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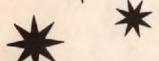
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Gunderson Bows Out Again; Blames Anti-Gay Bigotry

by Jamakaya

Eau Claire — In an emotional news conference in Eau Claire July 31, US Rep. Steve Gunderson, the openly Gay member of Congress representing Wisconsin's 3rd District, announced that he would not seek re-election and asked his supporters to stop pursuing a write-in campaign on his behalf.

Gunderson cited as a primary reason for his withdrawal the homophobia of political colleagues and an alleged attempt at "character assassination" by conservative forces out to "destroy" him with the rumor that he has AIDS.

"It has come to my attention," Gunderson said, "that conservative social groups in this country, led by Paul Weyrich, have informed the Speaker [Newt Gingrich] they would initiate a major independent expenditure against me ... that these people were prepared to do whatever was necessary to not only defeat me, but destroy me."

"I have been informed these groups were going to make allegations regarding my health status and AIDS. I have been informed that they were going to engage in other elements of character assassination."

Gunderson labeled as "ridiculous" rumors that either he or his partner, Rob Morris, have AIDS, and said, "unfortunately, this is about much more than that."

"Ladies and gentlemen," Gunderson continued, "the real-

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REP. STEVE GUNDERSON

ity is that to some people in this country, the possibility of someone who is openly gay assuming the chair of a major



Committee in Congress somehow legitimizes their personal life. And sadly, they could not accept that."

Gunderson was referring to his potential chairmanship of the powerful House Agriculture Committee should he be reelected and the Republican Party maintain its majority status in the House of Representatives this fall. This was his main reason for reneging on an earlier pledge to retire from his House seat after the current term expires.

Gunderson felt that winning another term would put him in an extremely influential position regarding farm policy — farming being the lifeblood of his western Wisconsin district — so, failing to file formal nomination papers by July 9, he encouraged the write-in effort. But while still maintaining he

would not run, two other GOP candidates, Jim Harsdorf and Myron Holley, had declared their intentions to seek the Republican nomination for the 3rd District seat.

Gunderson's on-again, off-again candidacy caused much consternation in state GOP Party circles. The state party chairman as well as Gunderson's colleague, Rep. James Sensenbrenner, voiced their concerns that a write-in candidacy could divide Republican votes in the 3rd District and lead to a Democratic victory. Pressure grew for Gunderson to withdraw.

At his Eau Claire press conference, Gunderson spoke bitterly about the efforts to push him out of the race. "Recently," he said, "we have witnessed some of the most intense and mean-spirited activity I have seen throughout my political career."

"I have had my differences with Republican Party officials before," he said. "But, never have I witnessed a State (with the chance to obtain the Chairmanship of the Agriculture Committee) engage in such strong and strident efforts to make sure it didn't happen."

"In some ways this marks a victory for bigotry and discrimination," Gunderson said of his withdrawal. "I honestly had no idea how badly some people want to get rid of me, simply for being who I am. On the other hand, when people

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-GUNDERSON

realize the extent to which the voices of hatred and intolerance will go to achieve their goals, then maybe this will serve as a wake-up call for the rest of us."

"It was because of the hatred and intolerance growing in this country that we [he and Morris] felt compelled to stand up and speak out. This sad experience marks only another reason why we all must do so."

GOP leaders denied Gunderson's charges of homophobia. R.J. Johnson, Executive Director of the state Republican Party, said that Gunderson had, until recently, been widely respected and that the only thing causing people's frustration was not his homosexuality but his extensive "naval-pondering" over whether or not to run.

Sensenbrenner told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's Craig Gilbert: "My problem is not with Steve or his record or his lifestyle, but the fact that he put himself in an untenable position ... had Steve decided to file the papers and have his name placed on the ballot, had he wanted me to support him, I would have supported him."

In a blistering editorial, the *Journal-Sentinel* also criticized Gunderson for his "dithering." "If Gunderson wants to know who to blame for the end of his career, he need look no further than his mirror...It was a cranky way to bow out of a campaign that Gunderson, if he had shown more foresight, could probably have won."

Nabozny Wins Appeals Court Case

Wisconsin School Can Be Sued for Failure to Protect Against Anti-Gay Assaults

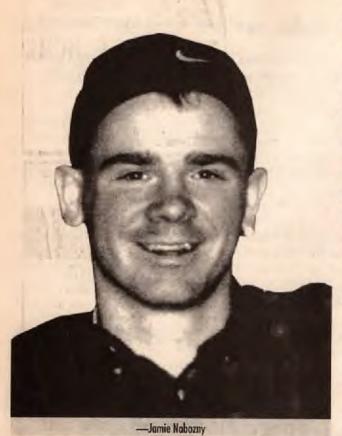
by Jamakaya

Chicago, IL — In a landmark case that could improve the lives of gay and lesbian youth in the nation's schools, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals ruled July 31 in favor of former Wisconsinite Jamie Nabozny, who sued the Ashland school district for failing to protect him from constant antigay assaults and harassment while he was a student.

The appeal (Nabozny v. Podlesny) was brought by Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund and is the first of its kind to challenge anti-gay violence in the nation's schools. The decision reversed a lower court's ruling throwing the case out and remanded it back to the federal district court in Madison for trial.

Lambda attorney Patricia M. Logue, who argued the appeal, said, "This ruling in favor of Jamie Nabozny is spectacular news for young lesbians and gay men facing violence and harassment in their schools. It means the federal consti-





tution requires schools to offer gay students the same protections and safety given other students. This may seem obvious, but school officials regularly deny young lesbians and gay men refuge from violence."

A jubilant Nabozny said: "I hope the thousands of other gay teens forced to live through this kind of terror will be

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-JAMIE NABOZNY

encouraged by my victory and will not give up. I feel like someone has finally recognized that it was the violence that was the problem, not me or my sexual orientation, and I am deeply grateful."

"There's already been an insurance company contacting Lambda asking for advice on how to prevent violence against Gay kids in some school system," Nabozny told *In Step*, "so it looks like this appeals court ruling is already having a positive effect."

During his four-year ordeal in the middle and high schools in his hometown of Ashland in northern Wisconsin, Nabozny and his parents repeatedly asked the schools to safeguard him from his attackers, but school officials told them that Nabozny had to learn to expect such abuse because he is gay.

During one assault that resulted in injuries requiring surgery, ten students surrounded Nabozny while another stu-

"Young lesbians and gay men have the right to a safe education."

- LAMBDA DIRECTOR BEATRICE DOHRN

dent wearing boots repeatedly kicked him in the stomach. Another time, students urinated on him, and in another instance, students pushed him to the floor and acted out a mock rape. Nabozny attempted suicide several times and finally ran away to escape the abuse.

"America's heartland is on notice that its schools are responsible for the security of their gay as well as non-gay students," Logue said. She said the ruling directly affects courts in Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin and will be influential nationwide.

"This decision sends a message to every school district in the country not to sweep problems of anti-gay violence under the rug," said Lambda Legal Director Beatrice Dohrn. "This is a pervasive problem that all schools must face. Young lesbians and gay men have the right to a safe education."

WHAT HAPPENS NOW

Nabozny, now 20 years old, sued his high school, but his case was thrown out in federal district court in Madison in 1995 when Judge John Shabazz ruled there was insufficient evidence to proceed to a trial. Lambda represented Nabozny in his appeal of that ruling before a panel of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago. The court ruled that Nabozny could pursue his gender and sexual orientation discrimination claims under the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution.

Unless the school district petitions the full Seventh Circuit or the US Supreme Court for review, the reversal of the district court decision means that Nabozny can now take his case to trial to establish the school's liability.

Nabozny said the next move was up to the Ashland Schools and their insurance company. The possibility exists that they will be willing to offer a settlement, which Nabozny says he will be happy to consider.

"I'm hoping for a settlement, to be honest, because it will sure make my life a lot easier," Nabozny confessed. "Lambda believes we've already set a significant precedent at the appeals court level in the sense that Gay students treated like me will have the right to sue in federal court for damages. We don't really need to go any farther at this point."

Nabozny moved from Ashland and settled in Minneapolis, where he plans to attend school. But this summer he has been working at a car dealership in New Jersey, a job he picked up from someone he met at a Lambda fundraising dinner on the east coast.

Everything's too fast out here — the traffic, the people, everything. The whole mentality of people out here is really different."

But for now, the New Jersey location is especially convenient because Nabozny needs to be available for meetings in New York with agents who are attempting to close deals on a book about Nabozny's experience and a movie version of his case.

This fall, Nabozny will be traveling and speaking along with Greg Louganis and a young Lesbian from Salt Lake City (who fought a ban on Gay student groups there) in a program called the "Back to School Campaign" sponsored by the Gay/Lesbian/Straight Teachers Network. Its purpose is to raise consciousness about the struggles of gay youth among both students and teachers.

"Anything more I can do to help other gay kids not go through what I did — count me in," Nabozny said.

Statewide Gay Youth Hotline Launched

by Jim W. Lautenbach

Milwaukee — A group of Milwaukee young people soon will be spending a lot of time on the telephone. However, these particular young people won't be gossiping with friends or ordering pizza. They'll be manning the lines of the Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline, the state's first telephone hotline for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) youth.

"Most people that call just need to hear someone's voice and need to know they're not alone,"

-BEN, AGE 17

The Hotline is a collaboration between Gay Youth Milwaukee and the Brady East STD Clinic. Beginning August 2, these 14 young volunteers will begin taking calls at 272–TEEN in Milwaukee and 1-888–GAY–TEEN outside of Milwaukee.

"We've been planning to do something like this for a long time so people like us who are just coming out can have somebody to talk to," said Fidel, 17, a member of Gay Youth Milwaukee who will be one of the hotline counselors. Every Friday and Saturday night from 7 to 11 p.m., two peer counselors—one boy and one girl—and an adult supervisor will operate two phone lines.

The peer counselors recently completed a week-long training that addressed



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issues such as confidentiality, crisis intervention, available resources, good judgment, communication skills and active listening. They say they are ready to help young people who currently are going through problems that the counselors have experienced already.

"We've been there before. We know the problems that people go through," said Gracie, 17. "We know it's a lot easier to talk to somebody about your problems than not having anyone there at all."

The organizers—including Michael Lisowski, who directs Gay Youth Milwaukee—have been working on the Hotline project for over 3 months. It eventually was made possible by a grant awarded through the Diverse and Resilient Project, a collaborative effort of the Wisconsin HIV/AIDS Program, Sinai Samaritan Medical Center and the St. Luke's Family Practice Residency Program. The





Diverse and Resilient grant was designed to encourage programs that address the HIV prevention needs of LGBT young people.

According to the grant application, which Lisowski wrote, "The Hotline project will attempt to confront a primary barrier to 'coming out'—isolation. By providing safe access for LGBT youth to connect with their peers, the Hotline can provide that first step in reducing the risk of HIV infection by directly impacting the barriers of fear and isolation."

The Diverse and Resilient Project also included a conference held last May that over 100 youth-serving professionals and LGBT young people attended. At the conference, several young people were invited to speak about their experiences growing up gay and coming out. James, 21, a Gay Youth Milwaukee member who spoke at the conference, feels this was one factor in securing the grant.

"People there heard the things that had happened to us," he said. "We were chosen because people didn't want these things to continue."

Although they have had close to 20 hours of training, the peer counselors acknowledge that the most important

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ROSS WALKER, BESTD CLINIC

thing they are likely to offer is their time and support.

"Most people that call just need to hear someone's voice and need to know they're not alone," said Ben, 17.

Koren, 17, agreed. "Basically, we'll talk about what they want to talk about because they'll call to talk. So, whatever is on their mind, you go with that. Maybe you help them with something, like if there's a sort of crisis, you try to help them get out of it and get out of danger. Maybe you help them find a place to stay."

"Basically, you be there for them—someone who will listen, someone who will tell them they're not wrong,"

The Milwaukee Hotline will be modeled after the Indianapolis Youth Group national hotline, the first of its

kind. That hotline has operated for close to 10 years on the premise that LGBT young people need to connect with peers to break down the isolation that prevents them from developing their sexual identity in a healthy way. This, in turn, helps LGBT youth begin to build and nurture positive self-esteem.

According to organizers, the official goals of the Milwaukee Hotline are similar to those of the Indianapolis hotline and include providing free information to LGBT youth; reducing and breaking down their isolation and providing them support, especially during the coming out process; providing them information about HIV and risk reduction and offering them referrals to resources statewide. However, the peer counselors say their goals are more simple.

"We want to help people," said Nikki, 19, who, with Fidel, will work the phone lines the first night.

"We want to let every last gay kid in Wisconsin finally know there's a place they can call where there's someone else like them," Ben added.

Many of the peer counselors said they wanted to get involved in the Hotline project because they were not able to find a similar resource when they were coming out. All the peer counselors agreed that they would have used the Hotline if it had been available to them in the past.

