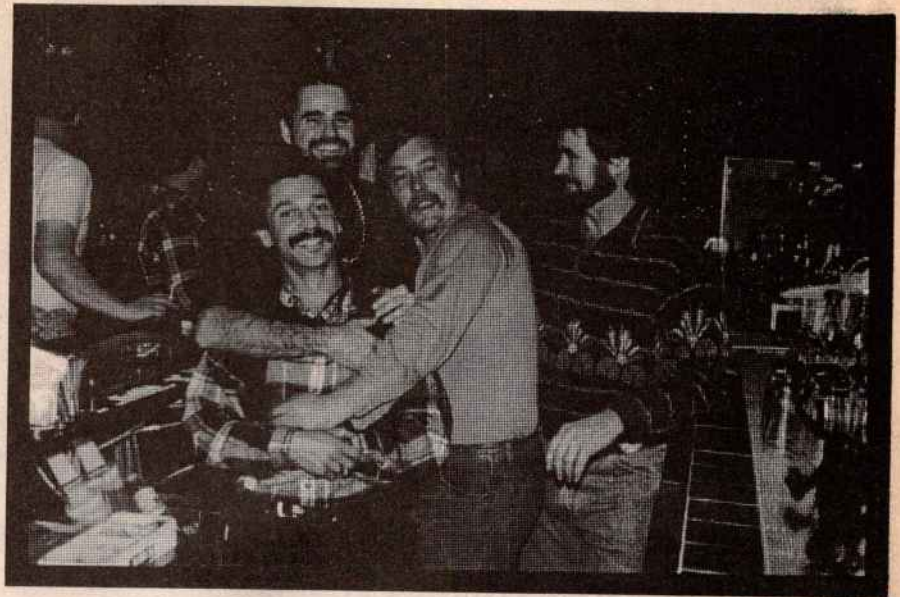
Club 94 (Ken): Annual Christmas Show with The Girls. SEWAP Fundraiser. Cover.

Atwood Community Center (Mad): 1-day Womyn's Drum Making Circle, 11am-5pm. 2425 Atwood Avenue (Madison). FMI (608) 242-7193.

Frontiers (Mad): Christmas Dinner and Potluck. Cocktails at 6:30pm, Dinner at 7:30pm. Call (608) 244-8675 FMI.

Wreck Room (Milw): Oberons' Club Night St. Nick's Second Cumming - 10pm-1am.

Owners of Gargoyles enjoying their first day of business (Thanksgiving Day). Photo by Jamie.



Ujima (Milw): African-American Alcoholics Anonymous Men's Group meeting. 7:30-9pm, Ujima headquarters, 1442 North Farwell Avenue, Suite 602. FMI (414) 272-3009.

3B's (Milw): A Rose by Any Other Name Show. \$2 Cover. Benefits BESTD Clinic and Steve Rose.

Sunday, December 10

Ourspace Womyn's Holiday Craft Fair (Milw): 3-7pm at Holy Rosary Church Basement. FMI (414) 541-3061.

Cream City Chorus (Milw): Christmases Remembered at PAC's Vogel Hall, 3pm. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

Ujima (Milw): Meeting of Het-Heru Hetep, a group for African-American Lesbian and Bisexual women. 3-5pm, Ujima headquarters, 1442 North Farwell Avenue, Suite 602. FMI (414) 272-3009.

Lesbian Mom's Space (Milw): at the Counseling Center, 2038 North Bartlett Avenue. 3:30-5:30pm. Monthly discussion: Do I Have a Dad? Child care is available with reservation for a fee of \$2/child. FMI (414) 271-2565.

Community Day (Washburn): at the Brokedown Palace, 2-8pm. Movies, fun, games, music, food. FMI (715) 682-2890.

Tuesday, December 12

LAMM Holiday Party (Milw): Free. 7-10pm at Just Us. Drinks 2-for-1, nibbley things available. All are invited.

Wednesday, December 13

Madison Wrestling Club (Mad): Informal practice. No experience required. 8pm. Call (608) 244-8675 (eves) FMI.

Wreck Room (Milw): Live entertainment! Mike Lumelski returns. 5-7pm.

Thursday, December 14

Rod's/New Bar (Mad): Annual Christmas Party.

BESTD Clinic Live! (Milw): Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Guest: Beth Hancock, Therapist, Coping with the Holidays.

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Patrons enjoying music from the Chain of Blues at 3B's on November 18th.



Friday, December 15

Positive Voice (GrBay): Holiday Celebration. Cocktails 6:15pm, Dinner 7:15pm. Entertainment featuring Zoomie singing your holiday favorites. Live DJ and dancing until 11pm.

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

3B's (Milw): BESTD Clinic offers free, anonymous HIV testing and counseling, 8-11pm.

Saturday, December 16

Integrity/Dignity (Mad): Annual Beary



Nashville's Gay country music recording artist Jeff Miller made an appearance at 3B's on November 25th. Photo by Jamie.

Merry Christmas potluck at 6pm at Jim & Bill's, 837 North Gammon Road, Apt. G, Madison. RSVP by calling (608) 836-8886.

