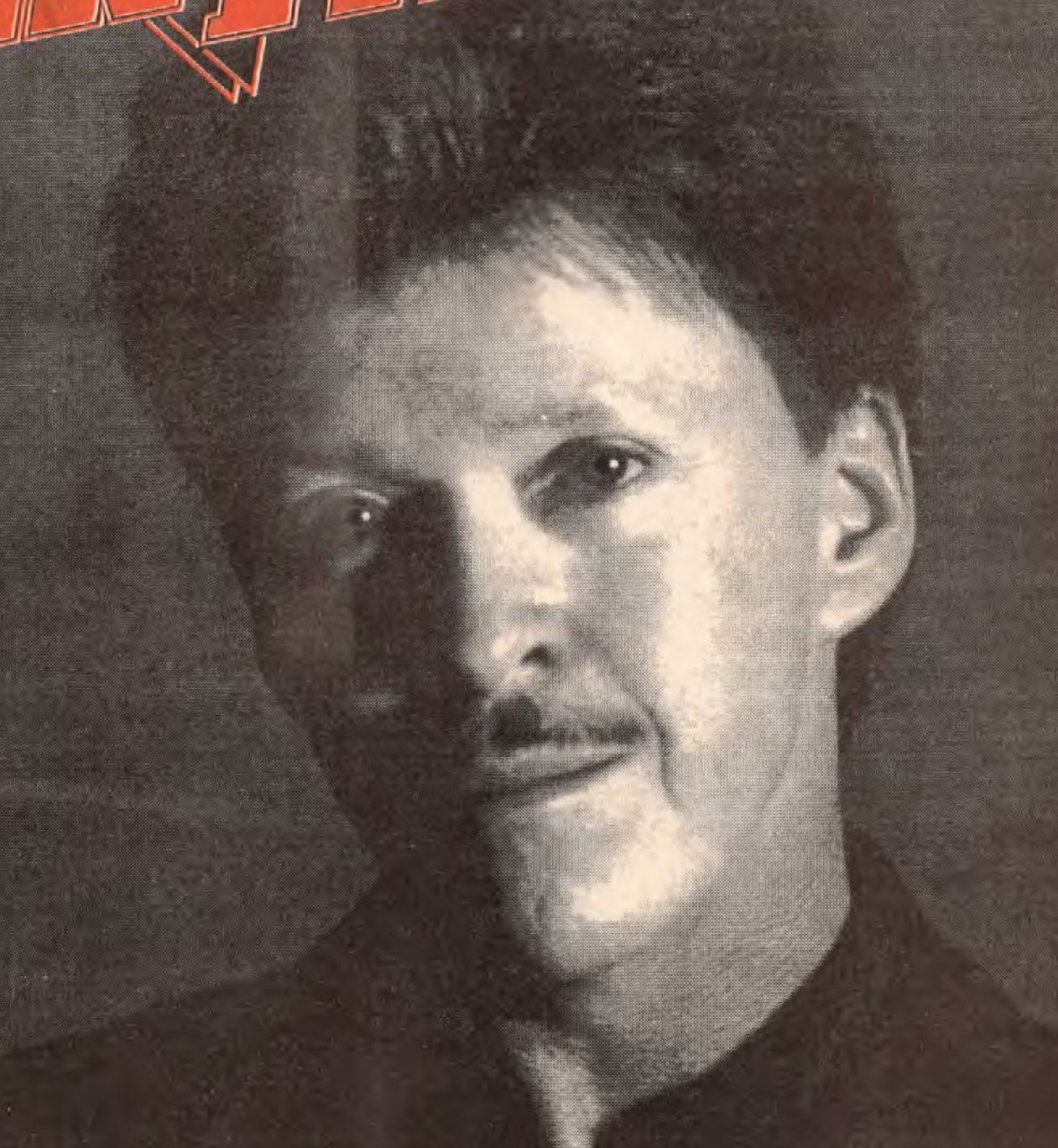


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On Log Cabin Republicans

To the Editor—

I'll never forget a particular scene from Shoah, the epic documentary on the Holocaust. The producer visits one small Polish town that formerly had a large Jewish population, and comments on the Jewish decoration motifs found on the large houses around the town square. He then talks with Polish residents now living in one of the houses formerly owned by Jews, and asks if they remember the former owners. He's told that Jews owned all the fancy houses around the square. He then asks the Poles where they lived. They respond, "We lived out in back, next to the outhouse."

And so it was at the 1996 Republican National Convention. The gay Log Cabin Republicans were kept out in back, next to the outhouse.

What a contrast with the way gays and lesbians were received at the Democratic convention.

On Sunday, gays and lesbians were welcomed by Jesse Jackson and Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala.

Monday featured a brunch with Democratic National Committee Chairman Don Fowler.

Tipper Gore visited on Tuesday.

Wednesday it was California Representatives Maxine Waters and Vic Fazio and Gov. Mike Lowry of Washington.

California's Senator Barbara Boxer and Democratic party Chairman Senator Christopher Dodd visited on Thursday.

While Log Cabin Republicans were searching for the extra roll of toilet paper in San Diego, openly gay speakers such as Congressman Barney Frank and

two California state politicians were on the podium in Chicago.

Ah yes, let's have more stories by Log Cabin Republicans about what a wonderful time they had in San Diego. Our local gay papers were so thick with such stories that they should be saved. The Log Cabiners might find them useful in the next Republican outhouse four years from now.

Al Geiersbach

Carpenter Supported

To the Editor,

Milwaukee Community Election Coalition '96 denounces the unfair attacks by "Wisconsin Christians United" (WCU) on State Representative Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) CEC '96 is a Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual organization which educates candidates about the LGB community and informs LGB groups about all candidates, regardless of their sexual orientation or political affiliation.

Wisconsin Christians united are hypocritical and un-Christian. Their use of innuendo and dirty tactics only blemishes thoughtful political discourse. Wisconsin elections have a proud reputation for honesty and fairness. Obviously with stunts like this, WCU does not speak for Wisconsin voters.

The CEC evaluates candidates based on what they do in the state house. Rep. Carpenter has been an attentive and concerned legislator who represents all his constituents — gay and straight — with integrity. To be sure, WCU clearly lacks such values by engaging in anonymous, unfair attacks.

The CEC '96 is appalled that this so-called Christian groups seeks to

undermine this hard working and effective State legislator. We encourage voters to judge elected officials based on their record. We call upon all voters to denounce the homophobic tactics of WCU and support candidates who are responsive to community needs.

Mark Street,

1996 CEC 1996 Chair

Ewald Boycott Urged

To the Editor,

I'm writing to call upon LesBiGay Community to boycott the Ewald Automotive Group. I was an out employee whose "position was eliminated" after nearly 2 years of highly reviewed service. After expressing my disgust to management regarding the filthy sexist, racist and homophobic talk that went on daily, I believe I was let go to make room on the payroll for a former homophobic employee who wanted to return to the Ewald fold.

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Our community must respond with our money and our power when we are discriminated against. We need to send a message to businesses that this behavior will not be tolerated.

Yours In Pride,

Lori A. Kolosowsky

News

Democratic VIPs Court Gay Delegates Chicago Convention's Provides Sharp Contrast with San Diego

Special Report by Rex Wockner

Chicago, IL — For gays and lesbians, the Democratic National Convention was a whole different world from the Republican convention.

In San Diego there were three openly gay delegates inside and thousands of gay protesters outside. Here in Chicago Aug. 26- 29, there were 146 open gays inside (102 delegates,

"When I look at the distance that gays and lesbians have brought this nation, I am inspired and I am motivated..."

—US Rep. Maxine Waters

25 alternates and 19 standing committee members) and the protests hardly happened at all.

A Lesbian Avengers demonstration drew nine protesters and 54 onlookers, a quarter of whom appeared to be reporters. A protest by gay veterans was less successful.

So where were all the homosexuals? Inside being wooed by important Democrats. The daily gay-caucus meetings at the Hyatt hotel drew VIPs such as Tipper Gore (the Vice-President's wife), U.S. Reps. Maxine Waters and Sheila Jackson Lee, Washington Gov. Mike Lowry, and U.S. Senators Barbara Boxer, John Kerry and Christopher Dodd, who is also the Democratic National Committee general chairman.

In fact, so many VIPs showed up to address the gay and lesbian caucus that the delegates began complaining they didn't have any time to strategize among themselves.

At other events throughout the week, the gay contingent was further courted by, among others, Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, Jesse Jackson, U.S. Rep. Vic



Fazio, Clinton senior advisor George Stephanopoulos, U.S. Sen. Ted Kennedy and San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown.

"Rather than inclusion being a word, here at this convention it's a commitment and it is enacted," said lesbian activist Candace Gingrich, sister of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich. "That's a start," she said.

"We have party leaders paying us court, as they should be, as any other constituency deserves," said delegate Sky Johnson, public-policy director at the Los Angeles gay center. "We've made an enormous amount of progress."



"Your hard work and your advice have been absolutely invaluable," Mrs. Gore told the gay delegates. "Al and I are very proud of your presence here at the Democratic convention."

Mrs. Gore admitted that the administration was "not completely where we want to be" on gay issues but urged the group to remember Clinton's accomplishments when contemplating "the work that still needs to be done."

'Kick Him in the Butt'

"Yours is the kind of story that America needs to understand," said U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif. "When I look at the distance that gays and lesbians have brought this

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nation, I am inspired and I am motivated. ... I'm going to implore my friends who say that they support you to stand up for your right to be joined in matrimony any way that you want to do it. ... Bill Clinton is our friend. We're going to re-elect him. But we're going to kick him where he needs to be kicked to get what we've got to get from him!"

Gov. Lowry also denounced Clinton's support for the anti-gay Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), which is pending in Congress, saying he and his wife do not need to have their marriage protected by politicians.

So did Mayor Willie Brown. In an interview on the convention floor, he told *In Step*, "I absolutely disagree with the president on gay marriage."

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., called DOMA "not only wrong on Constitutional grounds but ... clearly a legislative attempt to drive a wedge between Americans and to bash in the process."

And Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., labeled the bill "nothing more than a political ploy to hurt people ... nothing more than scapegoating. It's wrong, it's unAmerican and they ought to be ashamed of themselves," she said.

Boxer also denounced "Don't Ask Don't Tell."

"In my time in the Senate, we're going to get rid of that [military] ban," she said. It's stupid and it's ridiculous."

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., told the gay caucus that "for the first time we have an administration that is willing to stand up and fight on behalf of issues that affect the gay and lesbian community."

But minutes later he told the Gay Cable Network he supports DOMA because "marriage is for a man and a woman."

'The Party of Hope'

Clinton's support for DOMA and his botched 1993 attempt to lift the ban on gays in the military appeared to be the only sore spots among the gay delegates, who seemed focused on getting the President re-elected rather than criticizing him.

"Even the [gay delegates] who were the most disappointed ... obviously came to some resolution about those concerns and — at least for the sake of the campaign — are determined to work for the president's re-election," said the L.A. gay center's Johnson.

Gay anger at Clinton over those two issues is "righteous and appropriate," said delegate Carole Migden. "But as a California State Assemblywoman, who's been in hand-to-hand combat with Republicans about key lesbian and gay issues, the Democratic Party is the party of hope for us."

Indeed, the Democratic convention platform said: "We

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continue to lead the fight to end discrimination on the basis of ... sexual orientation. ... We support continued efforts, like the [federal] Employment Non-Discrimination Act [ENDA], to end discrimination against gay men and lesbians and further their full inclusion in the life of the nation."

The Republican platform, on the other hand, denounced gay- rights laws, gay marriage and gays-in-the-military.

Numerous administration representatives drove home Clinton's unprecedented pro-gay record throughout the week.

"Bill Clinton is the first president to meet with openly gay and lesbian Americans in the Oval Office," beamed George Stephanopoulos, standing on the bar to address 550 activists and delegates at the popular gay nightclub Sidetrack.

He went on to list Clinton's other accomplishments, such as a record number of gay appointments, vocal support for ENDA, and the removal of sexual orientation as a factor in the issuance of security clearances.

Clinton's gay liaison, Richard Socarides, and Clinton's highest-ranking gay appointee, Assistant Secretary of Commerce Bruce Lehman, also attended the bar event.

At the convention itself in the United Center, meanwhile, at least four open gays were given brief speaking slots at the podium — California legislator Sheila James Kuehl, U.S. Rep. Barney Frank, black gay leader Phill Wilson, and Long Beach congressional candidate Rick Zbur.

"Nothing explodes anti-gay stereotypes like the power of positive visibility," said Kathleen DeBold, spokeswoman for the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, which is backing Zbur's run. Zbur is the first openly gay non-incumbent to win a contested primary for the U.S. House of Representatives.

Saying the 'G' Word

Some straight supporters remembered the gay community when they got to the podium as well.

"Listen to me, please," said former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo. "Please forget a lot of this political argumentation. Forget about new Democrats, old Democrats, conservative Democrats, liberal Democrats, neo-liberal Democrats. The truth is ageless: Either we make it together, all of us of every faith and color, straight or gay, with or without disabilities, whatever our accent, whatever our past — wherever we are in this great land, whether we are rich, struggling, desperate, either we make it, all of us together, or there is no American worth the gift that God has given this blessed place."

And Bill Clinton said the 'g' word in his acceptance speech.

"So look around here, look around here," he said. "Old or young, healthy as a horse or a person with a disability that hasn't kept you down, man or woman, Native American, native-born, immigrant, straight or gay — whatever — the rest [for acceptance by others] ought to be: I believe in the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Declaration of Independence. I believe in religious liberty, I believe in freedom of speech, and I believe in working hard and playing by the rules."

There was an instant outburst of applause when Clinton said 'straight or gay.' He had paused briefly (and dramatically) right before saying it, indicating either that the phrase was not in the written speech or that he wanted people to know the decision to say it had not come easily.

On AIDS, Clinton said: "More rapid development of drugs to deal with HIV

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Gay Democrats Disorganized?

Back at the daily gay/lesbian caucus meetings, some delegates began complaining mid-week that they were listening to a lot of great speeches from very important people but not doing any networking, planning or strategizing.

"What's going on here is that the gay Democratic presence nationally is not there," said Melinda Paras, head of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "You see that the Log Cabin Republican club, which represents a very small portion of this community, is much more organized, much more vocal, has stronger organization and funding than any gay national Democratic presence. ... This is a very serious prob-

lem. There's some very important organizing work that needs to be done and ... I think the delegates are feeling that lack of connection with each other and that lack of coordination."

"It would be nice if they would allow more time for ... getting more strategic and down into the details on the local level," agreed Elizabeth Birch, head of the Human Rights Campaign.

California's Kuehl added that gay delegates "were at a paralytic impasse about whether to have a big demonstration on the convention floor, maybe sending a message not to vote for Clinton. There has been some indecisiveness because of how the press will play it," she said.

There were no gay protests on the floor and next to none outside either.

Nine Lesbian Avengers abandoned their hour-long slot at one of the two designated protest sites after only 24 minutes. "This whole idea of a protest on a stage is so fucking stupid," yelled one Avenger, throwing down her protest sign. The other eight women then dropped their signs and the group departed.

"We sort of on a whim entered the lottery [for an official protest slot] and were a little bit surprised when we won and, so, felt it was well worth it to be here and get the media attention and to spend some time talking about gay and lesbian issues in a place where people are going to pay attention," said Avenger Linda Oakleaf. "But ... it wasn't a protest at all; it was a speech on a stage. ... It was controversial within our own membership whether or not we wanted to do this. But when the name Lesbian Avengers hit the front page of the [Chicago] Trib[une], that's got its own value."

There was a small AIDS protest Tuesday night outside John F. Kennedy Jr.'s A-list party at the Art Institute of Chicago. About 100 people from the AIDS Healthcare Foundation and ACT UP groups shouted, "DNC is a sham; Clinton has no real AIDS plan" and "What do we want? Funding. When do we want it? Now." They said the federal government must allocate a million dollars to pay for protease inhibitors for people who can't afford them.