"I think I might use it now when I'm not working on it," Gracie said.

Others felt drawn to volunteer so they could help people in the same way others helped them. "I don't have a lot of time on my schedule," said Kris, 22, "but I feel like this is something I have to do. It's almost like something we can give back." The Brady East STD Clinic has assisted the Hotline project by providing meeting space, acting as fiscal agent and offering general support. Ross Walker of the Clinic said he was happy to help and is anxious to see how the Hotline will do.

"I think gay youth (are) one overlooked group as far as information is concerned," he said. "Gay Youth Milwaukee has been meeting here regularly for a while, so when we were approached to help with the Hotline, it seemed the natural thing to do."

Even though some of their friends have predicted they won't get many calls, the peer counselors remain optimistic that the Hotline will become a popular service. They expect many young people from all over the state to call. In the future, they hope they will be able to expand the service, adding more lines and more nights and giving it more exposure.

However, the Diverse and Resilient grant will cover expenses only until September. Organizers will begin applying for other grant sources to continue the Hotline past September 30. The peer counselors are hopeful the project will continue.

"We need support," Gracie said.
"We need people to donate."

The peer counselors say they will remain committed as long as the current funding remains available. And after that?

"As long as it takes," said Kris, speaking for the whole group.



by Jamakaya, Keith Clark and William Attewell

Arizona Congressman Comes Out Under Pressure

Tucson, AZ — Rep. Jim Kolbe, a six term Republican Congressman from Arizona, has publicly acknowledged that he is gay. Kolbe, 54, who is running for re-election this fall, said "The fact that I am gay has never, nor will it ever, change my commitment to represent all the people of Arizona's 5th District."

Kolbe said he was pressured to reveal his sexual orientation by Gays and Lesbians who were angered that he voted in support of the Defense of Marriage Act in July. DOMA places restrictions on same sex marriage. Kolbe said he was also acting to pre-empt the news of his sexuality being revealed by a national Gay publication.

Kolbe said he was relieved rather than angry about having to announce his sexual orientation. Speculation about his sexuality had circulated in his district and in Congressional circles for years. Kolbe, who was once married and then divorced, said he had been growing more open about his sexuality in recent years.

Arizona Republican colleagues came to Kolbe's defense. Sens. John McCain and Jon Kyl described him as a dedicated and effective legislator. "What he does in his private life is his business," said Rep. Bob Stump. "He is probably the most hard-working member of all the [Arizona] delegation. I mean, there is no one more diligent about what he does than Jim."

Kolbe has high approval ratings in his southern Arizona district and, in his most recent re-election campaigns, has faced only token opposition. In addition, he is not the only openly gay elected official in Arizona. There is also Democrat Ken Cheuvront, who became a member of the Arizona House of Representatives in 1994.

"I don't think it will be a problem for him," said Cheuvront. "My orientation has never really been a problem in terms of dealing with any of my colleagues or constituents."

Kolbe is the fourth Congressman to publicly reveal his homosexuality. The others are Wisconsin's Steve Gunderson (R) and Massachusetts' Gerry Studds (D), both retiring this year, and Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA), who is expected to win re-election.

At the conclusion of his statement, Kolbe said: "That I am a gay person has never affected the way that I legislate...I am the same person, one who has spent many years struggling to relieve the tax burden for families, balance the budget for our children's future, and improve the quality of life we cherish in Southern Arizona. I intend to continue that mission if the voters of the 5th District, in their wisdom, decide that I should represent them in the 105th Congress."

Half of Fortune 500 Companies Protect Gays

Washington, DC — The Human Rights Campaign has issued a report indicating that 251 of America's Fortune 500 companies have policies forbidding job discrimination based on sexual orientation.

But, in a statement issued just days before a Congressional hearing on the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), HRC cautioned that this figure is but a small percentage of the 6.8 million private and public employers in the US. Only nine states — Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Hawaii, New Jersey, Connecticut, California, Rhode Island, Minnesota and Vermont — have laws prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation.

"It is perfectly legal in 41 states for employers to fire workers merely for being gay or lesbian — something most people don't even realize and something most people also think is wrong," said HRC Director Elizabeth Birch. "That's why it is critically important for Congress to pass the ENDA, which would outlaw job discrimination based on sexual orientation."

Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MA) has pledged to introduce ENDA as an amendment to the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) when it reaches the Senate floor in coming weeks. Since many supporters of DOMA (which places restrictions on same sex marriage) claim they are not anti-Gay, adding ENDA to the bill will force them to reveal their true feelings and, Gay advocates hope, add a Gay-positive measure to an otherwise bitter pill.

HRC's report, "The State of the Workplace for Gay and Lesbian Americans," found that 251 of the Fortune 500 companies — including Time-Warner, American Express, Walt Disney, Coca-Cola, Levi Strauss, Quaker Oats, Reebok, Sara Lee, Johnson & Johnson, Eastman Kodak and Pfizer — have non-discrimination policies that include gay men and lesbians. Ninety-one Fortune 500 firms — including Nike, Pennzoil and Chrysler — do not have such policies, and 158 others did not answer HRC's survey.

In addition, HRC identified 313 companies that have adopted same sex domestic partner benefits, 165 cities and counties that prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, and 103 companies that have gay and lesbian employee support groups.

"The atmosphere fostered by such policies," Birch argued, "increases productivity and profits by allowing a company to tap the skills and talents of all mem-

bers of the workforce."

Murder of Lesbian Couple Featured on "America's Most Wanted"

Washington, DC — A July episode of the real-life crime solving show, "America's Most Wanted," featured the slashing murders of a Lesbian couple, Lollie Winans and Julianne Williams, who were hiking and camping along the Appalachian Trail in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. Their bodies were found at their isolated campsite on June 1.

The National Park Service and the FBI have been tight-lipped about the circumstances of the murders, but the appearance of law enforcement officials on "America's Most Wanted" suggests their investigation may be stymied. They used the show to appeal to the public for information and clues.

Following airing of the show, an FBI agent spoke more candidly to a reporter for the Washington Blade. He said the FBI is looking into the possibility that two suspects may be responsible for the killings. He based this on the facts that the two victims were very physically fit but there was no struggle at the scene of the crime and both women's hands were bound before their throats were slashed. A lone assailant, agent John Donahue said, "would have to have been very strong to have controlled the situation."

The FBI is also looking into the possibility that the killers may have known the women or that they may have stalked the women for awhile before attacking. This idea is based on the fact that the women were camping in an extremely isolated area, unlikely to be detected by any mere passers-by. In addition, the women were not robbed and none of their possessions appear to be missing.

A Virginia newspaper reported that the Winans/Williams slayings bear some resemblance to the murders of another female couple, also apparently Lesbians, along Colonial Parkway in York, VA in 1986. The women had rope burns on their wrists and necks and were strangled and then slashed in the throats. Their bodies were found in their car which had been steered down an embankment in an isolated "lovers lane" area.

There are three other unsolved cases of heterosexual couples being killed together under similar circumstances at various locations near park lands in Virginia in 1987, '88 and '89. Investigators are reviewing those cases as well. Meanwhile, Attorney General Janet Reno has said that all motives, including the possibility of an anti-Gay motivated attack, are being considered in the Winans/Williams case.

Also on the Newswire...

Congress Nixes Discharge of Soldiers with HIV

Washington, DC — Both Houses of Congress, meeting in conference committee, have deleted a provision in the 1997 defense authorization bill that would have required the discharge of soldiers who test positive for HIV. The measure was added as an amendment by anti-Gay Rep. Bob Dornan (R-CA). A similar amendment was repealed earlier this year.

Stephanopoulos to Speak at Gay Convention

Washington, DC — Senior Presidential advisor George Stephanopoulos will address "OutVote '96," the Gay political convention in Chicago August 16-18. Elizabeth Birch of the Human Rights Campaign, the event's sponsor, commented: "Recognizing that the President's relationship with the gay and lesbian community has been strained in some quarters, we see Stephanopoulos' appearance as strang evidence that the President wants to continue the dialogue with gay and lesbian voters."

University of Maryland Says No to Partner Benefits

Baltimore, MD — The Board of Regents of the University of Maryland System has voted to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation throughout UM campuses. But the Regents rejected a proposal that would have extended modest benefits, such as library privileges and tuition remission, to the domestic partners — gay and straight — of unmarried students and faculty.

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Christian Coalition Sued for Illegal Aid to Political Campaigns

Washington, DC — The Federal Election Commission has sued the Christian Coalition, charging that the group violated the provisions of its non-profit status by providing illegal support to the political campaigns of various conservative candidates, including Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC), Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-GA) and failed Virginia Senatorial candidate Oliver North. These candidates and others promoted by the Christian Coalition have taken strong positions against gay and lesbian rights.

The Federal Election Commission (FEC) is a bipartisan body, with equal representation by Democrats and Republicans. The vote to sue the Christian Coalition was unanimous and took place following the conclusion of a four year-long investigation into the group's political work. The lawsuit comes as the Coalition is preparing to distribute up to 85 million voter guides to churches throughout the country in advance of this November's elections.

The FEC claims that the Christian Coalition's non-profit and non-partisan status is a sham and that it has used voter guides, mail and telephone solicitations and other methods to work for the election of right wing candidates in elections held in 1990, 1992 and 1994. It is illegal for most non-profit organizations like the Christian Coalition to endorse or contribute to political candidates (unless they set up separate political action committees).

The FEC charges that the money channeled into political campaign work by the Christian Coalition amounted to illegal donations which

were never reported, as required, to federal authorities. The Coalition is accused of working directly with the Republican Senatorial Committee, the Jesse Helms Re-Election campaign and others in developing and distributing its literature.

The Coalition contends its political work is only educational. "We are absolutely and totally confident that we will be fully vindicated," said Coalition Director Ralph Reed, "and the courts will affirm that people of faith have every right to be involved as citizens and voters."

But Barry Lynn, Director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, praised the FEC's action, saying: "The Christian Coalition from Day One has been a hardball political operation cloaked in religiosity."

Second Court Finds Internet "Decency" Act Unconsitutional

New York, NY — For the second time in as many months, a federal court has ruled that the Communications Decency Act of 1996, designed to prevent "indecent or patently offensive" material from reaching the eyes of minors using the Internet, is an unconstitutional violation of First Amendment free speech rights. The lawsuit was filed by the editor of an electronic newspaper, The American Reporter.

On July 29, a panel of three federal judges in New York granted a temporary injunction against enforcement of the law's provisions. The law orders prison terms of up to two years and fines of a quarter million dollars for anyone found guilty of transmitting any words or images through cyberspace deemed to be "indecent or patently offensive." The judges said the wording of the law was too broad and could have the effect of chilling free speech rights.

In June, a federal court came to the same conclusion after a coalition of 20 groups, including AIDS education and Gay organizations, challenged the law's constitutionality. AIDS and Gay activists joined with civil liberties groups for fear the law would be used to squelch the discussion of AIDS education and Gay issues and sexuality on the Internet.

The Communications Decency Act was passed by Congress and signed by President Clinton in February. It was adopted in response to conservative and religious groups who complained that sexually explicit content was too easily accessible to minors online. Proponents argued the Internet needs to be regulated like radio or TV. Opponents say it is more akin to spoken or telephone communication, which should not be subject to government interference.

Gay Group Plans Protests at GOP Convention in San Diego

San Diego, CA — Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender VOICES '96 recently scored a victory in US District Court in San Diego against the Republican National Committee (RNC) which had sought to move the "free speech zone" for demonstrations during the week of the GOP convention. Federal Judge Rudi Brewster ruled that the City of San Diego acted unconstitutionally when it moved the designated free "speech zone" 300 yards away from the San Diego Convention Center simply to placate the Republican Party.

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Foundation of San Diego and Imperial Counties represented VOICES '96, the San Diego County Chapter of

"Saved by the Bell's" Mario Lopez to Star in Louganis Bio-Pic

Hollywood, CA — Mario Lopez, 22, who was a regular on NBC's "Saved By the Bell", will star in USA Network's "Breaking the Surface: The Greg Louganis Story." The movie, based on the diver's autobiography, chronicles the life of the four-time Olympic gold medalist, from his difficult childhood through his diving superstardom and closeted gay life, as well as his dealing with an HIV-positive diagnosis. The movie begins production Aug. 15 and is expected to premiere on USA in March or April.

ACLU Lobbies for Warning to Boy Scouts

Chicago, IL - Attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois said Tuesday that they have asked governmental agencies that charter Boy Scout troops to formally warn Scouting officials about a loss of support if the organization continues to practice what the ACLU says are discriminatory policies. The request after a February ruling by the Chicago Commission on Human Relations that the Chicago Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America discriminated when it told a gay man, who was represented by the ACLU, not to apply for a job. That action violated the city's humanrights ordinance, which bars discrimination against people because of race, gender, age, religion, sexual orientation and other factors.