Pride Youth (Mad): 10:30 - Rocky Horror. Call (608) 256-2667 for more information.

Ujima (Milw): African-American Alcoholics Anonymous Men's Group meeting, 7:30-9pm, Ujima headquarters, 1442 North Farwell Avenue, Suite 602. FMI (414) 272-3009.

3B's (Milw): Christmas Party featuring Shoreline. 8-9:30pm.

Just Us (Milw): Holiday Gayla featuring Just Us Divas. 9:30pm. No Cover.

Mama Roux (Milw): Christmas Party, 9pm-closing. Show, complimentary buffet and drink specials.

M&M (Milw): Singsational's Christmas Show. 9:30pm.

Sunday, December 17

SAGE/Dane (Mad): Christmas Party.

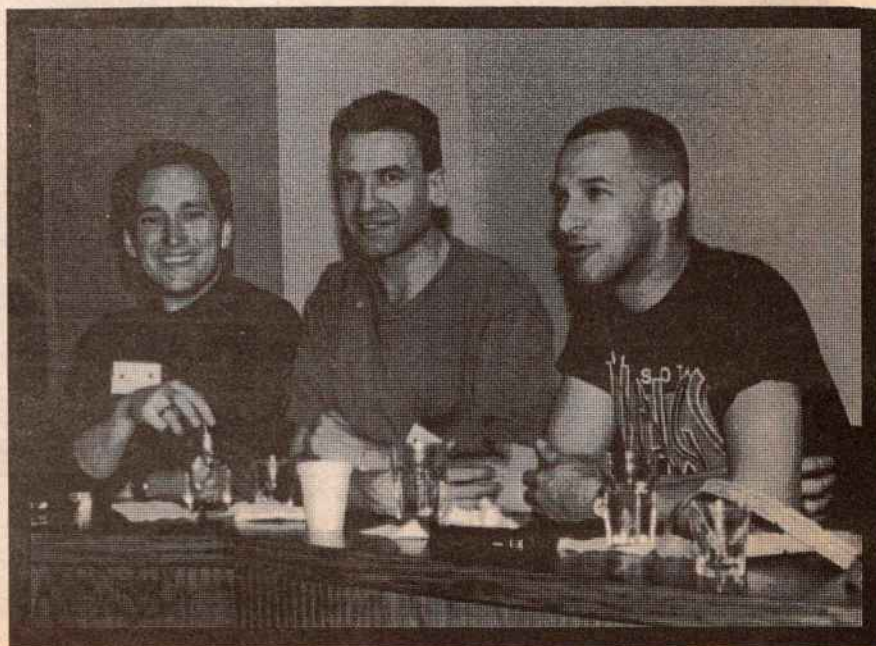
New Bar (Mad): Dan O'Leary's Annual Christmas Drag Show, 10:30pm, \$3 Cover.

PFLAG (Milw): Meeting, 6:45-9pm. Laura Lutz from MAP will be guest speaker. At Martin Luther Lutheran Church, 9235 West Bluemound. FMI (414) 299-9198.

Lutherans Concerned (Milw): 5pm Potluck and Eucharist at Village Church, 130 East Juneau Avenue. FMI (414) 372-9663.

Ujima (Milw): Meeting of Het-Heru Hetep, a group for African-American Lesbian and Bisexual women. 3-5pm, Ujima headquarters, 1442 North Farwell Avenue, Suite 602. FMI (414) 272-3009.

3B's (Milw): Tabitha Stevens presents a Christmas Show, 9pm, \$2 Cover. Benefits MAP Pantry.



H.I.T. Bowlers taking a break from the hectic pace. Photo by Jamie.

Monday, December 18

Triangle (Milw): Christmas Party! 9pm.

Tuesday, December 19

Wreck Room (Milw): Old Fashioned Christmas Party, 8-11pm.

Wednesday, December 20

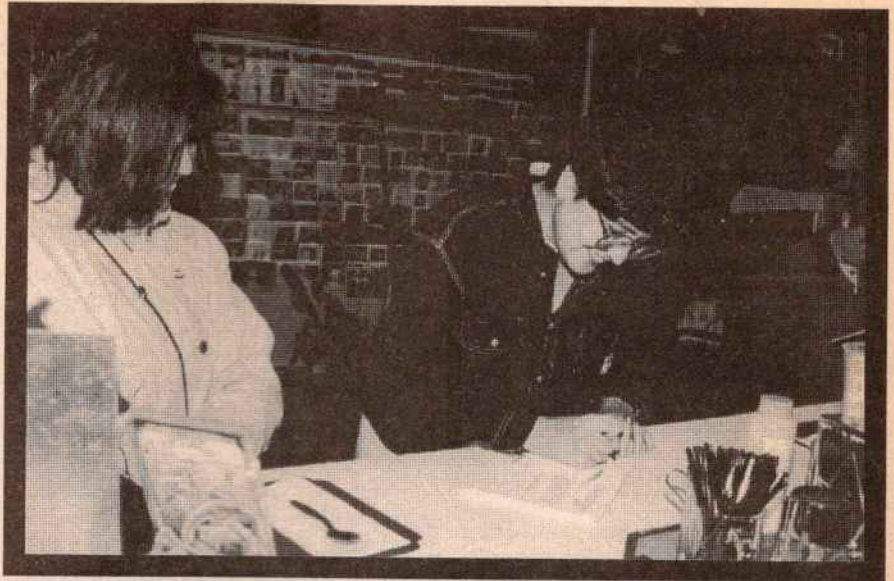
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Call (608) 244-8675 (eves) FMI.