Gore Meets With ACT UP

On Thursday, Aug. 29, seven ACT UP members from Washington, D.C., and New York zapped Vice President Al Gore at a meeting of the women's caucus at the Hyatt hotel. Gore responded by meeting privately with protester Wayne Turner for about 10 minutes in a utility hallway.

Turner said he complained about the administration's lack of support for clean-needle exchange and its failure to establish a "Manhattan Project" to find an AIDS cure or to create a Cabinet-level "AIDS czar" position.

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Turner said Gore promised to pass the concerns on to Clinton, and assured Turner "that there are things going on behind the scenes that we don't know about."

ACT UP being invited backstage by the Vice President was perhaps a fitting gay end to a convention in which gays found themselves inside, included, involved, influential, courted and wooed like never before — a key bloc of voters like any other.

Queer Nation used to chant, "We're here, we're queer, get used to it."

The events in Chicago Aug. 26-29 suggest that the nation's Democratic power structure got the message.

Contributing: *Trudy Ring, Tracy Baim.*

Rainbow Over Wisconsin Benefits from Near Perfect Weather

Appleton — Sunny skies brought an estimated two thousand persons to Appleton's Memorial Park underneath a giant balloon rainbow for the second annual Rainbow Over Wisconsin Picnic. Early estimates indicate that nearly \$9,000 were raised to benefit educational and charitable groups such as the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin in Milwaukee and the Center Project, among several other very worthwhile organizations. This included the receipts from the R.O.W. bowling event held on August 30th which grossed over \$2,000.

Rainbow Over Wisconsin is a organization whose primary purpose is to promote the well-being of the gay community in general. R.O.W. has been around for a relatively short time, although the concept has been in the works for over a year and a half.

Formal papers were filed with the state in January of 1996 to set up R.O.W. non-profit organization. That recognition now exists and according to Mark Mariucci, owner of Za's and *Quest* and one of the founding fathers of R.O.W., final papers are expected soon.

Marucci was quick to point out that Rainbow Over Wisconsin is not a bar owners organization, but is comprised of many individuals and businesses in Northeastern Wisconsin.

Live entertainment was presented by Jeff Jennings, Ronnie Nyles, Johnny B (a fledgling comedian), the popular CC Rae, Singational and DuWanna Moore's Titleholder Revue.

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Dick Wagner to Run for Dane County Executive

Madison — Dick Wagner, often called the "Dean" of Dane County's openly Gay and Lesbian elected officials, has thrown his hat in the ring in the race for Dane County

Executive. The election will take place next spring.

Beginning in 1980, Wagner spent 14 years as a member of the Dane County Board of Supervisors, rising to the position of Board Chair. As the first openly Gay elected official in Dane County, he inspired and supported many other Gays and Lesbians in their bids for political office. The plethora of Gay officials on the Dane



—Dick Wagner

County Board and the Madison City Council over the years gave rise to the nickname "Gay Dane."

While on the Board, Wagner sponsored the county ordinance prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation as well as the law making Martin Luther King Jr. Day a holiday. He successfully negotiated between the city of Madison and Dane County for a coordinated 911 emergency service. As Chair of the Board's Finance Committee in 1986, Wagner also helped to adjust Dane County's budget to account for a shortfall when federal and state funds were drastically reduced.

Wagner founded and served as Co-Chair of the New Harvest Foundation, which provides grants to gay and lesbian groups and projects. He currently serves on the Boards of Directors of the Madison AIDS Support Network and the Rodney Scheel House for people with AIDS. He has served on the Wisconsin Humanities Council and the Wisconsin Arts Board and was Co-Chair of Governor Anthony Earl's Council on Lesbian and Gay Issues in the early 1980's.

Wagner currently works as a Budget and Management Analyst for the State Department of Administration. He is seeking the County Executive seat after Rick Phelps, the incumbent, announced he would not seek another term next year.

Complaint Challenges Hiring of Madison Fire Chief

Madison — In a complaint filed with the Equal Rights Division of the Wisconsin Department of Labor, Assistant Fire Chief Phillip Vorlander charges that the Madison Police and Fire Commission violated his rights by giving preferential treatment to newly appointed Fire Chief Debra Amesqua because she is a lesbian. Amesqua was appointed in January.

In the complaint, Vorlander claims that Amesqua was chosen Fire Chief over more qualified candidates for the job,

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including himself. He is asking the state to reverse the Police and Fire Commission's choice of Amesqua, to appoint him Madison Fire Chief and to order the city to pay him monetary damages.

The complaint, filed on August 27, was an amendment to an earlier claim Vorlander had filed against the Police and Fire Commission. The earlier complaint alleged that Amesqua got preferential treatment in hiring because of her gender and race. She is Native American. But the new complaint specifically adds sexual orientation to the list of reasons she allegedly got preferential treatment.

Amesqua has not spoken out publicly about her sexual orientation but she is widely perceived as lesbian in Madison's gay and lesbian community. Amesqua has also been the target of homophobic attacks by at least one of her own firefighters, Ronnie Greer, who doubles as a pastor at a small fundamentalist church. Greer is the subject of an internal investigation for distributing anti-Gay literature during work hours.

In response to Vorlander's complaint, the Police and Fire Commission has provided a detailed explanation of its hiring procedure to the Equal Rights Division. The stages of hiring include reviewing applications, initial screenings, written exams, interviews, background checks, review by focus groups, selection of finalists, physical and psychological tests, and the actual hiring of one individual as Fire Chief. The Commission indicated that Vorlander was not one of the finalists.

For her part, Amesqua is trying to accommodate some of the male firefighters who resent her appointment and concentrate on building a unified force. This is proving difficult because ten of the eleven members of the Department's management team had lobbied for Vorlander's appointment.

Amesqua has declined to comment on the specifics of Vorlander's complaint. Putting her best foot forward, she told the press: "I feel very positive about the direction we're going in. I think the firefighters are beginning to feel there's a new wind, a new leader, and they're accepting that."

Responding to the homophobic attacks earlier this year, Amesqua told *In Step*: "You must remember, I plan to be around for a long time — a very long time."



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National & World News

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Former Boston Councilman Severely Beaten

by Keith Clark

Boston, MA — One-time gay member of Boston's city council, David Scondras, is in a city hospital, reported with a broken jaw wired shut, several broken facial bones and several teeth knocked out, abdominal bleeding and a damaged kidney after he was savagely attacked by a 16-year-old boy whose family claims Scondras lured him into a movie theater and tried to grope him.

The Boston Globe quoted David Duncan, Scondras' attorney, as describing the incident as "a murderous attack." Duncan is quoted as saying, "If this young man asserts unwanted advances in a public movie theater, why didn't he just get up and walk out? How do you justify beating someone to within an inch of their life?"

According to news reports, Scondras, 50, has indicated he will file assault countercharges against the unnamed 16-year-old boy.

The boy was in Boston with his vacationing family who are from Washington state and reportedly met Scondras in the lobby of the hotel where the family were staying.

Although police were called by theater staff at the time of the bloody fight, Scondras said through a spokesperson that he fled the movie house before they arrived out of fear of the youth and then drove to a hospital.

Scondras has had difficulties in the past few year. In 1993 he was recorded making harassing phone calls to the city's emergency services telephone,

apparently while intoxicated, that were later aired by a local radio station.

The same month the embarrassing calls were played, Scondras reported being threatened at knife-point in his home by a young man described as a gay hustler. Largely as a result of the negative publicity at the time, Scondras lost a re-election bid after serving 10 years on the city council.

The teenager who says Scondras groped him in the theater has asked to file indecent assault charges against the ex-councilman, although a hearing on that charge had to be postponed because Scondras is hospitalized. The family of the 16-year-old have since left Boston, but told authorities they would be willing to return to the city to prosecute the case.

Researchers Find Homophobes are Aroused by Gay Pornography

Athens, GA — A study conducted by three psychologists at the University of Georgia has found that straight men who profess to having anti-Gay feelings also show "significant sexual arousal to male homosexual erotic stimuli."

The findings of the study, called "Is Homophobia Associated With Homosexual Arousal?", are published in the August issue of the *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*. They give some credence — but do not provide defini-

tive proof — to the theory that homophobic individuals may be reacting to fears of their own possible homosexuality.

The researchers gathered as subjects of their experiment 64 young white males who self-identified as "exclusively heterosexual" in their sexual orientation. Each man was put through two initial tests: one to determine their response to homosexuality and one to measure their overall level of aggression. There was no major difference in the general levels of aggressiveness found in those who professed either antipathy or more benign feelings toward Gays. They were subsequently divided into two groups based on their level of comfort or discomfort "interacting with a Gay person."

Each individual subject was then placed in a booth to view three short erotic videos, one featuring a heterosexual couple, the others with a gay male couple and a lesbian couple, respectively. A device was attached to their penis to measure the amount of arousal in response to each video. After each video, the individual subject was also asked to score his own sense of arousal on a scale of 1 to 10.

The study found that all men experienced "significant arousal" while watching the heterosexual and the lesbian videos. But only those men deemed more homophobic than others "showed a significant increase in penile circumference" while viewing the Gay male video.

According to the report: "In the

homophobic group, 20% showed no significant tumescence, 26% showed moderate tumescence, and 54% showed definite tumescence to the homosexual video. The corresponding percentages in the non-homophobic group were 66%, 10%, and 24%, respectively."

The researchers also found that the subjects' own assessments of their arousal were generally accurate in the cases of the heterosexual and lesbian videos, but that their own ratings of their arousal toward the homosexual video varied considerably from the actual penile response, especially in the homophobic group.

The study is believed to be the first of its kind and will need to be supported by other, broader empirical studies before its conclusions can be sustained. While the study suggests that homophobic men may be more aroused by Gay sex than non-homophobic men, one expert said the results could also suggest that the hostility homophobic men feel toward Gays may be manifested in a physical response through their penis and have less to do with sexual arousal than anger.

Killer of Lesbian Couple Admits Anti-Gay Motive

Stockton, CA — The man accused of robbing and murdering a Lesbian couple in Oregon late last year has reneged on an earlier statement and admitted that the killings were motivated by anti-Gay hatred.

Robert James Acremant, 28, is accused of the murders of Roxanne Ellis and Michelle Abdill, who were found with their hands bound in the back of their pick-up truck December 7, 1995. They had each been shot in the head twice. After Acremant was apprehended, he claimed the murders were the result of a botched robbery attempt and denied any homophobic intent. The women were a well-known and respected couple in Medford, Oregon, where the crimes occurred.

But in a recent letter to the Stockton Record in Stockton, California, his hometown, Acremant wrote: "Originally, I was nervous about inmate reactions to my reason for killing, in that, they were hate crimes against bi- and homosexuals, so I invented the money motive. Now I just don't care what people think, including the jury. They can kill me for all I care. I've never liked life anyway."

"In the lesbian killings," he wrote, "I had met Roxanne Ellis previously during a walk-thru at a rental property [Ellis was a realtor] and deduced that she was homo by what she said about her 'friend.' She became a mental target during that period of my life when I was very unstable, which I have explained in previous interviews."

In the letter, Acremant also admitted killing Scott George of Vasalia, California after George allegedly made a pass at him after a night of bar-hopping. George's body was discovered at the bottom of a mine shaft on the property of Acremant's father. Police questioned Acremant about that slaying, but he was never charged.

Police identified Acremant as a suspect in the slayings of Ellis and Abdill after receiving a call from Acremant's mother who believed her son might have been involved. He is currently being held in the Jackson County Jail in Medford, awaiting a trial which is scheduled for next February.

Tempe Arizona Mayor Giuliano Comes Out

Tempe, AZ — Tempe Mayor Neil Giuliano, worried that a disgruntled citizen was going to label him a homosexual at a City Council meeting, said last week that he is gay.

"My private life is my private life and is not a topic to be discussed at a City Council meeting," said Giuliano, recently elected to a second term. "I'm taking this opportunity to pre-empt that. I happen to be gay. That's it; the end of

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Dominican Republic Man Gets Visa Extension in Asylum Case

Boston, MA — Federal immigration officials have given Luis Villalona-Perez a temporary extension on his visa as a result of his concerns he would be persecuted because he is gay if he returns to his native Dominican Republic. Villalona-Perez, 33, is the first gay man from that island nation to ask for U.S. asylum under a 1994 Clinton Administration policy that extends possible asylum in this country by gays and lesbians who may feel endangered in their native lands because of their sexual orientation.

"Gays Road" Renamed

Brisbane, Australia — The city council of Emerald, a small farming and mining community in Queensland, has agreed to rename "Gays Road" to "Hogans Road" after every resident of the small street signed a petition asking for the name change. The residents said they were ashamed and tired of the jokes about their sexual orientation because of their addresses.

AIDS Activists on Presidential Ballot

Nashville, TN — Election officials in Tennessee have confirmed that AIDS activists Steve Michael and Ann Northrop will appear on the state's November presidential ballot on the AIDS Cure Party. Activists connected with the AIDS Cure Party say they're also organizing a similar ballot campaign in Ohio and hope to be on ballots in 10 states this fall, including Rhode Island, Vermont, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Utah, Louisiana and Arkansas.

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the story."

Giuliano, 39, said he told council members before he issued his statement, and he feels he has the support of the council and city.

"He's a terrific human being, and this doesn't change that," Councilman Joe Spracale said. "He's a wonderful leader . . . and I'm proud to work with him."

Giuliano said he believed a resident upset over the city's decision to waive fees for a Gay Pride Festival next year was planning to berate him during tonight's council meeting. Citizens have an opportunity at the end of each meeting to address the council on any topic.

Speculation and rumor over his sexual orientation has surrounded Giuliano for some time.

"I do not intend to become an activist for the gay community," Giuliano said. "I'm a mayor who happens to be gay."

Beth Verity, head of Arizona Central Pride, which puts on the annual Gay Pride Festival at Tempe Diablo Stadium, said Giuliano has been supportive of the festival, but so have the rest of the council members and city staff.

Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., earlier this month acknowledged he is homosexual after gay activists threatened to "out" him.

Top Alvin Ailey Dancer Dies of AIDS

New York, NY — Miguel Godreau, who joined the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater in 1965 and became one of the troupe's top stars, died of AIDS complications August 29 in Manhattan. He was 49. A Puerto Rican immigrant, Godreau was raised in New York City and trained with the Joffrey Ballet School. Godreau was sometimes referred to as the "Black Nureyev" for the intensity of his choreography.

Godreau also appeared in several films, including "Altered States."

AIDS Federal Housing Grants Announced

Washington, D.C. — The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has announced some \$7.8 million in housing grants to non-profit agencies in communities in nine states that offer housing assistance for low-income people with AIDS.

Community-based non-profits in Baltimore, West Hollywood, Calif., San Francisco, Savannah, Ga., Santa Fe, N.M., Tucson, Ariz., New York, Philadelphia, Burlington, Vt., and Seattle are expected to receive HUD grants of various sizes.

The federal funding was established in 1992 as part of HUD's Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program to help agencies that provide housing assistance and related support service to people with HIV/AIDS.

Brutal Anti-Gay Murders Shock Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, OK — Oklahoma's gay community is in shock from reports of a brutal killing of a gay man in the small town of Woodward, near the Oklahoma Panhandle, by two men whom witnesses say later bragged they had "just killed that queer." It is the second vicious anti-gay murder in the state this year.

Police say Albert J. Bixler was apparently beaten to death with a car tire jack and his body dumped in a trash bin by Shannon Lee Jones, 23, and Mark Jones, 30. Both men live in Woodward but are not related to each other.

Police say that three women who live in an apartment building told them that another tenant, Tammy Lee Parnell, 37, had let a man into the building whom she called "Shannon" who was covered with blood so he could take a shower and change clothes.

One witness at the apartment building told police the man had told Parnell, "The queer son of a bitch got what he deserved."

Police found bloody footprints at the building and blood-spattered clothes identified by witnesses as those worn by the man who came to Parnell's apartment.

