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Q•Voice Acquires In Step Magazine

New Publishers to Continue Both Publications

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — "It's very exciting!" Those are the words of William Attewell in announcing that he and his partner, Jorge L. Cabal, publishers of the monthly *Q•Voice*, have purchased *In Step* magazine.

The sale on April 10 ended months of speculation about the future of *In Step*, which was founded and run for 12 years by Ron Geiman. Geiman, a much-loved figure in Wisconsin's Gay community, retired last summer due to health problems associated with AIDS.

"Both papers will continue to be published regularly," Attewell said, "*Q•Voice* on a monthly basis and *In Step* every other week."

"We plan to redesign *In Step* over the next few issues to make it more reader-friendly, and we'll be reviewing the content to see what works and what doesn't. But *In Step* will continue to be *In Step*," Attewell promised. "We'll always have the Guide, the Classics, the Calendar, the 'Keepin' In Step' column. There will be continuity."

Attewell said the two publications will maintain distinct identities. He sees *Q•Voice* as publishing more in-depth features and interviews and "concentrating more on lifestyle issues than hard news."

On the other hand, "If there's an event of interest to Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals in the state of Wisconsin, you'll find the most up-to-date information in *In Step*." In addition, he hopes to increase coverage of news and events in Madison, Appleton, Green Bay, Eau Claire and other cities, making *In Step* "a truly statewide publication."

Attewell has been the owner of Wells Ink, a Milwaukee-based advertising agency specializing in the Gay and Lesbian community, for six years. He has a long association with *In Step*, having written his popular humor column "Juicy Bits" since the second issue of the magazine back in 1984. In October of last year, he and Cabal began publishing *Q•Voice*.

Cabal, Attewell's partner in life and business, will be leaving his job as a banker to work full time in the couple's publishing ventures: "It's a common interest Bill and I have shared, and it's something I've always wanted to do," he said.

Cabal, a photographer who has supplied *In Step* with a number of covers in the past and who oversees the photo work for *Q•Voice*,

says he's "honored to continue the legacy of Ron Geiman." He sees both publications "as children, as two siblings in need of a lot of nurturing. I see a lot of growth potential here for the papers and the community."

COMMUNITY REACTION

Ron Geiman, reached at his west side home, said of the sale: "I'm especially glad *In Step* is staying in town and within our community like I always wanted it to. I have confidence in Bill and his ability to produce a good publication. I think it may be an even more stylish magazine now, given his designing skills. His younger age and viewpoint may also help *In Step* connect more with younger readers."

Entertainer B.J. Daniels agrees. "I think Bill and Jorge have really surprised people with *Q•Voice*. They have their finger on the pulse of new-ness, the '90's generation. It's fresh and hip, and I think they'll infuse that same kind of energy into *In Step*."

Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, said "I'm very pleased with the new publishers of *In Step*. Most importantly, it means that *In Step* will continue as a vital means of communication for the Gay and Lesbian community and that Ron Geiman's labor of love will continue in good hands."

Best wishes for the new owners came too from leaders of the Lesbian community, who almost universally asked that the more equal coverage of the Lesbian community which has developed in *In Step* over the past few years be maintained.

"*In Step* long ago cast aside its image as a male-oriented bar rag," Julie Kleppin commented. "Lesbians enjoy it a lot more, and I think we all hope that forward movement continues."

"I hope *In Step* continues to be representative of Lesbians and Transgender people as well as Gay men," said business owner Deb Procknow. "If it continues in the direction it's been going the last few years with the variety and quality of content, I think everyone will support it."

Susan Cook, PrideFest co-chair, reinforced that sentiment. "If the new owners are smart business people, they'll make sure there's balanced coverage of the men's and women's communities. If it maintains the caliber of writing and editing it's reached lately, *In Step* is sure to retain a loyal readership."

Cook cautioned, however, "I'm sure the whole community is

anxious to see how *In Step* will develop under new ownership, but I think we should cut them a little slack and give them time to establish their own identity. Let's not be hyper-critical at the outset — give them room to grow."

For his part, Attewell says he fully intends "to produce a balanced publication, with a variety of news and information that will appeal to all segments of the community."

In Step's phone and fax numbers and e-mail address will remain the same — voice: (414) 278-7840; fax: (414) 278-5868; e-mail: InStepPub@aol.com. The office has moved from South Second Street to the Northern Light Building, 1661 N. Water Street, where it will share space with *Q•Voice* and Wells Ink. Staff will be accessible during regular business hours.

PrideFest Implements Reorganization

By William Attewell

Milwaukee — In a tersely worded statement, PrideFest, Wisconsin's LesBiGay pride festival, announced it has reorganized its Executive Board. According to PrideFest, Co-Director Bill Meunier "has delegated his responsibilities to other Board and Council Members for personal reasons."

According to the statement by PrideFest, advertisers, entertainers, volunteers, parade units and sponsors can still call the PrideFest offices and leave messages, appropriate PrideFest representatives will be available to return calls.

Chris Klein, PrideFest Treasurer said of Meunier, "Bill is an excellent person ... he has lived and breathed Pridefest and has been very instrumental in getting us to the Summerfest grounds.

According to David Todd, Media Co-ordinator for the festival, Meunier will continue to advise and will be in contact with PrideFest, adding, "We all recognize the hard work he has done for the festival."

Susan Cook, PrideFest Co-Director confirmed that Meunier will remain on the PrideFest Board of Directors and is still Co-Director of the festival, but according to Cook, "He has a lot of things going on in his life right now, and along the added responsibility of moving to a larger facility it was just too much for one person."

Cook added, "Bill will always be Mr. Pridefest because he got the ball rolling, and now the ball has been tossed."

The move, effective April 13, 1996, caps off a week of intense speculation about Meunier's future with the festival.

Bill Meunier failed to return phone calls from his East Side residence.

PrideFest will be held at Milwaukee's lakefront SummerFest grounds on June 7, 8 and 9.

MAP Reports on Actions in Response to Community Forums

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) has issued a report detailing actions it has taken in response to criticisms of the agency's services aired at forums in the Gay and Lesbian community late last year.

"After the community forums, we looked seriously at the issues raised and worked very hard to find ways to make appropriate changes to address those concerns," MAP Executive Director Doug Nelson told *In Step*.

"It took us longer than expected to talk things out and find the best answers and the most practical and effective ways to improve service delivery," Nelson said. "You know, in an agency as large as this, changes made in one area can dramatically impact other areas, so we had to be sure the strategic changes we were planning would make for better services across the board."

"This has been a very beneficial engagement with the Gay and Lesbian community," Nelson said. "We went into it wanting to hear and listen. We've made some immediate changes, and some are in the process of implementation. We plan to survey our clients' reactions to these changes and hold another forum toward the end of this year. We will also issue another report at the end of 1996 to verify implementation of the reforms we're initiating."

SOCIAL SERVICES

One criticism expressed was that consumer (MAP client) services suffer because MAP has become so large and case-loads are high. Clients have had difficulty accessing basic information and case workers.

MAP created a full-time consumer advocate position — filled by Jerry Lishawa, a Gay man with HIV — who responds to client complaints and helps to resolve problems within 24 hours. Lishawa's number is (414) 273-1991 ext. 258. In addition, MAP has promised to establish and pro-

mote an HIV Hotline, staffed by a full-time social worker who will provide immediate information on HIV resources, services and treatments. Clients will be able to make appointments with their case workers through this hotline.

"My belief is that the Hotline will be operating within six months," Nelson said, "and my expectation is that it will be much sooner than that."

Plans also call for a Consumer Library on MAP's third floor which will carry the most current information on HIV/AIDS treatments, drug trials and community resources. A new brochure outlining all of MAP's consumer services will be given to MAP clients and be distributed at other appropriate locations.

Another concern voiced was that MAP's case management system needed improvement to insure timely client intakes, prompt service delivery and regular communication between social workers and consumers.

Nelson said MAP plans to have a new, more efficient intake procedure operable by May 1. A new system of client registration will allow people to register at any point while accessing MAP services (in the food pantry, dental clinic, housing, etc.). A uniform registration form will be available in all service areas, and all service staff will be trained to facilitate registration.

MAP is implementing a new assessment procedure that will more thoroughly identify the client's needs. It will provide each client with a complete agency orientation and facility tour.

MAP plans to increase its professional and volunteer social work staff to meet the increasing demand for services. Caseloads for workers overseeing clients with an AIDS diagnosis will be cut 50% to allow for greater attention to those clients' needs. Beginning May 1, MAP social work staff will have extended hours: 9am to 9pm Mondays through Thursdays, and 9am to 5pm on Fridays.

HOUSING

Some people said there need to be more services provided at Wisconsin House, a facility for PWAs, and that rents there needed to be reassessed and more financial assistance offered to clients.

MAP has initiated an alcohol and other drug addiction program at Wisconsin House and is applying to the State Department of Health and Social Services for certification as a Community-Based Residential Facility (CBRF). CBRF certification will enable MAP to provide much more comprehensive services at Wisconsin House, including a hot meal program and physical and mental health care.

Regarding rent at Wisconsin House, MAP reiterated that payments are based on the client's ability to pay and that no one is ever denied residency for lack of funds. MAP has applied to the state and federal governments for increased rent assistance, which, if granted, will increase assistance to clients by 50%.

MAP has hired Julie Dixon Seidel as a Benefits Specialist specifically to provide MAP clients with help in acquiring financial aid and entitlements. She can also assist clients with personal financial management. Seidel's number is (414) 273-1991, ext. 287.

PREVENTION

MAP was encouraged to be more aggressive in bringing AIDS prevention programs into the Gay and Lesbian community.

The report indicates that MAP has received grants from the state to conduct major outreach in the Gay and Lesbian bars. This includes massive distribution of prevention brochures and condoms and dental dams as well as peer education. Another state grant will enable MAP workers to bring the message and materials of harm reduction education to public sex environments around Milwaukee.

MAP has employed two full-time

employees — Andy Bagnall and Yuri Keegstra — to lead its Gay and Lesbian Outreach Program. Lesbian bars are included in that outreach, and Lesbian volunteers are being recruited to bring the prevention message to other Lesbians.

Regarding some complaints about the treatment and training of volunteers, MAP pledges that all inquiries about volunteering will be answered within 24 hours. All volunteer trainings are under review to determine whether they can be customized and made more efficient. In addition, a Volunteer Advisory Panel is being created to offer advice and to investigate grievances.

DRUG TRIALS

To make clients more aware of drug trials conducted by the Wisconsin AIDS Research Consortium, MAP is now publicizing in the Gay press and the client newsletter WARC drug trials that are open for enrollment. WARC physicians will hold informational seminars on drug trials, and the new HIV Hotline and Consumer Library will have the latest information available to all clients.

On other issues, MAP declared its commitment to a "diversified fundraising strategy," producing events that are "high cost, low cost and no cost." Two of the biggest fundraisers each year are AIDS Walk Wisconsin and Danc'n for AIDS. Neither require admission and are open to everyone. For higher cost events, MAP will encourage the donation of tickets so lower income people can attend.

Finally, MAP is getting a new computer system that will integrate various mailing lists and help to eliminate duplication, which several people had cited as a waste of money.

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Activist Kitty Barber Charged in Madison Shooting Incident

Madison — Kitty Barber appeared at a preliminary hearing in Dane County Circuit Court on April 10th in connection with charges brought by Dane County District Attorney Bill Foust. Barber—a UW law school student, jazz singer, and lesbian activist—is being charged with two felonies in connection with an encounter with police late last year. The charges specifically are fleeing an officer, endangering safety and second degree reckless endangerment.

During the hearing, police described giving chase after Barber was



—Kitty Barber

seen speeding down Madison's East Washington Avenue at speeds in excess of 70 mph. Officers from five jurisdictions eventually joined in pursuit of Barber as she headed east on I-94, finally stopping at a truck stop 15 miles down the road. Upon leaving her vehicle, police testified at the hearing, Barber picked up a pistol and moved suddenly in a manner that convinced officers that she was about to fire upon them.

Several officers opened fire upon her, and five bullets struck Barber. In the days following the incident, the district attorney made it clear that no charges would be filed against any of

the officers involved, indicating that they had acted appropriately given the circumstances.