Thursday, December 21

BESTD Clinic Live!: (Milw): Milwaukee Warner Cable 47, 7pm. Guest: Very Rev. William F. Cronin, OSCam, Holidays and Holy Days.

Friday, December 22

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

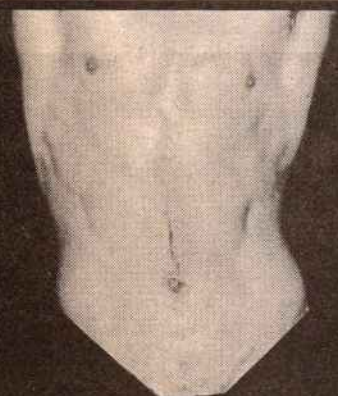


Carmen Alicia Murguia at her book signing at AfterWords Bookstore on November 16th.

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Wanderings

By Mary Shafer

Home For The Holidays

Home. A word rife with meaning; in fact, many different meanings. Depending who you are, "home" might mean a physical place, like a certain stone building with carpeted runners on its wooden staircase and dust dancing delightfully in shafts of sunlight that stream through the kitchen window. Or, it might be a geographic location, an oft-walked block in a friendly midwestern city or a mountain hollow with a long dirt lane. For some, home is another person or wherever that other person may be, as in the Billy Joel song. And for others, home is simply a state of mind, portable as the person who feels that way.

Wherever and whatever it may be, we can be sure of one thing: *home* means that sense of comfort, well-being, safety and feeling welcome and wanted that we all need. Though the strength and frequency of people's needs for this feeling may vary, I think it's safe to say that we all feel its pull more strongly and more often during the Holiday season, when so much is made of family togetherness and the importance of friends. Unfortunately, much of the enjoyment of this tradition is often predicated on one's being heterosexual.

I remember when I first came out back in 1982. Having graduated as a straight girl from the Sheriff's Academy in May, by my 21st birthday in June I was celebrating as a baby dyke at the now-defunct Sugar Shack. That was followed in August by my parents' very ugly divorce, and then came the Holidays. I dreaded them.

NO "HOME" TO GO BACK TO

We had always been a very family-oriented group, celebrating all together and at home, even during the previous few years when my father had been living in his own apartment and I had recently moved to my own. Now, my mother and little sister had moved out of state, and my brother, my dad and I were in our own apartments. The house had been sold as part of the divorce settlement, and there was no "home" to go back to. On top of that, my mother was no longer speaking to me, one of the main reasons being my newly discovered sexuality.

My dad, brother and I managed that year to have some kind of lame get-together. It must have been bad, because I don't even remember it. Later, my sister moved back to Milwaukee and my dad got remarried, so there were more of us to celebrate with combined families. Then I got involved with someone and had my own stable place, and my mother began speaking to me again. But in between, I suffered miserably for years through the "Het Holidays."

I would spend them alternately feeling awkward and uncomfortable as I made the requisite appearances with my blood family, then feeling desperately giddy as I later sat relievedly on a barstool, sharing family horror stories with my Lesbian and Gay family. We truly were family then, bound by mutual feelings of sadness over lost innocence intertwined with the frightening yet power-

ful realizations we had made about ourselves. We missed the comfort of the old days, but their ignorant bliss had enslaved us to false lives of deceit and self-delusion.

Secretly, I was devastated. My family has always been unfashionably important to me, and I knew things could never be the same. My mom was rather a fundamentalist (albeit a hypocritical) Christian, and while my dad was with her, he remained quite conservative. But now Mom was far away and Dad was beginning a new life of his own, so he became more open to new possibilities.

A NEW FAMILY

His second wife is an open and accepting human being, and (unlike my mom), a truly enlightened feminist. She welcomed both me and my lover as warmly as she did her own straight children into her home. When my siblings brought their boyfriends/girlfriends and, later, spouses along with them, I brought mine, too.

I was right...things never will be the same. And in many ways, I'm glad. I often think that if things had remained the way they had always been, it would have been a lot more difficult for me as a Gay person. In having to stand up for my right to be accepted as a Lesbian by my old and new families, I came to accept myself. I also came to understand a more evolved definition of "family" and of "home."

So, I'll leave you with this prayer that I offered before our Thanksgiving meal this year, while around our table sat my family by birth and marriage, that of my partner, and several single friends who chose to share the day with us. Before I began, I suggested that it be offered to Whomever or Whatever the collection of pagans, orthodox Christians, and unorthodox spiritualists deemed appropriate in their own hearts:

"We offer thanks for the blessings before us. We are grateful for the families we were born with and the ones we have made; for the friends we were given and those we have chosen. May all our blessings help us to be more loving, caring and productive human beings, and to reach out to those whose blessings are few."