"Celluloid Closet" Grabs Emmy Nominations

Los Angeles, CA — "The Cellulaid Closet," the film documentary about the treatment of gays and lesbians in movies which was first aired on HBO in January and then released in theaters, has been nominated for several Emmy Awards, including for Outstanding Informational Special and for the President's Award. The Emmy Awards, bestawed for excellence in television, will be presented at a September 8th ceremony and will be aired on ABC.

the National Organization for Women (NOW) and the Chicano Federation of San Diego County, co-plaintiffs in the suit against the RNC and the City of San Diego.

ACLU official Jordan Budd said: "Judge Brewster ruled that the RNC's veto of the Police Department's designated speech venue was an unconstitutional act of censorship, and struck it down. The judge strongly endorsed the First Amendment principle of 'scrupulous neutrality' in the regulation of free speech, and ruled that the City

of San Diego could not give the RNC the right to relegate its critics to a more distant venue, simply to divert attention from their message."

The coalition has secured permits for four events at the designated "free speech zone." On August 12, the opening night of the convention, a Lesbian. Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Rally will be held, preceded by a march from nearby Pantoja Park, with speakers such as Melinda Paras, Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and Candace Gingrich, spokesperson for the Human Rights Campaign. On August 13, an AIDS rally is planned at the site. The next afternoon, a Queer Youth SpeakOut will be held. On the closing night of the convention, VOIC-ES '96 will be part of a "Voices for Justice Coalition March and Rally."

For more information on the GOP protests, call (619) 296-1179; FAX (619) 296-2462, or e-mail: LGBTVOICES@aol.com.

Ann Landers to Gays: Rights, Yes; Marriage, No

New York, NY — In a column published in 2,000 papers worldwide on July 21, advice maven Ann Landers responded to a question about her position on same gender marriage, saying that gay couples deserve the rights marriage offers but not the license itself.

Landers was responding to a letter from a Lesbian who described herself and her "wife" as being "hard-working professionals who pay our taxes and vote regularly" but who are deprived of their full civil rights in obtaining "the benefits of marriage."

Landers wrote: "I believe same-sex couples should be entitled to the legal rights that married couples enjoy...I also believe that same sex couples should be free from discrimination in housing and

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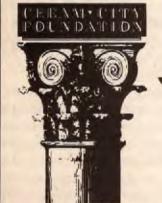
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employment and should have the right to legal protection against harassment. But that is as far as I want to go. I define marriage as a union between a man and a woman."

"Before you Gay rights folks land on me with both feet," Landers continued, "I would like to remind you that I have been supportive of your movement for many years, have withstood a great deal of criticism in the process and have risked the wrath of editors and publishers."

Nevertheless, Landers said, "I cannot support same sex marriage because it flies in the face of cultural and traditional family life as we have known it for centuries."

Dornan Snipes at Barney Frank's Companion

Washington, DC — Herb Moses, the male partner of Congressman Barney Frank, has authored a fundraising letter in support of Rep. Bob Dornan's Democratic opponent after the notoriously anti-Gay Dornan attacked him on the floor of the House. Dornan declared: "I know I speak for most members when I state that the only Moses we like to hear about on this House floor is our Moses of Exodus...Moses of the Ten Commandments, I am beyond annoyance hearing on this House floor about Herb Moses or Rob Morris [Rep. Steve Gunderson's companion]. Why must we hear about 45-year-old and fiftyish boyfriends?" When informed of Moses' campaign against his re-election, Dornan invited Moses to his district: "Maybe he can wear a dress." Moses responded: "That's hilarious. I'm 6 feet tall, weigh 190 pounds and have a beard. He has a pretty strange idea of what homosexuals look like."

David Clarenbach Departs from Victory Fund

Washington, DC — Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund Executive Director David Clarenbach announced his departure from that position effective August 9, 1996 to pursue other professional opportunities. The Victory Fund Board of Directors



has appointed board member and former Victory
Fund candidate Jonathan Wilson as Interim
Executive Director while a search for a permanent
Executive Director is being conducted.

Asserting to Victory Fund coachair Joy

According to Victory Fund co-chair Joy Tomchin of New York, "In his year as our Executive Director, David provided the Victory Fund with essential administrative and financial management and austerity. He has accomplished much toward ensuring that the Victory Fund is a highly successful, effective, and well-run organization with a healthy and stable financial condition. David will be sincerely missed and the board of directors wishes him well."

The Victory Fund Board has asked Clarenbach to serve as a management and policy advisor to the Victory Fund during the transition and search process. As members of the Victory Fund delegation to Chicago during the Democratic National Convention, Wilson and Clarenbach will take part in joint gay and lesbian community activities, including a major event honoring openly gay and lesbian delegates to be held on August 28 at the new Museum of Contemporary Arts. Clarenbach will also participate in activities

Gay Couple Gets Foster Parent Award

Eldora, IA — Gair Bridges and Ron Travis, a gay couple of 26 years standing, have been named as the state's Outstanding Foster Parents by the lawa Foster Parents and Adoptive Parents Association. Since becoming registered as foster parents in 1989, Bridges and Travis have provided a home to 13 boys, ranging in age from 2 to 18, all of whom have had Attention Deficit Disorder.

American Express Offers Partners Benefits

Minneapolis, MN — American Express
Chairman Harvey Golub has sent a letter to all
68,000 American Express employees worldwide
announcing that as of January, 1997 the company will extend health benefits — including
dental, medical and vision care — to the same
sex domestic partners of its workers. Golub said
the benefits policy was adopted to "help us
attract and retain outstanding people."

North Carolina Group Cancels "La Cage" Performance

Raleigh, NC — Fearing the loss of local government funding, a Raleigh theater campany has canceled a musical about homosexual lovers. In an incident that echoes Charlotte's struggle over Charlotte Repertory Theatre's production of the play "Angels in America" earlier this year, the directors of the N.C. Theatre have brought down the curtain on "La Cage Aux Folles" before it could even be raised. In Raleigh, N.C. Theatre, the state's biggest-budget professional theater company, had scheduled "La Cage" for its 1997 season. But the company's directors worried that they might offend one of their biggest patrons the Raleigh City Council.

surrounding the Republican National Convention in San Diego, including LGBT VOICES '96 and the National Log Cabin Club Convention.

12th Victim of Suspected Serial Killer Found

Norfolk, VA — A nude body found on the shoulder of a dead-end road in Deep Creek, Virginia could be the 12th victim of a serial killer who has preyed on transient and homosexual men since 1987, authorities said. The body was identified as that of Andrew "Andre" D. Smith, 38, of Portsmouth.

Shortly after the body was discovered, members of the multi-agency Serial Killer Task Force were summoned to the scene. They were joined by other Chesapeake detectives and at least one agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, whose members have been assisting the task force.

A police spokeswoman said the killing hasn't been officially linked to the serial killings of 11 men, but said it 'bears many similarities' to the others.

While most victims were gay or had ties to the gay community; some were not. One was married; another was living with a woman. All, however, were known to keep late hours and unpredictable schedules. Many were transients. It was the victims' lifestyles that first linked the cases.

In mid-1993, investigators from several jurisdictions began comparing cases and determined that the deaths of seven men were probably linked to a common killer. The Serial Killer Task Force has spent thousands of hours tracking the killer, but its efforts have not yet produced a prime suspect.

Court Asked to Decide Custody Between Murderer, Lesbian

Tallahassee, FL — A Florida appeals court has been asked to strike down a lower court ruling that removed a child from the home of her lesbian mother and gave custody to her father, a convicted killer. The Florida First District Court of Appeals heard arguments in the appeal of Mary Ward, who lost custody of her 10-year-old daughter, Cassie, last September.

The child was removed by state circuit court Judge Joseph Tarbuck, who said Ward's lesbian relationship was detrimental to the child. She was given to John Ward, Mary's ex-husband, who was convicted 22 years ago of the murder of his first wife and now is married to his fourth wife. Mary Ward, who in 1994 filed suit to

increase child support payments,

appealed Tarbuck's decision.

Edward Fleming, attorney for John Ward, argued that Tarbuck's decision was not based on Mary Ward's lesbian relationship but on the conduct within the home, where Mary Ward lived with her partner, Margorie Wright. He said Cassie's living situation had changed drastically since Ward originally was awarded custody in 1992.

"It's undisputed that Mary Ward was a single parent living alone with her daughter," Fleming said. 'Also undisputed is that at the time the judge made this ruling, Mary Ward was co-habitating with her lesbian lover."

The three-judge panel gave no indication when it might rule in the case. Attorneys for John Ward would not comment following oral arguments. Accompanied by Wright, a tearful Ward said after the arguments

she hoped for a speedy decision and the return of her daughter, whom she sees often.

"The day last September when I lost custody of my daughter was one of darkest in my life," Ward said. "Despite having raised her from birth and being her primary caretaker for her entire life, I lost her because I'm a lesbian in a committed relationship."

Latino Group to Focus on HIV Prevention with Retreat

Washington, DC — Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Health Communications Programs, The National Latino/a Lesbian and Gay Organization (LLEGO) has laid the foundation for the first national prevention campaign created by and for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender (LGBT) Latinos.

The Cultura Es Vida (Culture is Life) Community Organization Retreat was conceived as an exploration of Latino culture and the unique experience of LGBT Latinos/as in the United States and Puerto Rico. The event will be held in Austin, Texas on August 13-18, 1996.

The program is intended to be a national effort for Latinos/as to faciliate the opening of the path for the creation of innovative stretgies to curb the spread of HIV in Latino LGBT communities.

"Austin will be the city where the philosophy of Cultura Es Vida will be planted in the minds and hearts of our leaders," said Martin Ornelas-Quintero, Executive Director of National LLEGO.

For more information, contact LLEGO at 1612 K. Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC. 20006 or call 202/466-8240. 1000ger

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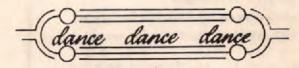
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Kyle R. Leisten



Kyle R. Leisten died on August 1, 1996 after a four-teen year journey with AIDS. He returned to Milwaukee in January 1996 after living in New York for eight years. He was most involved with AIDS charities, enjoyed culture, music, fine cuisine, antiques, art and nature.

He is survived by his beloved companion James (Boris) Cigan of eleven years, sister Gina and two brothers

Eric and Adam, and a few and supportive friends. His parents are Allen and Kathleen Leisten and George Dalzin.

Donations in memory of Kyle can be made to "Friends In Deed" of New York, a non-profit community offering emotional support for people living with life-threatening illnesses, in care of James Cigan 1006 E. State St, Milwaukee, WI 53202. Kyle grew profoundly through their help. Funeral services private.

Dancer Chris Komar 1947 - 1996 "A Dynamo of Graceful Motion"

Milwaukee born dancer Chris Komar, who went on to fame with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company in New York, died of AIDS complications in Manhattan July 17. He was 47 years old.

Komar attended UW-Milwaukee where he obtained a bachelor's degree in dance. He then taught for the UW-M dance program and became a founding member of the Milwaukee Ballet Company.

According to his friend Jeff Poniewaz, Komar became enamored of the dance style of Merce Cunningham after the dance company spent a week-in-residence at UW-Milwaukee in 1970. Komar moved to New York in 1971 to study under Cunningham. The following year he became a member of the Cunningham troupe and, a year later, began teaching at the Cunningham studio. Initially he assisted Cunningham with dance workshops held across the US and Europe; later he facilitated such workshops himself.

During a career that stretched until his retirement from performance in 1993, Komar created roles in more than 45 dances by Cunningham and choreographed numerous dances himself. Until his illness struck, it was widely perceived that he was being groomed to take over artistic directorship of the troupe. Komar received a "Bessie" Award in 1991 for his service to dance. At the time of his death, he was working on a book of dance notations based on Cunningham's style.

Komar is survived by his lover, Art Becofsky of New York, his mother, Pearl Graef, and two sisters and three brothers — all of the Milwaukee area. A memorial service and burial took place in Milwaukee July 23.

Poniewaz said of his friend: "It was truly strange to see Chris lying absolutely still in his coffin at the funeral — a man who was such a dynamo of graceful motion in dance and in life."

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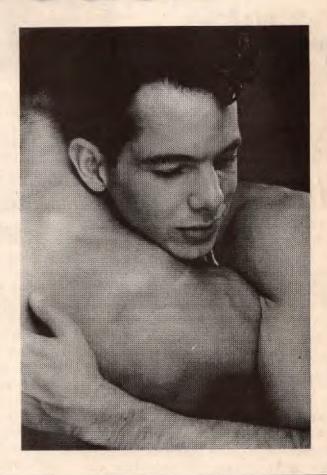
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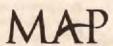
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Dane County Offers Breast Cancer Screening for Lesbians

Madison — The Public Health Division of Dane County is offering health screenings to low income women over 50 who are without health insurance. The Wisconsin Women's Cancer Control Program is doing special outreach to Lesbians, who are at greater risk for breast cancer and who can sometimes be treated insensitively by health care workers.