Shannon Jones is being sought by police on murder charges and Parnell, who has also apparently fled, is wanted on charges of being an accessory to murder after the fact.

Mark Jones, 30, was initially arrested as a material witness in the case, but has now been charged with murder. Witnesses at Parnell's apartment building say he too had shown up at her apartment and was heard telling her that he and Shannon had "just killed that queer," according to the police report.

Police said they had yet to piece together what may have led up to the brutal killing, but that Bixler, who was in his early 30s, had been at a bar with Mark Jones and Shannon Jones - and possibly some of the others involved in the case - earlier on the night of Aug. 28 prior to the killing.

Only a week earlier, two Gurhrie, Okla., teenagers, identified by police as skin-heads, appeared in court in Oklahoma City to face charges of murdering Charles Meers earlier this year.

In what authorities have called the worst hate-motivated crime in the state, Alexis N. Perryman, 18, and Nicholas J. Karlin, 15, have been charged with brutally beating Meers, stabbing him, shooting him, and then dousing his body and home with gasoline and setting them on fire in an effort to cover up the killing.

Galindo Charged with Drunk Driving

Los Gatos, CA — National figure skating champion Rudy Galindo has been arrested on suspicion of drunken driving. The Santa Clara County Department of Corrections said Galindo was arrested by Los Gatos police on charges of driving while under the influence of alcohol. A spokesperson for the skater said Galindo had been out drinking with a friend and was sorry about the incident and plans to plead no contest to the charge. Galindo, 26, won the gold medal at the U.S. Championships in San Jose, Calif., this past January and is openly gay.

Man Guilty in Texas "Gay" Killing

Houston, TX — Jurors took about three hours last week to find Daniel Christopher Bean, age 19, guilty in the stabbing death of Frederick Mangione, 46. Bean and Ronald Henry Gauthier, 21, met in bar called Dolly's Place in Katy, TX just west of Houston. Testimony indicated Mangione shared cocaine with Bean and Gauthier before Mangione was stabbed 35 times with a large knife. Bean and Gauthier had told bar patrons earlier that they intended to attack a gay person. Police said Bean and Gauthier are members of a neo-Nazi group known as the German Peace Corps. Gauthier awaits trial in the case.

Harris Poll: No Marriage, No Adoption for Gays & Lesbians

New York, NY — A newly-released public opinion poll by Louis Harris and Associates indicates that about two-thirds of the American public think same-sex couples should not be allowed to marry, about 10 percent think they should be permitted to wed, with about one-fourth who don't feel strongly about the issue at all. The poll also asked the 1,004 people surveyed whether they felt strongly or not about both same-sex marriage and same-sex adoptions.

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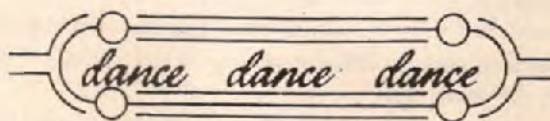
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Although the defendants in both killings are being charged with multiple felony crimes in connection with the two murders, none of them will face hate-crime charges since neither the state nor any of its local governments include anti-gay bias in their hate-crimes provisions.

Explicit AIDS Education Program Upsets Parents

Chicago, IL — Administrators at the Lincoln-Way High School in suburban Frankfort, IL, are considering whether to continue offering a Red Cross AIDS education program after parents complained about a peer-presentation program last year that they considered too explicit.

As many as 60 Lincoln-Way freshmen may have been present during the Red Cross program, which uses high school seniors to teach incoming students about AIDS prevention.

But according to some students and parents who were present during the program, it went into explicit detail, giving graphic information about oral and anal sex, how to use condoms, and other sexual specifics that school administrators admit went beyond the program as outlined.

School officials say they're considering whether to drop the AIDS program entirely or possibly begin notifying parents when potentially controversial school programs are going to be offered.

Human Rights Campaign Launches Anti-Helms Initiative

Durham, NC — The Washington, D.C.-based lobbying group Human Rights Campaign (HRC) has launched a campaign in North Carolina to per-

suade undecided voters in the state's U.S. Senate race this November to dump Jesse Helms.

HRC says it will be operating phone-banks and direct mail campaigns to convince enough swing voters in the state to vote against Helms, arguably the most virulently anti-gay member of Congress.

HRC is expecting to spend some \$220,000 on the anti-Helms campaign in North Carolina.

Michigan Town Renews Discussion of Gay Rights Measure

Saugatuck, MI — Months after the city council tabled a proposed ordinance that would add sexual orientation to its anti-bias protections, the council has now voted by 6-1 to undertake the issue once again.

The council voted to create a committee of council members and city residents to discuss including sexual orientation in its anti-bias protections and to report back to the council.

Anti-Gay Group Campaigns Against Denver Health Proposal

Denver, CO — Will Perkins, the used-car dealer and head of Colorado for Family Values which backed the state's unconstitutional Amendment 2, told Denver's city council that they shouldn't extend health benefits to the partners of gay and lesbian city workers, calling the move an "economic jihad."

Perkins brought with him Paul Cameron, the discredited psychologist who was removed from the American Psychological Association for fudging statistical data. Even so, Cameron insisted studies he did using obituaries

PBS/NPR Extend Partner Benefits

Washington, D.C. — The Clinton Administration has extended benefits to the same-sex partners of employees at the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) and National Public Radio (NPR), the first federally funded agencies to offer such benefits. Donald Wildman, president of the far-right anti-gay American Family Association, immediately denounced the move by the two public broadcasters as a "misuse of tax money."

Federal Inmate Charged in "AIDS" Rape

Detroit, MI — A federal prison inmate with the AIDS virus has been charged with attempted murder for allegedly raping a pair of fellow inmates at a penitentiary in Milan, Michigan. Prosecutors said Jerry L. Morrison, 31, knew he was infected with the deadly virus when he forced the inmates into unprotected sex. One of the victims has since tested HIV positive. The criminal sexual conduct charges carry a maximum sentence of life in prison. The penalty for attempted murder is 20 years in prison.

Libertarian Presidential Candidate Against DOMA

San Jose, CA — In an exclusive interview published in the Sept. 3 issue of *OutNow* newspaper, Harry Browne, the Libertarian Party's candidate for president, says he is opposed to the so-called Defense of Marriage Act because the federal government has no business being involved in who gets married to whom.

Hospital AIDS Care Rated

Washington, D.C. — California hospitals ranked among the top five in the country for AIDS treatment according to a survey by *U.S. News & World Report*. San Francisco General Hospital was ranked as best for its AIDS care, scoring 100 out of 100 possible points in the magazine's review. Baltimore's Johns Hopkins Hospital came in second. Next were Massachusetts General Hospital, and University of California at San Francisco Medical Center.

indicates gays and lesbians are high health and violence risks.

A spokesperson for Equality Colorado, a gay rights organization, said Perkins' group is a "fringe anti-gay organization" and said Cameron offers nothing but "bogus anti-gay statistics."

The council will take up the ques-

tion in a vote in September.

Mississippi and Alabama Governors Outlaw Same-Sex Marriage

Jackson, MS — Gov. Kirk Fordice of Mississippi has taken the advice of the anti-gay American Family Association and pre-empted the state legislature by outlawing same-sex marriages in the state by executive order.

It is believed to be the first time a governor has taken the unusual step, and it is unclear whether the governor's actions hold any legal weight in trying to regulate the state's marriage laws by executive order.

In announcing the order, Fordice called same-sex marriages "an absurdity."

Shortly after the order by Gov. Fordice, Alabama Gov. Fob James followed his lead and issued a similar executive order barring gay and lesbian marriage in that state.

2nd Calif. Anti-Marriage Bill Dies

Sacramento, CA — Last minute political maneuvering has effectively killed a proposed measure that would have barred California from recognizing gay marriages.

On Aug. 29, with only one day left in the legislative session, state Sen. Bill Lockyer of (D-Hayward) used parliamentary rules to delay a committee hearing on the measure.

With the legislature about to adjourn, the bill is effectively dead until

lawmakers return in January. The proposed anti-marriage law was generated by the possibility Hawaii might soon recognize same-sex marriages. It is the second time this legislative session that lawmakers have failed to pass similar bills in the state.

Wieder Named "Advocate" Editor

Los Angeles, CA — Judy Wieder has been promoted to the top of the masthead of the 30-year-old national gay publication making her the first woman to hold the job.

"This comes with the job. It's like carrying our huge family tree. It's our history, and I have to pay attention to that and respect that," said Wieder.

Wieder, who was promoted from executive editor, also has to pay attention to vigorous competition from 4-year-old *Out* magazine, also edited since January by a lesbian, co-founder Sarah Petrit. The hip, *Vanity Fair*-ish monthly boasts a circulation of 119,000 while the *Advocate*, which publishes biweekly, reports a circulation of 74,000.

Wieder, a Grammy Award-winning songwriter, says she hopes to build on the *Advocate's* strengths as a news magazine. For the fourth year in a row, the magazine bested its mainstream competition, winning the award for best news magazine from *Folio*, an industry publication.

To start with a clean slate, Wieder's first issue will feature an apology for a "lapse" in failing to clearly indicate that an interview with President Clinton in the June 25 edition was a written exchange of questions and answers rather than a face-to-face session, as was suggested in then Editor-in-Chief Jeff Yarbrough's editorial.



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"Bobby Positive" Shares Insights Into Living With AIDS

by Rich White

For anyone living with AIDS, or if you know someone who is, *AIDS 201: Survival Tips for Symptomatic PWAs* is a must read. The booklet, by "Bobby Positive," is one man's effort to help others avoid the same pitfalls that he has already encountered.

Bobby is not a doctor, but is qualified to write about late stage AIDS because he is living the experience. Before becoming ill himself, he was with his partner of 11-years as he died in Bobby's arms.

The booklet contains 51 short sections, part philosophy, part helpful tips on surviving.

The analogy he uses to explain treatment of late stage AIDS is his "house of cards" theory of AIDS treatment. He writes, "Have you ever built a house of playing cards? If you are sloppy when you do it, you get about half dozen cards placed before the house collapses. If you are very careful, you can deal out almost the entire deck and build a very large house. I think of each infection as a card, each drug reaction a

card, and each adverse drug reaction a card, and each medical procedure a card. I have a very large house. Larger than any of my friends were able to build. It may collapse soon, but today it's stable. Any builder can confirm this fact: If you want to build a big house, you need a solid foundation and a good architect." The remainder of the book-

chance for survival."

The booklet was first released on May 8, 1996. Since its release, it has been revised twice to keep up with the changes being made in new medication and research.

"In the first draft I said that if you are HIV+ and don't have AIDS your family doctor would be sufficient.

"Managing the opportunistic infections that occur when your immune system fails is still an art form. Without experienced and knowledgeable specialists, you will succumb quickly..."

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let includes tips from his personal experience to help the reader build a large house.

Bobby said he began writing *AIDS 201* in February, "I wouldn't have written it last year because I didn't see that there was any real hope, but with five or six new drugs introduced, for the first time in the epidemic, there is a

That's not true any longer. With the new drugs introduced during the last year, even HIV+ people need an infectious disease expert," says Bobby.

In the new section he writes, "Managing the opportunistic infections that occur when your immune system fails is still an art form. Without experienced and knowledgeable specialists, you will succumb quickly. With them, you can maintain an acceptable quality of life for years after your AIDS diagnosis. At this stage of the epidemic, a couple of years is probably more than you'll need to be here for the cure."

Since the booklet was published, Bobby has received input from readers and medical professionals that prompted him to make other changes.

With the help of a social worker in an AIDS unit, Bobby was able to get a new perspective on hospice care. The hospice text was completely rewritten.



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The new title is "Jump at the chance for hospice".

He's also added three new tips to the booklet. "Ask you doctor 'If you were in my situation what would you do?'" This allows physicians to freely discuss options outside of the current standard of care. "Drink like a fish" covers the

" The worst thing that friends and family can do is place blame. That's placing blame on the primary infection, on the patient, or the doctor. It's not healthy."

importance of hydration. "Protect you interest with the force of law " covers health care power of attorneys and estate planning. It was written with the help of an attorney.

Bobby said that he is very fortunate that all of his basic needs are being met through the help of his current lover and others. He still has friends calling to ask if he needs anything, which he appreciates, but said, "The best thing that friends and family can do is to be good listeners. It helps to talk to people about my condition. It's therapeutic. The worst thing that friends and family can do is place blame. That's placing blame on the primary infection, on the patient, or the doctor. It's not healthy."

Bobby is currently undergoing an eye operation to help save his eyesight. If successful, he plans to write a new booklet containing tips for the emergency room. He has been working with a nurse who has twelve-years experience in the emergency room.

Since writing AIDS 201: Survival tips for symptomatic PWAs, Bobby's booklet has been published in the July/August issue of *Positively Aware* magazine, it has reached over 150 organizations across the country, and over 15,000 copies have been distributed.

If you're interested in obtaining a copy of the booklet, you can pick one up at the BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St., or you can have three copies sent to you at a cost of \$4; quantity discounts are available. For \$15.00, you can get a copy of the floppy disk of the text and make your own booklets. Contact: BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St., Milwaukee, WI 53202-1603; (414) 272-2144; fax (414) 353-4930. The booklet is not copyrighted. If you can use any part of it for any purpose, please do.

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Group Notes

BESTD/St. Camillus Libraries Merge to Form Resource Center

by Jim W. Lautenbach

Milwaukee — Now there is a place in Milwaukee where someone can check out the latest AIDS-related and gay-themed books and novels, borrow a safe sex video or popular film such as "Philadelphia" and peruse back issues of medical reports and local gay publications—all at the same time.

Actually, there are two places.

St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry and BESTD Clinic have announced they will merge their libraries to form a cooperative Resource Center. The St. Camillus campus is located at 10101 W. Wisconsin Ave; the library is within the Offices of the AIDS Ministry on the fourth floor. The BESTD Clinic is at 1240 E. Brady St.

The unique feature of the shared Resource Center is that each title is cross-cataloged between the two sites. This means that every title at St. Camillus also is included in BESTD's catalog, and vice versa.

"This gives individuals greater access to a large number of resources without having to make multiple trips to multiple sites," said Erv Uecker of the BESTD Clinic. All together, over 1,500 different titles—encompassing books, pamphlets, videotapes and audiotapes—are available at the two libraries.

"We're calling it a Resource Center with two sites," said Jeff Miller, deputy director of AIDS ministry at St. Camillus.

For more than a year, volunteer Ron MacDonald has been organizing and cross-referencing books and information at both sites. MacDonald, who is involved in AIDS ministry through St. Camillus, says he thinks everyone in the community—gay and not gay—could use the Resource Center.

"I think it's the most complete collection of anything around," he said. "I've tried to get it as organized and appealing as possible."

The collection is as varied as it is voluminous. There are authors from Leroy Aarons to Thomas C. Ziebold and topics ranging from Abortion and Abuse to Young People and Yoga. Titles range from "Abandonment to Divine Providence" by Jean-Pierre De Caussade to "Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance" by Robert M. Pirsig. According to MacDonald, the offerings at St. Camillus have a more religious and spiritual bent, while the items at the BESTD

Clinic more predominantly concern AIDS, medical issues and gay topics.

Anyone may visit the BESTD library from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. each Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Thursday and Friday. St. Camillus' library is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

MacDonald began organizing books and tapes at BESTD last summer. Before then, Uecker had asked Brother Stephen Braddock, executive director of St. Camillus, if he knew of anyone—"perhaps some little, old nun"—who could help with the project. According to MacDonald, Braddock said he didn't know of any nuns, but he knew of one person and faxed MacDonald's name to Uecker.

"It was a good thing," MacDonald said. "When I saw some of the titles in the collection, I thought some 'little, old nun' might have lost her vocation!"

Later, after St. Camillus' Offices of the AIDS Ministry moved to a new space on the Wisconsin Avenue campus, Braddock asked MacDonald to set up the new library there. MacDonald promptly began that project and then proceeded to integrate the two sites.

