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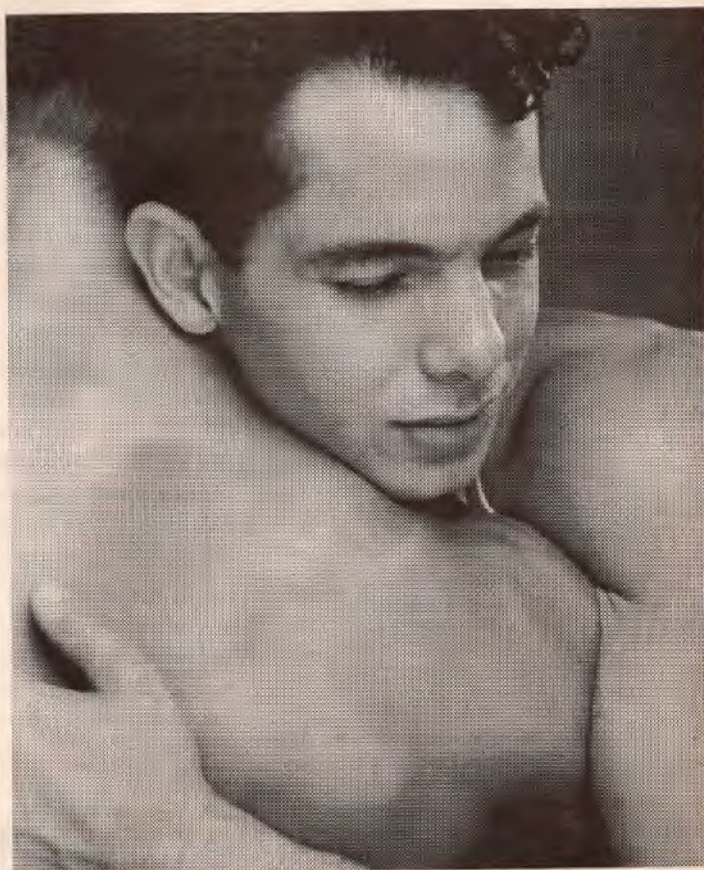
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Letters

Wisconsin LesBiGays Have Domestic Violence Options

To the Editor—

I am writing you today because of my concern about a particular statement made in your recent feature article (Vol. 13, #6) on gay marriages. The author discussed the benefits of marriage which are denied to gay and lesbian couples. The article stated that nowhere in the US do gay couples receive the same benefits of married couples. The reader was then directed to the side bar for a more detailed explanation of these benefits denied to gay men and lesbians. However, this list included the inability of gay men and lesbians to obtain domestic violence protection orders. The article seemed to imply that all of the benefits mentioned were also denied in Wisconsin. This is not the case. Domestic abuse restraining orders are available for gay men and lesbians in Wisconsin.

According to Wisconsin statute, 813.12, any adult household member who has been abused by another adult household member may file for a protection order (aka restraining order). Gay men and lesbians are covered by this statute. The only limitations are that both persons live within the same household, both are adults and the type of abuse is recognized by the statute. This abuse includes any intentional infliction of physical pain, physical injury or illness, any intentional impairment of physical condition, sexual assault or threats to engage in any of the above conduct.

Furthermore, harassment restraining orders are available for gays or

lesbians who are being physically abused, harassed or threatened by someone they are dating but do not share a household together.

Domestic violence has only recently received the attention it deserves in the general population. Statistics have shown that domestic violence is just as common in the homosexual population as it is in the heterosexual population (approximately one in every five relationships), yet it receives minimal attention. I am worried that a gay man or lesbian in an abusive relationship may have read this article and incorrectly believed that they could not seek help by the courts because he or she was not married to the abusive partner. I think it is imperative that your readers understand that a gay man or lesbian in Wisconsin can petition for a domestic abuse restraining order.

*Christopher Krimmer
Madison, Wisconsin*

Mr. Rods Seeks Support for Hotel Washington Rebuilding Effort

To the Editor—

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, reconstruct Rod's walls we must. With the fire and destruction of the Hotel Washington behind us, it is now time to look ahead and prepare for a bigger and better complex to be enjoyed, once more, by the gay and lesbian community.

As Mr. Rods, it is not only my duty, but it is my privilege to do my part in the reconstruction of the Hotel Washington. My efforts will be to

preserve the leather/levi heritage held by Rods for so many years.

For those of you that do not know the logo of a L/L club is called the "Colors of the Club." We are creating a wall of colors in the new Rods. To be a part of this Wall of Colors, individuals may make a personal donation as a permanent reminder of your support and generosity. A brass plaque engraved with your name will be placed on the wall for a donation of \$50 or more. Groups may present colors, which will be framed and prominently displayed alone with a \$100 contribution.

Any funds raised through this effort will be used to rebuild Rods and the Hotel Washington complex, to help purchase equipment and items necessary to recreate the atmosphere we all loved.

Contributions of any denomination will be greatly appreciated. If every person that ever walked through the doors of the Hotel Washington complex gave \$1, we would have the funds needed for the rebuilding.

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*Stacey DeSolel
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STD Specialities Clinic is currently seeking persons to complete a short, confidential survey. Qualified individuals will have tested positive for the HIV virus and have a history of alcohol use and/or abuse, drug use and/or abuse, or chemical dependency.

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News

Three Milwaukee Agencies Form United HIV Services

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — The Brady East STD Clinic, the STD Specialties Clinic and the St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry have combined forces in a collaborative effort called United HIV Services. The new entity will provide "a continuum of service and care from prevention and diagnosis through death and beyond" for people with HIV/AIDS.

Although representatives of United HIV Services were careful to say that the new group was not started in opposition to the Milwaukee AIDS Project, they acknowledged that providing an alternative choice to people with HIV/AIDS in the metropolitan Milwaukee area was one of several compelling motives.

"Living with HIV means having to make some very important decisions, and United HIV Services facilitates some options," said Ross Walker, President of the BESTD Clinic. "People are entitled to have choices concerning their health and well-being."

Doug Nelson, Executive Director of MAP, expressed his approval of the new group: "I support it. Anytime we can get

"People are entitled to have choices concerning their health and well-being."

—ROSS WALKER

organizations to collaborate on HIV services it's a good thing. It's a smart thing to do, and I support it."

"Our three organizations have cooperated with each other for some time," Erv Uecker of the BESTD Clinic said of the partners in United HIV Services. "Combining the special services we each provide to people with HIV will make for a continuum of quality care."

The BESTD Clinic, at 1240 East Brady Street, has been the most-utilized anonymous HIV counseling and testing site in the state since the mid-1980's. In addition to counseling and testing on-site and at special outreach clinics at Gay bars

(in cooperation with MAP), BESTD offers support groups to Gay men with HIV and their partners, conducts preventive education, and provides ongoing public information about HIV/AIDS and other health issues through its weekly cable TV program "BESTD Clinic Live!"

Like the BESTD Clinic, STD Specialties at 3251 N. Holton Street, specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases and offers free anonymous HIV counseling, testing and support groups. In collaboration with MAP, the clinic also provides crucial early intervention services to those testing positive. This includes tests to assess the individual's immune status and referrals to appropriate physicians.

While the Brady Clinic primarily (though not exclusively) targets the Gay community, STD Specialties focuses on outreach to underserved communities threatened by HIV, particularly the homeless and indigent. The clinic provides HIV testing, preventive education and physical exams at 22 sites around Milwaukee, including most of the area's homeless shelters and alcohol/drug abuse treatment centers.

"We've always had a good working relationship with the Brady Clinic," STD Specialties Executive Director Fred "Casey" Reilly told *In Step*. "I see us as 'sister' clinics, whose services and outreach complement each other."

Both clinics have for some time referred HIV+ clients to the St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry as well as to MAP. St. Camillus, at 10101 W. Wisconsin Avenue, offers spiritual counseling and retreats as well as the kind of comprehensive health and social services people with HIV and AIDS often require. As such, it provides a crucial component to United HIV Services.

The St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry is sponsored by the priests and brothers of the Order of St. Camillus, an international Catholic order with a special ministry to the sick and dying. The Order of St. Camillus operates 550 clinics, hospices and other health institutions worldwide. All members of the order have professional training in some area of physical or mental health care.

Brother Stephen Braddock is Director of the AIDS

Ministry in Milwaukee. He outlined for **In Step** the extensive services available through St. Camillus.

The Ministry operates Raphael House, a seven bed facility reserved for people with AIDS. St. Camillus also runs a 198-bed Health Center that can provide long-term care to PWAs. A 24-bed "sensitive care" unit is part of the health center. St. Camillus offers adult day services and assisted living as well as home health care. Volunteers provide transportation, meal preparation, housekeeping, childcare and companionship to people with HIV/AIDS.

St. Camillus recently retained the services of Dr. Barry Bernstein as part-time Medical Director for AIDS and Infectious Diseases. Many people with HIV/AIDS in the Milwaukee area have been treated by Dr. Bernstein, who is widely respected as an expert on AIDS



care. Braddock sees Bernstein's participation as a big plus in terms of the quality and continuity of care.

Brother Braddock emphasized that St. Camillus as well as United HIV Services will provide care to all individuals regardless of race, gender, age, religious beliefs, sexual orientation or disability. "And no one is ever turned away for inability to pay," he said.

STRUCTURE, FINANCING

The body overseeing the work of United HIV Services consists of two representatives of each of the three groups: Dr. Roger Gremminger and Casey Reilly, RN, of STD Specialties; Ross Walker and Erv Uecker of the

BESTD Clinic; and Brother Braddock and Jeff Miller, RN, of St. Camillus.

The three agencies share a strong belief in volunteerism which, in Uecker's words, "maximizes personal commitment while minimizing overhead expenses."

In addition, all three groups rely primarily on donations from individu-

"I believe everyone involved in HIV Services is on a mission."

—CASEY REILLY

als and private foundations. The consensus of opinion seems to be that less dependence on government funds reduces bureaucracy and time-consuming lobbying and turf wars.

Of the new United HIV Services, Brother Braddock said: "We'll each continue to function with a good deal of autonomy while drawing together in a tighter network. Together, we offer a range of services that complement each other and that will benefit people with HIV/AIDS."

"As we discern and develop new initiatives and services in the months ahead, such as case management, early intervention and more programs for women and children," Braddock pledged, "United HIV Services will stay focused on what is best for the people we support. It's long past time to make collaboration more than a buzz word."

"I believe everyone involved in HIV services is on a mission," said Reilly. "They've had some experience with HIV in their personal lives and relationships. They've seen what people go through and they see ways to make things better. I'm convinced the people involved in this new effort will work above and beyond the call of duty to help improve services to people with HIV/AIDS."

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Health Secretary Withdraws Plan to Subsidize AIDS Drugs

By Jamakaya

Madison — The Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) has shocked health workers and AIDS service organizations by abruptly withdrawing a request to the legislature's Joint Finance Committee which would have provided needed funds to cover the cost of new AIDS drugs.

An angry Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW), called the about-face by Health Secretary Joseph Leean "the worst example of

"... the worst example of political games at the expense of people with AIDS that I've seen in my tenure here."

—DOUG NELSON

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The Joint Finance Committee was scheduled to hold a special hearing in mid-April at which Secretary Leean could request an intra-departmental transfer of money from DHSS surplus funds to pay for new AIDS drugs which AIDS advocates wanted added to the state's drug formulary. This means the state would cover the costs for people unable to afford the drugs.

Weeks in advance of the Committee meeting, Nelson and other AIDS activists lobbied both Secretary Leean and Committee members in favor of adding six new anti-HIV medications to the drug formulary. These include the anti-retroviral 3TC, three new protease inhibitors (which block an enzyme responsible for HIV replication), Fluconazole, which prevents and treats fungal infections like thrush, and Clarithromycin, which prevents and treats severe infections.