May you all be truly Home for the Holidays, whomever or wherever that may be.



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No Nonsense

By Sister Dana Van Iquity

Avoid Being Sad for the Holidays

Create Your Own New Queer Traditions

By Sister Dana Van Iquity

Why is it that the holidays — Christmas, Hanukkah, Winter Solstice, Kwanzaa, you name your particular end-of-the-year celebration — just aren't as cool (as in "degree of fabulousness," not degree of coldness) as they were when we were kids? And why are we sad about this?

Funny you should ask. Or rather, SAD that you should ask. There is actually a medical reason for holiday depression. It's clinically referenced as SAD, which is an acronym for Seasonal Affective Disorder.

It's that time of year when the temperature drops and the suicide rate climbs. The days are shorter, darker, and seem to reflect our dim and dismal aspect of life. It's that somber season that inspired such gleeful tunes as "I'll Have a Blue Christmas Without You" and "I'll Be Home for Christmas, If Only in My

Dreams." But take heart — *before* you take an overdose — for you may just be suffering from SAD.

Also known as the Winter Blahs in layman's terms — with symptoms of over-eating, over-sleeping, sluggishness, and depression — the medical profession has discovered that during the winter months when we are exposed to less natural light, the pineal gland in our brain secretes an excessive amount of the hormone melatonin, which slows us down and induces sleep. This explains many animals' natural tendencies toward hibernation. Personally, during this season, I would love to settle down for a long winter's nap with a cuddly bear. But I digress.

Scientists offer a SAD solution. Either you can book a flight to Mexico or Tahiti where, the further south you go, the more natural light you get, and hence,

suppress your over-reactive melatonin secretion; or you can undergo phototherapy, whereby you gaze into eight tubes of full-spectrum fluorescent light a couple hours a day. *Oh sure!!*

HOLIDAZE MANTRA

But if those treatment plans leave you sadder yet, there is a psychological/emotional/spiritual route you can take. Repeat this mantra after me: "Fuck Christmas and fuck all its fuckin' expectations!" There, don't you feel better now?

Stop trying to achieve the ultimate Hallmark Cards Holiday. Try to remember that The Waltons family Christmas and all those other traditional family values/hearth and home holiday specials are just made-for-TV movies and not made for the real world of us queers. Also, there is no Miracle on 34th Street (unless it's a night without muggings) and It's NOT a Wonderful Life until we receive full civil rights. Furthermore, A Christmas Carol cannot be sung until Ebenezer Scrooge comes out of the closet!

Wake up and smell the egg nog, honey!

You say you're going home for the holidays? Unless you are utterly out and thoroughly accepted as such, do not have Great Expectations of your family, because you might end up feeling like Oliver Twist in the orphanage — the Dickens, you say!

And even if you are out to your kith and kin, don't expect them all to warmly embrace your particular — possibly perceived as perverted — proclivities. Remember, it probably took you awhile to come out of your closet, so it's going to take them awhile to come out of theirs and openly accept the fact that there's a raging queer in the family.

And speaking of family, if your blood relatives are not accepting of you, or of they love you but for some reason you can't be with them for the holidays, remember that your non-nuclear extended LesBiGay family probably can be with you and offer a very special homo-

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Astrological Forecast for December, 1995

By C. Lichtenstein

Ho, ho ho, children, have you been good? Santa is coming and will bring all of us the presents we deserve. What I really want is a 1996 filled with affirmation and pride. The planets are clustered tightly into the Sagittarius/Capricorn sphere which means that we can get our wish in a big way and put it to work in the political arena. Get to work, friends, time is ticking away!

ARIES

Pioneering Rams will be fairly "outer directed" this month, which means that you will feel an undeniable pull to express yourself to others and make your mark on the world. This is not bad, as long as your mark is enduring and meaningful and not graffiti trash. Plan your course of action carefully before you go for the gusto, my friend.

TAURUS

Are you thinking of traveling and experiencing new and exotic adventures? The planets seem to think so. Proud Bulls are not always the venturesome type, but I think there is something wet and wonderful out there for you if you would only take a peek. Try a challenging course of study or even a wild and unusual meal with a wild and unusual stranger. You never can tell...

GEMINI

If you have been feeling at loose ends lately, it may be time for you to take a deep breath, sit back and review your year with a clear head. What turns you on? What do you need in order to be happy and fulfilled? Revelations are possible this month, but only if you are ready, willing and able to see the rainbow light through the miserable fog.

CANCER

Sensitive Crabs don't feel totally complete without a special someone with which to share their lives. If you are in a relationship, it is now time to evaluate how it can be fine-tuned and improved. If you are still searching, you may want to send out feelers and see who is around the corner. You don't have to spend the New Year alone or isolated, dear.

LEO

If life is running on overdrive lately, expect more of the same for December when the planets serve up more than you've bargained for on the job. Proud Lions may roar their disapproval on more than one occasion, but the treadmill will continue to roll no matter how much you

protest. Don't panic; I see a reward for all your hard work down the road — even if it's more responsibility.