Although MacDonald is retired, he said he is working as much now as he did prior to his retirement from teaching two years ago. He has done all of his work with the Resource Center in his spare time, as a volunteer.

"I'm not a librarian at all," he said, "but I just stepped in."

MacDonald said he is driven to commit his spare time to the Resource Center in order to fulfill his AIDS ministry work. He admitted: "I didn't think AIDS ministry would be library work."

"I wish AIDS ministry would end," he said, envisioning the eradication of the disease. "But the two libraries together should be an excellent resource for people working with AIDS and for the whole community."

MacDonald said he would like to take time to inventory all of the collection's titles, but isn't certain when time will permit that. Until then, he said, he will continue encoding cards for all of the items according to the site at which they are located: red for St. Camillus and green for BESTD Clinic.

If someone is searching at one site and finds a book that is at the other library, MacDonald will pick up the book and bring it within 24 hours. He says he makes trips to each site frequently. "All they have to do is call me at home and leave a

message saying what title," he said.

In addition, people who use the Center won't have to get a library card. MacDonald said he wants to encourage—not discourage—people to use the resources.

"The biggest goal is to have use," he said. "The main thing is not that the books look pretty on the shelves—they've got to be used."

"People may say thanks to me for doing this. But the more things get used—that will be my satisfaction."

NOWAP to Host Harvest of Hope

Eau Claire — The Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project (NOWAP) will host its fourth annual Harvest of Hope Dinner and Auction at 6pm on Saturday, October 19, 1996 at Sweetwater Restaurant in Eau Claire. Proceeds will be used for critically needed AIDS care and prevention in northwest Wisconsin.

The auction will consist of: two tickets to a Chicago Bulls game, a gas grill and a tabletop grill, \$150 gift certificate for Oakwood Mall, two autographed Leinenkugel's steins, overnight stays at Wild Iris Shores and St. Croix Casino, State Regional Arts Center tickets, a pair of season tickets courtesy of the Chippewa Valley Theatre Guild and Eau Claire Children's Theatre, a variety of gift certificates from local restaurants as well as many other items.

The Harvest of Hope Dinner and Auction is \$50 per person and seating is limited. To receive an RSVP for or additional information, please contact the NOWAP office at P.O. Box 11 Eau Claire, WI 54702-0011 or call (715) 836-7710.

Channel 10 Moves "In The Life" to Better Time Slot

Milwaukee — After several years of encouragement and prodding by Milwaukee's gay community, the local media, and the "In The Life" office's in New York, Milwaukee's public television station, WMVS, channel 10, has made the decision to air the series at an airtime hailed by an "In The Life" spokesperson as near perfect—the 5th season premiere episode will be Thursday, October 24 at 11:00 pm.

"We always hope to fall into the 11:00 pm "fringe hour" spot because we find we attract the most viewers at that hour—after popular network programs but before the witching hour," says Katherine Linton, "In The Life" host and senior producer, who also acts as a liaison to the near 100 public television stations across the country that air the series. "Milwaukee is an important market to us and we are very glad that our audience there will be able to catch the show at a reasonable hour."

Last season the "In The Life" series was aired in Milwaukee the midnight time slot. Wisconsin Public TV, with stations across Wisconsin, has traditionally aired "In The Life" at 11pm.

As of this fall, "In The Life" will be presented by WNET channel 13 in New York, the largest public television station in the country. "In The Life" had been presented by a smaller New York station which has since been sold by the city of New York. This watershed development for "In The Life" the WNET presentation may have influenced the WMVS decision.

Many other television stations across the country, including Oregon Public Broadcasting and Nebraska's Education Network are moving "In The Life" to earlier times, possibly because of the WNET backing.

Also new as of the fall, "In The Life" will be carried by the American Program Service (APS), a major distributor of programming for public television stations across the country. The APS backing may also be influencing the decisions of America's public television stations that are placing "In The Life" at better airtimes. "In The Life" sought distribution by APS several years ago but was turned down. The recent APS decision to distribute the series is a testament to "In The Life" improved show quality.

Local reaction to the WMVS decision remains to be seen. Public television stations across the country often receive stacks of mail, for and against, when any move seen as positive is made for the sometimes controversial gay and lesbian series. A write-in campaign in Phoenix by the conservative right contributed to driving "In The Life" off the air several

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years ago in the city — the series has since been picked up again by the Phoenix station.

When the San Diego public station KPBS picked up "In The Life" last season, local gay community members requested that "In The Life" not play up the decision to mainstream papers so the gay community could get a running start against the expected tide of negative public reaction in the conservative city. Station KPBS in San Diego airs "In The Life" at 1:00 am, the latest in the country.

The six episodes of the 5th anniversary season "In The Life" will be aired in October, December, February, April, June and August of 1996/97.

AIDS Walk Web Site

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW), which produces AIDS Walk Wisconsin, has introduced the expanded AIDS Walk Wisconsin web site. The site features Bette Midler, information about the 1996 Walk, a brief history of the Walk, profiles of the benefiting organi-

zations, a day of Walk schedule and an on line registration form. The site also features links to some of AIDS Walk Wisconsin's corporate sponsors, including Miller Brewing, TODAY'S TMJ4, the *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*, 94 WKTI and United Airlines.

"AIDS Walk Wisconsin is the largest AIDS fundraiser in the state and going online means being able to reach a wider audience to provide immediate registration access for those who want to join the fight against the AIDS epidemic," said Laura Glawe, ARCW, Director of Communications. "Traffic to the site has been incredible in the few weeks we've been on the internet."

GLEEDA to Host Tammy Baldwin on September 11

Appleton, WI — State Representative Tammy Baldwin will speak at the September 11 meeting of GLEEDA (Gay and Lesbian Education and Economic Development Alliance) in Appleton. The meeting will be held

at the Liberty Hall Banquet and Conference Center, located near the intersection of Highways 441 and CE (College Avenue). The 7:30pm program will be preceded by a social and dinner beginning at 6 pm. GLEEDA members, prospective members, and the general public are invited to attend.

GLEEDA is a growing network of LesBiGay and Gay Friendly individuals, families, businesses and organizations throughout the Fox Valley. Meetings are usually held on the second Wednesday of each month. To receive a sample copy of their bimonthly newsletter or for additional information, write to GLEEDA, P.O. Box 102, Appleton, WI 54912-0102, or call 414-830-2065.

PFLAG Milwaukee to Discuss "Fear"

Milwaukee — On September 15, PFLAG—Milwaukee will hold a discussion on fear, how it is defined for each person and how fear restricts, limits and disempowers each of us as family, friend, allies or gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered.

The discussion is open to the public and will be held at the Martin Luther Lutheran Church at 9325 W. Bluemound Rd in Milwaukee starting at 6:45pm. For more information call PFLAG at (414)299-9198.

Bear Hunt '96 Set for Sept. 13-15

Superior, WI — The BackWoods Bears, Superior and North Country Bears, Minneapolis invite Bear men from around the Northland to join us for a weekend of fur and fun in the Twin Ports. We'll be meeting Friday, September 13th at 10 pm for a Meet and Greet at the Main Club bar to kick off the weekends events. Activities

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include a trip to the zoo, the train museum, plenty of good eats, and more. Recommended accommodations: the Superior Inn (800)777-8599. For further information, call the North Country Bears info line:612-588-2506 or e-mail: rstbear@primener.com, Thank you, Shawn D. Smith, BackWoods Bears.

Commitment '96 Set for September 6 - 8

Milwaukee — Hundreds of gays and lesbians will converge in Milwaukee, Wisconsin the weekend of September 6, 7, and 8th., for the eleventh annual "Commitment 96" Wisconsin and Northern Illinois' twelve step recovery round-up.

The weekend is open to anyone involved or having the desire to become involved with a twelve step program, and their guests. "Commitment 96" caters to many twelve step programs including AA, AlAnon, SCA, CODA, NA, and many others.

Workshops and keynote speakers dealing with the theme, "Conscious Contract: Opening the Door" along with a variety of other recovery topics will highlight the weekend. A Friday night social hour will provide ample time to become reacquainted with old friends and meet new ones. Saturday night a pizza party and dance will give attendees the opportunity to socialize. The weekend events conclude Sunday morning with a spiritual breakfast and keynote speaker.

The Milwaukee County War Memorial located in downtown Milwaukee will again provide a scenic and serene site for the weekend activities. Parking is available at the War Memorial for \$2.00 per day.

Out of town guests can secure lodging at The Park East Hotel, located just one block from the War Memorial. Reduced room rates will be available for

those mentioning "Commitment 96" when making their reservations. Reservations must be made by August 6th., to qualify for the rate reduction. Additional lodging information can be obtained by calling The Park East at 414-276-8800 or 1-800-255-8899.

The cost for the weekends activities is \$38.00 if you register on or before August 10th. After that date \$48.00 will be charged. The cost includes all workshops and speakers, Saturdays pizza party and dance and the spiritual breakfast on Sunday.

Scholarships for those with financial difficulties or additional information including registration forms can be obtained by writing, "Commitment 96", P.O. Box 92794, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202 or if you prefer by phone contact Carl or Rick at 414-830-1742 or Sandi G. 414-476-5848.

GAMMA Picnic Scheduled for September 8

Milwaukee — The annual GAMMA picnic will be in Lake Park at Site 4 on Sunday, September 8. Beginning at 1:00 pm, there will be volleyball, softball, touch football, and other games. At 3:00 pm the traditional corn roast will be served with brats, hot dogs, burgers, potato salad, and baked beans. Beer and soda will be available during the afternoon. The price will be \$6.00. Everyone is welcome.

Madison's United Seeks Speakers

Madison — The United, Madison's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered agency for social change, is looking for gays and lesbians to join their Speakers' Bureau.

Speakers would make appearance in schools, churches, universities, and

organizations throughout Madison and surrounding areas giving presentations on perspectives on gay marriage, family issues and more. The next training is scheduled for Monday, September 16 at 5:30 pm call us at 608-255-8582 for more information.

Local Gay Group Celebrates National Square Dance Month

Milwaukee — September is National Square Dance Month-Square Dance Clubs from all over the United States will be celebrating and welcoming prospective dancers in their clubs. The Milwaukee area is no exception. Cream City Squares is offering lessons in square dancing this fall. Classes meet weekly on Sundays, 1:00 pm.

New registrants may still enroll on September 29th and October 6th. Open enrollment will close after the third lesson, so the class can progress. The club offers the first lesson free, to give potential members a chance to try dancing and discover the fun and

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friendliness our dances have together. Cost otherwise is \$2.00 a class. No experience necessary: simply dress casually and wear comfortable shoes.

Classes are held at B's bar, Sundays at 1:00 pm, Don Dilges instructing. Info: 414-445-8080 or 414-6435597

Mixner to Attend Benefit Reception at Broadway Theatre Center

Milwaukee — David Mixner, one of the most visible and well connected gay activists in politics today, will be the honorary guest at a VIP benefit reception and book signing Saturday, September 21, 1996, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Broadway Theatre Center.

The event will take place in the center's Skylight Bar and European Salon. For \$40 a person, attendees will be treated to an hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and sodas. Guests will also receive a gift bag as they leave.

Mixner will be available to sign his book which will be given free to all attendees. Proceeds will benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Mixner's candid memoir, "Stranger Among Friends," strikes to the heart of the challenges he faced as Washington's ultimate outsider. He shares the passionate story of his lifetime fight for constitutional rights, his own coming out of the closet, his loss of 250 friends to AIDS and his fight for AIDS research. He offers a rare glimpse into his friendship with Bill and Hillary, he reveals the inside workings of presidential campaigns, insights on the Clinton administration's

failures and successes, and assessments of dozens of our nation's leaders.

Mixner will also be in attendance at the Leadership Breakfast for AIDS Walk Wisconsin with Bette Midler the following day, September 22, 1996.

MEMORIAL

Karen Axness

Memorial reception for Karen Axness at A Room of One's Own bookstore

A memorial service and reception for Karen Axness, bookseller and feminist, will be held at a Room of One's Own bookstore on Sunday, September 15 from 3-5 pm

Karen died of cancer on August 11. All those who knew and cared about Karen are encouraged to come and share their thoughts and reminiscences of her.

Karen was known throughout the community for her deep love, expertise and appreciation of literature—particularly the works of women. She was assistant manager and buyer at A Room of One's Own where she worked since 1980. She served as treasurer in the Madison Independent Booksellers Association and was also active in the Wisconsin Science Fiction Convention—the only feminist science fiction convention in the world—which celebrated its 20th anniversary in Madison this last May.



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INDEPENDENTLY SPEAKING

by Marvin Liebman

I would like to bring to your attention an important book recently published by an old friend of mine, Dr. Betty Berzon, titled "Setting Them Straight." It deals with homophobia in our society and provides the means and the words to fight it. The book is a truly transcendent guide to dealing with the bigotry, stereotyping, and hatred that affects each and every lesbian and gay man in the country.

Psychotherapist Betty Berzon has published an extremely useful handbook for gay people dealing with homophobia in their daily lives — and which one of us isn't interested in that? Berzon's approach "... is if gay and lesbian people do not take responsibility for changing how we are to be treated by the larger society, who will," she asks?

We've all found ourselves in a paralyzed state when we hear somebody else's anti-gay comment or joke. We often don't know how to respond and how to correct the other party's misinformation. And, even if we did know how to respond, on many occasions we are so overcome by fear of self-exposure that we don't say anything at all. This inability to respond to homophobia not only leaves the bigot in unenlightened ignorance, it causes damage to one's own self-worth. As Berzon points out, "the more enduring source of self-esteem for anyone gay or lesbian is the freedom to be authentically who and what we are, anytime, anywhere, and with anyone."

Berzon's is a far-reaching book. She writes in the same easy-to-understand, hands-on style as her earlier best-selling classic, "Permanent Partners." She examines why people hate — "because they are unable to love" and because "hating helps to make the world seem more manageable." Scapegoating makes the gay individual "the villain who is threatening the welfare of nice people going about their decent heterosexual lives." She explains how individuals develop (or fail to develop) a sense of morality; a sense of decency towards other people.

Berzon explains that prejudice can often be understood as a product of the "frustration-aggression cycle." People become frustrated by problems that seem unmanageable so they aggress against a target group rather than addressing their own issues. The religious right has defined gays as a "predatory outside force" that can be blamed for many of the failures of American life.

But all of that is useful background information for what is really the central thesis of Berzon's new book — the guide-

lines of dealing with anti-gay situations. It's as if she has personally observed each and every one of our confrontations with bigotry with notebook and pen in hand, and has compiled them in one volume. For each sample situation — comments by an anti-gay co-worker, for instance, or even another gay person's homophobia — Berzon provides a positive scenario for dealing with the situation. But she also takes

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it a step further. She provides a list of specific points said or done (which are also listed in full in an invaluable appendix) as an imaginary scenario which can be repeated in other scenarios — actions such as "shifting the focus from your gayness to his problem with it." Thus, each "case study" is more easily applied to situations beyond the ones provided. Berzon provides the reader with specific, informative, and invaluable tools to respond to anti-gay bigotry.

None of the actions Berzon looks at in order to combat homophobia would be successful, however, unless the gay subject is out of the closet. The common theme throughout the book, the most important thing we can do to defeat bigotry in our lives and in society is to come out. As Berzon points out, there's nothing wrong with "keeping a lid" on matters which might create conflict with others, but by remaining in the closet to make it easier for the homophobe, "you are essentially keeping the lid on you."

I believe that "Setting Them Straight" ranks with "Permanent Partners" as an invaluable "how-to" for every gay man and lesbian in America. As Berzon says in her final paragraph, "You are not alone. There are people you've never met, in places you've never seen, thinking and feeling exactly what you are, taking the same uneasy first steps, discovering the excitement of being in on the world changing. They are your gay and lesbian companions in this struggle. They are your family."