Leean initially decided to submit a request for funds to cover only 3TC and the protease inhibitors, excluding Fluconazole and Clarithromycin, despite the fact that they are two of the most commonly prescribed AIDS medications. Meanwhile, AIDS advocates had effectively lobbied the Committee and had the votes lined up for the broader formulary.

Apparently miffed at being second-guessed and out-organized, Leean withdrew even his limited request, leaving north-

ing for the Committee to vote on, effectively blocking the addition of any new AIDS drugs to the state formulary. Leean claims the funds were not available to cover so many new drugs, but AIDS activists and supportive legislators insist that \$433,000 was in fact available.

The Joint Finance Committee will meet again in June, and AIDS activists are promoting a compromise with Secretary Leean. They are asking that DHSS renew its request for the fund transfer to cover 3TC and the protease inhibitors. Meanwhile, President Clinton just approved \$52 million in federal funds for AIDS drugs, so Nelson and others are requesting that Wisconsin's share of this money — approximately \$230,000 — be used to pay for Fluconazole and Clarithromycin. In addition, they are asking Secretary Leean not to break into federal Ryan White funds intended for local AIDS services, which he has suggested could support the expanded AIDS drug formulary.

Nelson encourages people to contact Secretary Leean and urge him to support the compromise position so that all the necessary drugs can be added to the state drug formulary this summer. Write to: Secretary Joseph Leean, Department of Health and Social Services, P. O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701. Leean's number is (608) 266-9622.

For more information on the state's role in underwriting AIDS drugs, call ARCW at (414) 273-1991.

Lesbian Avengers Hound Anti-Gay Speakers

By Jamakaya

Madison — True to their vow that anti-Gay hatred "will not be tolerated," a spirited group of Madison's Lesbian Avengers made themselves a noisy presence at several sites where Wisconsin Christians United hosted the homophobic speaker Scott Lively.

From April 11-13, Avengers traveled to the Milwaukee suburb of Wauwatosa, to Janesville, to Portage County and back to Madison to confront Lively, who was promoting his book *The Pink Swastika*, which claims that Hitler and virtually all the top Nazi leadership were Gay. Lively also uses his appearances to warn of the "homosexual threat" to America today.

The head of Wisconsin Christians United (WCU), Ralph Ovadal, sponsored Lively's "Truth Tour," using it to promote his own anti-Gay agenda. Ovadal has called for State Rep. Tammy Baldwin to resign because she is a Lesbian and has begun a campaign to repeal Wisconsin's Gay rights law.

"We accomplished what we set out to do," Sarah, a

Lesbian Avenger told *In Step*. "We followed these guys around the state, being vocal, annoying them, showing them they can't spew hate with no response." (The Avengers asked that their full names not be used because of possible retaliation from Christian extremists.)

As might be expected, Madison was the least hospitable stop on Lively's tour. Almost 500 people, including civil

"Our minimum requirements are: breakfast in bed, daily massages ... track lighting and diamond tiaras for one and all."

—FROM A LESBIAN AVENGERS PAMPHLET

rights activists, Gays and Lesbians and members of more liberal faiths along with the Avengers, gathered outside Trinity Evangelical Church where Lively's lecture was held April 12. In contrast, only about two dozen people showed up for Lively's presentation.

Outside the church, people chanted, sang civil rights songs and watched in awe as several Lesbian Avengers performed their trademark fire-eating. Several Avengers tried to get into the event which had been advertised as open to the public. They were roughly shoved back by WCU supporters, one of whom smashed the Avengers' video camera.

WHOSE TRUTH?

The previous night, two carloads of Avengers traveled to Christie's, a restaurant in Wauwatosa, to protest Lively. Six Avengers stood directly in front of the speaker's podium and held up signs reading "Homophobia Stinks!" and

"The Christian Right is Neither." They left the room quickly chanting "Shame, shame, shame."

In response to a pamphlet widely distributed by WCU called "Homosexuality: THE TRUTH," the Avengers designed and handed out their own pamphlet called "The Real Truth About Homosexuality, a Helpful Service Reminder from the Lesbian Community."

The Avengers' pamphlet offers serious and lighthearted responses to questions about homosexuality. For instance, it refutes the contention that homosexuals are child molesters by citing the statistic that 98% of child molesters are heterosexual males. Regarding whether homosexuals want "special rights," the Avengers pamphlet says: "YES! Our minimum requirements are: breakfast in bed, daily massages...track lighting and diamond tiaras for one and all."

The Avengers also traveled to Janesville for a "Men's Breakfast" sponsored by the WCU April 13. They picketed outside the restaurant with some

Janesville activists, all under the watchful eyes of the local police. Later that same day, they headed north to Portage County where Ovadal and Lively were speaking at the public library in Plover.

In Plover, the Avengers joined with more than 100 activists who had come



—WCU protestor Falcon River in Madison on April 12
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from Stevens Point and Green Bay to protest. Initially denied entrance, five Avengers eventually got in and disrupted Ovadal when he began referring to homosexuals as "serpents." They were ejected but went outside and led chants and songs with the other protesters.

"Throughout the night," Sarah reports, "a number of Gay, Lesbian and straight people came up to me and thanked me and my friends for having come north to support them. Likewise, I thanked them for being so strong in such a hostile climate."

"MILITANT" TACTICS

The Avengers have gotten some flack from fellow activists for their tactics. An Avenger named Christa told In Step: "All types of actions are important. There's times to write letters and there's times to be more 'in your face.' We do not all have the same tactics and that's okay. The Avengers do not purport to represent the whole Gay, Lesbian and Transgender community."

"Everyone calls us 'those crazy militant Lesbians,'" Sarah noted. "But the only people I saw dressed in camouflage jackets were members of WCU, not us."

"We understand we're going to be perceived as the fringe," said Christa. "But for every person turned off by our tactics, there are one or two who are inspired to do more. I can live with that."

The Lesbian Avengers also helped organize a Queer Wedding ceremony on the steps of the Capitol, Friday April 26. It helped cap the annual "Out and About Week" at UW-Madison and was intended to draw attention to the issue of same-gender marriage.

"We've been a pretty reactionary group so far," Christa admitted. "We want to develop more pro-active approaches. The wedding was part of that."

The Lesbian Avengers meet every Thursday night at The United, 14 Mifflin Street. Newcomers are welcome. For more information, call (608) 255-8582.

Madison Council Considers Revised Public Sex Ordinance

By Jamakaya

Madison — On May 7, the Madison Common Council will consider a revised "Unlawful Trespass in Parks" ordinance designed to curb public sex in the city's parks.

Controversy flared last fall after residents complained of male-to-male sex taking place in Olin Turville Park. Prompted by Police Captain Ellen Schwartz, several members of the Council drafted an ordinance giving the police power to banish from the parks for six months anyone found to violate park rules. Offenses cited in the measure ranged from exposure to the use of "profane" language to "boisterous" behavior.

Because of the broad wording of the proposal and concerns about due process and citizens' rights to freedom of expression and assembly, the measure languished but has since been revised with substitute amendments by Alderpersons Tim Bruer and Dorothy Borchardt. The six months banishment provision has been dropped, but police will still be authorized to restrict violators from the park for 24 hours. Violators will receive citations which carry fines ranging from \$50 to \$500.

Openly Gay Alderman Mike Verveer continues to have reservations about the ordinance. "First, it's targeted toward one group alone — Gay and Bisexual men engaging in public sex. While I don't condone that behavior, it's blatant bigotry unless the police are treating straight couples in parks and lovers' lanes equally."

Verveer told In Step he has a "serious problem with the precedent of police banning people from public facilities, even if for only 24 hours." He also said there are state and

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local laws against public sex which carry stiffer penalties than the parks ordinance, so that police already have the ability to curb such behavior. In Verveer's opinion, the proposal is "duplicative and unnecessary."

HUD Deed Restriction Delays Hotel Washington Reconstruction

By Jamakaya

Madison — Plans for the rapid rebuilding of the Hotel Washington complex have hit a snag, although Greg and Sherry Scheel remain optimistic about the hotel's revival. The Hotel Washington complex, with its popular Gay clubs, burned to the ground in February.

On May 7 the Madison Common Council will hold a public hearing and vote on a resolution calling for the waiver of a deed restriction placed on the hotel's parcel of land by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

In 1992, the hotel received a \$174,000 loan for the rehabilitation of ten residential units. But the loan was subject to HUD-established rent limits being maintained in those units for a ten year period of time. This condition was secured by a deed restriction placed on the land. The Scheels' ambitious plans for rebuilding require that all rental units be priced at market rate.

The Council is likely to vote in favor of the waiver, and Mayor Soglin supports the waiver. However, the final decision rests with HUD and no one is quite sure how long it will take the federal agency to respond to the city's recommendation.

The Scheels had earlier announced that groundbreaking for the new Hotel Washington would begin in April. They hoped to have the basement, with Rod's and the Barber's Closet, open for Halloween and the rest of the complex open for New Year's. They are proceeding confidently with rebuilding plans, but those target dates will be pushed back somewhat pending resolution of the glitch with HUD.

"It's been kind of a roller coaster ride," Sherry Scheel told *In Step*, "but we're confident it will go in our favor. We just have to wait it out and be patient." In the meantime, she said, "We're working on everything from what kind of lighting we want, where to put the dishwashers and glassware, what kind of paint to use — you name it, there's a million details keeping us busy."

ACT UP/Milwaukee Demands City Funds for Needle Exchange

By Jamakaya

Milwaukee — ACT UP Milwaukee held a rally and press conference at City Hall April 25 demanding that the city allocate \$100,000 in municipal funds to support a needle exchange program aimed at curtailing HIV infection among injection drug users.

ACT UP spokesmen asserted that Milwaukee is at a "critical juncture" in stemming the spread of HIV among injection drug users (IDU). At present, it's estimated that only 3% of the area's IDU population is HIV+ as compared with 25% in cities like Chicago. "With appropriate funding for needle exchange and education, we can keep the seroprevalence of the IDU community in Milwaukee at its current low level and even effect a reduction."

ACT UP wants the city to provide \$100,000 in matching funds to LIFEPOINT, a service of the Milwaukee AIDS Project, which is currently conducting needle exchange and HIV prevention education to about one third of Milwaukee's injection drug users. The additional funds will help expand the program to reach the remaining IDU population.

To back up its demand, ACT UP presented evidence that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Nurses Association and the American Foundation for AIDS Research have all endorsed needle exchange programs as effective methods of controlling the spread of HIV.

ACT UP also pointed out the cost-effectiveness of such programs. Research indicates that over five years, needle exchanges can prevent many HIV infections at a cost of about \$9,400 per infection averted, far lower than the \$119,000 lifetime cost of treating an HIV-infected person.

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Jeffrey Dahmer's Possessions to Be Auctioned

Portage — Columbia County Circuit Judge Daniel George has appointed a Milwaukee attorney to oversee the sale of serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer's possessions. The auction of Dahmer's personal items could take place as early as June.

The primary purpose of the auction is to raise funds which will be used to settle wrongful death claims against Dahmer's estate by families of some of Dahmer's victims. Dahmer himself was killed by an inmate at the Columbia Correctional facility in November, 1994. He was serving a life sentence after being found guilty of murdering 15 young men and boys, many of them Gay, between 1988 and 1991.

Among the items to be auctioned are handcuffs, knives, saws, a 57-gallon vat, a drill, chemical-resistant gloves and other paraphernalia Dahmer used to kill his victims. Other, more mundane items include towels, a camera, a file cabinet, jeans, bicycles and a brush. Also for sale will be a videocassette recording of Milwaukee's 1991 Gay Pride Parade and Rally.

Judge George conceded that "The sale of this material will have the unfortunate effect of, in some ways, glorifying the tragic incidents which have led us to this point in the matter involving Mr. Dahmer."