The program's focus is on promoting early detection through screenings. According to the Wisconsin Division of Health, when breast cancer is detected early, survival rates increase by up to 94%. Regular mammograms and monthly breast self-exams increase the chances any cancer will be detected early. The same is true of cervical cancer, which can often be detected early on through a simple Pap test. The program is of particular assistance to Lesbians on Medicare, which does not cover these tests annually.

The program is not only a means of assuring that older Lesbians receive the screenings they need but as a means of education, according to program coordinator Kathleen Krchnavek. If you are a Lesbian age 50 or older, with little or no health insurance, and meet the income guidelines, you may be eligible for such free screenings.

For more information on the Cancer Control Program or on the monthly Lesbian Health Issues Workshop, call 608/242-6392.

Annual Gay & Lesbian Bar Competition Kicks Off for AIDS Walk

Milwaukee — Register for AIDS Walk Wisconsin as a member of your favorite bar's Walk team and help win the second annual gay and lesbian bar competition. Last year the friendly competition among Milwaukee's gay and lesbian bars raised over \$17,000 and over 400 individuals participated.

Walk organizers are hoping that this year will be even more successful with several new bars signed-up for the competition. Bars that participated last year include Mama Roux, M&M Club, Just Us, This Is It, Kathy's Nut Hut, Fannies, Triangle, B's, La Cage, Renez Coz-Corner, 1100 Club, Cafe Melange and Loose Ends. Similar competitions are in place in Madison and Green Bay.

More than 6500 people and 735 teams have already to participate in the seventh annual AIDS Walk Wisconsin, Sunday, September 22 beginning at Milwaukee's lakefront. Bette Midler is this year's Honorary Chair. AIDS Walk Wisconsin is produced by the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. and benefits 16 AIDS education and service providers throughout the state.

In addition to the prizes available to individual walkers, the gay and lesbian bar competition features a grand prize of two round trip tickets to South Beach, Fla. and hotel accommodations for the bar team member who turns in the most amount of money on September 22. The team which raises the most money will be honored with a plaque, and a prize will be awarded to the top team captain.

To register, contact your favorite bar or call 1-800-348-WALK and asked to be registered with a bar team. If you have already registered for the Walk, you may be added to a team roster by calling 1-800-348-WALK. Check out our web site at http://www.netgains.com/aidswalkwisc.

La Crosse LesBiGay Pride Dance

La Crosse — A La Crosse area LesBiGay Pride Dance is scheduled for Saturday, August 24th from 7 pm to 12 midnight at the Rainbow Ridge Farms a Lesbian owned/operated bed and breakfast located in Onalaska, WI.

There is no cost for the event, but donations are gratefully accepted to continue the youth activities and community development efforts of the "La Crosse Alliance for HIV/AIDS



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Prevention for Youth Dealing with issues of Sexual Orientation".

The "alliance" was formed in June of this year after receiving a mini-grant through the Diverse & Resilient Project. The sponsoring agency is the Coulee Region YWCA, with significant support also coming from the La Crosse County Health Department and other organizations in the community (i.e. Rainbow Revolution Book Store and UWL Diversity Center).

We are doing everything we can to find additional sources of funding to continue our efforts past the end of the minigrant period (Sept 30, 1996). We would greatly appreciate any support the Wisconsin LesBiGay community can offer-suggestion on possible funding sources, technical assistance on issues such as community organizing, and grass roots fundraising, and of course, donations. Contact Marilyn Levin at 608-783-1242 with suggestions, support or questions. Donations would go through the Coulee Region YWCA, 103 10th Ave South, Onalaska, WI 54650; 608-781-2783. For directions to the dance call 608-783-8181.

Mr. Great Lakes Drummer Location and Date Changed

Columbus, OH — The Mr. Great Lakes Drummer regional has been moved to Columbus, Ohio and will take place over the weekend of August 23, 1996 according to the event's producers, Boy Toy Productions, Inc.

The weekend will start with a "Meet the Contestants" night at Tradewinds II from 10:00 pm to 2:30 am on August 23. A BBQ and beer bust will be held Saturday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Outland. The Mr. Great Lakes Drummer contest will be held at Herby's Tavern at 9:30 pm Saturday, August 24. Reserved seating and general admission tickets can be purchased in advance for \$10.00 and \$7.00 respectively. Reserved seating tickets will include special cocktail seating near the stage with dedicated waiter service. I.M.R.U. will host a Drummer Tough Customer Party following the contest.

Contestants must reside in the Great Lakes region which includes the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin. For contestant information or to purchase advance tickets write Boy Toy Productions, Inc. PO Box 06419 Columbus, Ohio 43206 or call 614-470-0231.

Eighth Assembly Candidates Forum

Milwaukee — The Community Election Coalition '96 will be hosting an open forum on Milwaukee Access Telecommunications Authority (MATA), on Thursday, August 8, 1996. Please consult your local cable listing for exact time and cable channel. Forum participants will consist of an assemblage of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans gender leaders; and the Eighth Assembly Candidates. Community elec-

tion coalition '96 primary objective is to monitor the candidates and their candidacy. We achieve this by submitting various surveys to candidates and sponsoring open forums that allow us to address questions and issues that are of concern to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans gender community. We would like you to come out and support the Community Election Coalition '96.

Midwest Womyn's Autumn Fest Announces New Location

De Kalb, IL — The second annual Midwest Womyn's Autumn Fest would like to announce a new location. This second annual festival will take place in De Kalb, IL at Katz Park on E. Dresser Rd. A map and directions can be obtained at your local ticket outlet. The date of the festival will be September 1, 1996, Sunday of Labor Day weekend. Featured performers include Alix Dobkin, Deidre Mc Calla, Susan Herrick, Jamie Anderson, and many more! The Midwest Womyn's Autumn Fest is the only outdoor womyn's music and culture festival in Illinois.

We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with all aspects of planning and implementing this event. Work crews are now forming for parking, security, set up, stage work and more. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$32 at the gate; this price includes admission to all performances, workshops, movies,

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For more information, or to volunteer, call Ann or Joan at Athena Productions 815-748-5359 or send a SASE to Athena Productions, 217 S. 2nd Street #193, De Kalb, IL 60115.

Lesbian Variety Show Set for August 24

Milwaukee — The Lesbians Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund proudly presents its annual variety show "Starry Starry Night, "August 24, 7:30 pm at the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway. In its third year, the show's an annual who's who of the Lesbian and Gay entertainment.

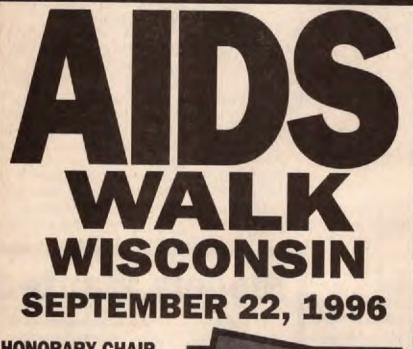
Some acts scheduled to appear include: The Shoreline Dancers, Lo Jo Russo, Linda Smith, Stardust and Lu Shanti. There will also be a special sneak preview screening of "Visible Women, Invisible Lives," a short educational video produced by the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee. An after party will be held upstairs at the Broadway Theatre, so plan to stay out all night and watch the stars.

The show is traditionally a sell out, so get your tickets soon. Call the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund at 414-264-2600 and charge tickets by phone or send a SASE to the lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund.

Tickets are available from LAM-MEF by sending a SASE to P.O. Box 93323, Milwaukee, 53203 with your check for \$15.00 per ticket, charge orders require a \$1 per ticket transaction fee. Tickets at the door will be \$18. Tickets may also be purchased at Just Us Bar, The Designing Men's Store, Outpost Foods, Highwind Books and AfterWords Book Store.

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Seeking: Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth

Milwaukee — In June 1996, \$25,000.00 in mini-grants was awarded to five Wisconsin youth-serving organizations to create or enhance HIV/AIDS prevention programs. This money was distributed by Diverse and Resilient, a conference and mini-grant program funded by the Wisconsin AIDS/HIV program.

Diverse and Resilient recently received funding for a second conference and mini-grant program. New gay, lesbian, and bisexual team members are needed to plan and evaluate this second conference. Youth aged 14-24 are eligible to join this dynamic group which will focus on the HIV/AIDS prevention needs of their peers.

These youth should be able to meet six hours per month, have some experience working in small groups, and be interested in helping gay, lesbian, and bisexual youth of Wisconsin. Team members will receive some training in small group dynamics, event planning and an \$8.00 per hour stipend.

The one-day conference, Diverse and Resilient team members will evaluate the conference, work with minigrant applications and ultimately award five more \$5,000.00 mini-grants.

This is an excellent opportunity for youth to get involved in HIV/AIDS preventing for their peers, learn about group dynamics, conference planning and grant funding.

For more information and a simple application, please contact: Gary Hollander, Ph.D. St. Luke's Family Practice Residency Program, 2901 W. Kinnickinnic River Parkway, #175, Milwaukee, WI 53215 or call (414) 649-6825.

Test Positive Aware Network Names Executive Director

Chicago — Long-term survivor Phillips K. Matthews to lead \$1.2 millions AIDS agency Test positive Aware Network has hired Phillips K. Matthews as its executive director. Matthews begins his new position August 26, He succeeds Michael D. Thurnherr, who died of AIDS on March 24.

Matthews is currently the acting executive director of the People with AIDS Coalition of New York, where he previously served as Director of Development & Communications. PWAC New York is one of the largest community-based organizations in the U.S. devoted to self-empowerment of people living with AIDS and HIV.

According to TPA Network President Alan W. Tuckey, Matthews emerged from an intensive search by McCormack & Associates of Los Angeles as a candidate in whom both Board members and staff identified the qualities of leadership, management ability, and knowledge of HIV/AIDS issues required to lead TPA Network.

"We are delighted that Phillips Matthews will be the next executive director of TPA Network on the path to excellence in information and support programs for persons impacted by HIV," said Tuckey.

Matthews, who has been living with HIV for 14 years, said, "I am truly honored to have been chosen to provide leadership in a vital AIDS organization with the national stature of TPA Network. I feel very fortunate to be able to continue to work within the self-empowerment movement which provides the resources for people living with AIDS and HIV to lead longer and healthier lives. I am eagerly looking forward to coming to TPA Network and the Chicago community."

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

by Arlene Zarembka

he Democrats should stop whining about Republicans and DOMA. The mantra of Democrats who voted for DOMA seems to be, "The Republicans made us do it." Nonsense. Those Democrats who voted for DOMA (or other anti-marriage bills in state legislatures) are responsible for their own actions. For the Democrats to complain because they have to vote on a civil rights issue is childish. After all, politics is about voting, including voting on controversial issues.

One might have at least expected liberal Democrats to vote against DOMA. Certainly many did, but many other so-called liberals showed the backbone of an amoeba. Some "liberals" who voted for DOMA, like Karen McCarthy of Missouri, don't even have an election opponent. Not surprisingly, African-American politicians generally understood far more readily than did white "liberal" politicians that voting for DOMA was the same as voting for racist legislation: there is no excuse for doing so. Cynthia McKinney of Georgia, for example, an African-American woman who risks losing her

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Holding Politicians Accountable

seat because her district has been redrawn to make it more conservative, voted against DOMA.

The Democratic leadership and their allies are re-writing history almost as quickly as it is occurring. They try to pretend Republicans are the bad guys on DOMA and other anti-marriage bills. Granted, Republicans initially developed

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the anti-marriage strategy. But it hasn't been just Republicans who have sponsored or promoted these bills.

Missouri, a state where Democrats control both houses of the legislature as well as the Governor's seat, is a prime example of Democratic cooptation of the anti-marriage issue as their own. Republicans initially filed anti-marriage bills in the Missouri legislature. Late in the session, however, when it was clear that the Republican bills would not pass, the Democratic leadership orchestrated the passage of anti-marriage legislation. Only 17 Democratic legislators out of 107 voted no. To add insult to injury, the Democratic leadership deliberately excluded Missouri's only openly Gay legislator, Tim Van Zandt, from strategy discussions about marriage in their desire to ensure passage of the anti-marriage bill. Democratic Governor Mel Carnahan signed the bill on July 3.

The fact that the Democratic leadership in Missouri promoted an anti-marriage bill should not, in hindsight, seem surprising. It was recently disclosed that Governor Carnahan, who was elected with strong support from the Lavender community in 1992, had returned a \$1,000 campaign contribution to him from the Human Rights Project PAC (Kansas City's Gay and Lesbian political organization) in 1992. In a July telephone conversation that a number of persons (including this writer) had with Governor Carnahan's office concerning the marriage bill, his top advisor could not name one thing that the governor has done for the Lesbian and Gay community in the past 4 years.