Lesbian Wedding in Green Bay Sparks Church Controversy

by Cheryl Myers

Nicole Getchell and Teresa Beland got married on August 3, 1996. However, their effort towards this end produced not just the usual pre-wedding jitters, but ground-breaking work for LesBiGay rights in northeastern Wisconsin.

A year ago, Getchell and Beland became engaged. Both members of the Union Congregational Church in Green Bay, they hoped for a big church wedding. The co-pastors, Rev. Mize and Rev. Krejci were supportive.

"We joined this church because of its openness and tolerance. The pastors are warm and supportive. And I was a very spiritual person, and church was always a part of my life growing up," Getchell told *In Step*.

But the church Board felt it was not a decision the pastors could make, but rather an issue for the congregation to decide.

"I'm not sure very many members of the congregation were aware we were gay," states Getchell, "And I had just started a new job, and was wary of coming out right away." That didn't stop Getchell and Beland from pursuing their dream. They agreed to do an interview with the *Green Bay Press Gazette*, the local and regional daily paper. Their interview, complete with pictures, made the front page.

In the article, they discussed their petition to marry in the church and the resultant dialogue between pastors, Board, and congregation. At that time, the Board had not yet issued a decision.

"Churches are governed differently depending on denominations," explains Getchell, "Some are ruled by a central body, and others decide individually. Our church is

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—NICOLE GETCHELL

structured so that the congregation decides policy, with the Board and pastors. It was up to all of us to decide how to proceed."

Getchell and Beland continued with wedding preparations while also grappling with church policy. They determined that they would not wait if the church did not decide in time for their wedding, but would have the ceremony elsewhere.

"The church resolved that the Board did have the power



—Nicole Getchell and Teresa Beland

to decide the issue of whether or not same-gender weddings took place within the church. But they also decided to delay making any such decision until the church body had resolved an even larger issue — the Open and Affirming Process."

Getchell explains that the 'Open and Affirming Process,' is the development of a policy regarding the acceptance of the Lesbian community within their church. It goes beyond tolerance to religious and moral equivalency.

"Once that policy is determined, the board will then deal with the other, related issues, such as weddings," she continues. The newspaper exposure placed Beland and Getchell in the spotlight, and Getchell states they waited to see what would happen. The church continued its debate, with Getchell, Beland, and many others forming an Open and Affirming Group — a committee to provide seminars, books, and education for the congregation, and to work out a policy paper addressing the issues. On a personal level, the employees of both women learned of their wedding plans.

"I was so surprised. I had been afraid to tell them — I was so new there — but they all chimed in and bought us a wedding present. Teresa's work was wonderful, too."

"The only bad part," states Getchell, "Is that my mother was very offended and ashamed. I had been out to her for a few years, and she never accepted it. Unfortunately, my minister back home (in the Peshtigo-Marquette area) is actively

anti-gay and preaches hate from the pulpit. He reinforces to my mom that I live a sinful, perverted lifestyle. My mother asked me to not tell my younger brothers and sisters about my upcoming wedding."

Beland's family reacted differently. They were loving and accepting, states Getchell.

"They act just like regular in-laws," she says. "Teresa's mother is from the Philippines, and after her dad brought them to the Menominee area after the Vietnam War, they encountered a lot of prejudice and injustice. I think that has helped them to be open-minded and accepting of us. They're just wonderful."

The church issues were not resolved, and so Getchell and Beland moved their wedding to Pamperin Park, with both their pastors officiating.

"A television news team called me and wanted to come to the ceremony, but I said we did not want the media at our wedding. I told them I would be happy to grant interviews before or after, but they never contacted me again. I was afraid they'd use it as a brief, sensational news clip without covering the real story in-depth," Getchell says.

"The wedding was beautiful," she adds. "When I came to Green Bay, I was practically adopted by Kurt and Paul, a gay couple I met through school. In a lot of ways, they're my parents now — Kurt's my dad and Paul's my mom. Kurt gave me away. So even if I didn't have a biological family there, I still had a family."

Since the wedding, only one negative letter to the editor has appeared in the *Press Gazette*. Getchell and Beland have

returned from their honeymoon to work and school. Getchell also continues to work for Lesbigan rights as Head Co-Chair of the Ten Percent Society at University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. She does public education and speaking, and presentations to schools on Gay/Lesbian youth. She appeared two years ago in the documentary "Hate and Homophobia."

"A few years ago, Kurt (then Head Co-Chair of the Ten Percent Society) told me that everything I've done puts me in a ground-breaking position, and whether I want to be or not, I'm now a role model because I will speak out and tackle issues. That really threw me for a loop. Since then, Gay young people have told me they look up to me or want to be like me, and I'm really flattered. But I'm afraid of letting them down. I don't feel like a role model," says Getchell. "My wife isn't as vocal as me, and she doesn't enjoy public speaking. But she is supportive in every way. She just prefers to work behind the scenes."

When asked why she wanted the story-book wedding, Getchell replied, "I believe in commitments made in the eyes of God. It's how I grew up. When I came out to my mother, she told me I was ruining my life, and told me all the things I would lose if I were a lesbian — no wedding, children, family. All the sacrifices I was making. Then one day, I thought about it and asked myself 'why can't I have those things?' I couldn't come up with a good answer."

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The Arts

by Jorge L. Cabal

Three-Person Show Opens at the Tory Folliard Gallery in Milwaukee

Milwaukee — A three-person show opens at the Tory Folliard Gallery in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward, Friday, September 6th. Included in the exhibition will be the work of Patrick Farrell, a Milwaukee painter with a national reputation. Farrell will be exhibiting new still-life oil paintings along with his "Outer-Ledge Series."

James Auer, art critic for the Milwaukee "Journal Sentinel" wrote recently of Farrell: "He has become the John Singer Sargent of gleaming citrus fruit." A month after the Folliard opening, the Marin-Price Galleries of Washington, D.C. and Maryland, will mount a one-man show of Farrell's recent work at the gallery's Chevy Chase location. The gallery plans an opening reception for the artist on Saturday evening, October the 5th. This will be Farrell's fourth one-man show in the Washington D.C. area since 1991.

Patrick Farrell has been exhibiting his work for over twenty years, resulting in his having had over twenty-five solo exhibitions and being included in countless group exhibitions. The self-taught painter has explored the demanding style of painting known as magic-realism and has earned himself a noteworthy place among leading painters. Recent recognition from his peers includes the "John Young-Hunter Memorial Award" honoring his work at the 81st Allied Artists of America Exhibition, held at the National Arts Club in New York City.

This past summer a major retrospective exhibition of Farrell's paintings was exhibited at the Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Currently his paintings are shown in China at Imavision Gallery of Singapore and Taipei, R.O.C.

The Tory Folliard Gallery exhibition is scheduled for September 6th from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the gallery, 233 N. Milwaukee Street. Featured with the work of Patrick Farrell will be new paintings by Anne DeCoster and Steven Kozar. The exhibition runs through October 11th. An artists reception is also scheduled for Friday. Gallery hours are: Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 273-7311.

Poet Jen Benka at Cafe Melange

Milwaukee — Milwaukee poet and performer Jen Benka is the featured reader at Cafe Melange's Poet's Monday on

September 9th at 10:00 p.m. Benka will read new work, as well as material she performed with multi-media musical group MOOK.

As a member of MOOK, Benka has performed in venues across the Midwest, and released a compact disk of original music, "Singing in the Dark Times." She is also the author of "Manya," an alternative comic book, published by Vagabond Press in Chicago, for which she received a grant from the Xeric Foundation in Northampton, MA.

Performance is schedule to begin at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$2.00. Cafe Melange is located at 720 Old World 3rd Streer in Milwaukee. For more information, contact (414) 291-9889.

Author Jacquelyn Mitchard Reads at Schwartz Bookshop



—Jacquelyn Mitchard

Shorewood — Author and columnist Jacquelyn Mitchard will help celebrate the grand reopening of newly remodeled Oakland Avenue at the Schwartz Bookshop in Shorewood on Wednesday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. Mitchard will read from her book "The Deep End of the Ocean." A long-time writer on family issues, Jacquelyn Mitchard's riveting story captures the heartbreaking terror of a parent's worst nightmare: a child's kidnapping.

One of Wisconsin's brightest new novelists helps celebrate the grand reopening of the avenue with a reading from "The Deep End of the Ocean." Beth, a young mother and one of the book's pivotal characters, turns her back for only a few minutes while she checks into a hotel for her class reunion. Suddenly her three-year-old son, Ben disappears for nine years. With amazing insight and honesty, Mitchard explores the unraveling of each family member's life after the abduction as feelings of hope, guilt, acceptance, anger, denial, blame and love battle emotions. Mitchard twists the ending several times.

Jacquelyn Mitchard, mother of five, is a native of Chicago. She graduated from the University of Illinois and Rockford College. She became a newspaper reporter, first for Madison's *Capital Times* and in the mid-1980's for the *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*. Her weekly column, "The Rest of Us" had been published in the "Journal" for 11 years and is now nationally syndicated. Mitchard was also a speech writer for now U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala when she was Chancellor at the University of Wisconsin. Her work appears regularly in *Parenting Magazine*, *TV Guide*, *Money*, *Self*, and *Woman's Day*. She is also the author of two non-fiction books "Mother Less Child: The Love Story of a Family" and a biography of Jane Addams for teenagers. Currently a resident of Madison, she is working on her second novel.



Amy Hastert, Jonathan Wainwright and Tom Schemmils from Amethyst Production of "Loot"

Amethyst to Present "Loot" by Joe Orton

Milwaukee — All of Orton's work reflects its author's pessimistic life view, and "Loot" is no exception, with elements of anarchy, the exposure of hypocrisy, and a lack of respect for society's most cherished institutions abundantly present.

Orton's greatest hit "Loot" premiered in London (almost exactly thirty years previous to the opening of this production) on September 27th, 1966. It is a British detective story with a twist: the law is not a great protective authority, but instead dependable only in its corruptibility and ineptitude.

"Loot" is the story of a father, a son, a villainous cohort, a psychotic nurse and a crazed detective enriched by Orton's delightfully irreverent and well-constructed dialogue.

But this production is more than just words, and under Jonathan West's insightful direction, it becomes a rollicking and hilarious farce.

"Loot" features a talented cast of Milwaukee actors: Tom Schimmels as

Det. Truscott, Amy Hastert as Fay, William Clifford as Mr. McLeavy, Jonathan Wainwright as his son Hal, and Stephan Roselin as Dennis.

This production is rated "PG". Tickets are available at the Broadway Theatre Center Box Office at (414) 291-7800. The production opens September 5th through the 15th at the Broadway Theatre Center Studio Theatre located on 158 N. Broadway. Admission on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. \$14.00, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. \$16.00 and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. \$14.00. For more information call (414) 299-0435.

"From the Beginning: An Exhibition of Drawing"

Milwaukee — Gallery 218, the cooperative art gallery of the Walker's Point Artists Association, will present the exhibition, "From the Beginning: An Exhibition of Drawing", from September 6th through September 29th. A variety of drawing media and

techniques will be featured. All work will be for sale.

An opening reception will take place on Friday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Burton Gulbord, (Ozahaawashkoginiw, Blue Eagle), will perform Native American folk music at 8:00 p.m. Gallery 218 is open Wednesday 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Thursday-Friday 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Saturday- Sunday noon until 5:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 277-7800.

"Keyboard Conversations" 12th Season Begins with A Rhapsody

Milwaukee — One of America's foremost virtuoso pianists, Jeffrey Siegel, will open its 12th season with the rarely-heard piano transcription of the immortal "Rhapsody In Blue." This special concert on Wednesday, September 11, begins at 7:30 p.m. at Milwaukee's nationally historic Pabst Theater.

The Arts

Jeffrey Siegel, who recently appeared at the Kennedy Center's 25th Anniversary performance, is an international concert artist who has been a guest pianist with many of the world's greatest orchestras. A multi-talented musician, Jeffrey Siegel is also a conductor who has appeared this summer at Lincoln Center, Ravinia, and the Hollywood Bowl, among other music festivals. His "Keyboard Conversations" programs feature full, concert performances combined with a scintillating discussion of the composers and their music. In addition to Milwaukee, "Keyboard Conversations" is a regular feature in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Washington D.C. among other cities.

The opening program of the 1996-97 season features rhapsodies of Brahms and Liszt in addition to George Gershwin's "Rhapsody In Blue." The four concert series also includes the music of Chopin on October 23; Schubert, February 19, 1997; and concludes the season with "Romantic Fantasies" by Bach, Mozart, Chopin and Schubert on April 16, 1997. All concerts are on Wednesday nights beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the 1996-97 opening concert, "Rhapsody!", are \$21.00 and may be purchased at the Pabst Theater Box Office, 144 E. Wells Street. Box office hours are Mondays through Fridays from noon to 5:30 p.m. and from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Season tickets to all four "Keyboard Conversations" concerts are available for \$72.00 and may be purchased until September 11, 1996. Call the Pabst Box Office at (414) 286-2663 for information on single tickets and/or series subscription tickets.

Boulevard Theatre To Hold Auditions for "Gianni Schicchi"

Milwaukee — Auditions for singers/actors with musical training will be held from 1 pm to 4 pm on September 7th and 8th for the Boulevard Ensemble's (October 18 to November 10th) production of Puccini's comic one-act opera "Gianni Schicchi." All roles are open at this time.

The production will be directed by Timothy X. Troy. Those auditioning are asked to prepare an appropriate aria. An accompanist will be provided. Reading from the script may be featured.

For more information concerning the requirements of the audition, please call 414-672-6019. Auditions are by appointment only and will be held at the Boulevard Theatre, 2252 South Kinnickinnic, one-half block north of Lincoln Avenue and Kinnickinnic.

Author Appearances at AfterWords

Milwaukee — AfterWords Bookstore has announced two additional author appearances to their fall schedule. On Saturday, October 19th AfterWords Achy Obejas will read from her debut novel, "Memory Mambo" (Cleis Pb \$12.95) the story of Juaní Casas, a twenty four year old lesbian struggling with violence, desire and the meaning of love. Having escaped from Cuba with her irresistibly imperfect family of "cousins", she is fixated on memory, of extracting the truth of her life from the nostalgic mythology of exile.

Obejas is the author of "We Came All the Way from Cuba So You Could Dress Like This?" and will read and sign copies of "Memory Mambo" at 7:00 pm. This event is free and all are welcome.

AfterWords will celebrate their 3rd Annual Halloween Bash on Wednesday, October 30th with an appearance by author and editor Pam Keesey who with her latest book has gone from vampires to werewolves, "Women Who Run with the Werewolves: Tales of Blood, Lust and Metamorphosis" (Cleis Press Pb \$12.95). In this latest collection, Keesey shows the female werewolf as dangerous and alluring, often using her sexuality to destroy men: Ms. Keesey will explore the mythology of the werewolf as well as read selections from the book. The party begins at 7:00 pm.

On Friday, September 20th AfterWords will welcome lesbian humor columnist Jorjet Harper for an appearance. Described by Allison Bechdel as "smart, hilarious and depraved", Jorjet Harper is the author of the recently released, "Tales From the Dyke Side" as well as the delightful *Lesbomania*. Ms Harper will be appearing at 7:00 pm and will read from her new book and present a slide presentation based on the two books. Both books are published by New Victoria.

On Saturday, September 27th crime novelist Ellen Hart and R.D. Zimmerman will read from their newest books. Ellen Hart is the author of the popular series of Jane Lawless mysteries which include "Hallowed Murder," "Vital Lies," "Stage Fright," "A Killing Cure" and "A Small Sacrifice." Joining Jane in her crime solving adventures is the always funny, and very flamboyant, Cordelia Thorn.

Hart's visit coincides with the publication of the newest Jane Lawless mystery "Robber's Wine" (Seal Press HC \$21.95). Reading with Ellen Hart is the Lambda Literary Award winning mystery writer R.D. Zimmerman who has just published his second Todd Mills mystery, "Tribe" (Dell Pb \$5.50). Closet is the title of R.D. Zimmerman's first mystery which was also Edgar nominated. Ellen Hart and R.D. Zimmerman will be reading at AfterWords at 7:00 pm.