Anti-Gay Marriage Bill Dead Until 1997

Madison — An anti-Gay marriage bill introduced by State Rep. Lorraine Seratti (R) is effectively dead until the 1997 legislative session.

The proposal, AB 1042, was introduced in March and referred to the Assembly Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law. No action, including the scheduling of a public hearing, was taken on the bill. As of March 28, only bills that have been approved by either the Assembly or the Senate will be considered during this session's limited floor period, May 7-16. Therefore, the anti-Gay marriage bill can proceed no further this year.

For the record, the other sponsors of AB 1042 are: Reps. Rudy Silbaugh, Glenn Grothman, Carol Owens and Luther Olsen — all Republicans — and Democrat Wayne Wood. It was co-sponsored by State Sens. Scott Fitzgerald and Gary Drezweicki, both Republicans.

In other legislative action, the Assembly Insurance Committee approved SB 621, the bill which will help to regulate and put consumer protections on the viatical industry. The Assembly is expected to approve the bill in May, and then it will go to Gov. Thompson for his signature. The bill is supported by the state's AIDS service organizations.

National News

Congress to Repeal Military's HIV Discharge Policy

Washington, DC — As part of the bipartisan budget bill hammered out by President Clinton and Congress, the law mandating the discharge of military service members who test positive for HIV will be repealed.

The measure, sponsored by the right wing extremist Congressman Bob Dornan (R-CA), was attached to the 1996 defense authorization bill and passed by both houses of Congress earlier this year. Clinton signed the bill, but pledged to see that the HIV discharge provision was overturned.

Since then, both medical and military experts, including Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General John Shalikashvili, have declared the law both unwise and unnecessary. Most people with HIV have no symptoms for many years, and infected soldiers are able to carry out their duties fully. The provision would have required the immediate discharge of more than 1,000 military personnel, some with extensive training and expertise needed by the services.

Dornan blamed his setback on "weak leadership" within the GOP and vowed to re-introduce the discharge measure in this year's defense bill.

"This is a tremendous victory for service members and their families, and for fairness," Winnie Stachelberg of the Human Rights Campaign said of the policy's reversal. "Service members with chronic conditions, whether HIV or cancer, should be permitted to stay in the military for as long as they can and perform the duties that they have honorably chosen to perform."

ACLU to Challenge Utah Ban on Gay Student Groups

Salt Lake City, UT — The American Civil Liberties Union will file suit against a law passed by the Utah legislature which prohibits the formation of Gay and Lesbian student groups in the public schools.

"This is a legislative form of Gay bashing," said Carol Gnade, Director of the ACLU of Utah. "It boggles the mind that the Utah legislature feels so threatened by a group of students whose only goal is a forum for open discussion." Gnade said the law was worded so broadly "it is anyone's guess which groups are safe from being banned."

The measure, which passed by overwhelming majorities in both the House and Senate, gives school boards the authority to ban any student club they see as promoting bigotry, encouraging criminal behavior or involving sexuality.

"This bill clearly violates the Federal Equal Access Law and the Constitution," Gnade said. "Not only does it violate the rights of Lesbian, Gay and straight students, but everyone associated with a Utah high school, including teachers, administrators and volunteers. The ACLU will challenge the bill the moment it is used to deny someone their liberties."

Meanwhile, the Salt Lake City School Board has decided to ban all groups it deems "non-curricular." These include the Black Student Club, Students Against Drunk Driving and the Socialists Club. Groups allowed to operate include Cheerleading Club, the Football Team and Future Homemakers of America. The Gay/Straight Alliance has already been banned.

Pentagon Orders Navy to Probe Lesbian Witch Hunts

Washington, DC — The Department of Defense has ordered the Navy to investigate allegations of a Lesbian "witch hunt" taking place on board the USS Simon Lake, a submarine tender based in La Maddalena, Italy.

The Washington Blade reports that the probe was begun after the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, a pro-Gay advocacy group, presented Pentagon officials with evidence that as many as 60 women on board the Simon Lake were being harassed in a witch hunt-like campaign to root out Lesbians.

The Network learned that female sailors were being interrogated and threatened with imprisonment if they did not accuse Seaman Amy L. Barnes of being a Lesbian. The Navy had begun discharge proceedings against Barnes after she accused a male senior petty officer of sexual harassment. Instead of investigating the harassment complaint, the Network found that Navy brass, in a violation of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue" policy, began seeking evidence that Barnes is a Lesbian. The Network charges that Barnes and the other women interrogated were denied legal representation.

Attorneys for Barnes have obtained a temporary injunction prohibiting the Navy from discharging her. Meanwhile, the Navy Inspector General's Office is proceeding with its

investigation and Rep. Barney Frank has initiated a Congressional inquiry into the alleged witch hunt aboard the Simon Lake.

Olympic Torch Relay to Bypass Cobb County

Atlanta, GE — The Olympic Torch Run, which will carry the Olympic flame through 42 states to the site of the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, will not pass through Georgia's Cobb County because of that county's anti-Gay resolution.

The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games announced that the Torch Run will bypass Cobb County, just north of Atlanta, due to Cobb's failure to rescind a 1993 resolution which condemned the "homosexual lifestyle" as incompatible with "community standards."

Gay and civil rights activists organized as "Olympics Out of Cobb" successfully pressured the Olympic Committee to remove Olympic volleyball preliminaries out of a facility in Cobb County shortly after the anti-Gay resolution was approved. More recently, they had threatened to demonstrate along the path of the Torch Run if it passed through Cobb County. They contend Cobb's anti-Gay measure negates the spirit of unity and brotherhood represented by the Olympics.

"It is our goal to make the torch relay an exciting and memorable experience," said Dick Yarbrough of the Atlanta Olympic Committee. "We want to focus on the excitement of the event and not be distracted by other issues."

Streisand Bows Out of "The Normal Heart"

Los Angeles, CA — *Variety* reports that singer, actress and producer/director Barbra Streisand has formally severed all ties to the film version of Larry Kramer's AIDS drama *The Normal Heart*.

In a statement to the press, Streisand recounted how she and Kramer worked on the project together "many years ago," how he took it "elsewhere" for development and when that didn't pan out, approached her again.

"I fully intended to be in production with *The Normal Heart* this fall, but unfortunately my post-production schedule [on *The Mirror Has Two Faces*] makes that impossible. I am painfully aware of the ticking clock. Therefore, I am now stepping aside and will no longer be involved with the project."

Streisand added: "I wish Larry only success in getting *The Normal Heart* made. Barwood [her production company] and I have a strong commitment to projects that reflect and further the



—Barbra Streisand

needs of the Gay community."

Kramer said: "My 10-year journey of futility with Barbra to make *The Normal Heart* has been almost as long as my fight as an AIDS activist to end this plague...I must thank her for allowing me to go forward without her but with her blessing."

Court Upholds Housing Rights of Unmarried Couples

Sacramento, CA — The California Supreme Court has ruled that state laws forbidding housing discrimination based on marital status must be enforced even against a landlord who has argued that renting to an unmarried couple violated her religious beliefs.

"While this case involved a heterosexual couple, the court's decision is particularly important to Lesbians and Gay men," said Clyde Wadsworth, a cooperating attorney with the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund who was the principle author of the amicus brief submitted in the case.

"Similar religious freedom claims have been raised across the country in attempts to justify housing and employ-



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ment discrimination against Lesbians and Gay men, despite state and local laws forbidding such discrimination. The court's ruling makes clear that the state has no interest in sanctioning housing discrimination, even if purportedly rooted in religion."

"A ruling in the landlord's favor would have given California's property owners a license to discriminate against Lesbians, Gay men and others who could not conform to a landlord's religious views...The California Supreme Court's ruling is a landmark in affirming the importance of anti-discrimination laws and refusing to open the Pandora's box of religious-based exemptions to those laws."

Also on the Newswire...

Atlanta, GE — Two documentaries by Gay filmmakers have won George Foster Peabody Awards, bestowed for excellence in television journalism. They are Arthur Dong's *Coming Out Under Fire*, about Gays and Lesbians coming out in the military during World War II, and *Complaints of a Dutiful Daughter*, in which Lesbian filmmaker Deborah Hoffman traced her mother's struggle with Alzheimer's disease. Both films were aired on PBS.

Washington, DC — In testimony submitted to a Senate Committee looking into re-authorizing the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, the Human Rights Campaign has asked that "transgendered Americans" be added to the list of categories for which the FBI collects data. According to HRC, transgendered people are often victimized "because they live their lives as the opposite gender, or actually go through medical procedures to change their gender."

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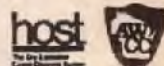
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Health News

St. Camillus AIDS Ministry Receives \$25,000 Grant

Milwaukee — The St. Camillus AIDS Ministry Interfaith Volunteer Caregiving Program has received a \$25,000 "Faith in Action" grant from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. This grant will help the ministry recruit and train volunteers to provide services for those living with AIDS.

Some of the services the volunteers will provide include housekeeping, transportation to medical appointments, shopping, errands and respite for caregivers.

"Given all the responsibilities entrusted to the volunteers, the esteem in which they are held is high. They will be duly recognized, affirmed and appreciated for their efforts," said Brother Stephen Braddock, Executive Director of the St. Camillus AIDS Ministry.

The grant is from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the nation's largest private philanthropy dedicated to improving health care through grant-giving. For volunteer information contact Kathryn O'Connor at St. Camillus at 414/259-4664.

Workshop & Movie on Violence in Lesbian Relationships May 17

Milwaukee — A workshop, "Addressing Domestic Violence in Lesbian Relationships," will be held Friday, May 17, 1996, from 1pm to 4pm at Centennial Hall of the Central Library, 733 North Eighth Street in Milwaukee.

The workshop — for therapists, advocates, activists and survivors — will explore issues unique to women who have or are experiencing domestic violence in Lesbian relationships. It will offer solutions for dealing with battering and examine the role of therapy in counseling Lesbian couples in abusive relationships.

The workshop facilitators are Kathleen Neville, a psychotherapist in private practice for 25 years who specializes in Gay and Lesbian issues, and Kathy Anderson, screenwriter of the ground-breaking video documentary *My Girlfriend Did It*.

The workshop will include a showing *My Girlfriend Did It*, produced and directed by Minneapolis filmmaker Dawn West. It contains the compelling testimonies of Lesbians who have survived battering relationships as well as commentary about why women batter other women and why police, friends and family often do not know how to respond.

Neville told *In Step* that she has worked with many abused women — straight and Lesbian — in her practice.

"The patterns and types of abuse in Lesbian relationships are similar to those in male-female relationships," says Neville, "with the additional challenge of homophobia to deal with." Internalized homophobia may make it harder for the victim to seek help, and homophobic attitudes among police, the courts and even social service personnel can make it harder to resolve the violence when the victim does come forward.

"At the foundation of battering is the abuser's need for dominance, control," Neville commented. "They've come to believe that they are entitled to control somebody and that their violence is somehow okay. They need help too."



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Violence between women is a reality many Lesbians don't want to acknowledge, Neville says, "because it breaks the utopian myth of Lesbian relationships as a safe haven from the patriarchy and male violence."

The purpose of the workshop and film is to educate social workers and women's advocates about Lesbian battering and to encourage the establishment of supportive environments in which victims and batterers can seek help.

My Girlfriend Did It will also be shown at 7:30pm May 17 in Centennial Hall, in a screening open to all members of the public. An introduction to the video will be provided by Dawn Rivers, whose music and lyrics celebrate the process of healing. Advance tickets are available at Outpost Natural Foods, AfterWords, People's Books and Just Us.

To register for the workshop or for more information, call Neville at (414) 332-3331.

HIV/AIDS Information on the WEB

San Francisco — Project Inform, one of the nation's leading HIV/AIDS treatment information and advocacy organizations, has announced that its extensive educational and public policy information is now available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.projinf.org/>.

Chosen by Internet World as one of the "Best of 1995" (Internet World, January, 1996) this site offers a wide range of treatment information for HIV/AIDS and related opportunistic infections.