Following extensive surgery, which necessitated her receiving 36 units of blood, Barber's condition remained critical for more than a week. However, her condition improved steadily to the point that she was able to leave Madison's University Hospital in December of 1995, and continued her recuperation under the care of friends at the home she once shared with her ex-partner, Karen Gotzler. She took an active role in the final weeks of Gotzler's unsuccessful campaign for Milwaukee City Council.

Many of her classmates from the UW-Madison Law School, where she was in her second year, have spoken out in support of Barber. On her attorney's advice, Barber has remained silent about the circumstances surrounding the incident, although she has recently begun making public appearances again, including the recent Make A Promise Dinner, a popular fundraiser for the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Barber, who has often served as a lesbian and gay community spokesperson, had spoken candidly over the years about a personal history of alcoholism and chronic depression.

Despite this, her attorney, criminal law specialist Dean Strang, told the Capital Times that her mental state would not be a factor in her defense. Speaking in an interview in early March, he said, "There's no question here involving her being of sound mind. I can't think of anyone I know who is of a sounder mind than Kitty Barber."

Following the hearing, Barber remained free on bail. No date has yet been set for her trial on the two felony charges.

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We would like to publicly thank and acknowledge all of those who have supported *In Step* over the past several months. We are grateful for the wisdom of the members of the *In Step* Board of Directors. In particular, David Johnson and Nell Johnson who skillfully guided the magazine through rough waters. We appreciate the efforts *In Step* staffers, most notably Jamakaya, John Quinlan and Jamie Taylor. These people have demonstrated great dedication to this magazine.

A special, big thank you goes to our advertisers. We appreciate your business and you may wish to note that *In Step's* advertising rates will remain unchanged.

Most of all, we are grateful for the support of our readers, without whom *In Step* would not be possible.

In coming issues, *In Step Magazine* will get an exciting make-over. This new design, will make *In Step* a more readable and enjoyable publication. More than putting a new dress on an old girl, with this new design will come exciting new writers and features. But never fear, most of your favorite contributors and columnists will remain. After all, what would *In Step* be without The Guide, Keepin' In Step, The Classics or The Calendar?

In Step Magazine will continue its biweekly publication schedule and deadlines without interruption. We will expand our coverage of news and events of interest to Wisconsin's LesBiGay community. If its happening in queer Wisconsin, you'll read about it first in *In Step*.

In order to serve you better, *In Step Magazine* will be moving. Effective April 22nd, *In Step* will share a new office with its sister publication *Q•Voice Magazine*.

In Step's new address is 1661 N. Water Street, Suite 411, Milwaukee, WI 53202. *In Step Magazine* will maintain regular business hours; every weekday from 9am to 5pm. We will extend business hours to 7pm on Monday through Wednesday during our deadline week. As always, the *In Step* office is open to the public.

We recognize the great responsibility we have to our community as a news, information and entertainment resource. *In Step Magazine* will strive to reach out to all facets of the LesBiGay Community through-out the state. We want your input and feedback. We pledge to present balanced, unbiased reporting of news and events while maintaining the highest standards of integrity and professionalism.

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Jorge L. Cabal
William Attewell
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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Federal Appeals Court Upholds Military Ban

Richmond, VA — On April 5, the Fourth US Circuit Court of Appeals voted, in a 9-4 decision, to uphold the Pentagon's policy banning openly Gay and Lesbian people from the military services. The case involved President Clinton's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" regulations, adopted in 1993.

The case involved former Navy Lieutenant Paul Thomasson, who was discharged in 1994 after sending a letter to a superior officer revealing that, "I am Gay."

The Appeals Court ruling essentially said that the courts should not interfere with a policy debated and negotiated by the President and Congress. It cited the judiciary's traditional deference to the military, allowing the Pentagon to set standards of conduct that would most likely be found unconstitutional if applied to the general citizenry.

In a dissenting opinion, Judge Kenneth K. Hall said that Thomasson had been punished "for nothing more than an expression of his state of mind. The expression was not illegal, and the fact admitted is not a ground for discharge."

At press time, it was unclear whether Thomasson would appeal. Two other cases challenging the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy are before appeals courts, one in the Ninth Circuit in San Francisco, the other in the Second Circuit in New York. Both courts are deemed more liberal than the one that ruled against Thomasson.

Clinton Meets With Gay Leaders

Washington, DC — On April 2, President Bill Clinton participated in a 90-minute breakfast meeting with five representatives of the Gay community,

along with several labor leaders and local politicians from the Midwest.

The Gay people attending the meeting were San Francisco Supervisor Susan Leal, Clinton fundraiser David



—Elizabeth Birch

Mixner, Keith Boykin, Director of the National Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Forum, Elizabeth Birch of the Human Rights Campaign, and Nina Jacobsen, a Hollywood executive and co-founder of Out There, a group for Gays in the entertainment industry.

Leal told the Washington Blade that the group discussed broad issues like the economy and the environment, but that she specifically talked to Clinton about the impact Medicaid budget cuts would have on people with HIV/AIDS. He agreed to stand firm against major Medicaid cuts.

Clinton, according to Leal, "said we cannot allow our adversaries to make us out as cardboard cut-outs. He said we have to let people see us for who we are — people who get up every morning, do our jobs in all walks of life and contribute to this country."

Keith Meinhold, Victor in Battle With Navy, Retires

Anacortes, WA — Keith Meinhold, the Navy Petty Officer who won his legal battle to be reinstated in the service as an openly Gay man, has retired from active duty at age 33. The early retirement gives him many of the benefits of retirement after long-term service, though benefits are pro-rated.

Meinhold leaves the Navy with an exemplary service record, having worked most recently as an aviation warfare systems operator. Meinhold told the San Diego Gay and Lesbian Times: "My emotions and my heart say to stay in the Navy, but my head says 'You're 33 years old and it's time to start a second career.'"

Meinhold signed up for the Navy at age 17. Then in 1992, he came out as a Gay man on a segment of ABC's World News Tonight. The Navy immediately



—Keith Meinhold

initiated discharge proceedings, but Meinhold fought back in court. Later that year, a federal judge ordered the Navy to reinstate him. An appeals court upheld the decision, and Meinhold continued to serve as an openly Gay man. Meinhold says he hopes that

10 or 20 years from now people will say of his case: "Oh yeah, I remember when that happened. Can you believe that we as a country acted that way?"

Georgia is Latest State to Ban Same Sex Marriage

Atlanta, GA — On April 5, Gov. Zell Miller of Georgia signed a bill which

explicitly prohibits Gays and Lesbians from marrying. His action makes Georgia the fourth state in the union, along with Idaho, South Dakota and Utah, to pass laws blocking same-gender marriage.

Many state legislatures are considering such bills, which are a pre-emptive strike against a possible decision by Hawaiian courts to legalize same-sex marriage. If Hawaii legalizes Gay mar-

riage, marriages performed in that state could be recognized as legally binding in other states as well.

According to the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, 14 states currently face legislation intended to ban same-gender marriage. Anti-Gay marriage measures in 13 other states have been withdrawn or defeated. Conservative Christian Coalition-backed politicians are in the forefront of the anti-Gay campaign.

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National Lesbian Political Action Committee Formed

Washington, DC — A National Lesbian Political Action Committee was formed recently in Washington. Its purpose is to raise public awareness about Lesbian issues and to support candidates for office who will advocate for the rights of Lesbians in the areas of health issues, custody and parental rights, and hate crimes.

Mindy Daniels, a Washington, DC-based attorney, founded the Lesbian PAC. She wants it to "attract more Lesbians to the political arena and create a unified and identifiable political influence...Our focus this election year is to raise money and get it back out to candidates who support us."

"The 1996 Presidential election has again become a forum for Gay bashing," a spokeswoman for the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation noted. "The Lesbian community needs a place at the table in American politics, and this PAC can offer them that."

For more information, contact the National Lesbian PAC at (202) 467-6408.

Gay Democrats To Meet in Philadelphia

Philadelphia, PA — Hundreds of Gay and Lesbian Democrats will converge on Philadelphia May 4-5 for a national conference of Gay and Lesbian Democratic clubs. The conference is open to all who wish to attend regard-

less of whether they are affiliated with a Democratic club.

Titled "Win in '96 With Pride," conference topics will include: building grassroots Democratic clubs; organizing successful petition and political action campaigns; running Gay and Lesbian candidates for office; conducting effective voter registration, and forming a national federation of Gay and Lesbian Democratic clubs.

The conference grew out of a meeting of Gay and Lesbian Democrats sponsored by the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC in February. Participants there agreed there is a need for better networking and cooperation among Gay and Lesbian Democrats nationwide. For registration information on the conference in Philadelphia, call Mark Smith at (215) 561-2359 days and (215) 592-8588 evenings.

Also on the Newswire...

New York, NY — Muffin Spencer-Devlin, a top player in the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour, came out in a recent issue of Sports Illustrated magazine. She said: "I truly believe that keeping a secret is an energy-consuming act...Coming out is like an incredibly huge weight being lifted from my shoulders. No more living in the shadows. No more lies."

Washington, DC — *The Washington Blade* has confirmed what has for some time been only rumor: Michael Hardwick, the Gay man who was at the center of the 1987 case in which the US Supreme Court upheld Georgia's sodomy law, died of AIDS complications in June, 1991 at his sister's home in Gainesville, Florida. The historic case, often referred to in discussions of Gay rights, was called *Bowers v. Hardwick*.

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GROUP NOTES

Steering Committee Meeting Set for Milwaukee Community Center

Milwaukee — A meeting of all those who have volunteered to sit on the steering committee planning a community center for Milwaukee's LesBiGay and Transgendered population will take place Saturday, April 27 at 11am at the Milwaukee Enterprise Center, 2821 N. 4th Street, Suite, 300.

This is not an open public meeting but a strategy session for those who have volunteered to take on leadership roles in the effort. A second major public meeting will be announced shortly thereafter. In progress so far, Karen Gotzler and Bill Dempsey have volunteered to be temporary co-chairs of the steering committee. Susan Cook has tabulated the results of the surveys handed out at the March 11 meeting, and the steering committee is expected to review that information.

For more information on the community center project, call (414) 272-2144.

Mini-Classic Car Show Set for May 4

Milwaukee — On Saturday, May 4, members of the Lake Michigan Region of the Lambda Car Club will conduct a driving tour from Chicago to Milwaukee where plans are to lunch at the M&M Club, 124 N. Water Street, and hold a mini-Classic Car Show in the nearby parking lot.

All members of the Gay and Lesbian community are welcome to attend the lunch and car show, to meet members of the Chicago group and to discuss the possibility of starting a Metro Milwaukee or Wisconsin Region of the Lambda Car Club. Individuals are also encouraged to bring their own classic cars to show off. For more information, call (312) 465-5307.

PrideFest to Begin Volunteer Drive

Milwaukee — Though the festival is still weeks away, PrideFest organizers are seeking several hundred volunteers to help staff the event June 7-9 at the Summerfest grounds. Volunteer duties include food preparation, bartending, ticket sales, stage help and a grounds patrol.

Volunteers are needed as early as Friday morning to help unload the trucks and hook up equipment. On Saturday and Sunday, volunteers will be needed throughout the day. Those who sign up prior to PrideFest will get free admission tickets for the days they work, and all volunteers get tickets for a complimentary meal at the PrideFest Grill at the end of their workshift.

Two volunteer orientation sessions are being offered. The first will be held Saturday, May 18 at 10am in the Bay View Library, 2566 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. The second will be held Wednesday, May 22 at 7pm in the East Library, 1910 E. North Ave. For further information or to volunteer, call (414) 482-2788.

Out and About Week at UW-Madison April 20-28

Madison — A flurry of events including a concert, movies, lectures, discussions and a dance will take place during "Out and About — 1996," the Ten Percent Society of UW-Madison's annual spring LesBiGay and Transgender awareness series. All events are free.