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TRIBAL TALK

by Ron Geiman

It's a Party and We're Invited

viewed and read about the Demo Convention all last week. (NBC, CNN, C-Span; *USA Today*, *Chicago Tribune* and *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*.) I just finished watching the President's 66 minute acceptance speech as I sit down to write this. The part of his speech (about two-thirds of the way through) when he started saying things like "Let more and more of our people have a chance to live their dreams" and "Every conceivable difference is here (in this hall)" I wondered if he would mention Us...

He continued, saying "too many Americans still give into their fears" (about people different than themselves) "Others...male or female, young or old...straight or Gay". He said the "G" word again, just as he did four years ago at the '92 convention.

After being sworn in on January 20 of '93, 9 days later he released a fire storm of criticism over his announced

efforts to allow gays to serve openly in the military. He ended up settling for the awful compromise of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"... but at least he tried.

He caved in to public outcry and a lack of support of both "New" and Liberal Democratic wings in the recent

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Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) debacle. However, we can't forget his appointments of out Gays and Lesbians in his administration and that he issued an order preventing sexual orientation discrimination in the Executive branch.

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The President also mentioned that AIDS/HIV drugs doubled the life expectancy for Persons With AIDS in just the last four years.

That's meaningful to me — personally. I started on one of the new protease inhibitors, Saquinavir, shortly after it was released in January. I took it in combination with the anti-retroviral 3TC (Lamivudine). By June, my "viral load" (the amount of HIV in my blood) dropped fairly dramatically according to the standard PCR blood test.

Then, in August another PCR test showed my viral load started climbing (slowly) again. Just this week, I'm starting a new 3 "Drug Cocktail", replacing Saquinavir with Indinavir. Future tests will show if this new combo sends the numbers to lowered levels.

Most of these relatively new drugs have been developed under increased research budgets ushered in by Clinton. He's also sent more money to the states (though still not enough) to help underwrite the costs of providing needy PWAs with

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these new drugs, which can be prohibitively expensive.

CONVENTION TIDBITS

- ▼ A number of Gay rainbow flags frequently appeared on the convention floor.
- ▼ There were over 140 openly G/L delegates in Chicago—only 4 in San Diego.
- ▼ If I never see another politician giving a “thumbs up” sign again it will be too soon. Dole is the worst culprit, but I saw a few at the Demo confab, too.
- ▼ The placards that HRC had printed that read “Equal Rights for Newt’s Sister”.
- ▼ If Clinton wins in November, he’ll be the first Democratic President re-elected since FDR 50 years ago.
- ▼ The Gay and Lesbian caucus packed Chicago’s Paris Dance club last Tuesday night, “Dancing to house music and watching the convention on TV,” according to the Tribune.
- ▼ A Colorado lesbian delegates, Tracy Collins commented with relief, “I’m glad the Gay and Lesbian Caucuses have the decency to start at 1:30 in the afternoon.” (Plenty of party recovery time.)
- ▼ The LesBiGay Caucus meetings throughout the week were treated to a daily parade of such party notables as Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, Jesse Jackson, Demo. Natl. Comm. chair Don Fowlers and even Tipper Gore. Calif. Reps., Maxine Waters and Vim Fazio and Washington Gov. Mike Lowry. Wrapping up last Thursday were visits by Sen. Barbara Boxer of Calif., and Sen. Christopher Dodd of Conn., the Demo Party chair.

▼ Up on the convention podium, out gay speakers included Mass. Rep. Barney Frank; Calif. Assembly woman Sheila Kuehl and Calif. congressional candidate Rick Zbur.

▼ In stark contrast to the GOP in San Diego, the Dems were strikingly more diverse. 66.8% were White, 18.9% Black, 9% Hispanic, 3%

Asian and 1.4% American Indian. Gender wise was 50/50%. There were over 140 LesBiGay delegates.

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The Calendar

Wednesday, September 4

"Forest Flies Back to Asia," (Madison): Shake It Up. FMI call (608) 241-2500.

Animal Crackers (Milwaukee): Share an animal cracker during preschool & kindergarten story time. 2:30 p.m. at Audubon Court Books 383 West Brown Deer Rd. For more information call (414) 351-9140.

"Rob Pritzlaff" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange 720 Old World 3rd St. 8:30 p.m. Admission \$2.00. FMI call (414) 291-9889.

Thursday, September 5

"Sophie's World" by Jostein Gaardner (Brookfield): will be discussed at 7:00 p.m. by in-store reading group at Schwartz Bookshop 17145 N. Bluemound Rd. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

Espresso Poetry (Milwaukee): At 7:30 p.m., first Thursday of every month is poetry night in our espresso bar at Audubon Court Books 383 West Brown Deer Rd. FMI call (414) 351-9140.

"La Chazz" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 9:00 p.m. Admission \$3.00. FMI call (414) 291-9889.

Lipatti Quartet Concert (Milwaukee): UWM Fine Arts Recital Hall at 8:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 229-4308.

BESTD Clinic Live: Commitment '96 (Milwaukee): At 7:00 p.m. cable channel 47. Guests Mari Hang and Jim Nowlen.

Friday, September 6

Macbeth (Milwaukee): Vogel Hall at the P.A.C. For more information call (414) 273-7206.

GAMMA Circle (Milwaukee): Social starting at 7:00 p.m. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

"Welcome Back Dance" (Madison): The Ten Percent Society dance at 8:00 p.m. Great Hall-Memorial Union at UWM-Madison. Admission \$3.00. For more information call (608) 257-7746.

"The Saz" (Madison): Dining out at "The Saz" 7:30 p.m. sponsored by the Frontiers. For more information call Gene (608) 831-4711.

Commitment '96 (Milwaukee): Wisconsin and Northern Illinois' gay and lesbian twelve step recov-

ery round-up. FMI call Carl/Rick at (414)830-1742.

"High Tea & Talk" (Madison): 3:30 p.m. at Monty's Blue Plate Diner, 2089 Atwood Ave. For more information call (608) 241-2500.

"Three-Person Show" (Milwaukee): Tory Falliard Gallery from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 273-7311.

Mrs. Fun (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 9:30 p.m. Admission \$4.00. FMI call (414) 291-9889.

Jim Waller and Lori Giese (Milwaukee): Audubon Court Books from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. For more information call (414) 351-9140.

Indian Summer Festival (Milwaukee): Henry Maier Festival Park. For more information Call (414) 774-7119.

"Hauptmann" (Madison): Madison Repertory Theatre. For details call (608) 256-0029.

Faces: 1995-96 (Milwaukee): BESTD Gallery. Photo exhibit by photographer Jorge Cabal. 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Saturday, September 7

Joint Beer/Soda Bust (Milwaukee/Chicago): The Castaways MC and Rodeo Riders will hold a joint club night. FMI call Tom Ryan or Bob Pfeiffer at (414) 764-1135.

Parting Glances" & "Lukas' Story 1 & 2 (Madison): Madison Gay Video Club 8pm. Young men's 18-30 only. FMI call (608)244-8675 evenings.

Children's Story Hour (Milwaukee): Audubon Court Books from 10am. to 3pm. FMI call (414) 351-9140.

"Bill Brenckle" (Milwaukee): Audubon Court Books from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. For more details call (414) 351-9140.

GAMMA Fun Run and Walk (Milwaukee): 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable east side, followed by a stop for eating. For more details call (414) 425-2146.

"Harmony Sovereign" (Shorewood): Music in the Cafe at 8:00 p.m. Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop, 4093 N. Oakland Avenue. For more information call

(414) 963-3111.

Josie Lynn-US of A- Benefit Show (Kenosha): Club 94. Show time 11:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 857-9958.

Sunday, September 8

GAMMA Picnic (Milwaukee): Picnic at Lake Park Site #4 at 1:00 p.m. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

Anonymous HIV Testing at C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): from 6pm to 9pm. Sponsored by BESTD Clinic and MAP. FMI call (414)272-2144.

New Generation Concert (Milwaukee): UWM Fine Arts Recital Hall at 3:00 p.m. For details call (414) 229-4308.

"Basic Square Dance Lessons" (Milwaukee): Cream City Squares. FMI call (414) 643-5597.

"Dreams That Have No Moral" (Milwaukee): Irish Folk tales collected by W.B. Yeats and performance reading by Eamonn O'Neill. For more information call (414) 273-5253.

M&M Anniversary Party! (Milwaukee) At The M & M Club. Buffet, surprises, live music and much more. For more information call (414) 347-1962.

Monday, September 9

Book & Video Discussion: AfterWords Book Club at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-9089.

Laura Erickson (Milwaukee): Author of "Sharing the Wonder of Birds" at Audubon Court Books, 7:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 351-9140.

Jen Benka Poetry Reading (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$2.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Tuesday, September 10

Personal Finance (Milwaukee): at 7pm. Making the most of your money using fixed income investments. Audubon Court Books. For more details call (414) 351-9140.

GAMMA Volleyball (Milwaukee): Volleyball tonight at UWM Engelmon Gym, 8:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

GAMMA Board Meeting (Milwaukee): Monthly

board meeting at 7:00 p.m. For more information call (414) 425-2146.

"Sheila Spargur & David Carroll" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:00 p.m. Admission \$2.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Wednesday, Sept. 11

"Zadora" & Open Mike (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$2.00. For more details call (414) 291-9889.

Thursday, September 12

"La Chozz" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 9:00 p.m. Admission \$3.00. FMI Call (414) 291-9889.

BESTD Clinic Live: Home Health Care (Milwaukee): BESTD CLINIC LIVE at 7pm. on cable channel 47. Guest Sharon Pfeiffer.

Activity Planning Meeting (Madison): Frontiers: Madison's Social Organization for Gay & Bisexual Men. FMI Call Gene (608) 4711.

Chess (Milwaukee): Starting at 7pm at Audubon Court Books. FMI call (414) 351-9140.

Friday, September 13

"Sweet Land of Liberty" (Chicago): LeftEye Productions presents the Chicago premiere. "O" Bar & Cafe, 3343 N. Clark St. FMI call (312)802-9167.

Mrs. Fun (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 9:30 p.m. Admission \$4.00. FMI call (414) 291-9889.

Sam Steffke (Milwaukee): Jazz pianist at Audubon Court Books. Performance begins at 7:30 p.m. For more details call (414) 351-9140.

"Once a Thief" (Zong Heng Si Hai, 1990) (Madison): University of Wisconsin-Madison celebrate the orient. FMI call (608) 262-2543.

GAMMA Dining Out (Milwaukee): A fabulous meal & place, set for 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

Saturday, September 14

"It's My Party" & "Blackwoods" (Madison): Madison Gay Video Club, set for 8:00 p.m. For more details call (608) 244-8675.

"Farm Boys" (Madison): Frontiers gay & bisexual club will meet at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Gene (608) 831-4711.

"John Schneider" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$3.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Peter Baime, Flamenco Guitar (Milwaukee):

Audubon Book Court at 7:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. For more details call (414) 351-9140.

GAMMA Fun Run (Milwaukee): 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable east side, followed by a stop for eating. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

"He's a Woman, She's a Man" (Jinzi Yuye, 1994) (Madison): Celebration of the Orient continues. For more information call (608) 262-2543.

Sunday, September 15

"The Shamed and the Shameless" (Milwaukee): Stories of Irish Mating by James Joyce and Frank O'Connor, performance reading by Mary Gleeson Kruser and Dove O'Meara. For more information call (414) 273-5253.

Organizational Meeting, Practice/Instruction (Madison): Madison Wrestling Club will meet at 1:00 p.m. FMI call (608) 244-8675 evenings.

Monday, September 16

GAMMA Book Club (Milwaukee): Discussion starting at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 425-2146.

L/G/B Business Alliance Social (Madison) at the New Turner Hall starting at 5pm until 7:30pm. FMI call Tom Neal at (608) 256-2667.

Theresa Columbus (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$2.00. For more information call (414) 291-9889.

Tuesday, September 17

Lesbian Book Club (Milwaukee): AfterWords at 7:30 p.m. The group will discuss "Mysteries" by Ellen Hart. FMI call (414) 963-9089.

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

Successful Employment Practices (Milwaukee): Topic at Audubon Book Court at 7:00 p.m. Guest J. D. Thorne. For more information call (414) 351-9140.

Wednesday, Sept. 18

"Apartment Zero" (Madison): Frontiers film circle meets at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Gene (608) 274-5959.

"Paul St. Germain" (Milwaukee): Cafe Melange at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$2.00. For more details call (414) 291-9889.

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TRAVEL

by Kevin Isom

Some people come here just to be near Elvis. But Memphis, Tennessee is more than home to the King, even if it does have the highest per capita concentration of Elvis impersonators outside Las Vegas.

Set on the banks of the wide and rolling Mississippi River, long the center of cotton trade in the South, Memphis is home to the blues, much as New Orleans is the birthplace of jazz. Flashy Beale Street, akin to Bourbon Street in New Orleans, is not far from the river. Just follow the music and the lights to the pedestri-

an-only street, which stretches for several city blocks. Every night, the music halls overflow with patrons listening to blues, jazz, and rock, as the smells of Southern cooking waft into the air from the many restaurants. Beale Street once drew performers from Louis Armstrong to B.B. King, but its most famous denizen was W.C. Handy, the "Father of the Blues," whose statue stands at the end of Beale Street.

Just up from Beale Street is the Peabody Hotel, Memphis' premier hotel. If you're not staying there, at

Memphis Blues

least stop in for coffee or a drink, to experience the opulent elegance of the Old South. At 11 a.m. every day, the Peabody ducks parade into the ornate lobby, down a red carpet, into the central fountain.

Another favored area is Overton Square. If you're not going to stay at the Peabody, the French Quarter Inn on Overton Square is a good choice. If jacuzzi tubs built for two aren't reason enough, the walking distance proximity of Memphis most international restaurant, Paulette's, and THE barbecue ribs restaurant, The Public Eye, should be. Paulette's is a great place for a romantic dinner, and they won't look askance at a gay or lesbian couple, even in this very socially conservative Southern town. The prices are reasonable, and if you wish, you can just go for crepes for dessert. When you go to The Public Eye, take your antacid if you're not used to barbecue.

Not far up Poplar Avenue is the gay and lesbian center of night life, Amnesia. It may not be hard to remember, but it is hard to find. It's in a large warehouse behind a row of shops, so be sure to call first to ask for the latest landmark at the place to turn. Amnesia features three bars in one: a video music bar, a lounge jazz bar, and the large dance area. There's also—I kid you not—a shallow swimming pool outside the dance area, should you wish to cool down later in the evening. Many of the regulars do just that. Wet Calvins cling nicely. So do bras or t-shirts.

Another popular bar is the Pipeline, a stand-and-model bar,

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Memphis style. No dancing, just plenty of beer. Try it before you go to Amnesia, but definitely not as an alternative.

When you've recovered from a night on the town, you may want to go for coffee in the Midtown area, an increasingly artsy—by Memphis standards—area that has long provided the favored housing for gay and lesbian Memphians. Not far from the University of Memphis, Midtown Memphis is a pleasant area of historic homes.

When you're fully awake, you may want to take in some of the museums. A city marked by deep racial division, Memphis is home to a serious reminder of civil rights history: the high-tech National Civil Rights Museum at the Lorraine Motel, where the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated.

At the opposite end of the spectrum is Graceland, Elvis Presley's home and final resting place. Set gracefully back from the wrought iron gates adorned with musical notes, the mansion offers both the reverent and the curious a chance to view the tacky late-Elvis period interior. Expect lots of velvet. Along with gold records, glittery costumes, and Cadillacs. Afterward, you can pay your respects at Elvis' grave, then go inside the Lisa Marie. Elvis' plane, that is. At Christmas, Graceland is all done up in lights—blue, of course.