So, what is to be done about politicians who voted for second-class citizenship for Gay Men and Lesbians? On the

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national level, the Human Rights Campaign should reconsider its endorsement of Clinton. While its early support of Clinton is not responsible for Clinton's cowardice on DOMA, it certainly made it easier for Clinton to support DOMA. After all, he already had one of our major national organizations in his pocket. The HRC should put Clinton on notice that it will withdraw its endorsement if he does not either oppose DOMA or at least insist that ENDA be added to DOMA.

On the local and state level, refuse to work for politicians who voted for anti-marriage or anti-Gay bills, even if they are Democrats, and tell them why you will not work for them. If you get a solicitation for money, send a note saying why you won't contribute. If you made a contribution in the past, demand it back. Instead, work for politicians and candidates who will not vote for anti-Gay bills, and who support issues of other minority groups and women.

Organize meetings of constituents with politicians who voted wrong, so that they can meet voters personally who care about Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transsexual issues. Let them know how angry their anti-marriage vote made the Lavender community and their supporters. Use the meeting as an opportunity to educate them about the "special rights" that married couples get. If the recent meeting of members of the St. Louis-based Privacy Rights Education Project with the Speaker of the Missouri House is any indication, Democratic leaders do not have a clue as to the heterosexual privilege that they have, nor as to why they oppose samesex marriage, other than to say it is a gut-level feeling. Use the meeting to demand support from politicians on other issues, such as adoption, custody, foster care, and civil rights protections.

Most importantly, support local and statewide Gay and Lesbian civil rights organizations with your time or with the money that you refuse to send to politicians. Education and political organizing about our issues has to occur at the grassroots level in each area of the country in order to turn politicians around. Our national organizations cannot do this local work. We need to take an organizing tip from the Christian Coalition. The secret of its success has been its emphasis on grassroots organizing, starting at the precinct level.

Finally, let's not delude ourselves into thinking that DOMA was filed only because this is an election year. Anti-gay bigots are out to get Gay Men and Lesbians in any way possible. For the last several years, it's been through anti-Gay initiative campaigns. Now it's through anti-marriage legislation. Next year it will be anti-adoption and anti-custody bills. We must dig in for a long fight.

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An Exclusive Interview with Patrick Bristow of TV's "Ellen"

by Dale Reynolds

ne of the most common shibboleths about Hollywood homophobia is that, when an actor comes out, he or she can stop sitting by the phone, 'cause it ain't never gonna ring no more! For some less risk-taking actors, this might be true, but for 34-year-old Patrick Bristow, tall, fashionably-thin, with bright carrot-colored hair, and easy to spot as a gay man, being openly gay hasn't stopped a steady rise in his employment.

Currently in his third year on ABC's "Ellen" as her friend, Peter, Bristow came from a vast background in comedy, most notably as a writer/performer with the Groundlings comedy troupe in West Hollywood, where

he still teaches improvisational

The scion of Irish-American Californians, the youngest of three sons (the other two are "husky bikers, black belts in karate, who love me to death"), and a self-described band-nerd (first the clarinet, now the Irish folk harp), he came out to himself during his junior high

school years, but says he only came alive professionally after he turned 30 ("my 20s were a bore!").

Now this attractive and articulate actor has a, twoyear-long live-in relationship with Andy Nicastro, 32, another Californian, who is the production manager for Steven Spielberg's Survivors of the Shoah Visual History Foundation, which are interviewing survivors of the German Holocaust, including three gay victims.

They are both "recovering Catholics" although he describes their seventy-year-old house as one full of crucifixes and icons. But it is a reasonably happy life for the man. And since Bristow is what one may honestly characterize as "perceptively gay," he hasn't tried to hide behind a straight exterior, the way so many gay and lesbian actors have had to do to survive.

Comedy, as is commonly known, has always been a refuge for outcasts of all stripes: make folk laugh and

> they may not beat you up. So it was no surprise that the talented Bristow ended up for five years with the Groundlings.

> He wrote and performed sketches and monologues, gaining Industry interest, but left two years ago, as "you end up repeating yourself and I grudgingly felt it was time to move on, so I threw myself out of the com-

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pany." One of the legitimate reasons, however, was that television had come beckening, and he was working a lot on such sitcoms as "Mad About You," "Seinfeld," "The Larry Sanders Show," and HBO's "Dream On."

He also enjoyed regular roles on two short-lived series: John Mendoza's "Second Half," and as Tom Arnold's boss in "Tom." Then along came "Ellen" and a one-off role which expanded into a half-dozen appearances a season.

"Peter is a friend of Ellen's; gay and out, very enthusiastic and positive a tireless do-gooder." He was hired for his first dramatic role in the unintentionally hilarious "Showgirls", last year.

"On the set, I knew there was trouble with the script, but I didn't know to what extent until I was at the premiere. Andy and I were holding hands and were almost breaking each others' fingers, and my jaw dropped nearly into my lap, during some scenes."

And how has his being so open affected the writing of his character? "My being gay and out on the show is completely and matter-of-factly-accepted; there have been no problems at all. I think the writers appreciate it as it gives them permission to write gay-funny, a different voice than they normally get to write for."

Bristow certainly feels his Irish background has helped in his acceptance by his family. "Even though my family came over here three generations ago, and we no longer have a formal connection to Ireland, still the music, stories, and oral traditions about our past gave me roots; I feel like I know my great-grandparents from the way they were kept alive in the talk about them. Plus, we have a high cultural awareness at home [his mother taught ballet and his late father was a public relations manager at Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California]. When I came out in the subsequent years, they dealt with my sexuality in a loving and sometimes humorous way — I think they

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still find it fun and interesting."

While espousing the standard line in Hollywood against casual outing, he feels strongly that such decisions are intensely personal. "It was easier for me as I had been so accepted by family and friends. And people respect you when you put it out there, saying 'this is the way it is; the cards will fall as they do.' I never attempted to hide it at the Groundlings, and audiences responded positively, which gave me a lot of reinforcement. Although

there is no doubt being out has closed some [Industry] doors to me."

He illustrates with a story that, early in his career, he was working with a non-gay actor who was starring in the vehicle, "I was playing a straight part and the actor gave me notes about what I was not quite doing. I listened — he was straight after all—but he went too far and made an inappropriate joke about my being gay. I immediately called him on it, and he are some humble

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pie. That was a scary look at homophobia, but I became stronger by taking him to task."

For Bristow, who is only one of a handful of gay or lesbian actors willing to be up front about their sexuality, "gays in America are still considered a liability to projects by scared executives; their fears may not be without basis, but they are without moral justification in my mind —we won't get anywhere by catering to what they perceive Americans will be comfortable with." Getting philosophical, Bristow further explains his thinking,

"Americans are adaptive as a people. If all the gays came out at once, audiences would be shocked and surprised but within a week they would be over it. Certainly the Puritan vein running through this country creates a climate of fear and shame. And is it changing? I'm no fortune teller, but as I look at the existing trend, the gay rights movement is still in full swing; the tragedy of AIDS hasn't stopped us, but has galvanized us instead. If we can withstand that, and still be cohesive, we're in good shape. But we must defend each other's rights; otherwise we're just splinters. In



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next decade or two, we are going to see more crossover support in all directions, gays for blacks, blacks for women, and on and on."

Bristow has a new film coming up - Showtime has adapted Ionathan Tolin's disturbing take on gay genetics, "The Twilight of the Golds." Bristow plays a co-worker of Susanne, the sister (Jennifer Beals) of gay David (Brandon Fraser) who starts the play off on the path to its difficult ending. "My character functions as comic relief in the film, and my role is pivotal to Susanne coming to her decision about her unborn fetus. [Tolin's play focus on parental homophobia, and what would you do as a parent if you knew your baby was going to be born homosexual?] They've changed it so that the focus is now more on Susanne than on David, but the stakes stay high in this version. I would hope that straight American will watch it."

Never at a loss for words, Bristow cuts right to the heart of the matter, "Stereotyping, or judging people by some kind of rule-ofthumb can get you into trouble; they can't address those specific scenarios which are the human condition. With my character and my looks, energy, humor, and voice, I

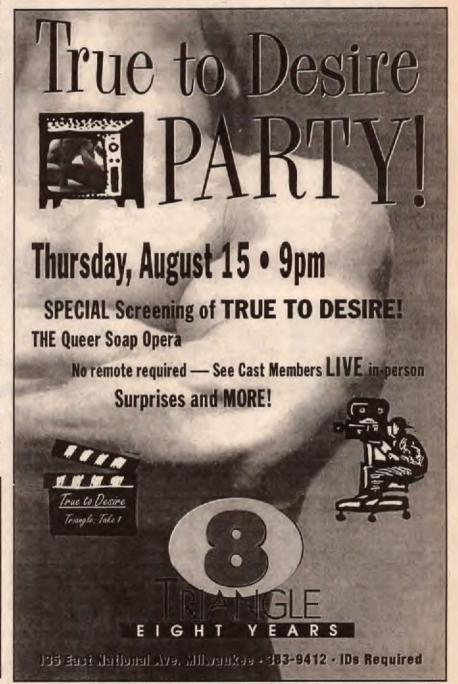
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312/929-0069 VISA/MC/AMEX can be an out gay actor and it enhances me. Some classically handsome, well-built and tall actor would find it more difficult to be out. But they should be allowed to come out in their own. I think outing is doing damage to the gay community and to the straight community at large. You know, it would help if everyone would get into therapy — before you're allowed to get a drivers license."



The Arts

by Jorge L. Cabal

Marilyn Crispell Piano Soloist at Woodland Pattern

Milwaukee — Woodland Pattern announces an evening with jazz pianist Marilyn Crispell Friday, August 9th at 7:30 p.m. at Woodland Pattern located at 720 East Locust. Admission is \$5.00 for the general public and \$4.00 for Woodland Pattern members. Due to limited seating, advance ticket sales are suggested.

One of the heirs to the innovative approaches of jazz giants Thelonious Monk, John Coltrane and Cecil Taylor, Marilyn Crispell's breakthrough keyboard carries the exciting stamp of her own time-fusing jazz tradition with her surprising, explosive originality. Thanks to worldwide appearances at events such as the Festival Musique Actuelle (Canada), Workshop Frei Musik (Germany) and the New Music America Festival, "Coda" magazine has called her "certainly the most startling new voice to emerge on the instrument in this decade," while "Downbeat" predicts that she will become "the influence against which to measure others."



-Morilyn Crispell

Marilyn Crispell crisscrosses musical worlds as well as continents, and the "Christian Science Monitor" has characterized her music as "unquestionably barrierbreaking." A graduate of the New England Conservatory, she has collaborated with Anthony Davis on his acclaimed avant-garde opera "X," and with the Laura Dean Dancers for their special creation, "Wayang IV." The

English music magazine, "Wire," has featured several full length articles about Crispell, and chose her LP "Gaia" as one of its top 10 Jazz albums of 1988. An active recording artist, CD's include "Marilyn Crispell Live in San Francisco" (Music & Arts), "Rhythms Drawn in an Undrawn Sky", "Gaia" (with Reggie Workman and Doug James), "Labyrinths", "Vancouver Duets" (with Anthony Braxton), and "Marilyn Crispell Live in Berlin."



-Natalia Gakovich, Luke Delwicke and Rob Matsushia in "Please Please Please Love Me"

Madison's Broom Street Performs "Please, Please, Please Love Me"

Madison — "Please, Please, Please, Love Me," an original play by writer and director Rick Vorndran, a comedy-drama about neurotic love and emotional loneliness. The play takes place in the mythical city of Palm City, California; and it revolves around a group of desperate people who will do anything to get the love and affection they think they deserve. The play is currently running until September 8th at Broom Street Theater Building at 1119 Williamson Street. Show times are 8:00 p.m. ticket are \$6.00 at the door. No reservations. For more information call (608) 244-8338.

After a two year absence, white collar worker Joey Anderson returns to Palm City. He is reunited with his sister Janis, who owns a local coffee shop. Joey then reveals that while he was gone, he secretly married a wealthy young woman from Chicago, Blanche. Joey and Blanche's marital bliss, however, is soon challenged when senator Bob Chiquita-an aspiring Presidential candidate-encounters Blanche and attempts to seduce her.

Meanwhile, troubles are developing back at Senator Chiquita's own home. His sister and ambitious campaign manager Lillouise Chiquita is pulling fast and dirty tricks to gain the favor of rich winery owner Aritmis Apple. The Senator's brother Steven has fallen in love with a mysterious woman. And the Senator's only daughter Isabelle has problems of her own, problems that will eventually affect the whole family.

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" at The Fireside

Fort Atkinson — The Fireside will present the stage version of MGM great musical, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." It is high-stepping athletic dancing, exuberant high spirits, side-splitting good humor and sweeping romantic escapes, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," is as joyous a musical as you'll see anywhere. For tickets or additional information, call 1-800-477-9505.