On Saturday, April 20 from 9-11pm, the queer comedy duo Romanovsky & Phillips will present their daffy blend of

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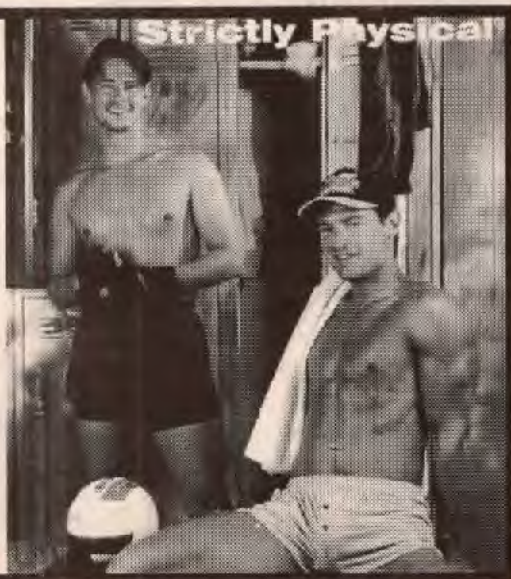
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From Monday through Thursday, April 22-25 from Noon to 1pm in the UW-Memorial Union, each of the four hour-long episodes of the PBS series *A Question of Equality*, a history of the Gay and Lesbian struggle for equal rights, will be screened.

On Monday, April 22, State Rep. Tammy Baldwin will talk about the future of same-gender marriage in Wisconsin at 8pm in the Memorial Union. On Tuesday, April 23, LGBT-affirming religious leaders will discuss "Spirituality/Sexuality: Conflict or Harmony?" at 7pm in the Memorial Union.

Wednesday, April 24 will be Blue Jeans Day, when every LesBiGay and Transgendered person is encouraged to wear blue jeans. Also that day, a picnic will be held on the Library Mall from 1pm on.

Women's Film Night, April 24 in the Memorial Union, will include the films *Daughters of Dykes*, *Coconut/Cane & Cutlass*, *B.D. Women*, *Greetings From Africa*, *Sex Fish/Sex Bowl/Fingers and Kisses/Coming Home* and more. Men's Film Night on Thursday, April 25 includes *The Space Between Our Bodies*, *Queerdom*, *The Dead Boys Club*, *Live to Tell*, *Raising Nicholas* and others.

On Friday, April 26 at 8pm, the annual Out and About Dance with DJ and cash bar will be held in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. It's free.

Finally, on Sunday, April 28, from 11am to 1pm, a reception for Graduating LGBT Students will be held in the Lee Lounge of the Wisconsin Center. RSVP is required for this event. Call Russell at (608) 262-5895.

Check the "Today in the Union" board for the exact rooms of "Out and About" events in the Memorial Union. For further information, call (608) 256-5017.

SAGE/Milwaukee to Show Movies April 22

Milwaukee — Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE)/Milwaukee will present two short films at its meeting Monday, April 22 at the Eastside Library, 1910 E. North Avenue.

The films are *Out for Laughs* and *In the Life: The Funny Tape*. Both feature Gay and Lesbian comedians and were filmed in San Francisco's Castro District. The movies begin at 6:30pm, with an hour and a half of non-stop laughter guaranteed. The event is free and open to the public.

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NOWAP Names Jamie Sorenson New Director

Eau Claire — The Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project (NOWAP), a service agency of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, has named Jamie Sorenson as its new Director.

Sorenson left his position as a social worker with the Barron County Department of Social Services to work as a case manager for NOWAP in 1993. The next year, he was promoted to Coordinator of Life Care Services to supervise all client services and related staff. Since September, 1995, Sorenson has been Acting Director of NOWAP following the resignation of David Ernat.

"As a longtime resident of northwest Wisconsin, Jamie brings both understanding and vision to his new role of directing the delivery of HIV services in this region," said Neil Albrecht of ARCW. "He will be a strong advocate and effective leader for NOWAP in the days ahead."

Established in 1992, NOWAP provides comprehensive services in a 13-county region to people with HIV/AIDS.

Violence in Lesbian Relationships Topic of Workshop, Film

Milwaukee — A workshop, "Addressing Violence in Lesbian Relationships," will be held Friday, May 17 from 1-4pm at Centennial Hall of the Milwaukee Public Library, 833 N. 8th Street.

The workshop will explore issues unique to women who have or are experiencing domestic violence in lesbian relationships, solutions for dealing with battering, and the role of therapy in counseling lesbian couples in abusive relationships. Presenter Kathleen Neville has been a psychotherapist in private practice for 25 years, specializing in Gay and Lesbian issues.

The workshop includes a showing of the video documentary *My Girlfriend*

Did It, which offers first-hand accounts of lesbian battering, defines the cycle of violence and presents the issues of "coming out" as a battered lesbian. The movie will also be shown that same evening at 7:30pm in Centennial Hall. Admission to the evening movie is \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. The afternoon workshop costs \$50.

For more information and to register in advance, call (414) 332-3331.

Madison's Pride/MAGIC Picnic Weekend July 19-21

Madison — Madison's annual Gay Pride/MAGIC Picnic Weekend has been scheduled for July 19-21, 1996. The 23rd annual MAGIC Picnic will take place Saturday, July 20 from Noon to 6pm in Brittingham Park on the shores of Lake Monona.

Long considered Madison's LesBiGay social event of the year, the MAGIC Picnic attracted over 1,600 men and women from across the state and Midwest last year, and \$7,500 of the funds raised were disbursed to participating organizations from Apple Island and Bi?Shy?Why? to The United and the Women's Transit Authority.

For this year's MAGIC Picnic, great food and beverages, raffles, vendors, organizational booths, music and the infamous high heel races are once again planned. Admission is \$8 and includes a picnic meal and unlimited beer and soda.

The first organizational meeting for this year's MAGIC Picnic will take place Wednesday, May 1 at 5:30pm at the temporary offices of the Hotel Washington, 700 Regent Street. The meetings will be held the first Wednesdays of each month through July. For more information, call (608) 256-3360, ext. 134.

GALVANize has also announced that the 3rd annual Madison Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade will be held Sunday, July 21 beginning at 1pm. The parade will begin with a rally at the

State Street entrance to the Capitol and proceed to the Library Mall on the UW campus.

Other exciting events will occur throughout the weekend, including a Volleyball Tournament and a Ten Percent Society dance.

Gay HIV Youth Conference Set For May 3

Milwaukee — One American teen per hour is infected with the HIV virus and, in Wisconsin, AIDS is the 5th leading cause of death for men aged 25-44, suggesting that HIV infection occurs between the ages of 14 and 24.

The Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Program, Sinai Samaritan Medical Center and St. Luke's Family Practice Program, together with a team of youth advisors, are sponsoring a May 3rd conference focussing on youth and HIV infection called "Diverse and Resilient."

Nationally known researcher Tony D'Augelli will open the conference with information about Gay and Lesbian youth. Kevin Cranston, from the Massachusetts HIV Prevention and Education Department, will discuss safe school environments in which HIV prevention can be meaningful to youth. Break-out sessions will focus on the particular needs of Gay youth of color, challenges in rural and urban areas, campus education and other issues.

Beyond education, "Diverse and Resilient" seeks to encourage new HIV prevention services around Wisconsin. Participants will be asked to write proposals for programs of HIV prevention among youth for which \$5,000 mini-grants will be awarded.

For registration materials or more information, call Dana at (414) 649-7701.

Rainbow Group in Madison Meets at Wil-Mar Center

Madison — The Rainbow Community Collective, a Madison

social network unifying Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Transgenders in the spirit of fun, has outgrown the meeting space originally provided by The United and is now meeting at the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 953 Jenifer St.

The Rainbow Community Collective meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 7-9pm. The first half of each meeting is devoted to planning social events and fundraisers, the second half is a social hour. At least two group activities are planned each month, including dinner parties, picnics and day trips. In May the group may visit scenic Mineral Point.

For more information on the Rainbow Community Collective, call Rob at (608) 238-9150.

LAMM Plans Spring Events, May 1 Move

Milwaukee — The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) will be moving its office on May 1. The group is moving from the Milwaukee Enterprise Center on N. 4th Street to 1417 N. Wauwatosa Avenue, Suite 103. LAMM's mailing address will remain P.O. Box 93323, Milwaukee, WI 53203.

Just before the big move, LAMM's Late Bloomers group will get together for a field trip to World Cup Coffee and AfterWords Bookstore. On April 26, the municipal women's softball season opens with LAMM playing the Station 2 at Wick Field, 4929 W. Vliet Street at 6pm.

Then on May 4, LAMM is sponsoring a Lesbian Health Symposium at Sinai-Samaritan Medical Center, 2000 W. Kilbourn Avenue, which will include information on both traditional and non-traditional health care practices and mental health issues.

For information on any of these events, or to volunteer to help with LAMM's move, call LAMM at (414) 264-2600.

LesBiGay Film Night in Racine May 10

Racine — Racine's "We the People" Book Club is sponsoring a LesBiGay Film Night Friday, May 10 at 7pm at which several segments of the PBS documentary *A Question of*

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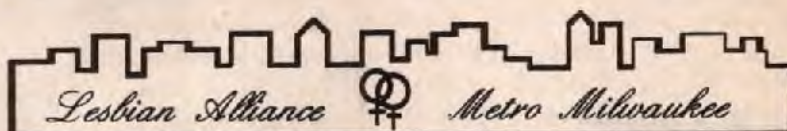
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Equality, about Gay and Lesbian rights, will be screened. A \$3 donation is requested to offset cost of the room.

For the location of the event and more information about "We the People," call Christine at (414) 639-3872.

Midwest Male Naturist Gathering to be Held This June

Minneapolis — The 4th annual Midwest Male Naturist Gathering will take place June 13-16 at the private 168-acre Camp Gaea near Kansas City, Kansas. The event is hosted this year by the Minnesota Polar Bares, a nine-year-old naturist group based in Minneapolis. All Gay and Bisexual men are invited to attend.

This year's event features a variety of workshops ranging from massage to body casting to relationships, with ample time to swim, sun and socialize. Body painting, a nude game show and "drag" racing will also return.

Registration fees are \$100 for a cabin space and \$90 if camping when received by May 10th. For more information, see the group's web page at <http://members.aol.com/MMNG96/> or write to MMNG '96, P.O. Box 52, Big Lake, MN 55309.

Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center Seeks Board Members

Madison — With the recent retirement of three long-term Board members, the Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center is seeking energetic men and women with a commitment to the LesBiGay community to play a leadership role on the Board.

The group expects Board members to commit 3-5 hours a week on community projects and to attend Board meetings every other month. Individuals who could oversee the following areas are invited to apply: Volunteer Coordination, Library Management, Marketing and Fundraising, and Board Secretary.

The Resource Center currently provides a lending library, a community computing center, a monthly calendar of events and an annual Directory of organizations and services. The Resource Center helped form a business alliance in Madison and, in 1994, was named Organization of the Year by The United.

Send information outlining skills and interests to: MGLRC, P.O. Box 1722, Madison, WI 53701. For more information, call (608) 257-1349.

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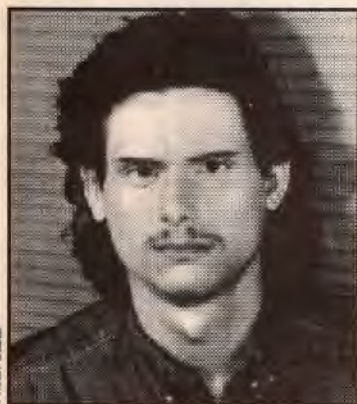


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Deaf AIDS Educator Wins Golden Rule Award Posthumously

Milwaukee — When the J.C. Penney Golden Rule Awards are presented on April 24, one award winner will be present only in spirit. Michael James

Hinderer, pioneer Deaf educator and Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) volunteer of six years, died of AIDS complications last December 10.

As a young man who was both Deaf and living with AIDS, Hinderer saw the lack of AIDS education for Deaf people and decided to provide the needed training himself.

"There were no programs in the Midwest," MAP Director of Volunteer Resources Cheryl Lucas noted. "On a volunteer basis, Michael found out what resources there were and worked to provide interpreted AIDS training for his community — both in Milwaukee and much of the

Midwest."

Hinderer overcame the hearing community's ignorance and often struggled with his AIDS-related symptoms. Despite these challenges, he taught the classes until a few weeks before his death.

"The last time he spoke at MAP was on his birthday," Lucas said. "He brought a cake, balloons and streamers. Unfortunately, very few people showed up for the class. Michael paced impatiently outside as he waited for more people to arrive. Finally, he proceeded to give his presentation. That night, Michael had to go to the hospital."

At age 27, ten years after he learned that he was HIV-positive, Hinderer's blood stopped clotting. He passed away in his south side Milwaukee home with his partner of five years, Bob Plahmer, at his side.

"Michael used his remaining years to save others," said Doug Nelson of MAP. "We could all learn from his unselfishness."