In addition to Graceland and the Civil Rights Museum, Memphis had two good art galleries, the Brooks Museum and Dixon Gallery, as well as several historic houses open for public view. Both galleries have fine permanent collections, charming grounds to walk through, and excellent temporary exhibits, a surprise in a city of Memphis' modest size. Brooks Museum, incidentally, is also next to Overton Park, a pleasant tree-filled park.

Every other year during the summer and early fall, Memphis plays host to a "Wonders Exhibit." Somehow they are able to create exhibits that no one else in the world can match. Past exhibits on Napoleon, Catherine the Great, and last year's Imperial Tombs of China (they brought in statue warriors and horses buried with ancient Chinese Emperors) have attracted hundreds of thousands of visitors.

Finally, a monorail to Mud Island in the river will take you to the Mississippi River Museum (remember the scene with Tom Cruise in "The Firm"?). Just down from Mud Island, not far from actress Cybill Sheperd's condo, you can take a ride on an honest-to-goodness riverboat, complete with red paddle wheel and smokestacks. From the River, you can also marvel at the giant stainless steel pyramid, the city's coliseum, designed to hearken back to Memphis namesake in Egypt.

The river is an important part of Memphis life all year round. Each year during the Memphis in May International Festival, would-be barbecue chefs from all

over the world—it's in the Guinness Book of Records—compete to be the best, using barbecue contraptions of all shapes and sizes, down by the river. The festival also offers symphony concerts by the river, and appearances by the Cotton King and Queen, in this Memphis-cotton-aristocracy-goes-kooky-while-taking-themselves-seriously tradition.

Memphis is a quirky city, as you might expect an old Southern city built solely on commerce would be. If it's tacky, they've bought it, like Elvis' mansion, the neon of Beale Street, and the stainless steel pyramid. But if it's classy, they've bought it, too, like the art museums, the Wonders exhibits, the blues, and the symphony beside the river.

If you're in the mood for curiosities and Southern history, Memphis is worth a stop. Then you can get a picture of yourself in front of one of Elvis' pink Cadillacs. Just be sure to wear your blue suede shoes.

Kevin Isom is an attorney and writer in Atlanta. His columns appear in newspapers and magazines throughout the U.S. and Canada. Other work has appeared in Paris Transcontinental, The Harvard Gay & Lesbian Review, and other magazines.



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KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

Huh???

It's Monday, Labor Day. I just got home from a day of ... well not much. It started with a little recovery time from a late night at La Cage followed by a light breakfast. After watching 6 episodes of Home Time on cable (yes, I get a kick out of all those home improvement shows), I decided to take advantage of the great weather. So I hopped on the motorcycle and headed down to the lake front.

After a while of takin' in the sights and sounds of the beach, I headed home. On the way home I did make a couple of stops to see who was doin' what for Labor Day. The Ball Game put out a spread of meatballs, chips and pasta salad.



Ball Game freaks... Thank God for paper bags! Photo: Jamie

After a short while there I headed over to Triangle. There it was burgers and hot dogs. I wasn't in the party all night long mood, so I headed home.

I walked in the door to a ringing phone. Bill Attewell is on the other end. Hello, is Jamie there? Yea this is Jamie. Jamie do you have the column and some pictures? I respond with Huh? Is it deadline already? Yup it sure is. So here I sit. It's 12:30 am, Home Time (still on TLC) is on with the volume low and I gotta get a column out. So here goes.

Going back a couple of weeks, Triangle hosted a **True to Desire Party**, August 15th. A special screening of the show gave people a taste of what **True to Desire** is all about. Cast and crew members were there, mingling with the crowd and answered questions anyone had. If you are not familiar with **True to Desire**, it's a queer soap opera on cable. Check your cable guide for dates and times.

August 16th and 17th. **Club 219** brought in the **9-inch Males** for a weekend of hot, oily and muscular men. These

boys look like they spend all day pumping iron (and other things). You can usually find male strippers at **Club 219** Wednesdays and Saturdays. If female impersonators is your gig then you should stop in on Sunday nights.

Shoreline Dancers have been doin' a lot of stuff at **Just Us**. Saturday the 24th, was the **Sway Party** and on the 31st it was a **Watermelon Crawl**. Also at **Just Us** is one of Milwaukee's best Friday Night Fish Fry. Stop in and give it a taste.

The Castaways had a Beer Bust Party over at the **1100 Club**, August 30th. I stopped in for some photos and again had a great time. I'm tellin' ya those guys are a great bunch of people. If you need any information about upcoming events, stop in at 1100, I'm sure one of the bartenders will be able to fill you in.

August 31st at **Club 94**, the **Follie Girls** put on a **Labor Day Show**. I went down there to check it out and yes, I brought the camera. The show was fabulous. One of the numbers was "When I was Young" performed by **Samantha DeCarlo**. The whole corner of the club busted out laughing when someone shouted "out when was that?" By the way, have you seen **Josie Lynn** as a man? Now there's a cute boy!

Links Block Party was a big hit this year. The big bash started at noon and went on until almost midnight. I stopped by at 2:00, caught some of the entertainment for a couple of hours and went home to sleep (**Club 94** wrecked me the night before). I got back to the party at 9:00 and by that time things really started to pick up. Everything you would expect at a block party was there. Lots of food, lots of beer and of course great entertainment. Last year they blocked off the street from **1100 Club** down to **Fannies**. This year they only blocked off the street in front of Fannies but don't let the smaller space make you think it wasn't a great time. I think more bars should throw block parties. Maybe one in front of **C'est La Vie**, **Club 219** and **Ball Game**.

Rainbow Over Wisconsin Pride Picnic was in Appleton this year. I couldn't cover 2 events at one time so **In Step** found someone else to cover the event so I don't have any details. I did hear that they had a great turn-out. Next year I will insist on covering the picnic so I can give you more details.

In the future I will be much more attentive to deadline week, it just seems like only a couple of days ago when I wrote the last column. Anyway it's now 4:05 am and I gotta go to bed, so until next issue remember my motto, slower traffic keep right.



Castaways at 1100 Club. Photo: Jamie



True To Desire cast party at the Triangle. Photo: Jamie



One of the many exciting performances at the Links. Photo: Jamie



Spotted at Links Block Party. Photo: Jamie



Enjoying the sun at the Links Block Party. Photo: Jamie



Follie Girls at Club 94 in Kenosha. Photo: Jamie



ROBERT'S RULES

by Shelly Roberts

Remember in the early discovery-days of your new gay or lesbian awareness, playing "Is she or isn't he?" It was fun, & such ashocking surprise to discover that people you'd actually heard of—that the world had actually heard of— were, well, you know, like you.

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Just in case you haven't gotten around to mentioning your own status to anyone still consuming oxygen, 'cause you thought it was too lonely and dangerous, here's just a part of a list that's grown to over 700 outies. It was compiled by Mark Hertzog who obviously has way too much time on his hands. (E-mail him, not me, if you're on here and you shouldn't be. I'd hate to be the one to take away the privilege and honor of being considered gay.)

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See Mark's required disclaimer at the bottom. Mine would read about the same:

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I STARTED MY LIFE
 IN AN UPSCALE, MIDWEST.
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MIDDLE CLASS BURB!
 MY MOTHER AND MY FATHER
 PREACHED THE HOLY WORD.
 I LIVED MY LIFE SO
 UNAWARE.

OOOOOOOOOOOH!
 I NEVER KNEW "THE LOVE
 THAT DARE NOT SPEAK
 ITS NAME."
 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAH!

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 THE SOURCE OF MY SELF-
 HATING.
 COULD LEAD TO
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 WALKS! TALKS!
 SO FEMININE!
 GAY CHILD!
 CLASS OF '88!
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 NEVER HAD!
 NEVER HAD A DATE!

OOOOOOOOOOOH!



HOMO! HOMO!
 MMMMMMMMM! BABY!
 HOMO! HOMO!
 MMMMMMMMM! MAYBE!

ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL
 IN A WORN TORN FAG RAG
 SOMEBODY THREW OUT
 SOMEBODY THREW OUT!
 I DISCOVERED WHAT MY
 LONELINESS WAS ALL
 ABOUT.
 I HID MY SEXUALITY
 OOOOOOOOOOOOH!
 SO AFRAID THE WORLD
 WOULD SEE THE GAY IN ME.
 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAH!

TO LIVE A LIE DOESN'T
 SUIT ME.
 NO, MA. THEY DIDN'T
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 SO TIRED OF FEAR AND
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 I'LL ALWAYS LOVE...
 MEN! MEN! MEN!
 I'LL ALWAYS LOVE MEN.
 I'LL ALWAYS LOVE...
 MEN! MEN! MEN!

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Monday Night Bowling League Forming



The Monday Nite Irregulars bowling league is forming now. There will be an organizational meeting on Monday, September 9, 1996 at 7:00 pm at Landmark Lanes. The league will begin on Monday, September 16 and will run until about the end of March, 1997. Teams consist of five bowlers each and can be made up of both males and females.

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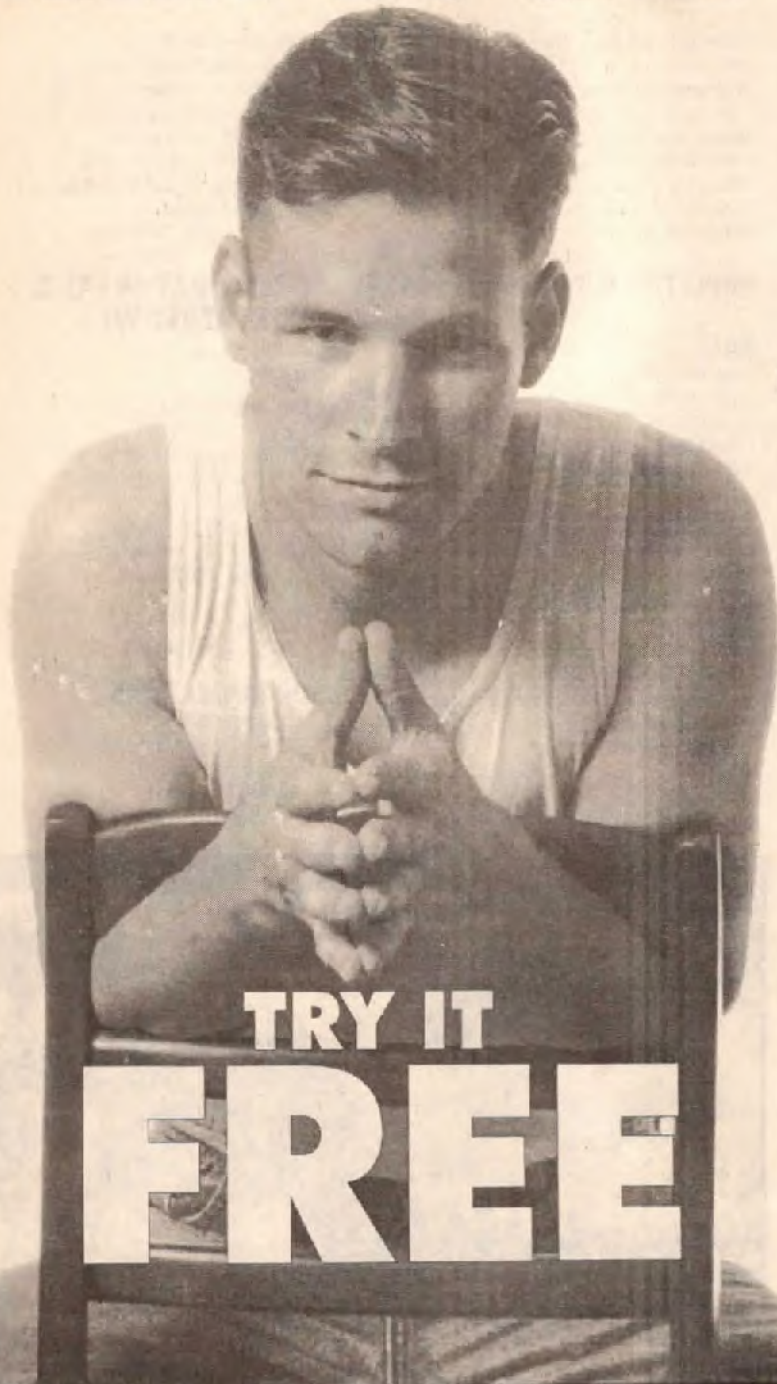
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CENTRAL WI (715)

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 Wausau, 54403848-9060
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 Stevens Point, 54481342-0576

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 Campus Activities Complex, Box 68
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 PO Box 152, Wausau, 54402848-0343
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 336 Nelson Hall, Stevens Pt. 54481346-4851

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 Box 247A, 1411 Ellis Ave. Ashland 54806
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Gays/Lesbians/Bi's359-7432
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 PO Box 695, Washburn, 54891682-2890

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Wisconsin

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LOOK WHO'S COOKING I'm 39 years old. I like outdoor camping, swimming, cooking, romance, poetry, drawing, etc. I'm looking for ladies to spend time with. Call me. (Eau Claire) #31885

APRIL SHOWERS I'm 18 years old, mature, independent, 5'8, 120lbs, short Black hair, very feminine. I like reading, writing poetry. If you would like to know more please call me. (Fond du Lac) #7835

THESE ARE THE DAYS I'm a Gay White female. I like the outdoors, animals, and more. I'm looking for women to share some good times with. Call me. (Fox Valley) #21906

I WANT TO HOLD YOUR HAND I love the outdoors, tennis, reading, movies, holding hands, and slow dancing. I'm a Gay White female, 5'4, Brown hair, glasses, non smoker, drug free. I'm interested in meeting friends and a possible lover. (La Crosse) #21948

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LETS GO HUNTING I'm a Gay Black female, 37 years old. I like hunting, fishing, and camping. Call me. (Green Bay) #11162

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ANYTHING GOES I'm an 18 year old Black male. I'm 5'6, educated, and more. I like to do anything you'd like to do. (Milwaukee) #2861

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PLEASE TEACH ME Bi Curious WF, 32, 5'2", 125, very feminine, brown hair, blue eyes, seeks others women for learning experiences. Please get in touch with me. (Milwaukee) #18685

FAMILY GATHERINGS GWF couple, 20 and 24, seeks GF's or Gay Female couples for fun, friendship, dinner and more. Let's get together and play cards and have great conversation. (Milwaukee) #48506

LET ME BE YOUR FANTASY If you think I can be your fantasy call me. I love candle light, long walks, and more. (Racine) #19385

COUNTRY GIRLS I'd like to meet some women. I'm a 43 year old country girl. I like dogs, hunting, and fishing. (Wisconsin Dells) #16580

CUTE AND CHARMING I'm a 30 year old Gay Black female seeking womyn only. Let me satisfy your curiosity. Call me. #3620

LETS HANG OUT I'm a Gay White female, 33 years old, feminine. I'm looking for someone to golf, camp, and hang out with. Call me. #25934

CURIOUS BUT NOT SERIOUS I'm looking for a Bi female. This is my first time and I'm really curious. Nothing serious. #34166

SWEET PLEASER I'm a married Bi White female, 27 years old, medium build, attractive, and fun. I'm looking for a married or Bi white female I can please. If you enjoy being a woman please call me. #21370

WAITING FOR YOU Gay White female. I like romantic walks, animals, movies, red wine, campfires, and stars in the sky. Call me. #15439

Illinois

CURIOUS CAT I'm 25 years old, 5'6, 140lbs. I'm very interested in a Bi experienced. I'm hot, healthy, and ready. No pain. (Cedar Falls) #20953

THIS TRUCKER WANTS YOU I'm a 38 year old White male, 5'9, 180lbs, tattoo's, Brown hair, Blue eyes, mustache, long hair, top. I'm looking for smooth submissive bottoms who are well endowed like me. You must like adult toys and adult movies. (Chicago) #1747