The play is a story of mountain man Adam Pontipee and his six unruly brothers, who decide that what they lack in life are wives. The topsy-turvy course of their romantic pursuits sets the stage for a rollicking musical comedy adventure.

The production is being directed by Ed Flesch with musical direction by Patti A. Garwood and choreography by Marc Robin. George Dudley and Susan Pfau will star in the roles of Adam and Millie. The supporting cast of 20 singers and dancers was selected from the Fireside's New York and other regional auditions. Settings were design by Gregory Hill, costumes by Scott Alan Lane and the lighting design is by Jim Fulton.

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," will run August 8th through October 20th with nine performances weekly Wednesday through Sunday. Dinner is served prior to each performance with a variety of menus available.

Paula Sharp Reading Set for August 14

Shorewood — In the novel "Crow Over a Wheatfield," Paul Sharp traces the lives of victims of domestic violence and their victimizers and explores how the law continues to abuse those it pretends to protect. Award winning author and New York attorney, Paula Sharp will read and sign books at the Schwartz Bookshop in Shorewood on Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m. This event is co-sponsored with the Milwaukee Women's Center, Inc.

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the law and custody proceedings. She does more than create colorful. memorable characters clearly defining the villains, victims and heroes. Paula Sharp skillfully manages to create a tension in her story of two families that lasts for forty years and several hundred pages and that makes "Crows Over a Wheatfield"

a can't-put-down novel. Sharp has written a book that stands on its own as a compelling story of domestic abuse, but it also serves as an indictment of a male dominated legal system that continues it. The victims are not without resources. They have creativity, courage, cunning. This is a riveting story of rebellion and triumph.

Paula Sharp was born in San Diego; and she grew up in North Carolina, Louisiana and Ripon, Wisconsin where her mother taught anthropology. Ms. Sharp graduated from Dartmouth College and received her law degree from Columbia University. She is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese and lives in New York with her son, where she practices criminal law.

Miller Presents "Through the Lens of Lyle Oberwise"

Milwaukee — In conjunction with Milwaukee's Sesquicentennial Celebration, Miller Brewing Company is sponsoring "Milwaukee: Through the Lens of Lyle Oberwise."

The photographic exhibit will be on display throughout the remainder of 1996 at various locations: Bay View Library, 2566 South Kinnickinnic Avenue, Atkinson Library, 1960 West Atkinson Avenue, Mill Road Library, 6431 North 76th Street and Zablocki Library, 3501 West Oklahoma Avenue.

Lyle Oberwise photographed everyday life in Milwaukee from the 1930s to 1993. Oberwise's subject matter was public life, capturing cars, boats, buildings under construction, people on the street or festivals. This exhibit offers a unique opportunity for the public to experience large and small events of daily life in Milwaukee, as seen through the lens of one observer.

For more information on the current photography exhibit of Lyle Oberwise, contact (414) 286-5617.

David Barnett Gallery Showcases Midwest Artist Tom Shelton

Milwaukee — A solo exhibition of works by Midwest artist, Tom Shelton entitled "Constructions, Paintings, Watercolors and Drawings" is currently on display until August 31st at the David Barnett Gallery at 1024 East State Street. The exhibit begins at 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., "meet the artist" reception on Wednesday, August 7th.

Shelton creates very innovative constructions and paintings dealing with Native American figures and animals in their natural habitat. For example, one of the featured paintings "A Field for the Birds" is a charming landscape of various birds and plants.

Shelton researched all the types of birds that reside in the winter in Indiana, where the artist is currently living and placed them in a row according to how many food plants each bird uses. In front of each bird is a row of the plants which that bird uses for food. Tom Shelton graduated with a B.S. in Botany from the University of Cincinnati in 1964 and spent three semesters at the University of Michigan majoring in Forestry from 1964-1965.



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TRIBAL TALK

by Ron Geiman

ugust provides our community with an opportunity to enjoy doing fun, social things that aren't just Gay related. PrideFest and all the associated fundraisers kept us busy in May and June. July brought the MAGIC picnic and the GALVAnize Madison pride weekend. Now, except for the upcoming Mr./Miss/Ms. Gay pageants (and there are more titles than ever, this year) most of the LesBiGay highlight events are over for the season.

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The Wisconsin State Fair kicked off last Thursday and runs through this upcoming weekend. I'd really recommend that you set aside at least one full day to check it out ... and not just for the cream puffs.

I enjoy going to see all the animals, but usually spend just as much time checking out their owners, with my Gaydar on full alert! Talk about cornfed rural raised young men. (Sorry, women, but I can't honestly say I peruse the women.)

The Kids From Wisconsin song and dance troupe, who perform twice every afternoon at the International Ampitheatre, will give you a chance to "guess who is Gay" or will be in a few more years. The potential Gay ones will usually be the best performers (thanks to a maturing Gay sensibility).

I want to know why the State Fair doesn't have a quiche baking competition—anyone can make a cherry pie! But it takes a certain savior faire to throw together an asparagus/crab quiche!

The exhibit halls could use an infusion of retailers and organizations with a Gay sensibility. I've never seen a single rainbow ring necklace, much less a LesBiGay political/ organizational booth.

Then, there's the carnival workers — carnies. Back during the Factory days, we'd always get a post midnight rush of carnies looking for drinks and companionship. I must admit I've entertained a few in the past. Often, they joined the carnival when it appeared in their home town and saw it as a way to start out a new life. But be careful — a few petty criminals have been known as rip offs. In the least, get 'em in the shower and be sure they scrub their hands with a degreasing agent, prior to engaging in "activities".

Finally, look for groups of people who set off your

Gay Gleanings

Gaydar — Chicago bars have been known to spontaneously organizing road trips to our State Fair — just for the fun of it.

The Olympics telecasts kept me glued to my recliner for the entire run. From the lithe, petite, yet strong and gutsy women gymnastics to the gargantuan weight lifters, I was enthralled! Rippling muscles provided plenty of "eye candy." I would imagine many of the women on the softball, basketball, soccer and field hockey teams were (or will be) Lesbians. I can't imagine there are many Lesbians on the synchronized swimming team.

It was harder to tell the sexuality of male competitors but Gay or not, the gymnasts, swimmers, track and field athletes, and other team members were awesome. The Men's Water Polo Team were the most "cut" and displayed the best overall musculature.

I want to know how male swimmers and divers "tuck" their private parts ... they can't all have little ducks! If only they competed naked like they did in ancient times ... Eye Candy overload!

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Make plans now if you intend to visit the AIDS Memorial Quilt display in Washington, D.C. October 11-13. The Quilt has gotten so huge, that this will be the last time it will be displayed in its entirety. The Names Project number is (415) 882-5500; Travel Info (800)926-2631.

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I was disgusted with the Advocate's August 20th issue "Hollywood Inside Out". The special double issue, with Cher on the cover did an admirable job researching Gays on TV and in the movies, and also looked at Gay and AIDS activism within the entertainment world.

What made my disgusted? The lack of even a shortened LesBiGay news section! There are plenty of other sources of celebrity news; but the *Advocate* is one of the few national magazines that offer at least a modicum of news about and for our community. Shame, shame!

August 7 to August 20 1996

The Calendar

Wednesday, August 7

"Milwaukee: Through the Lens of Lyle Oberwise." (Milwaukee): Miller Brewing Company is sponsoring this event which currently in exhibit through August 31. For more information contact Christine Reichley at (414) 276-6237.

"Lisa Has!" & Open Mike. (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd. Performance begins at 8:30 p.m., admission is \$2.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Concert on the Square. (Madison): The New Frontiersman's "Concert on the Square" begins at 7:00 p.m. located on Main St side of Capitol ground, near Martir Luther King, Jr. Blvd. For information call David Rutter at (608) 274-5959.

Thursday, August 8

"LaChazz" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd. Performance begins at 9:00 p.m., admission is \$3.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Friday, August 9

GAMMA Camping. (Milwaukee): Weekend camping at Wyalusing State Park Grounds. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

"Bill Brenkle" (Milwaukee): Bill Brenkle will be performing original compositions on acoustic guitar. Performance begins at 9:00 p.m. at the Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd. Admission is \$3.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Saturday, August 10

North Halsted Market Days. (Chicago): Illinois' largest 2-day street fair on Halsted between Belmont and Addison. Scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. For more information call Chicago Special Events Management (312) 868-3010.

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"John Schneider & Orchestra" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd St. Performance begins at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$3.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Madison Gay Video Club. (Madison): "Priscilla Queen of the Desert" and "Tradewinds", for more information call Larry Kneeland at (608) 244-8675 or (608) 845-4130.

Boot Scootin' Boogie. (Milwaukee): Shoreline located at 807 South 5th Street. For schedule information call Michael Roman at (414) 224-6075.

GAMMA Fun Run. (Milwaukee): 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable east side. Run begins at 9:00 a.m. at the base of the Water Tower. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

Sunday, August 11

Men of Impulse at Club 219 (Milwaukee): Male Strippers. FMI call: (414)271-3732

Brunch at Grand China Buffet. (Madison): The New Frontiersman Club brunch at Grand China Buffet in the Nakorna Plaza Shopping Center. For more information call Gene at (608) 831-4711.

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Monday, August 12

Activity Planning Meeting. (Madison): The New Frontiersman located at 14 West Mifflin, Suite 103. For details contact Gene at (608) 831-4711.

Poet Sandra Margulius. (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd St. Reading begins at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$2.00.

Tuesday, August 13

"Country of the Pointed Firs" (Mequon): Reading group will discuss "Country of the Pointed Firs" by Sarah Orne Jewett, Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop located at 10976 N. Port Washington Rd. For more information call (414) 241-6220.

Miss Continental Wisconsin Pageant (Milwaukee): At Club 219. At 10:30pm featuring Mimi Marx, Lady Cateria, and Cezanne. Tickets: \$10 or table of 4 for \$55. FMI call (414) 271-3732.

GAMMA Volleyball. (Milwaukee): Open Volleyball tonight at UWM Engelman Gym, 8:30 p.m. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

Wednesday, August 14

Paula Sharp (Shorewood): Author Paula Sharp will read from her new novel "Crows Over a Wheatfield". Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops 4093 North Ookland Avenue at 7:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 963-3111.

Thursday, August 15

Weekend at Saugatuck. (Milwaukee): GAMMA's weekend at Saugatuck, Michigan. For more information call (414) 425-2146.



"LaChazz" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd Street. Performance begins at 9:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

True to Desire Party at Triangle (Milwaukee): Queer Soap Opera screening at party starting at 9pm. For more information call (414) 383-9412.

Old Lesbians Gathering. (Hauston): Conference to focus on age discrimination, homophobia. Old Lesbians Organizing for Change: P.O. Box 980422, Houston, TX 77098. For additional information call (602) 983-6462.

9" Males at Club 219 (Milwaukee): Male Strippers. FMI call: (414)271-3732

"What is this thing call CFS?" (Milwaukee): BESTD Clinic Live on cable channel 47 at 7:00 p.m. Guest Genie Gengler.

Saturday, August 17

9" Males at Club 219 (Milwaukee): Male Strippers. FMI call: (414)271-3732

"Lil Rev" (Shorewood): Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop 4093 North Oakland Avenue. Performance begins at 8:00 p.m. Admission free. FMI call (414) 963-3111

Weekend at Saugatuck. (Milwaukee): Weekend at Saugatuck, Michigan. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

Landscaping/Potluck. (Madison): The New Frontiersman's Landscaping for a Lawnless Back Yard preceded by potluck supper begins at 6:00 p.m. For more information call Gene at (608) 831-4711.

GAMMA Fun Run. (Milwaukee): 30-40 minute jog followed by a stop for eating. Starts at 9:00 a.m. at the base of the Water Tower. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

Slap Leather. (Milwaukee): Shoreline located at 807 South 5th Street. For more information call Michael Roman at (414) 224-6075.

The Summer Hang. (Milwaukee): Currently exhibition of photography, painting and mixed media at Gallery 218 located at 218 South 2nd Street.

Sunday, August 18

Saugatuck Weekend. (Milwaukee): GAMMA's Saugatuck, Michigan weekend. For information call (414) 425-2146.

Bike the Military Ridge. (Madison): The New

Frontiersman's Club Bike the Military Ridge to Mt. Horeb begins at 9:00 a.m. For more information call Gene (608) 831-4711.

Closing Party. (Milwaukee): Gallery 218 Closing Party for "The Summer Hang." Event begins at 7:00 p.m. followed by poetry slam at 8:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 277-7800.

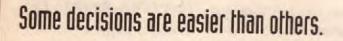
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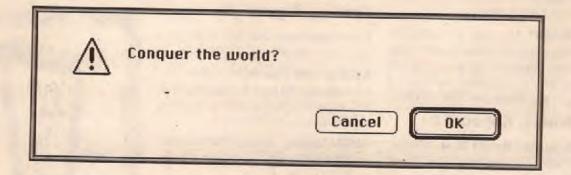
GAMMA Book Club. (Milwaukee): Discussion will begin at 7:30 p.m. For details call (414) 425-2146.