MEMORIAM

Michael R. Rahm

October 2, 1951 - March 19, 1996

Michael R. Rahm, 44, died on March 19 due to complications from AIDS.

Michael was born in Versailles, Ohio on October 2, 1951. He was an art student at Marycrest College in Davenport, Iowa. After working for a series of newspapers in Ohio, Michael moved to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin in 1988, and was employed as a composition manager by the Shopper Advertiser in Delavan. Michael moved to Milwaukee in 1991. His most recent employment was as composition manager for Shopper Publications in Milwaukee.

Michael attended the Chapel on the Hill in Lake Geneva, and was a member of the Good Company theater group. He was also a member of the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus.

Survivors in Milwaukee are his life partner, Doug Barron, and their dog, Bunky. Survivors in Ohio include his parents, Robert and Eileen Rahm, brothers John (Mary) and James, two nephews and a niece, all of Versailles.

Services were held March 22 at the Webster United Methodist Church in Webster, Ohio. Michael was buried in Harris Creek Cemetery near Bradford, Ohio.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Milwaukee AIDS Project and to the general fund of St. Michael Hospital in Milwaukee. Plans for a gathering to remember Michael are pending.

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HIV DRUG TRIALS OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT

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The WCRC is currently enrolling individuals with HIV disease for participation in two trials of experimental drug therapies. These trials may advance scientific knowledge and future treatment for other individuals with HIV disease.

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ELIGIBILITY:

If you are fourteen years of age or older, are HIV positive, have a CD4 count greater than 200 but less than 500, and have not been on AZT therapy for more than six months, you may be eligible for this study.

TRIAL NO. 2 - STAVUDINE PLUS DIDANOSINE

An open-label study of the safety and biological effects of Stavudine(d4t) plus Didanosine(ddI) in Nucleoside-experienced, HIV-infected patients, with CD4 counts between 100-500/mm³.

ELIGIBILITY:

If you are over 18 years of age, HIV positive and have a CD4 count between 100-500 cells/mm³ and have previous, cumulative nucleoside therapy experience of more than 3 months as monotherapy, you may be eligible for this study.

For information about enrolling in these trials, please call Jacque Kaczinski, R.N. at the WCRC office at 414-225-1578.

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State Senate Moves to Regulate Viatical Settlements

Madison — In a 33-0 vote, the Wisconsin State Senate has approved SB621, a bill that regulates the selling of life insurance policies, known as viatical settlements. Since the late 1980's almost 90% of life insurance policies sold involved those living with HIV or AIDS.

"Viatical settlements are a viable option for many of our clients," said Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. "This bill will make sure that they are treated fairly, with full disclosure of the impacts of selling a policy."

Nelson applauded both Democratic and Republican legislators for supporting the bill. He credited the Log Cabin Republican Club (Gay GOPers) with gaining needed Republican votes. The proposal will come before the State Assembly in May.

The legislation provides state licensure of viatical settlement providers and brokers. It requires "above the board operations," background checks and access to financial records of people in the viatical settlement industry.

The bill helps consumers by requiring minimum payout

amounts based on the face value of the insurance policy and disclosure of the settlement's impact on the policyholder's medical assistance. It also provides for complete exemption from state taxation to maximize the amount of the viatical settlement available to the person with a terminal illness.

Milwaukee County Exec Appoints Gay/Lesbian Liaison

Milwaukee — Milwaukee County Executive Thomas Ament, fresh from his re-election victory in March, has appointed Gerard Randall as liaison to the LesBiGay and Transgender community. Randall is the Community Relations Counsel for Milwaukee County and has an office in Room 306 of the County Courthouse. His number is (414) 278-4211.

Ament's appointment of Randall came in response to a strong recommendation made by members of the Gay and Lesbian Work Group currently cooperating with the County's Commission on Aging. The liaison position, along with sensitivity training for county employees, were among the major recommendations of the group, which has spent the last six months surveying the needs of senior citizens who identify with the LesBiGay community.

The hope is that Milwaukee County will now have an accessible conduit for the exchange of information and concerns between the LesBiGay community and public officials just as the City of Milwaukee has in the person of Marge Beil in Mayor Norquist's office.

"Christian" Students at UW-Madison Sue Over Fees

Madison — Three law students at the University of Wisconsin who describe themselves as devout Christians have filed suit in federal court arguing that their student fee money should not be used to support groups with which they disagree. They specifically cited resentment at having some of their fees support the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Campus Center, an environmental group and the Campus Women's Center.

Of the \$166 in fees UW students pay each semester, about \$32 goes to the student government which, in turn, channels funds to a wide range of student groups. The plaintiffs are seeking an injunction to prohibit the granting of student money to groups with a political or ideological agenda, or an exemption allowing students to forego the fee percentage that goes to student groups. Right now, students who do not pay the fee are deprived of their grades and diplomas.

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Earth Day Poetry Celebration in Milwaukee April 19

Milwaukee — "We're hoping some EcoQueers and EcoDykes will get their buns down to this benefit for Mama Gaia."

That was the note Milwaukee poet Jeff Poniewaz included with a press release about the 9th Annual Milwaukee Earth Day Poetry Celebration scheduled for Friday, April 19 at 8:30pm at the Coffee House, 631 N. 19th Street.

Poniewaz organized the first Earth Day Poetry reading in 1988, and the event has grown in popularity, giving area poets the chance to share their words and wisdom about Mother Nature and our responsibility to her.

Among those scheduled to read at the Coffee House are: Louisa Loveridge-Gallas, Daniel Grego, Sue Silvermarie, Harvey Taylor, Suzanne Rosenblatt, Cristina Herrera, Angela Peckenpaugh and Poniewaz. The special guest musician for the evening will be Tony Finlayson, longtime drummer with the Ko Thi Dance Troupe, founder of the Spirit Dance Drummers Group and a member of the jazz fusion group Sonic Harvest. A donation of \$3 will go to the Milwaukee Area Greens, an eco-activist group.

Symphony Performances to Benefit MAP

Milwaukee — Gay composer John Corigliano won a "Best Contemporary Composition" Grammy Award in 1991 for his moving Symphony No. 1, dedicated to people with AIDS. That piece along with works by Brahms and Strauss will fill the air Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4 when the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra plays a concert that will ben-



—Fireside Theatre's Crazy For You

efit the Milwaukee AIDS Project at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts.

Corigliano says he was inspired to write his Symphony No. 1 after viewing the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt: "This made me want to memorialize in music those I have lost, and reflect on those I am losing. I decided to relate the first three movements of the Symphony to three life-long musician friends. In the third movement, still other friends are recalled in a quilt-like interweaving of motivic melodies."

Guest conductor Marin Alsop will lead the 11:15am May 3 and the 8pm May 4 performances. The other selections include Brahms' Academic Festival Overture and Strauss' Horn Concerto No. 1, featuring MSO Principle Hornist William Barnewitz. One dollar from each ticket will be donated to MAP. For tickets, call (414) 273-7206.

Tony Winner "Crazy For You" at the Fireside

Fort Atkinson — Fresh from a sold-out 4-year run on Broadway, the 1992 Tony Award Winning Best Musical Crazy For You is playing through May 12 at The Fireside Restaurant and Playhouse in Fort Atkinson.

Featuring 19 of George and Ira Gershwin's greatest hits, Crazy For You is a song-and-dance spectacular blending fabulous music, stunning choreography and gorgeous costumes. It tells the story of a stage-struck banker's son (Andrew Girard Johnson), sent to a small Western mining town to foreclose on a theatre, who instead falls in love (with Polly, played by Shannon Pritchard) and tries to save the theatre and the town by putting on a show.

Crazy for You was directed by Ed Flesch, with musical direction by Douglass Lutz and choreography by Alan Coats, who performed in the Broadway production. The cast was assembled from auditions in New York, Chicago and Atlanta.



—Andrew May, Jonathan Adams, Lee E. Ernst and Laura Gordon in the REP's The Nerd

For show times and tickets, call The Fireside at (800) 477-9505.

"The Nerd" Restaged by Milwaukee Rep

Milwaukee — Back by popular demand, the Milwaukee Repertory Theater is restaging the hilarious comedy *The Nerd* by the late Larry Shue. *The Nerd* premiered at the Milwaukee Rep in 1981 and has since been performed around the world.

In *The Nerd*, Shue created the unforgettable character of Rick Steadman, the unparalleled pest who overstays his welcome and creates havoc for his host, a beleaguered architect who owes his life to Steadman. The chaos created by Steadman's visit leaves audiences in stitches.

In this new production, Andrew May plays the annoying houseguest. Also appearing are Jonathan Addams, Lee E. Ernst, Laura Gordon, Michael LaGue and Rose Pickering. Rep veteran James Pickering, who played Rick Steadman in the original 1981 production of *The Nerd*, makes his directorial debut. *The Nerd* plays through May 12 in the Rep's Powerhouse Theatre. For show times and tickets, call (414) 224-9490.

Folk Art Show in Historic Cedarburg April 26-28

Cedarburg — More than 50 of the Midwest's finest folk artists will display and sell their work during Cedarburg's 12th annual *A Day in the Country* Folk Art Show, April 26-28 at the Cedarburg Cultural Center, W62 N546 Washington Avenue and the Community Center, W63 N641 Washington Avenue.

The juried Folk Art Show begins Friday, April 26 with a special preview night from 6-9pm. Admission is \$3. The hours Saturday, April 27 are 10am to 5pm, and Sunday, April 28, 11am to 4pm. Admission is \$2 these days (includes both locations).

Some of the unique art works to be displayed at the Folk Art Show include: basketry, carving, toys, teddy bears, wearable art, needlework, country and period furniture, doll craft, Santas, primitive painting, quilts, stencil work and decorated furniture.

"*A Day in the Country*" is sponsored by Cedar Creek Settlement, a village of 30 shops and restaurants located in, and adjacent to, the historic Wittenberg Woolen Mill (circa 1864). Cedarburg, with its old stone houses, covered bridge and historic churches and inns is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Cedarburg is 20 minutes north of Milwaukee on I-43. For more information and directions, call (414) 377-8020.

Moliere's "Tartuffe" at Boulevard Ensemble

Milwaukee — The Boulevard Ensemble, Milwaukee's premiere studio theatre, is closing its tenth season with Moliere's sparkling comedy, *Tartuffe*. Moliere's brilliant farce about deception and hypocrisy will be directed by Boulevard Artistic Director Mark Bucher. It runs from April 19 to May 19 at the Boulevard Theatre, 2252 S. Kinnickinnic.

Previous productions of Moliere's sophisticated comedies (*The*

Misanthrope in 1991 and *The Learned Ladies* in 1993) have won critical acclaim for the Boulevard Ensemble. As with those forays, this *Tartuffe* has been updated to a modern setting: a successful Italian restaurant run by the family that falls prey to the swindler Tartuffe. The family's patriarch becomes so enamored of the supposedly saintly beggar, that he promises his daughter and all his worldly goods to the cad. Much mischief, mayhem and wit ensue.

Tartuffe's cast includes Boulevard Ensemble veterans David Flores as the notorious Tartuffe, Tom Schimmels as the duped husband Orgon, Pamela Brown as his elegant wife Elmire, and Nomi Bence as the opinionated maid, Doreen. For further information, and to reserve tickets, call (414) 672-6019.

Westenhofer in Madison, Milwaukee

Madison — Suzanne Westenhofer, one of the most outstanding stand-up comics to emerge in the last few years, will be tickling the funnybones of audiences in Madison and Milwaukee in late April. On Friday, April 26, Westenhofer will appear at the Barrymore Theatre in Madison. The following night, she's booked at the Pabst Theatre in Milwaukee. Both shows are produced by Full Moon Productions.

Westenhofer is an out Lesbian, beloved for her out-rageous Gay humor. Take, for example, her string of "stupid straight questions": "Were you always a Lesbian?" "No. Korean," she deadpans. "How do Gay people go about finding a partner?" Answer: "We set traps." Or check out her riff on the "Peanuts" character Peppermint Patty: "She's a Lesbian. Are you kidding? She's got a little girl following her around calling her 'Sir.' She wears Birkenstocks. And she's the only one in the whole strip who's good at softball. It's obvious!"

Westenhofer was the first Lesbian ever to have her own special on HBO



—Tom Schimmels, Nomi Bence and David Flores in TARTUFFE

(it was nominated for an ACE Award, given for excellence in cable productions) and to be featured on Evening at the Improv, Caroline's Comedy Hour and Out There on Comedy Central. She gets even more of a kick out of her many appearances on programs like the Sally Jessy Raphael and Rikki Lake shows, where she often appears as an "expert Lesbian."