The year-long effort establish the WEB site was given an enormous boost by a \$25,000 grant from the Telesis Foundation.

For access questions, Project Inform can be reached via e-mail at pinform@hooked.net or call the Project Inform HIV/AIDS Treatment Hotline at 800/822-7422.

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Group Notes

Miller-PrideFest Volleyball Tournament

Milwaukee — The third annual Miller-PrideFest Volleyball Tournament, presented by GAMMA, will be held at Milwaukee's Urban Park on Saturday, June 8, 1996. Registration is now open for men's, women's and mixed teams.

There will be two divisions: competitive and social. Trophies and medals will be awarded in each division. Players will each receive a t-shirt and free (Saturday) admission to PrideFest.

Urban Park is a level grass field just north of the Summerfest grounds in Milwaukee. Morning play, starting at 8:30am will be round-robin; the afternoon will feature elimination play and refereed games.

For registration, team captains should mail a roster (including shirt sizes), a check for \$60 and division preference to Miller-PrideFest at P.O.

Box 93852, Milwaukee, WI 53203. For more information, call Bob at 414/963-9833 after May 6, 1996.

Cream City Chorus Elects Board

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus filled four executive board positions at their annual meeting held on April 17, 1996. Reelected for his second term was President Matt Pamperin, who first assumed the vacated office in October of 1995.

Three other positions were filled by newcomers to the group's board. Evelyn Jones was elected to the position of Vice President. She has previously held the position of associate Conductor and Artistic Committee Co-Chair. Chuck Ellinson was chosen as Secretary and Kris Mixdorf was elected to the Treasurer post.

In addition to the election of it's

executive committee, the chorus board approved Emory Churness for his third term as publicist.

Ahead for the chorus lies its spring concert, "Bridging Dreams" which is set for 8pm on June 15, 1996 at the Marcus Center for Performing Arts, Vogel Hall.

For more information contact the chorus office at P.O. Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201 or call 414/344-9222.

St. Camillus Director of Nursing Honored

Milwaukee — Sandra Stearns, MSN, RN will be recognized as runner-up for 1996 Nurse of the Year. Stearns is the Director of Nursing at St. Camillus. The annual recognition is sponsored by the Milwaukee District Nurses Association, in cooperation with the *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*. The award will be presented at the Nurses' Lamplight Walk and Celebration on May 6, 1996.

"Sandy is an outstanding nurse who not only exemplifies the true meaning of nursing care, but also compassion and selfless giving," said Brother Stephen Braddock, Executive Director of St. Camillus AIDS Ministry. Stearns is also known as a devoted volunteer in Milwaukee's BESTD Clinic.

"She contributes a phenomenal number of volunteer hours to the community and to persons affected by HIV/AIDS ... she exemplifies love and compassion in everything she does," Braddock said.

Stearns is the second nurse affiliated with the St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry to be honored in recent years.



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Deputy Directory Jeffrey G. Miller, MSN, RNC, was given the award in 1994. "I'm so very proud of them both! Sandy and Jeff are pillars of our program and wonderful people to work with," said Braddock.

Investment Planning for Women

Milwaukee — An innovative workshop, "Investment Planning for Women," part of a major, national initiative to provide women with better financial education, will be offered by Prudential Securities', Milwaukee branch on Saturday, May 18, 1996 at 10pm at Wauwatosa Library.

"Investment Planning for Women" covers a wide range of topics, including the basics of investing, how to get started, asset allocation and portfolio diversification.

Irene Darden, a Financial Advisor with Prudential Securities' Milwaukee office, will be the featured speaker at the seminar. Ms. Darden is one of 200 Prudential Securities Financial Advisors selected out of approximately 6,000 to participate in the workshop series.

Admission to the Wauwatosa Library workshop is free, but reservations are required. For reservation or more information, contact Irene Darden at 800/558-7703.

Memorial Day Service Planned by AIDS Ministry

Milwaukee — St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry will sponsor a Memorial Day Commemoration in honor of those who lived courageously with AIDS and those who journey with them. A "Memory Garden," including a bench and marker, will be dedicated on the St. Camillus Campus at 11am on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.

Everyone is invited to attend the event which will take place on the North East side of the St. Camillus Campus grounds. Call 414/259-4664 for additional information.

Country Dance Raises Over \$3,000

Milwaukee — A crowd estimated at 300 persons attended the Fourth Annual Country dance benefit held April 20th at Milwaukee Country War Memorial Ballroom.

The event, sponsored by Milwaukee's Shoreline Dancers and the Counseling Center of Milwaukee raised more than \$3,000 for the benefit of LesBiGay support group programs at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee.

For more information about the programs offered at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, call Bill Hanel or Cheryl Orgas at 414/271-2565.

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The Arts

Doc Severinsen Concert to Benefit St. Camillus

Milwaukee — Former *Tonight Show* bandleader, Doc Severinsen, will perform with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra on June 9th to benefit St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry. The 7:30pm concert will take place at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts.

Ticket for the show are \$25, \$30 and \$50 and must be purchased by May 16th. A dessert reception with Severinsen will be held immediately after the show for an additional \$10 per person.

All proceeds will support the physical, spiritual and emotional support services provided to persons with HIV/AIDS by St. Camillus. For tickets or information call the Office for HIV/AIDS Ministry at 414/259-4664.

Faulkenberg Retrospective at BESTD Clinic Gallery

Milwaukee — Those who personally knew Jim Faulkenberg remember a man of vibrant charm and sharp intelligence. His witty flamboyance endeared him to many, and his premature death due to AIDS is remembered as a tragic end to an effervescent talent.

Faulkenberg was an artist whose meticulous draftsmanship is still spoken of with a sort of reverence by his devotees. His fantasies were intricately drawn and carefully colored. For inspiration he drew from diverse sources: childhood stories, Greek

mythology, Betty Boop, and the court of King Arthur. The League of Milwaukee Artists bestowed their Best of Show award upon him for three separate years.

He was a much sought after portraitist, as well as a doll maker and collector. During his lifetime Faulkenberg's art decorated the covers of record albums and notecards, as well as covers for *Dungeons and Dragons* and *In Step Magazine*.

Faulkenberg — A Retrospective opens Friday May 3rd at the BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady Street, with a public reception from 6 to 10pm. The show continues through June.

Milwaukee Chamber Theater Presents "Love Letters"

Milwaukee — Chamber Theater presents the world-popular play *Love Letters*, by A.R. Gurney, May 22-June 16, 1996 on the Studio Theater stage of the Broadway Theater Center. This endearing love story follows the lives of two people through the letters they wrote to each other throughout their lives. This production is generously sponsored by Marquette Electronics Foundation.

Love Letters stars a different acting couple each week throughout its four week run: Ruth Schudson and Montgomery Davis, Laura Gordon and Brian Robert Mani, Susan

Sweeney and William Leach, and Carrie Hitchcock and Norman Moses. Each couple will bring a different interpretation to the two characters. Montgomery Davis, Artistic Director of Milwaukee Chamber Theater will

direct each couple.

Tickets range in price from \$21-\$25 and are available at the Broadway Theater Center Box Office, 158 N. Broadway, or by calling 414/291-7800.

"Dr. Seuss, I Presume" at Madison's Broom Street Theater

Madison — Broom Street Theater presents its latest production *Dr. Seuss, I Presume*, the story of the mysterious life, love, and luck of advertising cartoonist named Theodore Geisel who became Dr. Seuss, the most successful children's book author of all time.

This adult play, is written and directed by veteran Broom Street actor John Sable. This is Sable's first original play for Broom Street Theater.

Dr. Seuss, I Presume runs from April 26-June 2 at the Broom Street Building, 1119 Williamson Street in Madison. If you have any questions, contact artistic director Joel Gersmann at 608/244-8338. Tickets are \$6.00 at the door only.

Theater X Set to Premiere "Beneath The Oval Office"

Milwaukee — Theater X will premiere an original work co-written by Mark Anderson and Theater X member John Kishline, *Beneath The Oval Office*. The play delves into the life of the president, the "Old Man", as he defends his presidency against an insurgent campaign.

"We created characters by taking several political figures from real life

and combining them into one character," stated Mark Anderson. Beneath The Oval Office is a whole presidential campaign that takes place in two days. The challenger emerges, issues rise and fall, and political favor takes a strange turn. The play is non-partisan as the whole process and the people to blame for it are held up to comic scrutiny.

Beneath The Oval Office runs Wed. through Sun., May 3-May 19 at the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway. Previews are May 1 and May 2 at 7:30 p.m. Show times are Wed. and Thur. at 7:30 p.m., Fri. and Sat. at 8:00 p.m. and Sun. at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$18 Fri. and Sat., \$14 on Wed. and Sun. Every Thur. is pay-what-you-can night. For tickets call 414/291-7800.

The Florentine Mounts Production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni"

Milwaukee — The Florentine Opera Company will present Don Giovanni, a two acts opera with libretto by Lorenzo da Ponte. Don Giovanni is Mozart's crowning work of dramatic and musical genius and first performed in Prague on October 29, 1787. This opera is sung in Italian with English super titles projected above the stage.

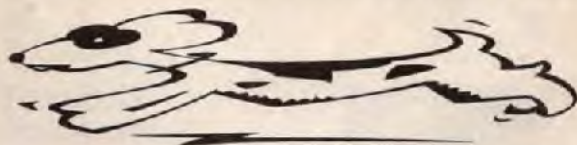
All performances will be at Uihlein Hall of the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts, 929 North Water Street, Friday, May 10 at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, May 11 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 12 at 2:30 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$17 to \$75. To purchase tickets phone - PAC Box Office 414/273-7206.

Reptile Palace Orchestra to Perform in Milwaukee

Milwaukee — International Dance and Music is sponsoring a Milwaukee performance of The Reptile Palace Orchestra. The six member Madison-based folk ensemble is known for its surprising and unique arrangements of favorite tunes from ethnic, classical, rock, jazz and soul roots. Tunes by Elvis, Eric Satie, Duke Ellington, Led Zeppelin and James Brown to name a few, are sprinkled with danced numbers from Turkey, Bulgaria, Cuba, Greece and other points of the globe.

The Reptile Palace Orchestra can be seen live, on Friday, May 10 from 8pm to 11:30pm at Sts. Peter and Paul Auditorium, 2480 N. Cramer in Milwaukee.. Tickets are available at the door for \$6 of \$5 with a non-perishable food donation for the church food pantry.

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MEMORIALS



Colleen E. Krzyzanowski

More than 400 people crowded the Milwaukee County Zoo Zoofari Conference Center April 21 to pay their respects to Colleen E. Krzyzanowski. Krzyzanowski, 49, died April 18 from head injuries sustained in a fall from a ladder while trimming trees in the Zoo's aviary.

Krzyzanowski, a plant and animal lover, was employed as a horticulturist at the Zoo since 1978 and was widely known and respected in Milwaukee's Lesbian community. She was an active volunteer with Full Moon Productions and ran a home painting and decorating business called Women at Work. Friends remembered her as a "positive, can-do" person with a "big heart" and as someone "deeply committed to her work."

Krzyzanowski is survived by her mother, Elizabeth, her brothers, Dennis and David, her sister-in-law Suzan, nieces,

a nephew, her canine companions "Cagney" and "Lacey," and many friends and co-workers. Family and friends recommend that contributions in her name be made to the Wisconsin Humane Society.



Stephen Hemming

Janesville native Stephen Hemming, one of the most prominent actors to grace stages throughout the Badger State, succumbed to complications of AIDS at his Milwaukee home April 19. He was 37 years old.

Hemming began performing with the Madison Repertory Theater while just a teen. In 1983, he started as an apprentice with the American Players Theatre. It was the beginning of an association that lasted until his death. Among the roles Hemming played with APT over the years were the title role of Tartuffe in Moliere's comedy, Duncan in *Macbeth*, Iago in *Othello*, and Doc Gibbs in *Our Town*.