VIRGO

Expect fun, fun, fun for the New Year! Can serious old Virgo stand the excitement? I see luck, romance and general good times, at least for the next seven weeks or so, so enjoy it all while you can. Plan an especially nice New Year's celebration and tap into your more creative side. Personal expression can be taken to new levels and you will shine and fly.

LIBRA

You will feel more into yourself this month. Your needs, emotions and inner workings all come into greater focus. Mull over what you need and want out of life and take the necessary next steps to make your happiness and fulfillment happen. Home, family and ancestral mandates will have to be considered — no matter how much you protest, they are all part of who you are.

SCORPIO

Scorps are pretty calculating folk who watch what they say and how they say it. Now you must review how you communicate with others. The time is ripe to use language as a battering ram. Words pack a punch, and you deliver them with aplomb and accuracy. Take a favorite cause and take it the next step, or write that Great American Novel.

SAGITTARIUS

You can keep that glorious spotlight shining and even capitalize on it in December. Money makes the world go around, and you are ripe and ready for a spin around the block. Others who recognize your unique talents help your financial cause, you lucky queer Archer, so get out there and sell yourself. Be prepared to invest what you have gained and save it for a rainy day.

CAPRICORN

Even serious Capricorns will be pleased with December's bounty. This birthday month brings greater recogni-

tion and a clearer sense of who is friend and who is foe. You are energized and full of pride, so get out there and show the world what you can do when you are inspired. Plan new projects and get new ideas off the ground now, now, now!

AQUARIUS

Good old Aqueerian intuition is running fast and furious this month as the planets stir up a cosmic soup of mysticism, religion and soulful songs. It is an excellent time to study Tarot, astrology or other New Age stuff. Think of it as helping the world adjust, with you as the guru. Volunteer for one of our charitable causes; you won't regret it.

PISCES

Gather all kindred souls around you this month and get in with the Gay group effort. Friendships are vitally important to you now, so get involved and meet and greet. A word of advice: don't blend in with the group and compromise who you are in order to feel a sense of belonging. Make your own unique imprint on the social scene & always be true to yourself.

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Courthouse is the first program to present a continuing African American Lesbian character on network TV. But it is likely to be cancelled because of poor ratings. Send support to Deborah Joy LeVine, Executive Producer, Courthouse, Columbia Pictures Television, Sony Pictures Plaza, 10000 W. Washington Blvd., Culver City, CA 90232 (310) 280-8597. Send a copy to: Peter Tortorici, President, CBS, 7800 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036.

Channel Surfing...

New York, NY — Tami Gold and Kelly Anderson, professors at Hunter College in New York, have been awarded a \$19,470 grant from the American Film Institute's Independent Film and Videomaker Program to complete their documentary called *Out at Work: Lesbians and Gay Men on the Job*.

Jock Shorts

John Cowles Volleyball League Begins Season

Milwaukee — The John Cowles Volleyball League sprang into action in November, with two new teams, the Triangle and the BESTD Clinic, joining GAMMA, Just Us, 219, the M&M Club and CCF (Cream City Foundation).

The standings at press time show BESTD and GAMMA leading the field with 12 wins-6 losses and 10 wins-6 losses, respectively. The Triangle was at 9-3; Just

Us at 8-10; 219 at 6-6; M&M at 5-13; and CCF at 4-14.

There's a lot of excitement and competition when the teams get together. Setting, spiking and much use of kneepads as players dive to save plays are all a part of the action.

Everyone is welcome to come and cheer for their favorite team. The games are played on Saturday afternoons from

3-6pm at Engelmann Gym at UW-Milwaukee. Engelmann Hall is located along Hartford Avenue near the corner of Maryland.

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for-the-holidays brand of queer cheer. Which puts a nifty little spin on the phrase, "Good will towards men and womyn!" So don you now your Gay apparel and go party with the poofters!

SPREAD QUEER CHEER!

However, you may want to skip the family traditions and create your own new traditions together. One couple I know has decided it is a drag to spend hours in the kitchen slaving over a hot turkey with all the trimmings. So they now traditionally serve tacos, with plenty of seasonally festive red tomatoes and green lettuce. "And that's a good thing," says homemaker extraordinaire Martha Stewart,

And remember that it is alright to be alone. It's okay to have a blue Christmas. After all, December 25 is really only another in a series of 365 days, so why pick *that* day to feel sad and alone? And anyway, Biblical scholars will tell you that Jesus was *not* born in December. So you may as well burn your nativity sets.

But if you do not feel good alone, reach out to someone and lift yourself out of yourself. This is an excellent time to volunteer to serve Christmas dinner at hospice or some other social service organization. The AIDS wards are always delighted to have another Santa's helper to pass out presents to PWA's.

And the best way to avoid seasonal sadness is to shun the rampant commercialism associated with Christma\$\$\$\$. Someone told us we were supposed to spend a fortune, so we do. We give presents to people who expect to get presents. We even give to people we hate. Or we spend way too much on something someone will probably rush right out and exchange.

