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News

Friends, Family Mourn Two Who Died In Main Club Blaze

by William Attewell of the In Step Staff

Superior — Two men and a northland landmark perished in the early morning on Friday, December 27 when the well-known Main Club in Superior went up in flames. The fire, reported shortly after 3 am, destroyed the century-old two-story brick building at 1813 N. Third Street.

Laird Rengo, 40, of Duluth and Montroi "Troy" Burchard, 32, of Superior, who were in an apartment above the bar, died in the blaze. Autopsies revealed the two men died of carbon monoxide poisoning due to smoke inhalation.

Fire trucks arrived within minutes of the first report, but the building already was engulfed in flames. A battalion chief declared the building lost as soon as he arrived. The Main Club, valued at more than \$41,000, burned to its foundation.

Assistant Fire Chief Brad Buhr said the men likely died of smoke inhalation. Buhr told *In Step* the investigation at the site of the fire is complete and nothing suspicious had been found, stating, "We've have no reason to suspect arson in this fire."

Much like Madison's Hotel Washington, the Main Club was a focal point for northland gays and lesbians. More than just a bar the Main was considered by many the hub for Superior and Duluth's queer community. The bar's owner, Robert John Jansen Jr., a gregarious man with an outlandish mustache served as master of ceremonies.

The Main Club was one of the few places many gays and lesbians could feel safe. That kind of place won't be easy to replace, said many in the Twin Ports gay and lesbian community.

Larry Knopp head of the geography department at the University of Minnesota-Duluth and a leader in the Twin Ports gay community told *In Step*, "I think it is a real loss, we have relied on the Main Club for thirteen years to be more than just a bar. The Main club provided that and a whole lot

more. The absence of the Main Club will be felt by a lot of people.

"Most are hoping the Main Club will be rebuilt because it provided so much support to organizations and individuals in the community," Knopp continued.

As part of the routine investigation, police had questioned Jansen about people who may have had a grudge against him or the club. Jansen is an outspoken advocate for gay and lesbian issues. Investigators now doubt the fire was intentionally set.

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7655 W. Luscher Ave. • Milwaukee (76th & Hampton in the Hampton Shopping Center) Though the Main Club has had financial difficulties for months, press reports indicate that investigators privately doubted Jansen was ever involved in any way. County records show the property was three years in arrears on property taxes and Jansen owes the county \$5,292 in back taxes and interest. In September Jansen also reported to police that he suspected a former employee had failed to pay more than \$20,000 in employment taxes. But records show Jansen has since paid all the debts the state was demanding.

The wood and brick, two-story building was a tinder box, according to assistant fire chief Buhr. That may have caused the fire's rapid spread. City records show the building has had a solid fire and building inspection record for more than four decades.

At press time it was still unclear whether the Main Club would be rebuilt. In Step will continue to cover this story as it develops.

Chicago's Largest HIV/AIDS Groups To Merge Efforts

Chicago, IL — The Howard Brown Health Center, Chicago's largest private HIV/AIDS service provider, and STOP AIDS, an agency stressing education and prevention programs, are merging their efforts, it was learned last month.

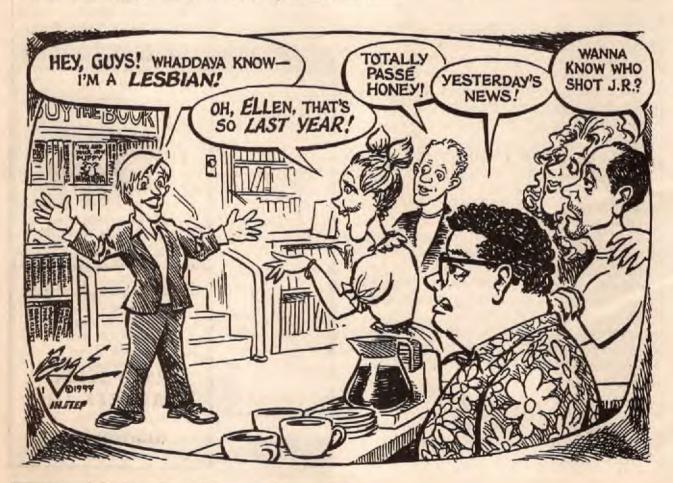
Officials from both organizations said the merger will benefit people who use the services while cutting administrative costs.

The merger, which was formalized in late December, will "increase services to clients in all areas of the city and decrease the costs to provide those services, which is very important these days," said Rob Humrickhouse, interim executive director for STOP AIDS.

Howard Brown provides medical care and mental health assistance to people with HIV/AIDS. STOP AIDS staffers and volunteers go to places frequented by people considered to be at high-risk, such as nightclubs, parks and some street corners, Humrickhouse said. They pass out condoms and discuss how to protect oneself from HIV/AIDS, he said.

They assist people who want to have anonymous AIDS testing and provide "buddies" for people who are afraid to be tested, Humrickhouse said.

STOP AIDS offices will remain open and in the coming weeks, representatives from Howard Brown will meet with workers and leaders in the surrounding communities to determine what kinds of health-care services to offer from the offices.





-Milwaukee Police Chief Arthur Jones

Gays Set To Meet New Milwaukee Police Chief

by William Attewell of the In Step Staff

Milwaukee — Representatives from Milwaukee gay and lesbian organizations and businesses and new Milwaukee Police Chief Arthur Jones have scheduled January 13th meeting to address concerns in the community and to establish a line of dialog with the new police administration.

Jones was appointed Police Chief late last year by Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist after the resignation of Chief Phillip Areolla.