At the Madison Rep, Hemming played Jack Worthing in *The Importance of Being Earnest*, John Barrymore in *I Hate Hamlet* and Richard Greatham in *Hayfever*. With the Milwaukee Repertory Theater from 1993-96, Hemming played the Ghost of Jacob Marley in *A Christmas Carol*, Philly Cullen in *Playboy of the Western World* and Stephen in *Six Characters in Search of an Author*.

Hemming also performed for The Great American Children's Theatre, Milwaukee Chamber Theatre, Next Act Theatre and the Fireside Dinner Theatre.

Hemming's partner, the actor Tony Clements, told the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*: "I don't know that I have ever known anyone who had such a passion for what they do. No matter how big or small a role, everything he had went into it."

Hemming is survived by Clements, his father James Hemming and his stepfather, Owen Snyder. The Milwaukee Repertory Theater will hold a memorial service/party for Hemming in its Powerhouse Theatre, 108 E. Wells St, Monday, May 6, at 7:30pm. The public is welcome. For information, call (414) 224-1761.

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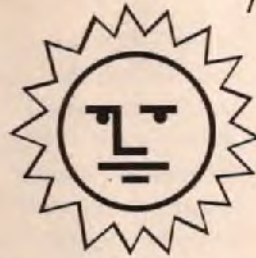
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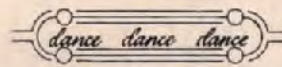
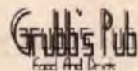
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by Marvin Liebman

A Walk Celebrating Gay History on Castro Street

Homosexual women and men have been part of the world since history has been recorded and, most likely, prior to that. It was not until the last quarter of the twentieth century - our own time - that Lesbians and Gay men began to live openly and proudly, against all the odds, and were prepared to fight for their rights. There is still the closet, of course, and the great majority of our brothers and sisters are still inside it, as they were for countless centuries, terrified of exposure, persecution, ridicule, and even death. But, we were always there - from the very beginning of time.

David and Jonathan, Plato, Alexander the Great, Sappho, Leonardo da Vinci, Erasmus, Michelangelo.

In this time of relative enlighten-

ment, it behooves us to celebrate our past. We will thus provide the present and future generations of Gay men and women with a living and enduring monument - to those of us who made major contributions to the world or who were celebrated in their time. My young friend, David Perry, who lives and works in San Francisco, has come up with an idea that I believe is feasible and worth exploring: a commemorative display on the paving stones of Castro Street, not unlike the Walk of Fame on Hollywood Boulevard.

Sir Francis Bacon, Christopher Marlowe, Queen Christina of Sweden, Frederick The Great.

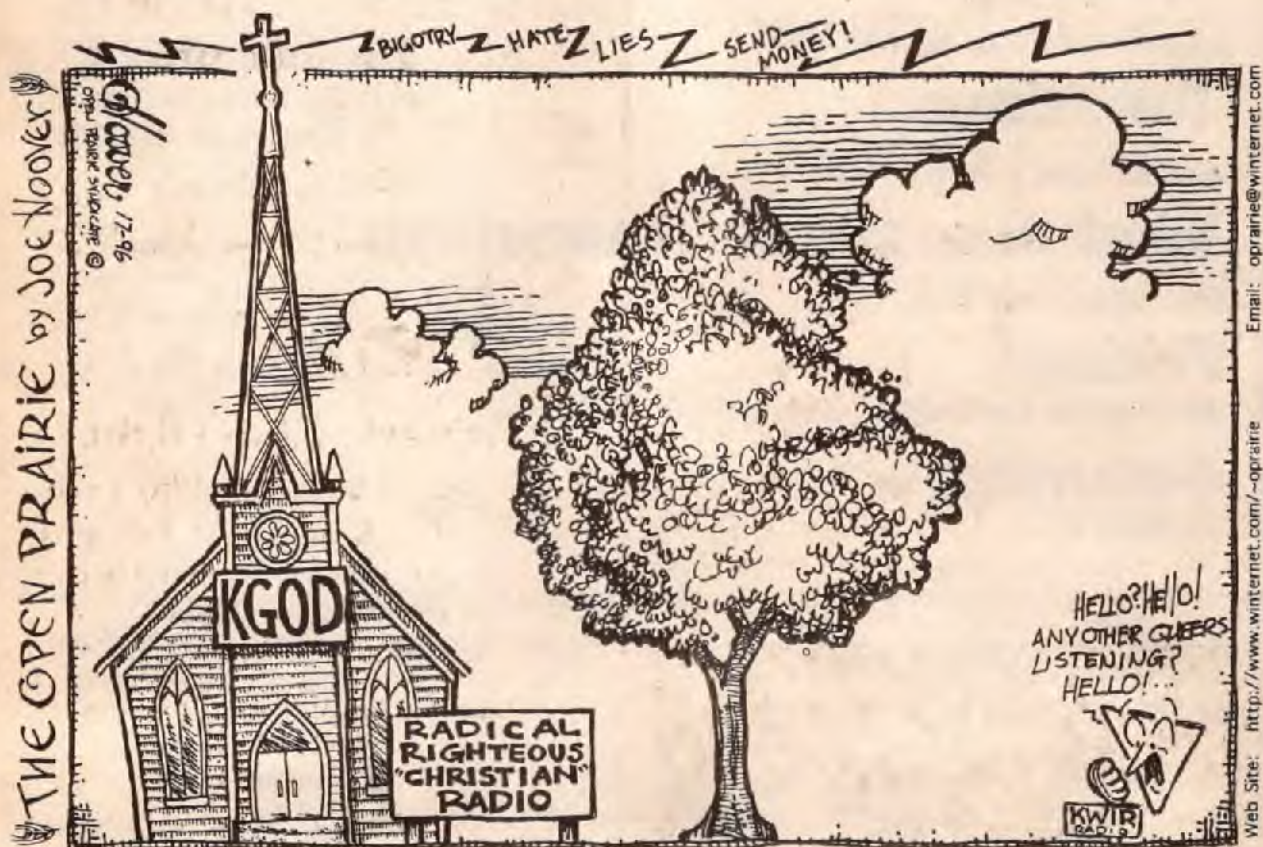
Each paving square would have a gold (or pink) triangle with the name of one of us who achieved fame in his

or her life and would encourage all who walked by to look down and appreciate our heritage. It could also be a national and international tourist attraction, which could revitalize the Castro and add substantially to the pleasures of San Francisco as a place to enjoy on foot.

Lord Byron, Herman Melville, Walt Whitman, Oscar Wilde, Tchaikovsky, Marcel Proust.

A PERFECT VENUE

How to pay for the Walk? In part by selling personalized bricks, engraved with the name of the purchaser, or in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate someone's own role model. These bricks would frame the triangle bearing the name of the man or woman to be



celebrated. The bricks would sell for \$50 or \$100 each with a certain percentage going towards the cost of repaving the Castro and another percentage going towards an AIDS or women's health-related non-profit organization. This would be a monument by, for, and about Gay and Lesbian people. Since San Francisco's Castro Street is known around the world, it is the perfect venue for such a project.

Willa Cather, Collette, Amy Lowell, Gertrude Stein, E. M. Forster, Virginia Woolf, John Maynard Keynes, T. E. Lawrence.

The Walk would cement the symbolic bond between the city, local merchants, and the Lesbian and Gay community of San Francisco, which has been a model of cooperation for the nation. It will require some funding from the city, and municipal laborers will help pave, install and maintain it. The Castro's merchants - from whose ranks rose Supervisor Harvey Milk - have supported the Gay community over the years. And San Francisco has three openly Gay supervisors: Tom Ammiano, Susan Leal, and Carol Migden (Migden was just elected to the California State Assembly). The new mayor, Willie Brown, Jr., has a decades-long history of support for Gay and Lesbian equality.

Jean Cocteau, Andre Gide, Bessie Smith, Christopher Isherwood, Noel Coward, Tennessee Williams, Benjamin Britten, W. H. Auden.

The Walk would be a continuing project with the names from the past and those of the recent present. No living person would be commemorated. A Board of Trustees would be established, and the organization would be a 501(c)3 group so that all contributions, including the cost of the bricks, would be tax-deductible.

James Baldwin, Leonard Bernstein, Yukio Mishima, Aaron Copland, Charles Laughton, Barbara Stanwyck, Rock Hudson, Liberace, Paul Monette.

Many of the great names of the past may not be authentic heroes. Most did not broadcast their homosexuality. But they will be commemorated on the Walk with pride because of their unique contributions to the world and to their time. All helped make it possible for subsequent generations to be more open, out, and active. They may not all be household names, but they will be recorded on the Walk so that we, who follow in their footsteps, will learn from those who paved the way.

Note: David Perry would like to develop this project and present it to Mayor Willie Brown, Jr., and the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. He welcomes any suggestions and comments. Call (415) 552 4786.

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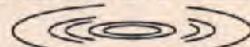
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Sheepshead (Milwaukee) Every Thursday Nights at 6:30 p.m. (5 handed call an Ace) at the 1100 Club, FMI 414/647-9950.

OUTreach Anonymous HIV Testing (Milwaukee): at the M&M Club, 124 N. Water Street from 9pm to 12am. Sponsored by BESTD Clinic and MAP. FMI call 414/225-1502 or 414/272-2144

Friday, May 3

Gay HIV Youth Conference (Milwaukee): Diverse and Resilient, sponsored by The Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Program, Sinai Samaritan Medical Center and St. Luke's Family Practice. FMI call Dana at 414/649-7701

GAMMA Circle (Milwaukee): Social starting at 7:00 p.m. Meet others and enjoy the evening, call 414/425-2146 FMI.

Faulkenberg: A Retrospective (Milwaukee): At the BESTD Clinic, 1240 East Brady Street, with public reception from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. The show continues through June.

MSO: John Corigliano (Milwaukee): Starting at 11:15am. FMI call 414/291-7605.

Saturday, May 4

GAMMA Fun Run (Milwaukee): A 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable East Side, followed by a stop for eating. Starts at 9am at the base of the Water Tower, call 414/425-2146 FMI.

MSO: John Corigliano (Milwaukee): Starting at 8pm. FMI call 414/291-7605.

Lesbian Health Symposium (Milwaukee): The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) Education Fund will present a Health Symposium FMI call the LAMM office at 414/264-2600.

"Tom of Finland" Party (Milwaukee): Sponsored by "The Firebirds" at the Boot camp. The party begins at 10pm to 2am. Prizes from the Tom of Finland Co. Boot Blacking & Tattooing. Don't forget to wear a Tom of Finland t-shirt if you have one!

Madison Wrestling Club: Practice/ Instruction. No experience required, 8:00 p.m., FMI 608/244-8675 (eves).

Mona for Possum Queen (Milwaukee): Benefit Show starting at 10pm, \$2 cover. Proceeds to Cream City Foundation and BESTD Clinic. Featuring: Sandy Beach, Starr E. Night, Maggie Mae, Ladybell Bradlee, Jessica and Adaly Drama. FMI call 414/383-2233.

Sunday, May 5

Bike Around Lake Wingra (Madison): Frontiers will have their "Bike Around Lake Wingra" event starting at 2:00 p.m. for information call David at 608/274-5959.

Mama Roux Possum Queen Rally! (Milwaukee): Ms. Nelly Mae Jones challenges all other possum queen contestants to a mud wrestling contest, place your bets and may the

strongest queen win! Event begins at 3pm at Mama Roux Bar located at 1875 N. Humboldt

Monday, May 6

Melrose Mondays at Manoeuvres (Madison): 150 South Blair Street.

Open Stage (Milwaukee): Alex Pekoe and Friends from 8pm to Midnite at the Walker's Point Cafe, 1106 S. 1st Street. FMI 414/384-7999

Tuesday, May 7

GAMMA Board Meeting (Milwaukee): Monthly Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. call 414/425-2146 FMI.