An alternative to buyers' remorse is to give something personal. Write a poem. Give a massage. Serve them breakfast in bed (and *you* can be the main course). Offer a certificate good for one day's work, maybe helping clean out their basement or (shudder) drag closet.

If you give nothing else this season, give a smile. As you walk down the street, pass out a grin to everyone you meet. They'll probably rush right out and exchange it!

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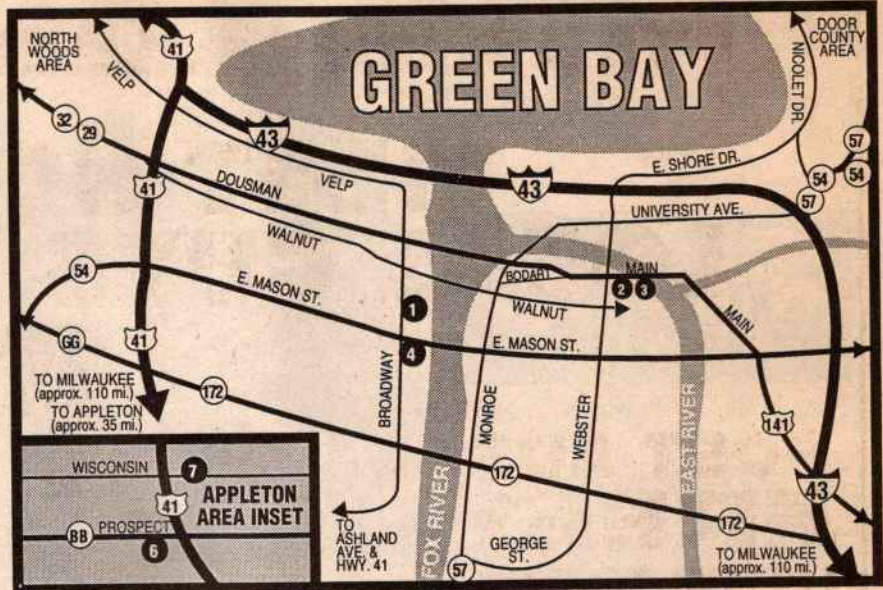
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- BlackSmith Inn (Bed & Breakfast)
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HIV/AIDS Service Organization
600 Williamson St, 53701 (608) 252-6540
- FAX (608) 252-6559
- Blue Bus STD Clinic (Monday, Thursday)
1552 University Avenue 53705 (608) 262-7330

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- 1 The New Bar (MW, DJ, V)
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- 2 Manoeuvres (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

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

BULLETIN BOARDS

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ORGANIZATIONS

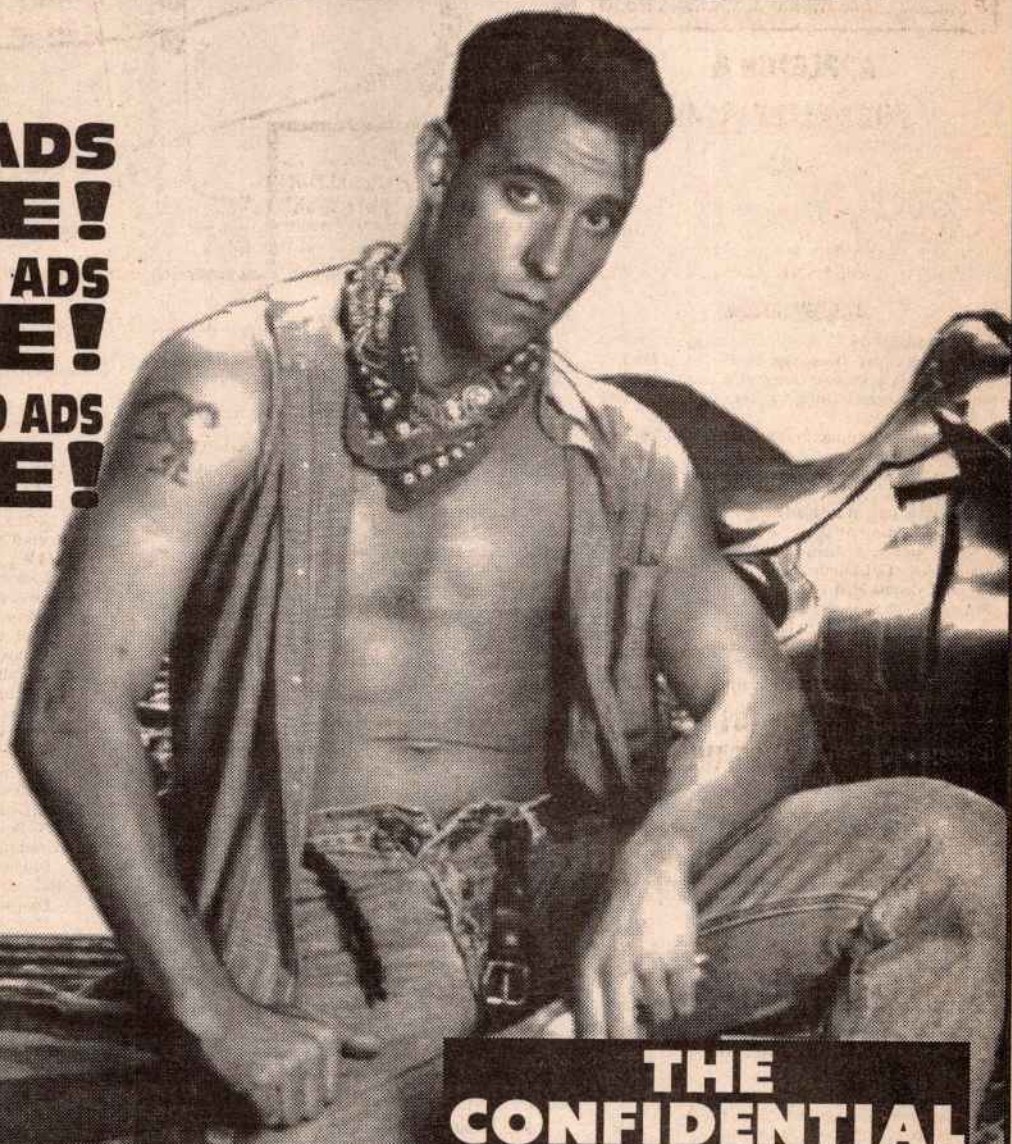
- AASPIN Foundation (Goal or Wish Assistance for PWAs)
2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 (608) 273-4501