Last year's appearances by Westenhofer in the Gay Rights State were sold out, so get your tickets early! Call (608) 241-8633 in Madison, and (414) 286-3663 in Milwaukee.

"Fertility: Rites of Spring Exhibit" at Gallery 218

Milwaukee — The exhibition Fertility: Re-Examining the Rites of Spring, a group show featuring a variety of media by members of the Walker's Point Artists Association, is on display through April 28 at Gallery 218, 218 S. Second Street in Milwaukee.

Artists exhibiting include: John Biersach, Mike Brylski, Mike Flasch, Carol Flescher, Dolores Fontaine, Sally Fogelberg, Lia Gima, Judith Hooks, Cheryl Klein, Joe Korom, Doug Krimmer, Edward Locher, Michael Merrit Mangan, Lonna Parker, Mike Smith, Michael Sohns and Fred Stein. There is a reception planned on Gallery Nite, April 19 from 7-10pm. Otherwise, hours are Thursdays, 1-5pm; Friday, 5-9pm; Saturday and Sunday, Noon-5pm. For more information, call (414) 277-7800.

Chamber Theatre Presents "Travels With My Aunt"

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee Chamber Theatre is presenting the Midwest premiere of the hilarious novel *Travels With My Aunt* from April 20 through May 5 on the Cabot Theatre Stage of the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway in Milwaukee.

Travels With My Aunt is the hilarious story of a timid, retired banker who, after meeting his long-lost aunt, is torn away from his dull life to a wild adventure stretching across the globe. Mild-mannered Henry Pulling is swept into a whirlpool of unexpected travels with his Aunt Augusta, involving con-men, the CIA, drug smugglers and other assorted characters.

This clever stage adaptation of the 1969 book by Graham Greene was created by Giles Havergal. Four actors play the parts of all 20 characters — male and female — managing this stunning feat without changing costume. The actors are: Richard Halverson, who primarily plays the role of Aunt Augusta, Norman Moses, William Clifford and Bo Johnson. C. Michael Wright directs. For show times and ticket information, call (414) 291-7800.

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Bombing Legislators Into Submission

By Attorney Arlene Zarembka

Suppose several openly Lesbian professors found posters one morning in the hallways at their university with their photographs and the word "Lesbian" stamped across each of their foreheads, and a logo at the bottom of the posters showing a bomb with a lit fuse and the words "The Fraternity Brothers Avengers" around it.

Frightening? You bet. The reaction of the campus Gay and Lesbian community to campus fraternities? Anger. The outraged community likely would demand that the perpetrators of this act of hate speech, if found, be disciplined or expelled.

Yet fifteen Lesbian Avengers in Maryland engaged in similar tactics in the Maryland legislature. According to a recent article in the *Washington Blade*, the Avengers hung posters in the Maryland statehouse with photographs of 14 legislators who had voted against Maryland's bills to prohibit anti-Gay discrimination, stamping the label "bigot" across their photographs, and putting the Lesbian Avenger logo, consisting of an image of a lit bomb, at the bottom of each poster.

This is not to say that confrontation of recalcitrant legislators is inappropriate. But confrontation implies some sort of dialogue. The Avengers' action wasn't confrontation — it was intimidation. It's hard to imagine such implied violence endearing legislators, or fence-sitting heterosexual members of the public, to Lesbians (or Gay men), or to the cause of civil rights protections for our community.

While it's true that the Avengers did not actually light any bombs, that hard-

ly lets them off the hook. Members of our community should be all too acutely aware of the impact that incendiary speech (whether in the form of bomb logos on posters or demagogic exhortations to crowds) has in creating a climate that encourages others to act out. Witness the abortion clinic murders, responsibility for which has been rightly placed at the doorsteps of those who label abortion-providers as murderers.

COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE

The bombs implicitly aimed at the 14 legislators have, instead, exploded in

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the faces of members of the Free State Justice Campaign, the Maryland group lobbying for passage of the anti-discrimination bills, which now face more hostility from the legislators. Those Lesbian Avengers responsible for the action owe an apology, not only to the Free State Justice Campaign, but also to the Maryland legislature.

Missouri's experience in finding the first sponsor for the bill to repeal Missouri's sexual misconduct law (the anti-Gay sex law in Missouri) should

give pause to anyone who thinks homophobic legislators are all hopeless.

After the St. Louis-based Privacy Rights Education Project (PREP) kicked off its 1989 campaign to repeal the law, it took PREP six months to find a sponsor for the repeal bill. Finally, less than a week before the legislature was to open, PREP found its sponsor, someone whom PREP had never considered as even a supporter for the repeal bill. Although this representative had been the primary sponsor on a 1988 AIDS bill and had been open to amendments improving a bill, he had, on radio, called Gays child molesters. Moreover, in a 1988 confrontation about his homophobia, he had insisted that it was a "fact" that Gays are child molesters and he would never change his mind about this.

Yet one-and-a-half years later, this same representative agreed to be the main sponsor of the repeal bill, after liberal representatives (who would never call us child molesters, at least not in public) came up with one excuse or another for not sponsoring the bill. While the attitudes of the sponsor about Gay men and Lesbians had improved, they weren't the sort that would make any of us jump for joy. Instead of calling us child molesters, he simply would say, "If you're Gay, it's your problem."

But, for whatever reasons — whether because his anti-Gay attitudes had moderated, because he thought sexual relations in private were none of the government's business, because he was from a safe district, because he owed a favor to someone, or because he needed Gay support for AIDS legislation, he sponsored the repeal bill. He was the only sponsor of the repeal bill in the House of Representatives in

1990, and he has continued to support the bill ever since (the bill now has different primary sponsors).

CRACKER BARREL "SIP-INS"

To criticize the Lesbian Avenger action is not to say that direct action does not have a role in the fight for civil rights. Of course it does. Without the sit-in movement and the massive direct action engaged in throughout the South in the early '60s, the 1964 Civil Rights and 1965 Voting Rights Acts never would have passed. Likewise, direct actions are important to the Gay and Lesbian civil rights movement.

The sip-ins (yes, sip-ins) at the Cracker Barrel restaurants were a brilliant strategy. These consisted of people protesting Cracker Barrel's anti-Gay policies sitting in its restaurants drinking tea or coffee for long hours. They brought publicity to Cracker Barrel's discriminatory policy. They put economic pressure on Cracker Barrel (reduced receipts for those days when the sipper-inners occupied their tables). They were fun. If they had continued and grown, they had every possibility of being a winning strategy. Unfortunately, Cracker Barrel retaliated legally, filing suits in Tennessee against the protestors, and obtaining restraining orders against the sip-ins. The sip-in movement died out.

Other positive direct action examples: the 1987 kiss-in on the steps of the Supreme Court, the Wedding at the 1987 March on Washington, and the myriad of activities connected with National Coming Out Day.

It's sad to see portions of our community using tactics involving implicit threats of violence. We don't need more glorification of violence as the way to settle disputes in this gun-slinging country. We need less.

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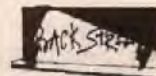
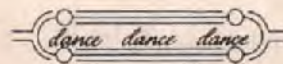
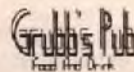
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"Does Freddy Dance" is a Stunning Debut

A Talk with Author Dick Scanlan

By Owen Keehnen

Does Freddy Dance is an exceptional debut collection by Dick Scanlan. It is a deeply moving, crisply and clearly written chronological collection of 14 varied short stories. The interlaced pieces cover the life journey of Freddy from the age of 6 to 30, through the passion, pathos and humor of life's highs and lows.

Theatre-goers may be familiar with Scanlan's role as Miss Great Plains in the off-Broadway production of *Pageant*. Currently, Scanlan is working on adapting *Thoroughly Modern Millie* for the stage.

I recently had the chance to talk to the busy Scanlan about his wonderful book, his theatre projects and about how the borders of various art forms often blur and nourish one another.

Keehnen: How premeditated was the final product of *Does Freddy Dance*, or did the 14 stories sort of grow together?

Scanlan: They certainly grew together in the initial writing, but when I was working on them they emerged as totally isolated expressions. When I felt I had the final grouping, I went through a process of cohesion which I thought would be simple. I put the stories in order and then saw the first sentence which wasn't quite right — nor the second — and before I knew it, I was in the thick of an intense rewriting that went on almost a year.

Does *Freddy Dance* poignantly capture Freddy's life from 6 to 30. How closely does the book mirror your life? I know your lover, Kees Chapman, died of AIDS, and both you and Freddy achieved some stage success in New York in drag roles...

One of my oldest friends thinks it's all absolutely true, and I'll say, "But none of these things happened!" Even family members will say how a story moved them and how they remember that and I'll say "But it never happened!" All that aside, we certainly have some similarities in the journey. But early on, I really thought of it as his story. I'm glad, because now it makes the prospect of working on other stories conceivable.

I've heard you say you doubt you would have written the book if it hadn't been for Kees's death. What did you mean? His death was an absolutely transformative experience. It was

unbelievably shocking to me. I was very young, and in the shock of it I found a lot of the things I held to be important and desirable were rather meaningless, so I stopped them all. I stopped acting. I thought I was doing it for all the wrong reasons. It was some drive I'd had since childhood, but as an adult artist I didn't know why I was still doing it. In the stillness of my life following his death I had this urge to write these stories. Oddly, he had always said I was going to make my mark as a writer, which was peculiar because I never said I wanted to write. I'd get angry, because I thought he was sort of gently saying I shouldn't be an actor. I always thought he had a hyper-intuitive sense, and he often offered to pay for a writing workshop, but I always refused. Then, when he died, I found myself going to Columbia and enrolling in a writing workshop.

Is there one story in the collection which you feel is the most fully realized?

The first story and "Falling Water" — the two mother/son stories please me most. "Falling Water" was the only story I had an idea for before my boyfriend died. I like it because it goes somewhere unexpected.

Something I love about both stories is they clearly convey the mother's severe alcoholism, but more importantly, they show that despite her problem she loves her son deeply, and I think her very failing made her seem more heroic.

It's a very forgiving book with no finger-pointing. Though the mother is certainly damaged, we see the roots of her issues, and I wanted the book to show that everyone has scars which influence the way they love, but that doesn't mean they don't love.

It's easy to create a villain.

Exactly, because it absolves one of responsibility and then the character becomes passive by nature. To me passivity is not moving, it's numbing.

How does your acting experience come into play in your writing? Do you find yourself staging your stories?

I don't do that, but I have absolutely no directorial impulse at all. It does serve the stories in that I definitely have a sense of showmanship. Theater acting is so structurally oriented. If the audience doesn't know where to look or you're not clear about each moment, they will not be moved or entertained. There has to be a clarity and a focus. My stories benefit because I can clearly sense points where the reader might disengage.

Your characters are very fleshed out as well. Is that an effect of acting? Do you write roles for an actor?

Oh, definitely. If there's not enough information for an actor to create a role there's not enough for a reader to create it in their imagination.



—Dick Scanlon

Speaking of acting, your most famous role was as Miss Great Plains in the off-Broadway hit *Pageant*. Tell me about drag fame.

The show totally changed my life. It started as a tiny show way downtown in the mid-80's. More than a musical, it was an acting piece. These were 19-year-old girls who want to win a beauty contest. It wasn't over-the-top drag, it was a virginal sexuality. The fascinating thing about the show was watching how six different girls go about trying to take home the crown.

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Yes. As the midwest queen, I was the one with the heart of gold who almost always feels bad about wanting to win because it means the rest would have to lose. It's the biggest night of her life, as opposed to the Miss Deep South or Miss Texas characters who are professional beauty queens and just want another skull for their belt. To develop a character and have the result be so overwhelming is the greatest thrill an actor can have.

Now I hear you're adapting *Thoroughly Modern Millie* for the stage.

Yes. Writing for the musical theatre is challenging because there's such a delicate equation. A musical is not only about the script, the score, the choreography and the staging, it's also moving the story forward. It took years to get Richard Morris to agree to work with me because he had never collaborated and had no interest in doing so. Finally, I just went to his house in California and begged and he tentatively said

yes. He's 72 now, and since then we've become soulmates.

Is it safe to assume a love of Julie Andrews is another thing you and Freddy share?