Mail Box Nite (Madison): Tuesdays are Manoeuvres' "Mail Box Nite" come join the fun located at 150 South Blair Street in Madison.

Wednesday, May 8

GAMMA Volleyball (Milwaukee): Open Volleyball tonight at UWM Engleman Gym, 8:00 p.m. call 414/425-2146 FMI.

Triangle Open House (Milwaukee): Give Aways, 50¢ tap beers. 135 E. National Ave.

OUTreach Anonymous HIV Testing (Milwaukee): at the La Cage, 801 S. 2nd Street from 10pm to 1am. Sponsored by BESTD Clinic and MAP. FMI call 414/225-1502 or 414/272-2144

Thursday, May 9

Possum Queen Drag Race (Milwaukee): First annual drag race to benefit Adaly Dramas run for the Possum Queen crown. Starting at 10:30pm at In Between, 625 South 2nd St. FMI call 414/273-2693

Stomp (Milwaukee): International percussion

group performs at the Riverside Theatre. FMI call 414/276-4545

The Queer Program (Milwaukee): on Milwaukee Warner Cable Channel 47 with co-hosts Michael Lisowski and Dan Fons.

Triangle Open House (Milwaukee): Give Aways, 50¢ Rail Drinks. 135 E. National Ave.

Friday, May 10

Dance America (Milwaukee): At Dance, Dance, Dance. If you want to strut your stuff on TV Gay Dance American will be filming. 801-807 S. 2nd Street. FMI 414/383-8330

The Reptile Palace Orchestra (Milwaukee): At Sts. Peter and Paul Auditorium, 2480 N. Cramer. Tickets are \$6 at the door or \$5 with a non perishable food donation. FMI call 414/567-1864

LesBiGay Film Night (Racine): Sponsored by We the People Book Club, featuring *A Question of Equality* starting at 7pm. FMI call Christine at 414/639-3872

Possum Queen Party (Milwaukee): Food, Fun and Prizes! at The Ballgame, 196 S. 2nd Street. Starting at 6pm till ????. FMI: 414/273-7474

Saturday, May 11

Athletic Club Night (Milwaukee): At Mama Roux, show current membership card to any athletic club for half price first drink, starts at 9pm

Madison Gay Video Club: "3rd Annual Safe Sex Awards", S.F. AIDS Foundation. "Bad Moon Rising", 8pm. FMI 608/244-8675 (eves).

Sheepshead Tournament (Milwaukee): (5 handed, call an ACE, Every 2nd & 4th Saturday) Tournament registration begins at 3:30 p.m. at 1100 Club, FMI 414/647-9950.

Don Giovanni (Milwaukee): The Florentine Opera Company closes 1995-1996 season with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's opera "Don Giovanni". For tickets and information call 414/273-7206.

Bridge for Everyone (Madison): Frontiers will have "Bridge for Everyone" event beginning at 7pm. FMI call David at 608/274-5959.

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Feature

The Celluloid Closet Opens Its Door

A Talk With Filmmakers Rob Epstein and Jeff Friedman

By Dale Reynolds

Until the 1990's, the history of how homosexuality was reflected in the movies had been pretty ignoble. Most Gay people who had positions of power in the American film industry felt trapped into playing out straight roles and couldn't or wouldn't bring positive Gay images to the screen — indeed, they often deliberately hurt the careers of other Gay people trying to break in: Gay casting directors could stop Gay actors; Gay network executives wouldn't hire Gay producers, etc. Hollywood's take on Gays was brilliantly dissected by the late Vito Russo in his landmark study of homosexuality in the cinema, *The Celluloid Closet*, now an important documentary feature.

Russo's major argument (based on a series of lectures he gave, illustrated with clips) was that since the country didn't

"You have to make a distinction between actors and moviestars. If you're the kind of actor who makes you forget you're watching an actor on screen (Streep, Hoffman, DeNiro, Redgrave), the public won't care a damn about your sexual orientation."

—Jeffrey Friedman

know how to deal with its sexual alternatives, neither did the studio system. Indeed, it wasn't until the independent film movement of the early 1980's that any positive images of Gay

men and women were allowed to be shown. So when Oscar-winning documentarians Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman decided to tackle the subject, it was in large part because of their friend Russo's badgering. And Gay Executive Producer Howard Rosenman acknowledges the same reason for his coming on board.

The Celluloid Closet covers a hundred years of Gay images in film, starting with a startling image of two men dancing, an 1895 demonstration of the new medium of film from Thomas Edison, of all people. Epstein and Friedman reached out for help from professionals such as Rosenman, where chips were called in and stars on the order of Tom Hanks, Shirley MacLaine, Whoopi Goldberg, and Susan Sarandon were brought on board to discuss the Gay roles they've played, with Lily Tomlin narrating Gay author Armistead Maupin's illustrative words.

AN EPIC STORY

Sony Pictures Classics is distributing this wonderful new film which the film-makers first screened at the Venice, and then at the Toronto Film Festival to enthusiastic audiences.

Epstein remembers, "We had offers from many of the major independent distributors. It's a carefully-crafted film and people love the opportunity to see such a wealth of movie material [as it] tells an epic story: 100 years of social history told through the most entertaining medium possible, Hollywood movies."

Friedman continues, "We tried to fashion our documentary the same way fiction works — within a dramatic structure. It takes you on a journey. By the time it's over you feel you're someplace else from when it started — a mind-boggling progression with twists and turns along the way."

Putting together *The Celluloid Closet* was extremely complicated. Not only did they have to get releases from the studios for all the clips which ended up in the film, there was the problem of deciding which clips would best represent the thematic or analytic point they wanted to make.

Friedman: "There might be five to pick from, and pacing and the overall shape was what we had to consider. Some

films just didn't fit into any specific place, so we couldn't find a place for them. We briefly considered using television images, but it would have become too unwieldy for a two-hour length. This was to be a recreation of a Hollywood movie."

Epstein, 40, and Friedman, 44, have been partnered since 1987, having met through mutual friends. Jeffrey had moved to San Francisco from New York in the early '80s. When he saw the early Gay documentary, *Word Is Out* (1977), he wanted to meet the film makers, so a friend introduced him to Robert, who went on to make the Oscar-winning documentary, *The Times of Harvey Milk* (with Richard Schmiechen) in 1984. The now-lovers then made another Oscar-winning documentary about AIDS, *Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt*, in 1989. Their production company (Telling Pictures) made a small PBS-funded roady video-documentary, *Where Are We?* in '92, interviewing people in the South and Southwest. "We used improvisation and freeform, which was needed and liberating after the stress of *Common Threads*."

STRUGGLE FOR FUNDS

There is some irony in that trying to raise the funds to produce the American Celluloid they had to turn to overseas investors from Britain (Channel 4) and Germany and France (ZDF/Arte), in addition to later monies from HBO, Hugh M. Hefner, James C. Hormel and Steve Tisch, plus over 4,000 individual donors, who contributed anywhere from 1/3 to 1/4 of the budget. Rosenman, 51, was brought on board as exec producer to essentially get the studios to hand over their images for free (a deal which didn't include the use of movie stills, however).

Michael Lumpkin, the former head of Frameline, the organization which runs the San Francisco Gay & Lesbian Film Festival, researched the rights to hundreds of films,



—Ruth (Mary-Louise Parker) and Idgie (Mary Stuart Masterson) the lesbian couple that wasn't in "Fried Green Tomatoes"

determining it would cost a fortune to pay for them. But because Rosenman got them for free, the overall costs of the



—Stephen Boyd and Charlton Heston in 1959 remake of "Ben-Hur"

film were kept to an extraordinarily low \$1.5 million. Rosenman relates that there was universal cooperation from every studio except one small one (now on the brink of bankruptcy) whom he declined to identify. Friedman had no such compunctions and readily acknowledged it was Goldwyn Studios, which eventually came around and gave permission to use its more recent titles.

But even with such a low sum, the producers didn't actually have enough to finish the film, so friend Lily Tomlin took it to HBO and then-network-head Michael Fuchs to ask them to invest (they had worked with her on the excellent cable version of *And The Band Played On*).

"They flew Lily, Howard, Rob, and myself to their New York City headquarters to give an hour-long presentation. Within 8 minutes of watching what we had, Fuchs asked, 'What do you need?' and we were off."

Fuchs came to their rescue primarily because of the pride he felt in having helped bring *Common Threads* to life, and "he believed in the subject matter — he saw it's importance."

The Celluloid Closet's significance lies in its comprehensive look at how society's attitudes about Gay people and sex roles in general have evolved over the course of this century. For the film-makers this is the first time those issues have been explored using mainstream pop culture to track the trends. Certainly, seeing the negative images from the past — Gay men being murdered, Lesbians committing suicide — you have to wonder how Gay people survived at all.

A NOTE OF HOPE

"That's why we end the film on a note of hope," says Epstein. "Vito used to end his presentation saying we Gay people shouldn't look to Hollywood to tell our stories; it should be left up to us. We end it with the emergence of young Gay independent film makers who [we] think are going to have an influence on the culture and on Hollywood."

What Russo's book and Epstein and Friedman's film have



—Some film critics see the Gay teen Plato played by Sal Mineo as the real rebel in "Rebel Without a Cause." Here he gazes at his hero Jim (James Dean).

done is to discuss the issue of homosexuality in the medium vs. those actors who might happen to be homosexual themselves. So there's no actual gossip in the film. But it does bring up the question of when, or if, Gay actors should make the plunge into outing themselves.

Friedman feels, "You have to make a distinction between actors and movie stars. If you're the kind of actor who makes you forget you're watching an actor on screen — Streep, Hoffman, DeNiro, Redgrave — the public won't care a damn about your sexual orientation. But in the case of movie stars whose success rests on the public's ability to project their sexual fantasy onto them, it does become more complicated."

And how important is it to have Gay actors come out at all?

"Visibility is important, and the more people in high-profile positions who feel comfortable being open about their orientation, the easier it will be for all of us. But it remains an individual choice about coming out. Hypocrisy of any kind is repulsive, and Gay people who use homophobia to keep their own sexuality in the closet are the lowest of the low. But most people don't care who's Gay. Even people who say they're against homos, once they meet one or realize one of their friends is Gay, then it's OK. They don't want to think about it directly, but most people have a basic decency and humanity about themselves, and on some very basic human level we do communicate — and it has nothing to do with prejudices. The way to transcend prejudice is to be human with one another."

Although they don't deal with AIDS in Celluloid, clearly it is impossible to be homo- or bi-sexual in America without acknowledging it as a major shaper of non-Gay attitudes about the Gay-Bi-Lesbian-Transgendered Community, as fractured as it often is.

Neither Epstein nor Friedman was willing to discuss personal involvement with HIV or the fight against AIDS, but

as Friedman willingly attests, "There are hopeful days and less hopeful days. It just seems to be a struggle which never ends — just as the struggle against homophobia never seems to end; the constant struggle for funding, where so much energy is spent treading water instead of making progress. Every time you turn around, you battle another anti-Gay rights initiative — it's so frustrating."

END OF STEREOTYPES?

Producer Rosenman is somewhat more upbeat on the subject: "Because of the hip upper-middle-class liberal milieu, the change is profound in acceptance of Gays and the de-stereotyping of the images of Gays. The incredibly high profile of the cultural burgeoning of Gay men's lifestyle reached its apex in 1979 and then AIDS changed everything. Funnily enough, the AIDS crisis has created a much more empathetic and sympathetic acceptance of us. It's served the tragedy of this holocaust-like plague, creating a level of acceptance from a lot of people, excluding of course the Buchanans and Dornans and Sheldons, who are evil masquerading as good."