- 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
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- Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
Box 513, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon,
Madison 53706
- Different Spokes G/L/B Bicycling Club (608) 241-8184
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- Gay/Lesbian Phone Line (608) 255-4297
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- G/L Educational Employees
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- 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
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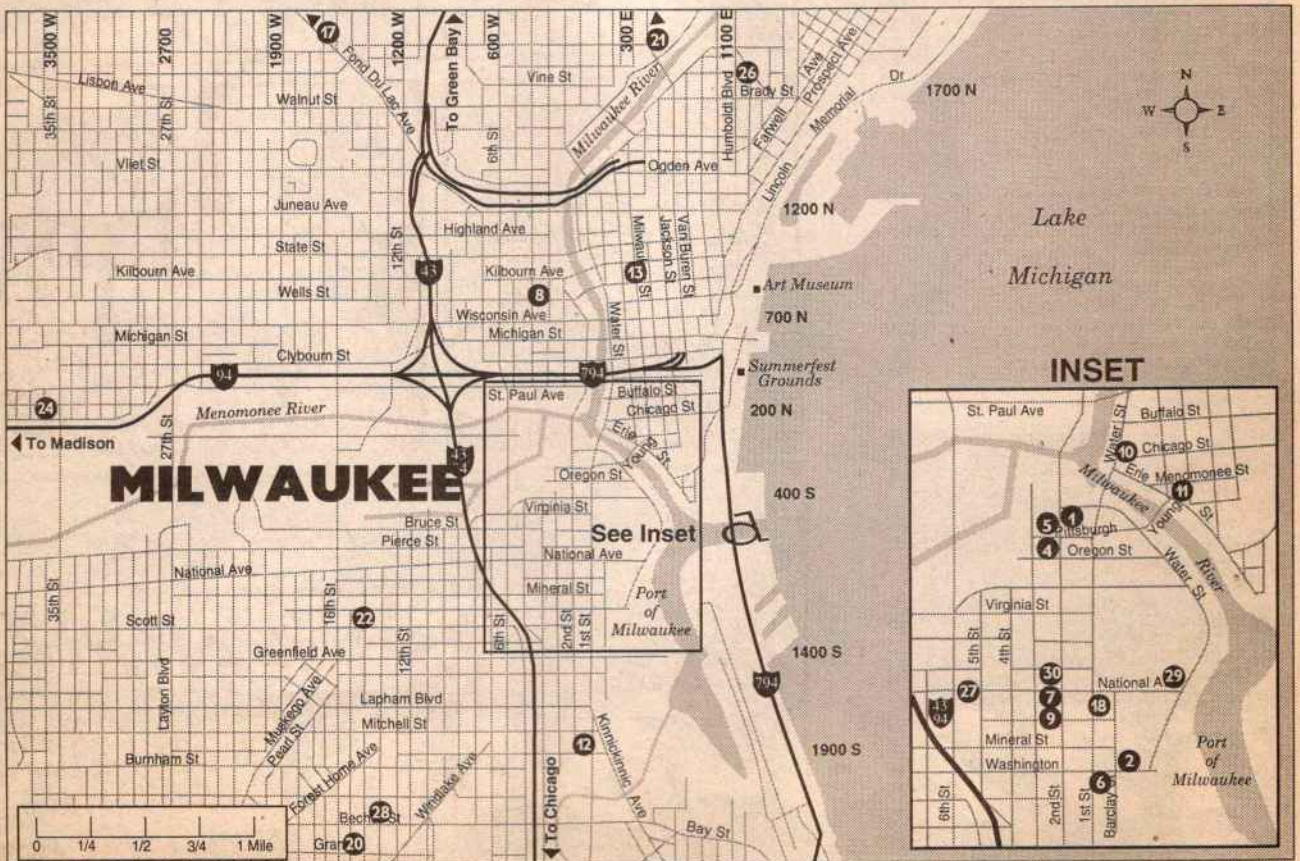
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 of Metro Milw. (GLEEMM), Larry 384-9695