David Christian Brown

BI CURIOUS I'm a Bi curious female, 18 years old, 5'7, 120lbs, 38D, all natural, beautiful, and clean. I'm looking for someone just like me. (Chicago) #3632

NOW AND THEN I'm 32 years old, 6ft, Brown hair, Brown eyes. I'm looking for a fun relationship with no commitment. If you would like to get together now and then, call me. (Chicago) #15276

GETTING TO KNOW YOU I'm a 20 year old single White female. I would like to get to know you. (Chicago) #35034

TALL COOL ONE WANTED I'm looking for a tall woman to have fun with. I'm 5'8, 120lbs. If you are interested please call me. (Chicago) #42588

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Trio (Wm)
 820 Tower, Superior, 54880392-5373
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 Menomononee, 54751 UW Eau Claire
GLOBE (Campus LesbIGay group)
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 Greater Chippewa Valley
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NW WI Pride Council (Social/Support)
 PO Box 8091, Eau Claire, 54702835-0860
Variations on Spring (Gifts, Collectibles)
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La Crosse Health Dept. (AIDS/HIV Service Organ.)
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LaCrosse Parents & Friends of Gays782-6082
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- 417 Jay St., La Crosse 54601
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 122 5th Ave S, LaCrosse 54601796-0383
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 PO Box 53, Richland Center, 53581647-6384

OUT OF STATE

- CDC National AIDS Hotline**(800) 342-2437

- Gay & Lesbian Americans**
 PO Box 77533, Wash., DC, 20013(800) 889-5111
Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) ... (202) 628-4160
National G&L Task Force (NGLTF)(202) 332-6483
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ARE YOU READY FOR A STEADY? I'm 33 years old, 5'11, dark Brown hair, Hazel eyes, 165lbs. I'm looking to meet a man for good times and a possible long term relationship. Please be honest, sincere, and caring. (Milwaukee) #18019

9 INCH NAIL I'm a 30 year old construction worker, 180lbs, very muscular, very well endowed, big biceps, lightly furry chest, Blond hair, Blue eyes, Bi, versatile. I'm married but I like getting it on with other guys. Call me. (Northwestern) #8037

MORE THAN THIS I'm a straight acting Gay White male, 29 years old, 5'7, 140lbs, Blonde hair, Blue eyes, clean cut, and attractive. I'm seeking a straight acting Gay White male 1 to 35 for a sincere relationship as friends or maybe more. (Osh Kosh) #19970

THE TIME IS RIGHT I'm looking for a friend. If you would like to spend some time together this summer call me. I have many interests. (Phillips) #1262

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

I KNEED YOU! I'm 30 years old seeking others 20 to 40 who enjoy full bodied massage, home cooked food, and hanging out with friends. If you are looking for a long term relationship call me. (Stevens Point) #6937

SMOKEY THE QUEER I'm a Gay White male looking for someone 18 to 25 who are into everything. I'm a smoker looking for a nice good looking man. (Stevens Point) #10382

GOOD LOOKING WELL BUILT BLOND I'm a 22 year old college student. I like weight lifting, travel, friends, dancing, etc. I have Blond hair and Blue eyes. I have a good body and I'm good looking. Call me. (Tomahawk) #8641

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

WE CAN WORK IT OUT I'm 25 years old, 6'1, 185lbs, medium build, Blonde hair, Blue eyes. I enjoy tennis, movies, biking, and exercising. I'm looking for friendship and a possible relationship. Call me. (Wausau) #11144

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

GOOD TOP WANTED 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. Call me. #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. Call me. #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 please call. I'm 35 years old, 5'9, 190lbs, clean, and discreet. #21247

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

Illinois

BIG MEN ONLY I'm into hot big men. Let me take care of you. Hot big men only. Guaranteed good time. Call me. (Chicago) #6427

ROMANCING THE STONES I'm 24 years old, 130lbs, 5'6, short hair, Black male, bottom. I like romance, movies, and dining out. I'm looking for someone 25 to 35 who is very masculine and muscular. Call me. (Chicago) #9165

ARE YOU NICE? I'm a Gay Black male on the Southside looking for another Black male 25 to 30. I'm a bottom looking for a top. I can be versatile. I'm into theatre, R&B music. I'm a heavy guy.. (Chicago) #9243

NO NEED TO BE ALONE I'm 5'7, 195lbs, muscular, Brown eyes, nice smile, mustache, goatee, pierced ears, dark skin. I like bowling, dining, shopping, working out, travel, etc. I would like to meet some new friends for companionship and fun. (Chicago) #8845

SMOOTH AND SUBMISSIVE? I'm a 50 year old hairy White male interested in married or single guys 25 to 40 who are smooth and submissive. (Chicago) #8333

THIS TOP MAN WANTS YOU I'm a 25 year old Gay Black male, 5'11, 170lbs, smooth body, lean build, short hair, goatee. I'm a very well endowed top man looking for attractive in shape Latino men 18 to 30 for good times. (Chicago) #8056

THIS NICE GUY WANTS YOU I'm 27 years old, Asian, 5'6, 145lbs, good looking. I like going out, movies, dining out, roller blading, etc. I'm interested in meeting someone for a possible relationship. (Chicago) #7806

CHICAGO COMFORT I'm a 45 year old Black male in search of a Bi or Gay male who is younger than I am to comfort. I am very supportive and love to worship younger men. Call me. (Chicago) #7788

SEXY CHOCOLATE THUNDER I'm 6'1, 180lbs, well endowed, 10' of chocolate fun. I'm looking for Latin or African American males. I am a top and I will take singles or groups. (Chicago) #5618

GET WITH IT I'm Gay and I want to get with somebody. (Chicago) #7009



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ORDINARY GUY I'm an ordinary guy from Appleton looking for someone who is fun and sincere and likes to do a variety of things. (Appleton) #21201

SMILE FOR THE CAMERA I'm an exhibitionist and I'm looking for others to have fun with. If you are interested please call me. I'm discreet. (Appleton) #1837

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE I'm a health minded individual interested in meeting sincere and honest people 18 to 40 in the Fox Valley area. (Fox Valley) #21186

LEATHER MASTER SEEKS BOY I'm a 5'10, 165lb, Leather Master. I'm looking for a bondage boy under 5'10, less than a 30 inch waist, who enjoys being totally submissive. Call me now Boy! (Fox Valley) #42939

WAITING FOR A MASTER I'm looking for a dominant master to train me to be a very passive boy. I'm into all aspects of B&D and I will submit to you sir. Please call me. (Green Bay) #24298

SONNIE DELIGHT We are a super hot bottom couple who want to meet Gay, bi, White males for adult fun and to have delights with. Call us. (Green Bay) #20254

LOOKING FOR FRIENDS I'm an attractive 22 year old Gay White male, 6'2, 190lbs. I'm looking for friends to have fun with. (Green Bay) #19235

BUILT TO LAST

I'm a 38 year old Gay White male. I would like to meet guys for fun and games. I'm muscular, masculine, and well equipped. Call me. (Green Bay) #19358

I LOVE SUBMISSIVE OLDER MEN

I'm a very attractive White male seeking older submissive males for movies, games, and fun. (Green Bay) #15123

CAN WE TALK?

I'm a 43 year old male who likes to take long walks. I'm looking for someone to have good conversation with. Call me. (Green Bay) #8015

YING AND YANG

Cross dresser looking for someone 40 to 45 for get togethers. I'm sometimes dominant and sometimes submissive. Call me. (Green Bay) #8905

THE BUDDY SYSTEM

I'm searching for a buddy to mess around with this summer. I like fishing, camping, hiking, and more. I'm also interested in getting involved in weight lifting. Call me. (Green Bay) #10054

ON YOUR KNEES

BOY I'm a hot leather master looking for completely submissive and passive leather boys. Call me now boy. Be on your knees and ready. (Green Bay) #9172

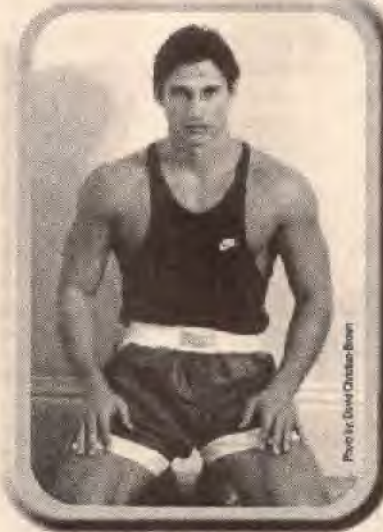


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JUST FUN I'm 6ft, 155lbs, Blonde hair, Blue eyes, hairy, 21 years old. I'm looking for guys 18 to 23 in my area. I'm not interested in a relationship, just fun. (Kenosha) #28952

BIG AND BOLD I'm 6'1, 250lbs, linebacker build, big not fat. I'm 38 years old, attractive, healthy. I'm looking for a Gay White or Hispanic male. I have many interests. I'm looking for a friends first relationship. Call me. (Kenosha) #19888

SHOW AND TELL I'm a 19 year old Gay White male looking for people to show me the Gay lifestyle. Call me. I'm new at this. (Kiel) #1366

I'LL DO ANYTHING I'm a 19 year old Bi sexual male looking for open minded Bi guys for friendship. If you want more than friendship please be 18 to 28. Call me. (La Crosse) #22123

I NEED A HOT TOP MAN

I'm 5'10, 180lbs, 34" waist, Brown curly hair, dark Brown eyes, football player build, very strong. I'm a bottom looking for a top. (Madison) #18377

GIVE AND GET LOVE

I'm a Gay White male, 24 years old, 6ft, 205lbs. I seek attractive, straight acting men 18 to 32 for friendship, or a boyfriend for sport. Any hunks out there? I'm willing to travel. (Madison) #4267

YOUNG AND SMOOTH

I'm 5'7, 150lb, Asian male. I'm solid, smooth, and tone. I'm looking for masculine White men for a casual friendship. If you are interested please call me. (Madison) #42659

LETS GO

ROLLERBLADING I'm looking for a man 18 to 22 in my area that's fun to be with and has a real good personality. If you like to rollerblade and have fun at home call me. (Manitowoc) #15998

LOCAL MOTIVE I'm a 34 year old Gay White male looking for friends in my area and a possible relationship. Call me. (Marion) #1989

LIGHT ME UP I'm a White male looking for friendship and whatever. I'm a smoker and I enjoy the outdoors. Call me. (Marshfield) #19302

THIS BOTTOM WANTS YOU

I'm 27 years old, 5'10, Auburn hair, Green eyes, glasses, mustache. I'm looking for men around my age for fun and more. Call me. (Menomonie) #3939

PLOW THIS BOY

I'm 6ft, 190lbs. I'm looking for an interesting top man to plow me. (Menomonie) #20561

FUZZY LITTLE LEATHER BEAR?

I'm 47 years old, 5'7, 178lbs. I enjoy working out, hiking, biking, staying fit, etc. I'm looking for fuzzy little leather bears 5'10 and under. Call me. (Milwaukee) #3544

MANS BEST FRIEND

I'm a 40 year old Gay White male, 6ft, 185lbs, HIV positive. I'm seeking other men 30 plus for friendship and companionship. Call me. (Milwaukee) #4327

OH NO! IT'S MR. BILL

I'm 47 years old, 5'7 178lbs, and hairy. I'm looking for another hot leather man to be in touch with. I'm willing to experiment and explore. I like to dominate. Call me. (Milwaukee) #20606

CUMING STRAIGHT ON TO YOU

I'm looking for straight acting friends to hang out with. I'm 24 years old, 6'2, 170lbs, Brown hair, Blue eyes. If you want to get in touch with me please call. (Milwaukee) #19828

SUB DUDE

I'm 31 years old, 5'7, 140lbs. I'm an inexperienced submissive bottom looking for an aggressive top. (Milwaukee) #19337

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OUT OF THE STARS

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Horoscope for September 4 thru August 17



ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 20)

Queer Aries are advised to speak softly and avoid the schtick in partnership matters. Retrograde Mercury mindlessly throw a wrench in even the best laid relationship plans. Happily though, lucky Jupiter rubs your career the right way and it may seem that you can do no wrong. Take it to the top my proud Rambo and demonstrate why you were born to lead the troops.



TAURUS (APRIL 21 - MAY 21)

Gay Bulls squander energy on the job. You're either not listening properly or not communicating effectively. Either way, projects have a way of going astray. Blame it on retro Mercury if you must, but forewarned is forearmed. Jupiter, on the other hand, opens the world to you with zesty opportunities for travel and exotic excitement. Get those lovely hooves on the road.



GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

Even chatty pink Twins find more than a tad of creative blockage when Mercury retrogrades this September. OK, so you won't write that great gay novel this fall. Why waste the brain cells worrying and pouting? Thankfully, Jupiter pours on the red hot moxie and enlivens a rather moribund sex life. Lucky gay Geminis find artistic expression is put to much better use in more sociable outlets.



CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

If you have a hankering to discuss any unpleasant family issues I suggest that you wait until the end of the month when Mercury goes direct. Pink Crabs inevitably say something they don't mean as the home fires rage. Cool down cousin, and enjoy a heavenly jolt in relationships, happily sponsored by Jupiter. Spoil who you have or, if you're still searching, search to your hearts content.



LEO (JULY 24 - AUGUST 23)

Retro Mercury double crosses your free expression. Be well warned to zip the lip before you slip. Proud Lions are usually elegant and disarming, but now you have a way of saying the exact wrong thing at the exact wrong time. If it makes you feel any better, Jupiter provides you with a few victories at work. Of course, it may also mean that you acquire many new job assignments. Lucky you...



VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23)

Here's easy advice for the ever frugal queer Virgo; Hold your pennies and don't rush blindly into investments during retro Mercury. The specter of easy wealth is a mirage. Feast instead on glorious Jupiter which brings gobs of good times, albeit perhaps a little too much in the drink and jollies department. Moderation, as all good Virgins know, is the most efficient way to go.



LIBRA (SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23)

Sassy pink Scales are better off thinking it rather than saying it with retro Mercury. You've ample opportunity to disenfranchise anyone you meet despite your best diplomatic efforts. Don't let it worry your pretty head; Jupiter spreads a fair amount of joy in your home life so when all hell breaks loose, happily cocoon yourself. Invite a few kindred souls to share the campfire.



SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Even the most prescient queer Scorps are bound to have static on the psychic line with Mercury retrograde. Also, your best charitable efforts for our community may not have the impact you may wish. Thankfully, boisterous Jupiter jump starts your more eloquent quests. Fire off a letter to the editor and take our cause one giant step further. Jupiter gives it great impact.



SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 22)

That old Sagittarian foot in mouth disease is planted right in friendships thanks to retro Mercury. No matter how hard you may try, Gay Archers are not meant to gather the troops this month. What the heck; Jupiter brightens your financial picture and can either bring in a windfall or cast one for an absolutely fabulous object of beauty. (Antiques, not lovers, dear...)



CAPRICORN (DEC. 23 - JAN 20)

Don't plan on spending that grand raise just yet, dear queer Cap. Retro Mercury temporarily squashes a magnificent end run to the boardroom. (Was it something you said? You bet!) No matter; Jupiter in your own sign gives you confidence and panache aplenty. You'll have oodles of self confidence and can win the bastards over eventually. Be patient and keep away from fattening foods.



AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19)

Travel plans should be kept to minimum with retro Mercury. Luggage gets lost or you get the room by the dumpster rather than the pool. Tough luck cousin! Why travel when marvelous Jupiter makes your altruistic efforts come true? Volunteer for a good gay cause (is there any other?); you'll be happy with the results. Closets get a good cleaning at this time too, thank goodness!



PISCES (FEB. 20 - MARCH 20)

Pink Fish may upset the applecart of true passion with retrograde Mercury. You may find the one utterance to cool an otherwise hot potato. Who needs them anyway? Jupiter brings your friends to the rescue and good times are not far off. Enjoy platonic pleasures and don't sweat the sweaty encounters for now. There's plenty of time at the end of the month to revive more basic urges.



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