Showbiz has never been historically liberal — it reflects the same cultural attitudes as society, with one major proviso: everything goes as long as you make a buck, Hollywood being money-, not social- driven. But as long as folk continue



—Patrice Donnelly and Mariel Hemingway in "Personal Best"

to attend alternative films, mostly now from the Independents — native as well as foreign — the greed factor will rise up in our favor and more films dealing with the LesBiGay reality will be made.

In the meantime, *The Celluloid Closet* acts as an important historical record of who we were, who we are, and who we hope to be.

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"Celluloid Closet" is Entertaining, Profound Documentary

"Hollywood, that great maker of myths, taught straight people what to think about Gay people and Gay people what to think about themselves."

The Celluloid Closet, the long-awaited documentary based on Vito Russo's research on the treatment of Gays and Lesbians in the movies, is as entertaining as it is profound.

Gay movie buffs will be thrilled at the incredible variety of film clips on display, from the silents through the New Queer Cinema of the 1990's. And they will likely be deeply moved by the history of how Gay people have been treated and mistreated on the silver screen.

Lily Tomlin narrates *The Celluloid Closet*, whose intelligent, perceptive script was penned by Gay author Armistead Maupin. Maupin and other literary and film luminaries like Harvey Fierstein, Susan Sarandon, Tom Hanks, Susie Bright, Tony Curtis, Gore Vidal and Shirley MacLaine offer incisive commentaries in between the fascinating array of movie clips.

The documentary illustrates how the "sissy" was perhaps the earliest of Hollywood's stock Gay characters, already in evidence during the silent film era. Before the censorious production code was established in the early 1930's, flamingly Gay characters and gender-bending images such as the cross-dressing Marlene Dietrich in *Morocco* amused and aroused Gay and straight viewers alike. (Dietrich is our stylish cover girl this issue.)

But with the Hays Code, the movie industry's effort at self-censorship, Gay and Lesbian characters and stories were banished from American screens. With *The Lost Weekend*, for instance, the narration notes, "a novel about a sexually confused alcoholic became a movie about an alcoholic with writer's block." With *Crossfire*, "a novel about Gay bashing and murder became a movie about anti-Semitism and murder."

When homosexuality was implied or depicted at all, it usually took the form of an evil or sinister character. A clip of Gloria Holden playing a predatory Lesbian in *Dracula's Daughter* is hysterically funny until one stops to think about the image it projected to mainstream audiences.

In the 1940's and '50's, Gay people watching movies became adept at looking for Queer subtexts. Here, the movie

shows everything from John Ireland and Montgomery Clift admiring each others' pistols in *Red River* to Judith Anderson fondling her dead mistress's clothes in *Rebecca* to Stephen Boyd gazing longingly at the unsuspecting Charlton Heston in *Ben Hur*. (Gore Vidal's story about Boyd slyly adding sexual tension to his relationship with Heston is worth the price of admission!)

The production code began to fade around 1960, so that filmmakers could begin to tackle movies with homosexual themes. But the early crop of movies like *Advise and Consent*, *The Children's Hour* and *Walk On the Wild Side* inevitably ended with the queer character's suicide or murder. Almost overnight, homosexuals had been transformed from victimizers to victims. One of the most chilling montages in *Celluloid Closet* contains numerous clips of Gay and Lesbian characters being killed, by themselves or by others.

A breakthrough of sorts came with *The Boys in the Band* in 1970. The narration notes, "Finally, Hollywood made a movie in which Gay people took a long, hard look at their own lives and, in a refreshing twist, they all survived." The wrenching revelation of one character in the film that "If we could just learn not to hate ourselves quite so very much," had great resonance for Gay people just establishing their own liberation movement.

Negative images of Gays and Lesbians have persisted, of course, with the lowest point perhaps being the brutal homo-hating film *Cruising* in 1980. And the *Celluloid Closet* casts a critical eye on such recent studio projects as *Fried Green Tomatoes* and even *Philadelphia*. But it ends in an upward arc, highlighting the many Gay and Lesbian-made films of the past ten years — many of them independently produced — which offer a broader, more honest perspective on Queer lives and love.

The Celluloid Closet is an impressive movie, enormously entertaining and also incredibly instructive. Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman have done an excellent job of interpreting Vito Russo's research. It's a movie not to be missed.

The Celluloid Closet opens at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre May 3.

OUT OF THE STARS

by C. Lichtenstein

Astrological Forecast for May

It's maypole time again kids, which can only mean that sultry summer is not too far away. This May will bring us some unusual surprises as a result of our actions and a renege Mercury that will make mince-meat out of our best turn of phrase. Best advice; Let your actions speak louder and prouder than your words.

ARIES (March 21- April 20)

Proud Rambos are usually fairly independent, but May brings a veritable planetary liberation with you as Che Guevera. There is an especially powerful force working behind the scenes

which could transform and overturn all that you hide and avoid in life. I recommend a good cleaning of the pipes where secrets and closets are concerned. Don't let it shake your self confidence.

TAURUS (April 21- May 21)

Don't be surprised if the planets serve you a hot steaming portion of corporate au jus. Mars is stirring up your public persona and the folks that you meet and greet could be very good (or very bad) for your career track. Choose your mentors wisely, my friend, think before you speak and communicate

very distinctly. This could be a make or break time professionally.

GEMINI (May 22- June 21)

Pink Twins will more than likely let the proverbial cat out of the bag when planets turn the screws on communications. Mercury practically broadcasts your darkest secrets and you'll be doing double duty to fix what your ruling planet has scratched. On the bright side, sometimes certain secrets hold you back from true happiness. Cats and people are often happiest out of the bag.

CANCER (June 22- July 23)

Queer Crabs are not the most outer directed, but this May you are out and about in far reaching, global ways. You may believe that your career is stalled because of recent problems. View these snags as opportunities to learn and succeed. The main thing is not to listen to the advice of friends. What is right for others may not be right for you. Go with your inner voice.

LEO (July 24- August 23)

If proud Lions are keen to climb that corporate ladder, it is best not to talk too much about it this month. Mercury will have a way of screwing up your best laid professional plans with the absolutely wrong comment at the exactly wrong time. Whine if you must among friends, but don't let the evil sharks smell your panic. Leos are great actor; Act Up a storm!

VIRGO (Aug. 24- Sept. 23)

If you are planning that great escape, make sure to check your reservations and itinerary at least twice. Plans may

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have a way of getting sidetracked and what you thought you'd get at the end of the rainbow is not what the travel agent promised. Never mind; any fun eventually will have some grand and surprising elements that will certainly make your life more interesting.

LIBRA (Sept. 24- Oct. 23)

This will be a time of great introspection but expect some static on the line, compliments of Mercury Sex may not be all that it's cracked up to be right now. Things have a way of looking less passionate in the morning light. Expect the unexpected; you never know when inspirational actions will cause the cork to pop in the champagne and you'll need to have a glass in hand.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24- Nov. 22)

If repartee with partners is a little...shall we say...strained, chalk it up to renegade, retrograde Mercury. This miserable old sod casts a fog between the two of you. If you're searching for a special someone, check out the merchandise carefully before you buy; right now you certainly have no idea of what you're gonna get. That jewel by the bar may make an awful house mate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23- Dec. 22)

Proud Archers feel like rats on a treadmill this month as work responsibilities become almost overwhelming. To make matters even worse, you won't accomplish as much as you would like or as much as you would expect considering the effort. Maybe it's time to get Out, take a well deserved vacation and view the bods on the beach. Don't leave a forwarding phone number...

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)

Fun was never so much trouble. The planets have a way of ruining the best of parties with misinterpretations and miscommunications. Queer Caps can better enjoy a day at work or a stint at the gym where at least you feel appreciated and at ease. It's better than spending too much money and effort on questionable

pastimes that, for now, provide little relaxation and enjoyment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21- Feb. 19)

If you thought about escaping to your safe cocoon at home, think again aqurian. Mercury stirs up a hornets nest in any home-related issues. What you say may not be what you mean or it could be misinterpreted. That means if you've been angling to talk to relatives about your lifestyle choice, wait until June when everyone is listening clearly. (Heck, it's Gay Pride month anyway.)

PISCES (Feb. 20- March 20)

Pink Fish may be ready, willing and able to fire off that seemingly perfect letter to the editor or to a government official, but give you muse a rest. Any feisty communication will not reach the intended target or will not have the expected effect. You certainly don't want to exacerbate or create problems, especially when it involves any charitable efforts for our community.

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KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

Here it is deadline week again. The next three days will be filled with my real job, eating, sleeping and laundry... and writing and photo processing labs and photographs and captions and phone calls to anyone with information on any events I wasn't able to be at myself and and and....

I know I've been too busy when I go through a whole load of laundry before I have the time to actually fold it, iron it and put it away. Or when I finally do get the clean laundry off my couch there are 5 dryer sheets that have accumulated. When the mail piles up to the height of a can of Dr. Pepper, or when I open my fridge and the only thing in there is a lonely jar of mustard shivering on the bottom shelf, I have been too busy. Have you heard the



-The one and only Singseasonals warm-up for their performance at the M&M Club. Photo: Jamie



-Enjoying the sounds of Singseasonal. Photo: Jamie

Busy, Busy, Busy

saying; burning the candle at both ends? It's a good thing that I have a long candle and that I (for the most part) enjoy those things that keep me busy.

Belated happy birthday to Sally & Sue from SASS in Green Bay! I miss you two. Last time I was in town I called the bar to see if you were around but no luck. Mother's Day weekend I will be goin' home (yup, you heard it, I'm goin' to see mom) to do the "family thing" so you can bet I will make a stop in Green Bay, probably Thursday night, to see everyone. Mark and Ken (ZA'S) you keep offering me a place to crash; I may take you up on that.

Going back a few weeks to April 11th, the WRECK ROOM brought in singer, Alex Lumelsky. After I went there on the 10th, I found out that there was a mix up in the dates so I went back the next night to shoot some photos. Lemelski performed for a cozy group of apprecia-



-One of my favorite strippers, Rod at Club 219. Photo: Jamie



—Cream City Chorus "Push 'em up girl!" Photo: Jamie

tive people. Later that week for the Oberons' Club night, there was a "Check out our Basket" raffle and beer bust, also held at WRECK ROOM.

Saturday, April 13th the CREAM CITY CHORUS performed "*The Gay Concert*" at the Marcus Center Vogel Hall. Lots of people showed up for the "anything goes" event. With push-up bras and Gay Pride Indian outfits, it was truly a colorful production.

More vocals could be heard as *Singsational* opened up the microphone for people with either enough talent or too many cocktails at M&M. If you think you've got what it takes, watch for the next time *Singsational* will be at M&M and "give it a go".

Miss Walker's Point Cafe Pageant was held at 3B'S Sunday, April 14th. Seven contestants worked their hearts out to take home the Miss Walker's Point tiara. In the end it was Daja Night as the title-holder for 1996.

It was a weekend of dancing and fundraising at JUST US. April 20th, from 1:00 to 4:00pm there was 2-step dance lessons for only \$5. Later that day at the War Memorial, a *Country Dance Benefit* was held to raise money for the Men's and Women's Support Group Programs of THE COUNSELING CENTER OF MILWAUKEE. The following day it was brunch at JUST US. Money raised there went to the *Shoreline Dancers*.



—Part of the cozy crowd at the Wreck Room enjoying the sounds of Alen Limelski. Photo: Jamie



—Miss Walker's Point (L-R) Vanity Fair, Dajia Night, Vanessa Tereze. Photo: Jamie

In the spirit of Possum Queen Season, Bill Wardlow (TRIANGLE) came up with a few "names" that are still available for any of you late entries. Here are a few to choose from; *Ginger Vitis*, *Lynn Oleum*, *Anna Tomical*, *Eileen Overchairs*, *Angie O. Plasti*, *June O. Park* and I know of a particular Baron-Showgirl-Wanna-be, that could use the name *Raceeda Hairline*. So there you have it, if those don't strike your fancy ask Bill, I'm sure he has plenty more to choose from. Thanks to Vicki and her group of friends from the MAD HATTER,

(Wausau) for stopping to see me Sunday. It was great to see you. I look forward to visiting you and everyone in Wausau this summer.