Actually, the way it came about was different. The summer my boyfriend died, we rented a beach house with a friend. We weren't sure there would be a video store around, so we each grabbed a movie. I grabbed *Thoroughly Modern Millie* and our friend grabbed *Caligula*. After my boyfriend died on July 7, I spent the rest of the summer there and friends kept coming by to visit. Since we didn't have cable, people invariably wanted to watch a movie and we had those two choices. In the space of about six weeks I saw it about 12 times and it started to deconstruct. What I saw as problems in the movie stemmed from the fact that it was done in the wrong medium. It was written as though it were a Broadway musical, so it makes the movie a bit too presentational and heavy-handed. So loving Julie Andrews — which I do — was sort of beyond the point.

I've seen *Does Freddy Dance* reviewed in a number of both Gay and straight publications. Have you noticed a difference in the focus of the critiques?

The Gay press looks more for the Gay experience to be mirrored and if *Does Freddy Dance* is viewed primarily in that light it's open to a certain kind of attack because there are a lot of women in the book and they impact the character's journey every bit as much as the men do. So in some ways, the Gay press has been harder on the book even though it's been getting great reviews.

What do you want to have as the lasting theme of the book?

I guess to me the theme is that the knowledge of love and pain are pretty much the same for everyone. Though we can point to someone who dies prematurely of AIDS, is run over by a truck, or is brutally raped and say they had it "worse," those whose lives have been basically untouched by those sort of capricious tragedies have also known despair. On the other hand, one's knowledge of love and desire and yearning is as acute as anyone else's. That's what holds us together as human beings. We all share that certain ability to feel.

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Friday, April 19

CAIR (Milwaukee): "Reflections on Models of Health Behavior," will be presented in the conference room of CAIR, 1249 N Franklin

Street. FMI (414) 287-4680.

Earth Day Poetry Reading (Milwaukee): The 9th Annual Earth Day Poetry Celebration will begin at 8:30 pm at the Coffee House, 631 North 19th Street.

The Boulevard Ensemble (Milwaukee):

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Just Us (Milwaukee): 2-Step Dance Lessons from 1 to 4 pm. \$5. FMI (414) 383-2233

The War Memorial Ballroom (Milwaukee): G/L Country Dance Benefit from 7 pm through 12:30 am. FMI (414) 383-2233.

10% Out and About (Madison): Romanovsky and Phillips - Live in Concert at the Masonic Temple Auditorium. FMI (608) 256-5017

Sunday, April 21

3B's (Milwaukee): Possum Queen Contest. FMI (414) 672-5580

Just Us (Milwaukee): Brunch and Fundraiser for Shoreline Dancers. 11 am to 2 pm. \$7. FMI (414) 383-2233.

Frontiers (Madison): MASN Sweet Sunday. The yearly dessert extravaganza benefiting the Madison AIDS Support Network will be held at Wislon Street Grill, 217 South Hamilton St. There is a \$25 Admission/Donation.

Monday, April 22

10% Out and About (Madison): A Question of Equality. A four-part brown-bag lunch video series will be held through Thursday, April 25 at the Memorial Union. FMI (608) 256-5017.

10% Out and About (Madison): Tommy Baldwin - Until Death Do Us Part. A discussion of the future of same-sex marriages in Wisconsin. FMI (608) 256-5017.

SAGE/Milwaukee (Milwaukee): Two short films will be presented at the East side Library, 1910 East North Ave., at 6:30 pm. Tuesday, April 23

10% Out and About (Madison): Spirituality/Sexuality: Conflict or Harmony panel discussion will be held in the Memorial Union (check for room). FMI (608) 256-5017.

Frontiers (Madison): Man-to-Man Rap Group. FMI (608) 257-2338.



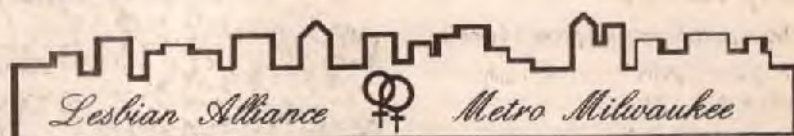
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LAMM (Milwaukee): Late Bloomers Field Trip to World Cup Coffee and AfterWords Bookstore. FMI (414) 264-2600.

Thursday, April 25

BESTD Clinic Live (Milwaukee): Tim Boack discusses "Pathfinders: A Candle in the Window" at 7 pm on channel 47.

10% Out and About (Madison): Men's Film Night - FAST Moves by Men will be held in the Frederick March Play Circle of the Memorial Union. FMI (608) 256-5017.

St. Camillus Lecture/Discussion Series (Milwaukee): Enhancing Health: Dietary and Nutritional Approaches will be presented at St. Camillus Health Center in the Education Room, 10101 West Wisconsin Avenue in Wauwatosa. FYI call Bro. Stephen at 414/259-4664.

Friday, April 26

The Barrymore Theater (Madison): Comedian Suzanne Westerhoefer for one night only. FMI (608) 241-8633.

10% Club (Milwaukee): OUTreach HIV testing and safer sex education from 8 to 11 pm by MAP and BESTD Clinic. FMI (414) 225-1502 or (414) 272-2144.

The Triangle (Milwaukee): Lights OUT Party! FMI (414) 383-9412.

10% Out and About (Madison): The big 10% Society Out and About Dance will be held at the Great Hall of the Memorial Union from 8 pm to 12:45 am. DJ and Cash Bar. This one's FREE! FMI (608) 256-5017.

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MIAMI BEACH: Explore the Gay Riviera

By Wayne Hoffman

Sometime in the last decade, unidentified but brave Gay explorers stormed the beaches and planted the rainbow flag in the white sand of Miami Beach. After several years of territorial expansion in the city, the Gay presence has transformed the dynamic town into the Gay Riviera, a playground for the Beautiful people. Today, the rainbow flag waves high over the resort, where year-round sunshine draws hordes of visitors to a Gay Paradise Found.

As with most colonial expansion, or "gentrification," the pioneers did not so much discover Miami Beach as conquer it — and they were not the first to do so. Sixty years ago, Miami Beach was an exclusive resort for the Hollywood elite,



awash in Art Deco and Mediterranean Revival mansions.

By the 1970's, the town had become a sedate Jewish senior citizen community, with kosher delicatessens, seaside synagogues, and a loyal colony of migrating snowbirds from up north. The 1980's brought Mariel boatlifts from Cuba, and the new immigrants brought picadillo, sweet coffee, and a new language to town.

Thankfully, with the influx of Gay residents and tourists in the 1990's, Miami Beach has managed to maintain all the older elements that make it so vibrant. The mansions have been preserved and renovated, and the Hollywood set once again strolls the boulevards. The Jewish community is still strong — and the delis are still the best outside New York City. Although the median age of the town's 100,000 residents has been halved — to around 43 — in the last 20 years, senior citizens are still a formidable presence in the local community. The Marielitos remain as well, making Spanish the primary language of Miami Beach.

SOUTH BEACH

The enclave of South Beach, which includes the famous and largely renovated Deco District, has become the Gay mecca. Small hotels and smart cafes line Ocean Drive, with the trademark architecture and pastel colors that made the city legendary. The country's youngest historic district, the Deco District, lives very much in the present.

Sunny weather, beautiful surroundings and an abundance of attractive bodies have put Miami Beach on the cutting edge of fashion; nearly every morning, the sidewalks are crowded with cameras and models on fashion shoots.

Muscleboys crowd the beaches by day, lined up on neat rows of rented lounge chairs. The Gayest beach, around 12th Street, is like an outdoor anatomy lesson; scarcely a single man within a half mile radius can "pinch an inch."

The cookie-cutter look is omnipresent in Miami Beach: white men with great tans and neat haircuts sport bulging muscles and shaved chests in their tightest Speedos. Body fat and body hair are frowned upon, and piercings and tattoos are tolerated only if discreet. It looks like a package tour organized by a Gay gym, where men with imperfect bodies are turned away on the causeway by flab inspectors armed with tape measures.

SHOPPING, NIGHT LIFE

Fashion sense is a must as well; this is not a cut-offs and flip-flops kind of beach. Shopping is a competitive sport in South Beach, and the fabulous boutiques and exclusive shops cater heavily to Gay customers. Ocean Drive and Collins Avenue (parallel to Ocean but more urban) have plenty of stores, but the renovated Lincoln Road Mall is a more pleasant place to shop. Outdoor cafes, sidewalk merchants, and open-air entertainment make this pedestrian mall a prime place to see and be seen during the day. A short walk from the beach, Lincoln Road Mall is also home to a few clubs, so it bustles well into the night.

Nightlife sets Miami Beach apart from other Gay beaches. Serious dance clubs with renowned DJs are in abundance here; venues like Warsaw Ballroom and Glam Slam rival New York clubs with their sound systems, tremendous dance floors, elaborate light shows and go-go boys.

There are fewer bars than clubs, however. Twist is a popular spot with a small dance floor upstairs, and Hombre offers the only hint of cruising tension in town. Lesbian nightlife, at clubs like Kremlin, is mostly separate from the overpowering boy-centered Gay scene.

3The city of Miami is only a short drive away, and offers more shopping, more nightlife and more architectural wonders. It is a testament to the excitement that bubbles in Miami Beach, however, that most Gay visitors never venture into the big city. Miami Beach offers everything a visitor could want in a compact, walkable neighborhood, and the nearby city is more an added bonus than a necessity.

TRUBLE IN PARADISE

There's some trouble in paradise to be sure. Verbal harassment, though mostly innocuous and charmingly bilingual, is as common as tropical breezes in South Beach — even within the narrow confines of the Deco District.

The Gay scene isn't particularly welcoming of difference either, so visitors who aren't white, male, young and gym-toned may feel a strange chill despite the warm temperatures.

And despite careful efforts to preserve South Beach's architectural integrity, developers at the southern tip of the beach — just below the boundary of the historic district — are building mammoth high rises as they raze the local historic buildings. Glass-box condos threaten to destroy the human scale of the neighborhood and literally block out the sun altogether.

Miami Beach aspires to become the country's premiere homo resort, and in many ways it's succeeding. It's got gorgeous beaches without the elitism of Fire Island, perfect weather without the isolation of Key West, lively nightlife without the parochialism of Provincetown and high-gloss glamour without the attitude of European rivals.

Miami Beach combines the nearby resources of a major urban center with the relative remoteness of a relaxing tropical getaway, all with fabulous Gay flair. As those travel-hungry visionaries knew a few hundred years ago, Miami Beach is a resort well worth exploring.

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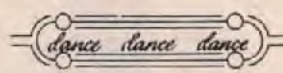
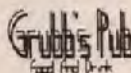
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MONTREAL: Fall in Love With the French

By Kevin Isom

He took my hand beneath the table as we shared coffee at four in the morning, our green cups clinking softly in their saucers. Montreal was shutting down for the night, but Christian had insisted on buying me *café au lait*. His dark eyes sparkled, as his lips moved in outlines of their strange cadences of Canadian French. I watched his lips move, as his hand stroked mine beneath the table. This was what I'd come to Montreal for. To fall in love with the French all over again, but on the other side of the Atlantic.

I'd flown to Montreal on a special fare, wondering what I would find in



this island city, at the junction of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa rivers. I landed at the Montreal airport and hopped a \$9 Canadian Blue Line bus to the Terminus. About two minutes' walk away was the Hotel des Gouverneurs, on Rue St. Catherine. This four-star hotel is inexpensive by big city standards (\$70/night). The exchange rate favors the American dollar.

Rue St. Catherine is the main Gay street in town, so to the left down Rue St. Catherine from the Hotel des Gouverneurs are the major bars and nightclubs, while to the right is a Metro station for subway access to the rest of the city. There are many less expensive hotel and bed-and-breakfast options in the area that are worth trying, but for a short weekend, I wanted immediate gratification. I was ready to explore.

Montreal is a city of parts. More than two-thirds of Montreal's million

inhabitants speak French, the largest French-speaking population outside of Europe. Even if you speak French French, however, Canadian French is pronounced differently.

When the French settled Canada in the 1600's at Ville Marie de Montreal, the language essentially stopped evolving. Hence the difference between Canadian French and French French today. French Canadians tend to sound like Swedes on acid speaking French, but French Canadians easily understand French French pronunciations. Besides, in the service industries, everyone speaks English, and body language is always an option.