Gay & Lesbian Tavern Guild 209 East National, 53204	
Gay People's Union PO Box 208, 53201	562-7010
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Insight (young women 17-21) support	271-2565
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Keep Hope Alive (HIV Holistic Support) PO Box 27041, West Allis, 53227	548-4344
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Marquette LesBiGay Student Group Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233	288-6873
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Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club (Scott)	962-6124
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Lutherans Concerned PO Box 11864, 53211	372-9663
MAP Spiritual Care PO Box 92505, 53202	273-1991
Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church UFMCC) PO Box 1421, 53201-1421	332-9995
Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming) 2717 E. Hampshire	964-1513
The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, 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
St Mary the Virgin Catholic Church (Anglican Rite) 1311 W Lincoln, 53215	643-9313

First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church) 1342 N Astor	273-5257
Village Church (Reconciled in Christ) 130 E. Juneau Ave	273-7617

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Mark Behar, PA-C (Family / Primary Care) Family Care Center, 1834 W WI, 53233	933-3600
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BESTD Women's Clinic 1240 E Brady, 53202	272-2144
Gay Men's HIV+ Support Group BESTD Clinic	272-2144
Gay Men's Support Group for Partners of HIV+ Men BESTD Clinic	272-2144
Dennis C. Hill Outreach Center (HIV testing, condoms) 4311 W Vliet, 53208	342-4333

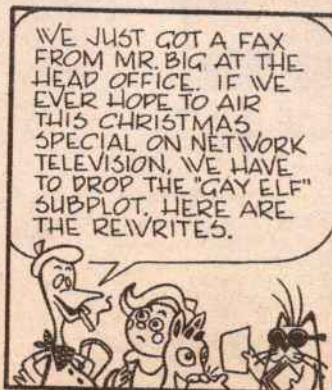
Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) HIV/AIDS Service Organization 820 N Plankinton, 53203	Office/Staff 273-1991 AIDS Information 273-2437
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- 2 Fannie's (Wm, D, F) 200 E. Washington 53204 643-9633
- 29 Gargoyles 354 E. National, 53204 225-9676
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- 17 Loose Ends (GS, Mw, F) 4332 W. Fond du Lac 442-8469
- 26 Mama Roux (Mw, F) 1875 N Humboldt, 53202 347-0344
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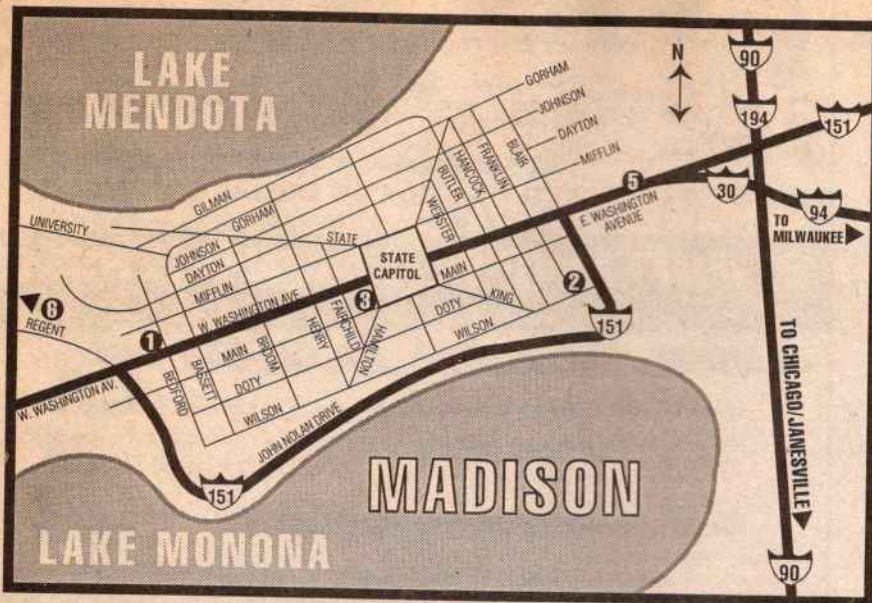
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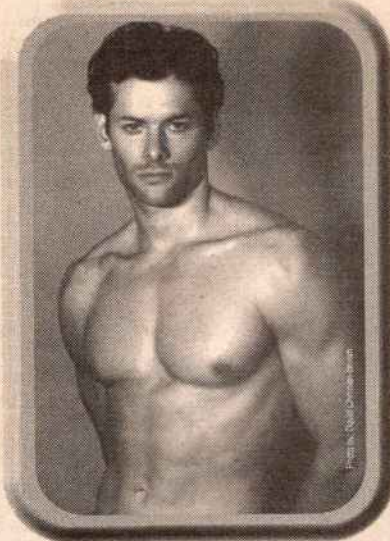
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