Tuesday, August 20

GAMMA Volleyball. (Milwaukee): Open volleyball tonight at UWM Engelman Gym, 8:30 p.m. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

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ROBERT'S RULES

by Shelly Roberts

Hark! Hark! Is That Mary Ellen Clark?

hat a spectacle! What color! What a triumph! No, it's not one more ode to Dennis Rodman's hair. I'm talking about Atlanta's 1996 O-lesbiad. Like you didn't notice, right? It never even once crossed your, mind as you were watching whatever <drool> snippets <sigh> Bob Costas and the Goddess of ms.nbc would allow us of the women's <swoon> softball team. Yeah, right.

Like who else has been in training for this for the last twenty years? Who else has this very game as their official bar sport? Who else dreamed as dyklets of mounting world platforms to get gold for something that usually just buys a couple of victory brewskis? Besides, where else could you find electro-phosphorescent fame on three or four billion TV sets, wearing rainbow freedom rings, without committing even a single serial crime, or losing custody of your kids to the family felon? Only here.

Like I said, the O-lesbiad.

I figured it might look something like this when, a few weeks in advance of the real gay games, I found myself in Atlanta on other business and picked up a great guidebook: The '96 Southern Voice Guide to Atlanta. Buried in the

back, in type so tiny it could slip right past all the ability your progressive lenses could muster, was a tidbit that, as far as I'm concerned, should have been printed in neon.

It's too good to paraphrase, so here's the exact quote: "... city officials claim 40 percent of the athletes coming to the Games will be gay or lesbian."

But wait. It gets even better: "About 90 percent of that 40 percent will be LESBIAN."

Okay, kiddies, let's do the math here. Point four-oh times point nine-oh is...? What'd you get? Right. THIRTY SIX PERCENT OF THE OLYMPIC ATHLETES ARE LESBIAN! So that would be something over one-third. Not of just the women Olympians, of all the Olympians. THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY TWO sexy sportsters all vying for the empty stool at Atlanta's ladies' room, The Other Side!

Whoa! Kompletely Kewl!

Given an impressive number like that, it's no wonder Atlanta sanctioned a Gay and Lesbian Visitors Center, open, not coincidentally, to coincide with the games. What is surprising, though, as long as we're being practical realists here, is that they didn't figure out to call it the Lesbian and Gay Visitors Center?

If you watched at all, we really were everywhere. In the rowing shells. On the Fields. Tearing up the tracks. On the platforms and springboards. Falling off the beam. (Though I tend to think of that as a sport more often perfected by non-lesbians.)

There was just something in the set of a shoulder. Or the mold of a thigh.



The glint of determination, to do what you came for, that we've finally come to recognize in each other. It's a specialized skill — degree of difficulty really, really high — that often comes with the freedom not to have to pretend that some other gender can always do everything better and faster and smarter if we want to keep them at home paying into the kids' college fund. We don't. Which is not to say that there

...we really were everywhere. In the rowing shells. On the Fields. Tearing up the tracks. On the platforms and springboards...

weren't non-lesbian women in Atlanta made of precious mettle. It's just, in my humble opinion, not something they're really very natural at yet.

Now knowing this, doesn't it give whole new meaning to all those great team hugs that enthusiastically lasted fractoseconds too long. Or listening to the US Women's Basketball Team saying right into Greg Gumbel's microphone: "It's all fun and games till some chick dunks in your face." Or another Dream Teamer gushing: "We love each other all the way down the court." And all the way back, too, I bet.

The only regret I have about the O-lesbiad is how, in spite of our significant numbers, invisible we all were. I mean, there we were, right there in front of God and everybody, with unmistakable attitudes and body language, wearing one of the seven sanctioned lesbian haircuts, and commentators, whose job was to fill profitable hours with neverending trivia, never even once proudly mentioned our name. You'd have thought that John Tesh would have profiled at least one of us accurately. Out of thirty eight hundred?

Maybe next time. Maybe by the year 2000, we'll calmly get called by our rightful titles. Maybe at the Millennium, they'll show an athlete's entire family cheering in the stands. Sure, Momma and Poppa and Bro and Sis. But also Sweetie, and all the Exes. And never once refer to them as "really close" girlfriends. Without any (wink-wink-nod-nod) insinuations of "unnatural" acts.

I can't help it. It's an Olympic dream of mine.

And, by the way, as long as we're on the subject ... am I the *only* one wondering just exactly how natural ir is for Bella Carrolly to have that strong an attachment to all those beautiful, little, pre-pubescent girls?

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KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

Oops

s you might remember, it took some persuasion by Ron to get me to take over this column. Other than the regular high school stuff, I have never taken any writing courses and certainly didn't have any interest in the meaning of "prepositional phrase" or "phrasal verb". I still put comma's in places they don't belong and just where the hell are you supposed to use a colon or a semi colon ... I wasn't a writer.

Ron told me not to worry about that. This is a social column, and he would fix whatever screw-ups I make. Well I don't have Ron anymore and I know how busy Bill (current editor) is so I have had to make sure this column isn't a total mess when I drop it off.

So when a new issue comes out, I like to read through the column to see if there are any major f#ck up's. It usually bugs me if I missed something in the proof reading or if editing didn't catch something. I really don't care much about the

technical aspect of writing, I just hope it reads like a conversation and people don't get rongue tied trying to read it.

So there I am reading the last column (Year 2000) and I found the funniest typo I have ever seen. If you missed that column or didn't catch the typo, I was talking about the year 2000 and the LGBT Community Center. The sentence read,"The grounds are well kept with lush green grass and colorful implants lining the sidewalk". When I read that I busted out laughing so hard that my eyes were watering. Picture it, a sidewalk lined with Dow Corning implants of all different colors and sizes. What a hoot. I must have been trying to use the word impatiens but mixed it up with plants. And yes, I did see a couple of other mistakes but I won't sweat it.

MAGIC WEEKEND was a total blast. The weather couldn't have been better. As I did last year I took LADY GALE with me. We got there at about 2:30 to an already full park. The line to get in was pretty long but moved along fast. Eight bucks got you all the beer you can drink and a plate of great grub. The first thing we did was check out the crowd. People from all over the state were there. I even ran into a friend of mine that I hadn't seen for quite some time. (As I told you Jim, you better give JEANNIE a great big hug for me.) This year the DANCE PAVILION didn't do so well. As usual the music was great but I think people wanted to be in the sun. There was a water ballon toss that got a few people just a bit wet. The ever popular DRAG QUEEN RACE was, once again, hilarious.

After a few hours of the Picnic, we decided to check out a couple of bars. First stop was the SHAMROCK to help them celebrate their 11TH ANNIVERSARY. Two very cute bartenders tended to our needs. One of them even showed us his belly button. We stayed for a little over an hour. Next stop was R PLACE. Wall to wall people would be the best way to describe the place. We got to meet some more of the R PLACE staff. (last time we were in town we only met 2 of them) I'm pretty sure me and GALE know all of them now. At this point it's getting to be about 9:00pm and I still have a couple of photo shoots left.

So it was on to GERALDINE'S and the MEN'S ROOM.

Yes, you actually have to walk through the men's room to get

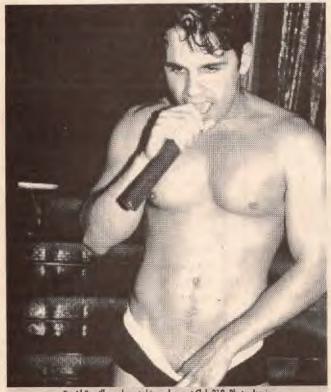




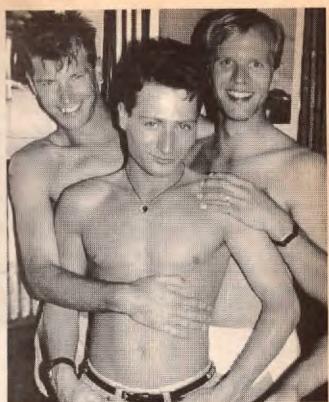
Geraldine's in Madison celebrates the opening of The Men's Room, Photo: Jamie



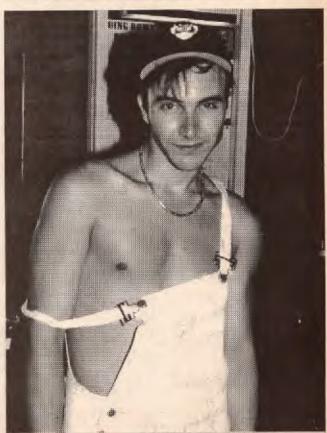
Happy 11th Anniversary to the friendly staff at Madison's Shamrock. Photo: Jamie



David Burrill nearly outs his pockage at Club 219. Photo: Jamie



Shirtless boyz at Jamie's Birthday Party at the Triangle, Photo: Jamie



This yummy boy was spotted at R-Place in Madison, Photo: Jamie

to the bar, A pretty nice crowd showed up to help celebrate the grand opening of this almost all male club.

By now I am getting to the point where it was time to get something to eat and then hit another club. Yea right! After getting something to eat we went back to the hotel. I did a face forward onto the bet and I was out for the rest of the night. My biggest regret was that I missed the party that HOTEL WASHINGTON threw over at the TRAIN DEPOT. I also heard that MANOEUVRES had a great crowd and I missed that too. Next year I will

be sure to get a disco nap so I can make it through the night.

Sunday also turned our to be a lot of fun as well. Between 4,000 and 5,000 people gathered around the Capitol for the PRIDE MARCH AND RALLY. As the pictures in the last issue of IN STEP showed, people had a great time. I for one will absolutely be at next year's Pride weekend in Madison. It truly was a blast.

Back here in Milwaukee, GARGOYLES had their FIRST ANNUAL PIG ROAST AND LUAU. People tell me that this was the place to be Sunday, July 21st. There was an ALOHA SHIRT CONTEST, drink specials and live music. Maybe next year they will not schedule it the same weekend as MAGIC WEEKEND.

A couple of new title holders to tell you about. July 20th at ZA'S the MISS GREEN BAY US OF A PAGEANT filled the bar to it's limits. CC DOMINO walked away with the tiara that night. It just happened to be ZA'S 7TH ANNIVERSARY that weekend. Happy Anniversary MARK, KEN and staff!

The other title was the MISS CAPITOL CITY at R PLACE. Walking away with that title was SUZIE SARAN WRAP.

My birthday party at TRIANGLE? Should I even take you down that road? OK, maybe just a little bit. We did have a complete and total blast! Things got pretty wild. Lots of shirtless people helped me ring in another birthday. Thanks to everyone that showed up and made turning 32 a memorable experience.

TRIANGLE also celebrated an anniversary. July 31st was their 8th anniversary. And celebrate we did. Complete with a midnight balloon drop and enough drink specials and raffles to keep everyone happy.

Don't forget M&M is still celebrating 20 years of great times and great food. Stop in and check out their Special Events Calendar.

Well that's it for me for another couple of weeks. If you are looking for the cutest bartender in Milwaukee, his name is BRIAN and you can find him at C'EST LA VIE.

Two last thoughts to leave you with. The original title of this column was Short but Sweet. Obviously, I ran on and on again. And what's my favorite traffic sign? Slower traffic keep right.



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Years Ago in In Step Magazine

n early August of 1994, the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games pulled the 1996 Olympic Volleyball Games from Cobb County, Georgia when the Cobb County Commission passed a resolution condemning the "Gay Lifestyle," the FBI joined a nationwide search for suspected serial killer Gary R. Bowles, and the Florida Citrus Commssion decided not to renew its contract with conservative talk show host Rush Limbaugh. Here's what else was happening in August of 1994 in LesBiGay Wisconsin according to In Step Magazine...



MAPfest organizers announced that The Flirtations would be featured at a special performance of the festival. The Sherman Park Rainbow Association first annual picnic drew 130 persons in support of the neighborhood group. The celebration was held at Loose Ends. Another weekend picnic saw People of All Colors Together (PACT) come together for a pot luck.

UWM announced plans to offer a number of courses in **Gay and Lesbian History**. In beer news, **90's Choice** announced it will introduce its microbrews to Milwaukee with 25 cents of ever case sold to benefit local AIDS related organizations.

Final preparations were underway for the annual Lavender Hill party to be held on August 6 at the UWM Student Union. The theme for this year's fundraiser is



Lavender Hill Fairy Tales.

Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist appointed Bob Moore, president of Milwaukee GAMMA and coordinator of the Gay Bicycling Network to the newly created Bicycling Task Force.

Scott Evertz, an openly gay republican, announced he would seek the seat of State Assembly person Barbara Notestein of the 19th District.

In Madison, the Alcohol License Review Commission voted to accept a stipulation mandating a 90-day closure of Club 3054.