Montreal is also divided into old and modern parts. The Old City is in the original Ville Marie de Montreal. Perched above the harbor, the Old City is a maze of narrow streets, restored buildings, and old houses built around a central square with pretty, if touristy, cafes and restaurants. Atop the square sits the grand Hotel de Ville, or City Hall, reigning over the colorful street



—Notre Dame Basilica - Old Montreal

performers and vendors in the square.

Aside from the Old City, the Basilique de Notre Dame is worth a leisurely visit. So is Mont-Royal, which rises at the center of Montreal, and stately McGill University, Canada's Harvard. At the opposite end of the spectrum is the modern part of Montreal, with its skyscrapers, museums, theaters, and shopping.

GAY MONTREAL

At the conclusion of a walking day, dinner at the Saloon Cafe, a pleasant, trendy Gay restaurant and cafe just down Rue St. Catherine from several of the Gay clothing and book shops, fits the bill perfectly. This is the time to peruse the English portions of Montreal's Gay newspapers before evening descends.

At night, Gay Montreal comes alive. My first night in Montreal, I went to Campus, on Rue St. Catherine, where beautiful, built men dropped their clothes on stage and in private dances. After overloading at Campus, Friday is for Skyy, on Rue St. Catherine, with its Big Time Fag Bar dance club upstairs. The dance club is small and dark, but so many people crowd its limited space that you're forced to make acquaintances.

Saturday is for KOX, a much larger dance club in an old Canadian post office. The music and the lasers give the club a big party feel. Shirtless, sweaty men abound, and the DJ occasionally speaks English, to comic effect for Anglo ears.

Completing the club scene is Sunday Happy Hour at Skyy downstairs. Cheap beer makes for sparkling conversation, or at least the impression thereof. The bar is well-lit and cozy. Between the twangy accents in French and the warmth of the people, Montreal seemed much like the towns

of Southern France — the same warmth, vitality, and joie de vivre.

My visit slowly wound its way down to my cafe with Christian Sunday morning, until that, too, came to its natural conclusion. As Christian walked me back to my hotel, his hand firmly holding mine, a lone taxi whizzed by on the empty street. We exchanged quiet pleasantries in soft-spoken French, neither of us wanting the night to end. I knew that my plane would leave in six hours, yet I continued the parlay, watching the frosty air from our breath mingling between our faces. Then, beneath the watchful eye of the hotel's doorman, Christian kissed my cheeks in the French style, first one, then the other, until midway through the third pass our lips met and pressed, joining and opening.

Romance still exists. Find it French style in Montreal.

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restaurant is located at 2701 Monroe St., and members will gather to have a meal before setting off for the "Big 10% Dance." LAMM (Milwaukee): Softball Opening Day at Wick Field Diamond #4 Vs. Station 2. FMI (414) 264-2600.

A Room Of One's Own (Madison): Emerging women writers under 30 years of age will read from their works at 6:30 pm. FMI call 608/257-7888.

Dance, Dance Dance (Milwaukee): Possum Queen/Map Benefit starting at 11pm. Featuring Connie Lingus, Bleu Cheese and Company. FMI call 414383-8330.

Saturday, April 27

Softball Clinic (Milwaukee): Saturday Softball League's softball clinic at Sijan Field in Bay View. Everyone invited. FMI: 414/545-9204.

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Join the Sheepshead Tournament held every 2nd and 4th Thursday. FMI (414) 273-7474

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Triangle (Milwaukee): Benefit Drag Show for Tenant Relief Fund, 9pm. FMI: 383-9412

Monday, April 29

Grubb's Pub (Milwaukee): Shake-A-Drink til Close. Aces Free, Sixes price.

BESTD Clinic (Milwaukee): Anonymous testing. FMI (414) 272-2144.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Watch Melrose Place at 7 pm every Monday

night. FMI (608)258-9918.

Tuesday, April 30

Club 219 (Milwaukee) OUTreach anonymous testing from 9pm to 12am. FMI (414) 272-2144.

Wednesday, May 1

LAMM (Milwaukee): Moving Day! LAMM moves to their new residence at 1417 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Suite 103. To donate time and resources for the move, FMI (414) 264-2600.

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Saturday Soft Ball League Launches 19th Season May 4

Milwaukee — The Saturday Soft Ball League (formerly the Saturday Softball Beer League) will launch its 19th season of Gay softball in Milwaukee on Saturday, May 4. The first day's games will be played at diamonds on S. 20th and Oklahoma Avenues. All other league games are scheduled for Sijan Field at S. Kinnickinnic and California Street.

Nine teams are expected to participate in SSBL this year. Returning from last year are Balistreri's, Ball Game, Club 219, M&M, Triangle and the Wreck Room. New teams include Gargoyles, In Between, and a team from Madison, Manoeuvres.

Several teams are still looking for

additional players to complete their rosters. If you are interested in joining the fun this year, call the SSBL Hotline at (414) 454-9204, or stop at any of the participating bars for further information. The League is especially excited to welcome the new team from Madison.

Plans are also well underway for the Milwaukee Classic Softball Tournament which will be held again this year over the Memorial Day weekend. Teams from New York, Toronto, Minneapolis and Chicago have verbally committed to the tournament.

FrontRunners Milwaukee Formed

Milwaukee — With the formation of FrontRunners Milwaukee this April, Milwaukee joined a world-wide affilia-

tion of running clubs for Gay men and women.

FrontRunners was initiated back in February when members of Milwaukee Gamma who enjoy running came down — collectively — with a case of cabin fever. With participation growing and spring in the air, the time had come to formally join International FrontRunners and invite everyone in Milwaukee's Gay community to join in.

FrontRunners Milwaukee meets every Saturday morning for a fun run starting at the base of the Water Tower at the east end of North Avenue at 9am. From there, runners take off for a 30-40 minute jog through Lake Park and the fashionable East Side. Immediately following, everybody heads off to a nearby eatery to chow down and socialize.

Everyone from casual runners to marathoners are welcome. Membership is informal and free. For further information, call Brian at (414) 332-1527 or John at (414) 285-7645. Send an e-mail to blackjon@execpc.com or check out the FrontRunners Milwaukee home page at <http://www.execpc.com/~blackjon/frontrun.html>.

FrontRunners International is a loose affiliation of running clubs for Gay men and women. The oldest clubs date back to 1982 and were formed in response to Patricia Nell Warren's novel *The Front Runner*. Since then, FrontRunner clubs have been organized around the world to bring together members of the Gay community who share a common interest in running (and greasy spoon breakfasts).

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ASK BILLY

Off-Key Advice From and Off-Color Life

By Billy Holliday

Dear Billy,

Do you ever sun bathe? I just love going to the beach, but I keep hearing how bad the sun is for your immune system and your skin. What do you suggest I can do to keep enjoying my trips to the beach?

— C.R., Washington, DC

Billy Replies:

I just love a man who cares about his skin! I mean, it's the one thing you can't take off before sex. Skin is everything, and honey, if you make it very happy, it sure won't lie about your age!

I cream every day, honey. A nice cream in the a.m. and a luscious little night time number. Always, always put this on after that often luscious little night time number. It feels good, but honey, it don't taste good. Not all cream is the same...

Look for something with vitamin E and/or Retin A in it. And rub it in regularly. Remember that expression honey, "save face." A couple of years from now, you and your skin will be real happy.

Dear Billy,

I had a date last night with this really neat guy. He asked me back to his place (it was late and he lived close by) and we went straight to his bedroom. While we were fooling around, I asked him if he had any roommates who also lived there. It was a pretty big house and it seemed like there were loads of things around. He said he lived there with his ex-wife and kids. Well, I lost it. I mean, I couldn't think about sex with the ex next door. I mumbled some sort of excuse and quickly left. After I got home, I wondered if I did the right thing. Did I?

— G.B., Miami, FL

Billy Replies:

You nosy thing. What are you doing asking about living arrangements before you checked the vital statistics? I mean, girl, slow down. Take it real easy. Check out the bedroom furnishings. If you like what you see, then look around the house and keep your mouth shut until you're real sure that you know what you want to say — and what you hope to hear.

Remember honey: (safe) sex first, explanations afterwards.

Dear Billy,

I'm 42 and never dated. What's wrong with me?

— B.C., Memphis, TN

Billy Replies:

You're 42 years old and you've never dated. That's what!

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KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

The "I gotta work" excuse.

About a week before Easter I got a phone call at work; it's my dad, "Hey, are you coming up for Easter?" I'm thinkin' OH shit!, I hadn't really given it a lot of thought. So I told him that I have photo shoots I can't miss, even though I wasn't sure if I had any at all. It's the excuse I use a lot when there is a holiday and mom or dad ask if I am coming home.

I am not what you would call a "family kind of guy". (Don't confuse "family" with "family kind of guy", they have totally different definitions.) Yes, I do rent from my sister and I see her at least a few times a week but we have a completely different relationship than the one I have with my parents.

It used to be that mom and I were pretty close but in

recent years we seem to be drifting apart. We are both very stubborn people. Being stubborn doesn't help a relationship between a 31 year old gay man and his mother... a mother that will probably vote for Pat Buchanan. Coupled with that, and the fact that it is almost a 4 hour drive to get to my parents house, I didn't go "home" for Easter. I "had to work".

Actually I told you in the last column I was to start bartending on Sunday afternoons. Two days after the phone call from my dad, my bartender's license came in the mail.

So I did wind up working on Easter after all. By the way, I would like to thank all the people that showed up for my first day, I had a great time! Hope to see you again soon.

Have you ever had sand in your crack? IN BETWEEN had a *Beach Party* that lasted 4 days. March 25th through the 28th, there was sand, coconuts and Pina



-Checkin' OUT the strippers at Club 219. Photo: Jamie



-MMMMmmmm Juicy FRUIT! Photo: Jamie



—One of the "Glitter-azzi" at Mandi McCall Special Benefit Performance held at C'est La Vie
Photo: Jamie

Coladas to take you away from Wisconsin winter blahs. I won some cash at a squirt gun contest; it turns out that I filled the shot glass the fastest and had the best "aim".

TRIANGLE, nearing the end of remodeling, threw a *Construction Party* on March 27th. I generally don't chase guys wearing tool belts and safety hats but I gotta tell ya there were quite a few worth runnin' after that night.

Just about \$1000 was raised at LA CAGE and DANCE DANCE DANCE for the *Hotel Washington Complex Record Relief Fund*. The money raised will help rebuild the music/video collection that was lost in the fire.

March 30th in Kenosha was the CLUB 94 *Folly Girls Anniversary Show*. The girls put on another, always entertaining, sometimes campy show. In response to Samantha; yea I did drag once about 11 years ago for Halloween. It was a blast. Who knows, I might do it one more time before I reach Lady Belle Bradley's age.

MAMA ROUX had the only *Easter Bonnet Contest* in town. A pretty good crowd showed up to see who had the prettiest bonnet. It's a good thing Rudy De Lamore didn't show up, that bitch has all the best hats!

The second annual *Easter Death March*, hosted by Bill, Damian, Dennis and Trailer Park Annie hit the



—Some STUDS at Triangle's Construction Party. Photo: Jamie



—Cute beach bums at In Between's Beach Party. Photo: Jamie



—Country line dancing at Club 94. Photo: Jamie

town again this Easter. They started the party at TRIANGLE and hit almost every other Gay bar in town. The last place I heard they were at was either GARGOYLES or CLUB 219. Watch for 'em all next year.

Don't forget, softball season is just around the corner and I know all the teams are still looking for players. Well that brings you up to date so in the mean time pray for warmer weather and as always, slower traffic keep right.

ROBERT'S RULES

Just Who is a Bonafide Homo? Poise Your Pens for This Pop Quiz!

By Shelley Roberts

There's been a lot of hoo-hah lately about who is, and who isn't, a bonafide homo.

The activists say the closet cases don't qualify. The closets make their case that it's the one real choice a homo gets, a personal decision about when and where to come out from behind the shoe boxes. The boys and girls have naturally taken up residence on different sides of the room.

The mainstreamers see things differently from the ruffled fringe. And many, well, about half actually, of the leather community would like to see a little more discipline applied to the question.

So, to abate the debate, and in the interest of everybody, I would like, respectfully, to submit a way to tell where exactly you fit in the rainbow scheme of things. Class, get out your pens and notebooks, we're going to have a little pop quiz. A triangle test. A whosit questionnaire.