Until next time, support your favorite *Possum Queen* and as always, slower traffic keep right.

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HUMOR

by Kevin Isom

Liz and Barbara's Magic (Montgomery and Eden, That Is)

Elizabeth Montgomery and Barbara Eden had it all. They were blond, beautiful, and had secret lives with men. Samantha Stevens of "Bewitched" tried to keep her magic hidden in the Stevens household. Jeannie of "I Dream of Jeannie" kept hers pretty much in a bottle, when she wasn't cruising uniformed NASA men at a military base.

When I was growing up, I didn't go to movies much. I didn't know Bette Davis from Sammy Davis. But I did watch TV after school, at a time when "Bewitched" and "Jeannie" had reached syndication heaven. Sure, there were "The Beverly Hillbillies," and Donna Douglas was a babe, but "Bewitched" and "Jeannie" were the two shows I liked the most.

As a child who was bright and different and pretty—a fatal flaw in my all boys school, I'd already created a dream world to escape from my classmates' taunts. My classmates stuck me with nicknames ranging from "Mighty Isis" (a Saturday morning Egyptian goddess super hero to whom my name bore an unfortunate resemblance) to some far less flattering ones.

I even had a secret alter ego in my dream world, a beautiful blue-eyed blonde girl whom I imagined interacting with certain boys in the ways I sensed I would have liked to, but would never dare to admit. She disappeared from my con-

sciousness around the time I realized I was gay, when I no longer needed her as an outlet.

It was only natural, then, that I would feel an empathy for Samantha and Jeannie. Just as I kept my feelings and imaginings secret, so too they hid their powers from the world. Like me, they were good, people with secrets. But their magic facilitated their romantic relationships with the men they had fallen in love with.

I always felt a strange liking for Barbara Eden's pajama outfit as Jeannie. Little did I know that in later years I would see variations of the same outfit at gay circuit parties. When she wasn't in genie garb, Barbara Eden was a glamorous blonde, with just the right mix of confidence and charming unawareness of the power she had over men around her. That was the way I wanted to be. As their obvious love for each other developed against Major Tony Nelson's better judgment, you knew that they were somehow made for each other, and that eventually their love would work out okay. That was the way I wanted to be. And when she said "Oh, Master!", "Yes, Master!", "Of course, Master!" I felt vaguely uncomfortable. I would later learn a new term for this: S & M.

Elizabeth Montgomery provided an intelligent version of Jeannie. She was cool, chic, and beautiful. Everything about her was perfect—except that she wanted to give up her magical powers to do housework. If I were to marry a Darren, I could somehow imagine my mother's reactions being much like those of Endora. As things later turned out, my own mother's reactions were far less severe, though I think she would have liked to turn my ex-boyfriend into a donkey from time to time. When every now and then Darren became frustrated with his life's topsiturnviness and wished he'd never married Samantha, I somehow felt a kinship, not knowing that in many ways I could feel the same feelings once I got into my own relationships and realized how difficult it can be to be gay and to be happy in a relationship. I learned from the Stevens household that being closeted doesn't work: you can't hide your magic and expect to be thoroughly happy.

Elizabeth Montgomery and Barbara Eden touched chords in me that I couldn't understand at the time, as I watched them blink and twitch their very glamorous noses on my television screen. It remained only for me to find my own magic, and my own happiness with a man.

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INSIDE OUT

by Yvonne Zipter

Getting old is a hard sell. I mean, really, what has it got to recommend itself? Watching your body parts rust and conk out like a Honda Civic, four months after the warranty runs out? Noticing how your scalp shines through your thinning gray hair? Channeling the money you used to spend on GAP Wear and cheesecake into a retirement account?

On the other hand, of course, what choice does one have — other than Dr. Kevorkian, I mean?

The one saving grace of getting on in years is that you are supposed to gain wisdom. You can see, of course, just how well this theory holds true for the likes of Elizabeth Taylor, Pat Buchanan, and

Jesse Helms. Oh yeah, they're regular King Solomons, alright.

But in truth, I know that I am, in fact, more wise than I used to be. For instance, I now know that it's probably not especially prudent to leave one's luggage unattended in the Port Authority bus terminal in New York; that voting for Shirley Chisholm in your first presidential election will set you up for a lifetime of political disappointments; and that driving yourself home from the bar after several Long Island iced teas is perhaps not the smartest thing to do.

It is in the realm of the heart, though, that I particularly feel like I've wised up. I don't like to admit it, but I truly made some bad judgments in my younger years about girlfriends. Most often, it was simply a matter of choosing someone with very different values from mine and thinking that we could nevertheless make it work.

But really, what was I thinking? What ever possessed me to believe that I could form a long-lasting relationship with a woman who was an antifeminist? A woman who didn't much enjoy reading or eating? A cigarette-smoking S/M'er? A woman with a husband? Sure, for someone else, these might be the perfect mates—but me? I repeat, What was I thinking?

But I have finally wised up and found just the right significant other for moi—i.e., a woman with whom I can discuss the possibility of both of us taking the last name of "Monkeyface."

Even in the realm of celebrity crushes—although generally not deemed as genuine measures of one's wisdom given that we're operating in the realm of fantasy here—even there, I felt I had wised up. Gone are the days, as I've mentioned before, when I might find myself sighing longingly over the likes of Pippi

Longstocking, Connie Stevens, and Nancy Sinatra.

Who makes my heart skip a beat now when she walks on stage or across the screen? My substantially more respectable heartthrobs are now, for example, k. d. lang and Emma Thompson. Despite the fact that one's tastes change over the years, I can't imagine how I could ever be embarrassed by getting doe-eyed over a woman who routinely does Shakespeare and has written Jane Austen into a screenplay. Now there's class. And, of course, she's an absolute babe.

However, I have recently suffered a setback in my steady upward ascent in choice making. Yes, I have actually backslid. I don't know how to explain it, I am loathe to admit it, and I denied it to even myself for a long time, but (here it comes): I think Kathie Lee Gifford is *cute* (pronounced *key-yoot*). Yes, it was a shock to me too.

How could I, a woman who now has rather discerning tastes, who is getting older — and, ergo, wiser, as we know — find herself attracted to this pathologically perky godgirl? Howard Stern has gone so far as to call her the Antichrist.

Although frankly, I do find that a little confusing: if Kathie Lee is the Antichrist, who the heck is Stern? I thought *he* was the Antichrist. Whichever way you decide to call that one, though, you have to admit that she looks way better in a dress than hedoes. Maybe it's been said before, but if so it bears repeating: Howard Stern puts the *drag* in "drag queen."

But c'mon: the woman is like a talking Barbie, like Betty Crocker stepping down off the cardboard box, like June Cleaver's neighbor lady, like an animatronic Disney representation of the

Life's a Drag

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1950s ideal woman.

What can I be thinking? And yet, when I see that warm little smile while she coaxes me to take an ocean cruise, my heart simply melts. I try to console myself by feeling it could be worse: if I had to fall for an emotive godgirl, thank god it was her—and not Tammy Fay.

Such rationalizations aside, I wanted reassurance that I am not the only one to harbor such a guilt-ridden attraction, so I began my asking my gal if there was anyone she was embarrassed to admit she found attractive.

"You mean like Urkel?" she responded, clearly not taking my question seriously.

I tried to pin her down, to make her fess up, but she claims she has no reason for embarrassment in the world of celebrity crushes.

I asked another friend of mine if she had such a skeleton in her heartthrob closet, and she admitted that she had always found Danny Kaye extremely beautiful. I thought about asking another friend, but I couldn't imagine she'd have anything to offer having once readily admitted to, and without prompting, being fond of Donny Osmond. If that didn't make her blush, I couldn't imagine what would sort of confession would.

So where does this leave me? In spite of the fact that I have gotten very little support by others offering up sheepish admissions of their own, I refuse to believe that I am alone in this. I know that out there somewhere, someone reading this column keeps it to herself that the sight of Suzanne Somers or Queen Elizabeth gives her a pleasant little tingle, that right now, there is someone who hides the fact that he gets a trifle hot and bothered when the news features C. Everett Koop or Clarence Thomas. I refuse to worry about this little backsliding of mine—unless, that is, I suddenly realize that I have also been carrying a subconscious torch for Tori Spelling. Next thing you know, I'll be looking for hip huggers again, too.


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by Hofmann

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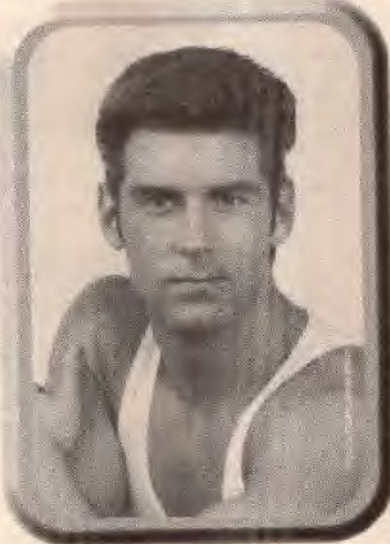
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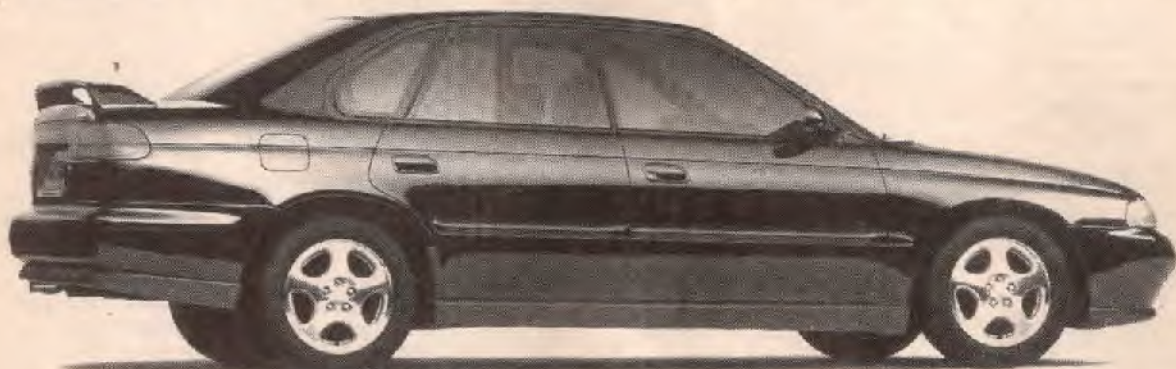
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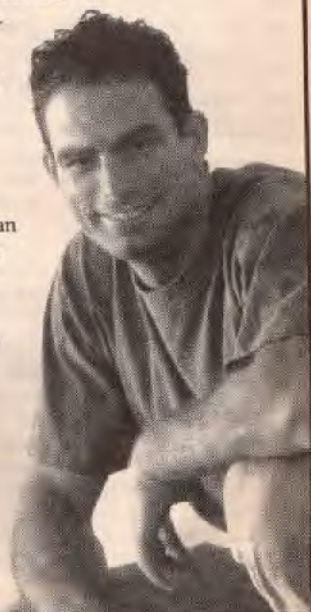
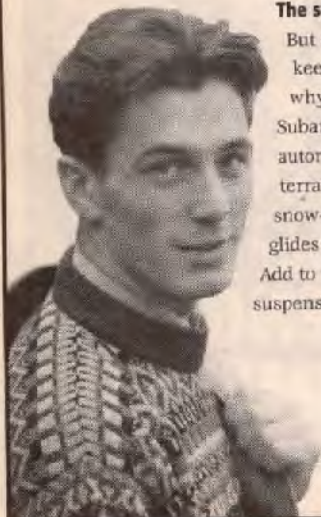
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