IN CLUB NEWS... the more things change, the more they stay the same. as dance music artist/porn star David Burrill did his thing at Club 219. ZA's in Green Bay celebrated its 5th anniversary with a weekend of events including a CC Rae Show.

Baby Jane Hudson presented What's Goin On, a special summer extravaganza at Your Place, which then closed on August 3rd after 29 years of serving drinks to the community. Meanwhile, the owners of Just Us announced plans to open its "community based no attitude bar with a 50/50 mix of Gays and Lesbians" in October.

At the New Bar in Madison, Morgan LeFay hosted a Lingerie Show to benefit Briarpatch, a Madison youth services group.

On the cover, Jamie Taylor captured the image at the MAGIC Picnic as they watched dancers in the pavilion.

-Compiled by William Attewell

JOCK SHORTS

Club 219 Still In First Place in SSBL Action



defeated In
Between and
Wreck Room for a
late season splurge
which moved them
into 4th place in
the Saturday Soft

Ball League. Club 219 defeated Manoeuvres and the Ball Game Rangers to increase their lead on In Between and the Rangers. In Between still has a one-half game lead on the Ball Game going into the final week of play. M & M lost to In Between and then defeated the Wreck Room. Manoeuvres defeated Triangle, then lost to the Ball Game.

The league concluded its regular

season with games on August 3rd. Club 219 will represent Milwaukee as one of the 67 teams in the Gay Softball World Series in Minneapolis. Those games will be played from August 20th thru August 24th.

1996 Gay Softball World Series to be held August 18-25 Minneapolis



Pittsburgh, PA and Minneapolis, MN: July 8, 1996-During the week of August 18-25, 1996, many of North America's

finest gay softball players will convene in Minneapolis, MN for the 1996 Gay Softball World Series.

The North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance (or "NAGAAA") is a nonprofir international organization comprised of men and women dedicated to promoting amateur athletics for the gay community. Created in 1977, NAGAAA was formed to encourage the participation of gay men and women in organized softball competition. Since its inception, NAGAAA has grown to

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Ballgame	9	4
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M&M	5	7
Manoeuvres	6	8
Wreck Room	3	11
Triangle	1	13

more than 30 member cities and over 50 gay softball leagues throughout the United States and Canada. NAGAAA currently has two divisions of softball play; Open and Women's. Within the Open Division, there are three subdivision (or levels) of play; for the women, two division exist. These subdivisions pertain to the competitive level of softball play.

All softball games will be played at the Dred Scott Field Complex in Bloomington, Minnesota, starting on Tuesday, August 20th and going through the championship games on Saturday August 24th. In addition to softball competition during the week, the following is a list of all the special events planned around softball play.

For more information about any of these events, please call the North Star Series '96 Information Line at (612) 872-8921 between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 pm (central standard time).

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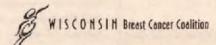
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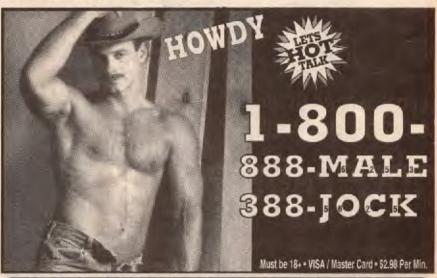
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popcorn. (Milwaukee)
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LET'S GO FOR A BIKE RIDE I'm a White male, 40 years old. I like country music, bike riding, and long walks. Call me. (Racine) #19586

STRAIGHT TO THE
POINT I would like to meet
some guys in my area for
fun and more. Call me.
(Stevens Point) #19640

HEY GUYS I'm a Bi guy looking for a male 18 to 30 who is in for a long term or short term relationship. Call me. (Wassau) = 2950 MILITARY ORIENTED
GWM, 27, 5'7, brown
hair, blue eyes, ex-Marine,
varied interests, seeks
other straight acting
GWM, 18-27, with similar
interests. Please leave a
message. (Wisconsin)
#16491

FRIENDS OR MORE GWM, 26, 6'2", 180, brown hair and blue eyes, varied interests, seeks others for friendship and lots more. Please leave a message. (Wisconsin) #16691

WISCONSIN WINTERS GWM, 31,5'10", 140, blonde hair, blue eyes, varied interests, seeks friends, under 31, for fun and possibly more. Please leave a message. (Wisconsin) #16794

RELATIONSHIP
ORIENTED GWM, 24,
5'4", blonde hair, blue
eyes, varied interests,
seeks others, 20-27, for
friendship and long term
relationship. Please leave
a message. (Wisconsin)
#17624

ALL AMERICAN
CREAM GWM, 30, 6'2"
200, brown hair, blue
eyes, boy next door, seeks
same, 25-45, for
friendship and more.
Please leave a message.
(Wisconsin) #46088

OPEN TO NEW THINGS I'm 26 years old, 6'1, Bland hair, Hazel eyes, well built, big guy. I like to party. I'm looking for someone to hang out with. Call me. #3143

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I'm a bottom looking for a
top. If you are good and
would like to meet me,
please call. #31407

TOP THIS BOTTOM I'm a Gay African American man, 5'3, 170lbs, Brown eyes, stocky, solid. I'm seeking a very dominant person who loves sports, walking, movies and more. #32768

SMALL TOWN BOY I'm athletic and I like to play sports. I live in a small town. I would really like to get to know some guys out there. #22493

USE AND ABUSE THIS BOTTOM I'm an inexperienced submissive bottom looking for a physically dominant top for wrestling, bondage, S&M, and more. If you would like to use and abuse me pleas call. I'm 35 years old, 5'9, 190lbs, clean, and discreet.

WHY CANT WE BE FRIENDS I'm 23 years old, 6'2, 170lbs. I have long blande hair, and Blue eyes. I'm looking for cool guys to hang out with for friendship only. Straight acting guys only. #1889

Illinois

WRESTLING AND EROTICISM I'm a good looking 32 year old Hispanic male looking for other in shape men 18 top 34 for some down to the thong and in the nude crotch to crotch oction. Lets get in on boy's. Prin me down. (Chicago) #23571

LEATHER MASTER/
DADDY WANTED I'm
German Italian, 5'9, 165lbs,
goatee, crew cut, 44" chest,
30" waist, 30 years old. I'm
looking for a long term
relationship with a dominant
leather daddy master who is
serious about having a
permanent relationship,
(Chicago) #3546

GENEROSITY KILLED
THE CAT I'm a 20 year old
White male, 5'10, Brown
hair, Brown eyes, boy next
door look, 165lbs. I'm
searching for a man of any
race or age who is
financially secure and
would like to be taken care
of. (Chicago) #2199

PASSIVE GENT I'm looking for a tall stud who is into all sorts of hot action. I'm a passive, well built, shaved guy. Call me. (Chicago) #2958

JUICE THIS JOCK I'm a hot college jock, 21 years old, 6'1, 170lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes, very athletic, masculine, and attractive. I'm seeking hot men 18 to 25 who are masculine and attractive. . (Chicago) =1801

have Brown hair and Blue eyes. I'm 5'6, 135lbs, dominant, 38 years old, into B&D and more. I'm looking for hot guys for serious tun. Call me. (Chicago) #2641

PUERTO RICAN
MALE I'm a 32
year old Puerto
Rican male looking
for other Puerto
Rican or Black men.
(Chicago) #2780

LETS GO
BOWLING I'm a
White male, 33
years old, 170lbs,
Brown hair, Grey
eyes. I like fishing,
camping, hiking,
bowling, travel, and
more. I'm looking
for friendship and
possible
relationship.
(Chicago)
#21465

SMILE FOR MY
CAMERA I'm a Gay White
professional male, 6'3,
Brown hair, Blue eyes,
187lbs. I'm intelligent, kind,
caring, well endowed top
who knows how to please. I
like acting, movies,
photography, and more. I'm
looking for guys for fun and
more. (Chicago) #12462

GERMAN OR DUTCH
TOP WANTED I'm a
good looking, very
submissive boy in Chicago
looking for German or
Dutch tops. The bigger the
better. I want to be taken
care of . Call me. (Chicago)
234072

QUIRKY BOTTOM
masculine Black tops over
21 years old wanted for
cheap dates, good
conversation, and hot sex.
I'm attractive, tattooed,
quirky, White boy, 6'3,
165lbs, in search of
something more. (Chicago)
#34159



OUT OF THE STARS

by C. Lichtenstein

Horoscope for August 7 thru August 20



Aries (March 21-April 20)

It's all fun and games for queer Rams. Sun in dramatic Leo heightens creative postimes. Expect the

unexpected and do things in moderation (look who I'm talking to...). The face off between the Sun and Uranus can lead you to one (or five) drinks too many and an urge to gamble the farm on dubious risks or for the love of friends. On the other hand, it could also provide the spark of creative genius that you often lack.



Taurus (April 21-May 21)

Queer Bulls are drawn to home issues with Sun in Leo. Home, relatives and security all come into play.

Who said life is dull? The Sun/Uranus aspect throws all these components into the fore and tasses in career issues to boot. It could be something like relocation or having your entire family meet your boss. Will you come out to Morn and Dad? It can be celebration or angst, but what should you care? Live free and affirmed!



Gemini (May 22- June 21)

Pink Twins are chatty folks. Now with the Sun in Leo, your banter canters. Communication become

paramount to your free expression and personal mission. This is great as long as you remember the potential effects of the Sun/Uranus opposition. Do I smell rebellion? So be it. But be prepared to pick of the pieces of your little tantrum next week.



Cancer (June 22-July 23)

Pink Crabs should plan for retirement with Sun in Leo. Will you have enough? The Sun/Uranus

apposition may spark some impatience with the pace and amount of your savings. Remember that the grass is always greener, dear friend, so don't reprimand yourself for expensive times past or deny yourself some fabulous future temptations. The idea is to invest properly as well as enjoy the niceties of life.



Leo (July 24- August 23)

The Sun in your own sign gives all proud Lions the opportunity to enjoy their birthdays as the roaring

center of attention. Strut and fret your month on stage cousin and gather in the accolades. Keep in mind that the Uranus/Sun oppositions urges you to get out of your old skin and emerge new and refreshed. You can shed your earthly trappings but the real change must occur internally for it to have any long lasting impact.



Virgo (August 24- September 23)

Prim, conservative pink Virgos feel mystical and other worldly with the Sun in Leo. Maybe it's because you

have found your mantra by volunteering for a good gay cause. Proud Virgins always feel at one with a serviceable charity but now the Sun/Uranus apposition brings a "roll up your sleeves" liveliness to the effort. The results: Possible changes in the working patterns of your job or a cleaning out of your closet once and for all. Amen!



Libro (September 24- October 23)

The Sun in Leo brightens friendships and group camaraderie. This jolly harmony loses a bit of steam though when the Sun opposes Uranus, Gav

Libras may have a irresistible urge to tip the scales in the social order and welcome a new group of party hearty devil may care pals to the mix. Have fun but don't dump the old crowd. If those wild dancin' feet can't wait, buy some foot powder.



Scorpio (Oct. 24- November 22)

Career prospects take off like a bat out of hell for all queer Scorps with a game plan. Allow the Sun in Leo to provide insight into the political

maelstrom, then make your mark. But the Sun/Uranus opposition entangles career struggles with home issues. It could mean that you'll use a big raise to buy new fabulous digs you really can't afford or you'll accept the opportunity to run the Moscow office.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23- Dec. 22)

The world is served to you on a platter when the Sun enters Leo. Feast and enjoy, dear queer Archer. It's

time to explore vast international opportunities and enjoyments. The interesting thing about the Sun/Uranus opposition is that it may encourage you to cruise explosive ideas. Lucky fellow traveler, you can explore the exotic and gab at the same time!



Capricorn (Dec. 23- Jan. 20)

Gay Caps feel warm and tingly when the Sun enters lusty Leo. Sex and intimate merging seem to hit the spot and create a harmony

within you. That's the goad part. The challenge comes when the Sun opposes Uranus and goads you to greater acts. That's fine if you enjay being strung up by your pa toots but it could become much too much for conservative Goats. Poor dears, try some Spanish fly instead.



Aquarius (Jon. 21- Feb. 19)

Brave Aqueerians will face themselves in the mirror when the Sun enters Lea and then opposes Uranus. The secret throughout this

transit is to balance your needs with the needs of partners. With Uranus in your own sign, the urge to bass the course may be almost overwhelming with surprising results. "I need to find myself", you scream. Try looking in another person's eyes...



Pisces (February 20- March 20)

Pink Fish can finally feel more at ease on the job thanks to the glorious Sun in Leo. But no sooner do

you feel in command and control than the Sun opposes Uranus and makes you question the real basis for your happiness and inner harmony. It's fine to question success but don't upset the applecart on a vague internal voice. Maybe all you need to do is change your diet or exercise to feel refreshed.

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