It's your lifestyle. Let's see how much you know about it. Scoring will come later. So, in no particular order, to determine your ranking in the National Homosexual Register, and to get your official Decoder Ring:

1. MOW was:

- a) What your dad made you do to the lawn every week.
- b) A new X-er haircut.
- c) A Million Woman and Man Walk in the park in DC in '93.
- d) What? Could you keep it down, I'm watching the wedding on Friends.

2. NGLTF:

- a) Means: No Good Lesbian ToFu.
- b) Stands for: Neat Guys Like Tall Fellows.
- c) Signifies Truth, Justice and the Gay and Lesbian Way.
- d) Used to be called NGTF before we knew there were Lesbians.
- e) Huh?

3. HRC:

- a) Used to be called HRCE.
- b) Lengthened its name by subtracting one letter and is now known as "HRC. You know, It used to be called HRCE."
- c) Where Candace and Chastity found honest work.
- d) Is waiting for you in the lobby.

4. The Well of Loneliness:

- a) Is a singles bar with a fountain.
- b) Was the only Lesbian reading until 1970.
- c) Even now is, in some rural areas, held in book jail.
- d) Has lousy sex scenes.
- e) Wasn't printed by Alyson, so I don't care.

5. Rock Hudson:

- a) Turned all the women of the 50's into hags.
- b) Was Jodie Foster's role model.
- c) Should have been more careful.
- d) Didn't fool Doris Day for a second.
- e) Who?

6. Piercing is:

- a) A big owie.
- b) Confusing to airport security.
- c) Real proof that the baby boomers are practically ancient.
- d) Hmmf! Sorry I didn't catch that. I'm watching the wedding on Roseanne.

7. The Pink Triangle:

- a) Is the wrong color for Lesbians.
- b) Looks like a parking permit on a bumpersticker.
- c) Is properly pointed down for D's and up for S's. Isn't it?
- d) Is being colorfully replaced by a rainbow because... (see below)

8. The rainbow:

- a) Has nothing to do with Nazis.
- b) Looks prettier over the flag on the swimming pool.
- c) Was purely coincidental, no matter what Jesse Jackson says.
- d) Makes a real cool sun catcher.
- e) Started as an anodized aluminum necklace and went bananas (see a).

9. Anita Bryant:

- a) Was really p.o.'d about her husband being Gay.
- b) Was the worst thing to happen to OJ until the Bronco chase.
- c) Singlehandedly eliminated bouffant hairdos and handed Johnny Carson jokes.
- d) Should be given sainthood for bringing us together.
- e) Is now singing gospel gigs in very small venues in the south (Nyah-Nyah!).

10. Sappho:

- a) Was a right-on woman.
- b) Made all the residents of one small island nervous about what they were called.

- c) Proved that Lesbians could also go Greek.

11. The Mattachine Society:

- a) Was the Tool Time union on Home Improvement.
- b) Was the original boys club.
- c) First published the astonishingly radical concept that homosexuals might not all be perverts. Well, at least the men.
- d) Thought drag was a suit with a rep tie.

12. Stonewall is:

- a) What you do when your spouse, parents, employees and/or associates hint around that you might be a... you know.
- b) a low hurdle to get over.
- c) A New York City bar where some Gays and Lesbians, oh my, got mad and didn't take it any more.

13. Identify the real homos:

- a) Jodie Foster
- b) Whitney Houston
- c) Richard Chamberlain
- d) Cindy Crawford/Richard Gere
- e) Whoopi Goldberg
- f) Martina Navratilova
- g) Elton John
- h) Amanda Bearse
- i) k.d. lang
- j) Sir Ian McKellen
- k) Melissa Etheridge

Give yourself the most points if you laughed even once. You win my gratitude and a certificate for framing. You get more points if you recognized anything in these questions.

How do you score? (Well, first you say, "Hey, come here often?") All those breathing in qualify as authentic homoaffectionals. Also, all those breathing out. We may only have one thing in common with each other, but you have to admit, it's a pretty darn good one. Class dismissed.

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Be Nice to Your Mother (Earth, That Is)

By Sister Dana Van Iquity of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence

We will commemorate our 26th annual Earth Day, April 22, yet we continue to see global warming, radical changes in rainfall and the weather in general, unbelievable waste and pollution of natural resources, and other disastrous consequences to our ecosystem. That's the bad news. The good news is that we caring Gaymericans can do our part for ecology.

GARBAGE: First, we need to cut down on our trash, which has nothing to do with the people we date, but it does mean we gotta stop throwing away

so much stuff. On the average, each US citizen dumps 1,300 pounds of garbage yearly (not me, I convert mine into jewelry). Speaking of trash, tell your tricks that you are not about to waste valuable paper giving out your phone number if they do not intend to actually call you. What about saving bags? No, not tasteful clutch purses, I mean don't waste paper bags: carry your lunch in lunch buckets and at the same time make a statement about yourself (avoid the Smurfs or Barbie lunch boxes, unless this is the image you want to project).

RECYCLE: Remember that recycling cans does not refer to trying to peddle your tired butts around the cruisy park one more time in hopes of scoring. Don't throw away used motor oil (it makes for a fabulous massage, but never as lube with latex barriers). Recycle beer. Oops, I mean, beer cans. Never ever use paper plates or styrofoam cups; I don't even care that they're ecologically unsound, they're just so damned tacky!

Use recycled products as much as possible, with the exception of condoms. Handy hint: you should never try to dry clean a rubber, and I don't even want to hear you rinsed one out! Re-use newspapers and magazines as packing material. (But not this particular column; this you will no doubt want to save to frame when it wins the Pulitzer Prize.) Recycle your porn mags — trade with friends. After all, you guys must be sick of your "Hunky Handyman Plugs that Hole" and might readily exchange with a buddy for his "Fireman Saves the Day with his Hose." Women can trade their back

issues of "On Our Backs" back and forth.

LUBE-IN-A-DRUM?

THINK BIG: Buy in bulk. This doesn't mean putting on massive pounds and then going shopping looking like a blimp, but rather avoid wasteful packaging by purchasing large quantities of staple goods in big, re-usable containers. Lube-In-A-Drum, anyone?

TRANSPORTATION: Don't drive, use public transit. It leaves both your hands free for groping on the bus. Or carpool and take turns for who gets to play three-ways on the freeways in the back seat while the other plays chauffeur. Do not waste fuel cruising endlessly 'round and 'round the block; park your impressive automobile, lure your prey inside, do your business and then boot them out. That way the only gas expended will be hot air. Are you cruising on foot? Then plant trees and shrubs in your neighborhood. With enough bushes, you can create your own cruisy park, and just like when you build a birdhouse, suddenly it will become inhabited by birds — when you make a park, it will become filled with wildlife — Homo-hornicus eroticus on the prowl and searching for a nocturnal nesting ground. "If you build it they will cum."

ENERGIZER: Using energy more efficiently helps our planet — this great, Gay earth of ours. So buy less wattage in your light bulbs. Been wondering why none of your tricks ever come back a second night? Perhaps those floodlights in your bedroom are casting ugly shadows on your body that make you appear eight or eighty-nine

Life's a Drag

© by Bob Arnold



She's dating a kinky groundskeeper we call the "Marquis de Sod"

pounds heavier. Dim those lights, or douse them entirely — you'll be doing your bit for ecology and improving your sex life at the same time.

Insulate floors with carpeting. And don't complain about burns from your romantic romps on the rug, it could be worse: you might be pulling out splinters from the hardwood floors! Caulk all the leaks in your home. Install double-paned windows, keeping in mind that the glass must be transparent enough to allow unspoiled views of your nightly exhibition for the naughty neighbors. A good plan: keep the drapes drawn and the levolors closed at all times except when putting on your shows. This keeps heat in and also alerts the voyeurs when showtime will begin, with a dramatic opening of the auditorium curtain, as it were. Turn off the heat (gas and electric, not your natural sexual furnace) at night. You'll save on utilities, plus when you bring home "visitors" they will be so cold that when you suggest you both jump under the warm comforter and snuggle up to conserve body heat — they will gladly comply.

MORE ENERGY SAVING TIPS

Use energy-efficient appliances. Do not purchase a turbo-charged Accu-Jac that eats up electricity when a simple hand-pump will do the job much more efficiently. Use rechargeable batteries in those vibrators. And when your Master is shaving every hair on your body, be an energy-efficient, pushy Bottom and insist on a razor not an electric shaver. Drag queens, stop shaving your chest and leg hair; let it grow out into a plush, natural, full-length fur coat. Hang your wash in the sun to dry. Not only do you save energy, but it's just so damned sexy to have your jock straps and Joe Boxers seductively waving in the wind for your neighbors to spy.

It is really not necessary to have a jet-stream in the shower; put a water-restricting device on your douche nozzle and save H₂O. Schedule apartment

parties where the tenants group-shower together in the same tub — so ecological and stimulating! Put a plastic water bottle in your toilet tank; it reduces the amount of water needed for flushing, and you can make this your secret storage spot, keeping drag jewelry safe from drag thieves, drugs (pharmaceutical, of course) safe and dry, adult book-store tokens tucked away so your puritanical friends and loved ones won't know you have a veritable mint of them on hand. And get rid of those annoying and costly drips: make them move out. And oh yeah, fix your faucets too.

Acid rain is supposedly composed

of sulfur and nitrogen oxides released into the atmosphere. But I know better — it's all that mascara and pancake make-up that drag queens scrub from their faces and dump down the drains. Or is that toxic waste? And the Environmental Protection Agency recently announced that our ozone layer would have a fighting chance if drags would stop their nightly ritual shellacking of their wigs with hairspray.

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AND THEN THEY CRUISE
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YOU SEE,
BUT ALCOHOL AND SEX
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THEIR ABS AND PECS,
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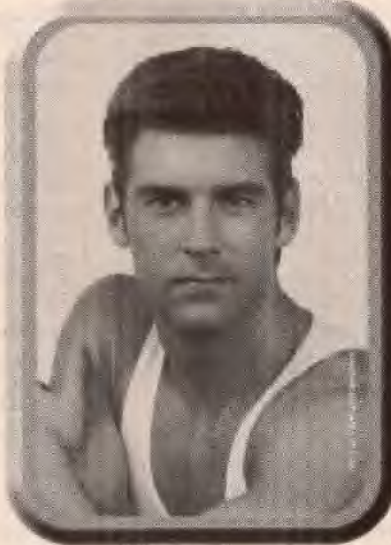
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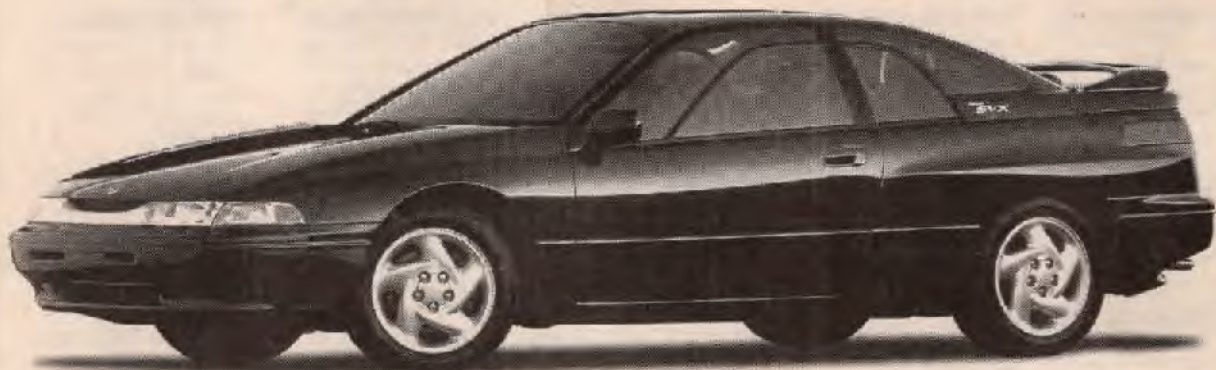
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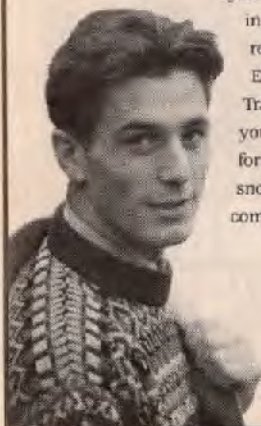
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