Stephanie Hume, of Police Relations for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender

Community is organizing the meeting. According to Hume, a number of persons in the community have expressed concerns that Milwaukee police officers may return to a pattern of harassment and intense scrutiny of gay owned businesses and hopes the meeting will give persons in the community a chance to address the concerns with the Chief.

In particular, ravern owners and community organizations are concerned successes and strides made under the previous police administration may have the potential to be reversed.

In recent months, patrons and owners of Milwaukee area gay and lesbian taverns have reported incidents of what they consider to be police harassment. The Station 2 at 1534 W. Grant, The Boot Camp at 209 E. National Ave., and South Water Street Docks at 354 E. National Avenue all have reported to *In Step* incidents with the police. Additional incidents with police at other gay and lesbian taverns and clubs could not be confirmed.

"This is our opportunity to let the Chief know there are problems in the community," stated Si Smits owner of The Boot Camp Saloon, adding, "As a tax-payer I feel I have a right to address the Police Chief and these issues."

Hume was positive about the meeting, stating, "I am hoping Chief Jones will issue a mandate to his department on his stand on the treatment of people from our community."

Hume added that she will propose a community forum with Chief Jones that would be open to the entire gay and lesbian community. She hoped it would be scheduled no later than Pridefest 1997.

Hume also stated that a strategy could be developed to set up meetings with district captains and gay and lesbian tavern owners and business owners to make sure issues are discussed with the Chief Jones achieve a satisfactory resolution.

Representatives from several organizations and businesses including The Brady East STD Clinic, The Milwaukee AIDS Project, Human Rights League, Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, Station 2, The Boot Camp, Pridefest, Riverwest Rainbow Association, Sherman Park Rainbow Association among many others are expected to attend the meeting.

Sherry Street, Mayor Norquist's liaison to the gay and lesbian community and Ken Munson, executive director of the Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission will also be present at the meeting.



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National & World News

Life After AIDS New Drugs Bringing Hope - And New Problems

by Keith Clark of the In Step Staff

New York, NY — A new generation of experimental medicines known as protease inhibitors is giving new hope to people with AIDS/HIV all over the world, the first real breakthrough in treating the disease in its 15 year history.

Although the protease inhibitors are not a cure for AIDS, they do appear to be able to dramatically control the growth

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-RUSSEL SCHNEIDER

of the virus in the bloodstream effectively enough to remove the virtual death sentence contracting HIV once had been.

"Many people are now expecting a longer life, and more to the point, a longer healthy life," says Jeffrey Karaban of Body Positive, an AIDS counseling organization in New York. "How real it is we don't know. But the feeling is certainly real."

Karaban, like his counterparts at AIDS service agencies around the country, says people with AIDS who had until recently been buying life insurance policies are now considering whether they shouldn't instead be investing in retirement plans. Others, who had spent most of their recent time making out wills and arranging their own funerals have begun thinking about returning to school or launching new careers.

Many physicians who specialize in treating people with AIDS agree that the new protease inhibitors represent the first real breakthrough in treating the disease that his killed more than 340,000 Americans. Although only in use for about a year, doctors increasingly describe almost miraculous scenes of men and women wasting away in hospitals before getting the new drugs, only to rise from their beds and return in a few short months to almost normal lives.

The drugs, Hoffman-LaRoche's Invirase and Merck's Crixivan, were quickly approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as part of the accelerated drug approval process put in place by the Clinton Administration. The medicines block an enzyme in the body called a protease, which HIV uses to reproduce. Once effectively blocked, the virus simply can replicate itself and dies off under attack by other anti-HIV drugs taken in combination with the protease inhibitors.

The patient's immune system can then recover so sufficiently that, in many cases, HIV in the bloodstream falls to undetectable levels.

The new medicines are not, however, without their own problems - direct or indirect.

Initial treatment typically involves patients taking as many as 17 pills a day on a rigid timetable. The drugs only suppress the virus, which will return if the medications are not taken continuously or at the right times. The protease inhibitors also don't work for everyone, although they appear to be effective in 70 percent to 80 percent of the patients who take them.

This partial effectiveness raises its own troubles, some say. Body Positive's Karaban notes: "These drugs have been around for three or four years at the experimental stage and

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-JEFFREY KARABAN OF BODY POSITIVE

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The price of the new drugs, and who can afford them, has also quickly become a major point of controversy. With an annual pricetag of \$12,000 or more, insurance companies are concerned the new treatments will cost them billions of dollars, even if their costs for acute hospital care fall. States with already-strained budgets are hard pressed to pick up the

costs for these pricey new drugs for indigent patients. And outside the U.S., Canada, and some European countries, the cost of the drugs are beyond the reach of all but a tiny handful of people.

The new drugs also are simply not a cure. Doctors caution that, even if the virus can be eliminated from a patient's bloodstream, it still may hide in other parts of the body, ready to pounce. The long-term side effects of the drugs also aren't yet known, and HIV eventually could become resistant to the medications.

But even with all these related problems, for those helped by protease inhibitors, the drugs mean a new life. Franklin Courson, 47, a former New York public transport executive, had spent two months on an intravenous tube before starting a course of the drugs in early 1996. "I was basically cleaning house to check out, waiting to die," he said. He spent last summer mountain-climbing in Peru.

In December of 1995, Russel Schneider, a Californian who now lives in Kentucky, was in a Lexington hospital with a near-fatal case of pneumocystis pneumonia, a 103-degree fever, and an assortment of AIDS-related opportunistic infections. "I thought I was dying," Schneider says. "I had a will made out. I was getting ready to give my two cats away."

Nearly a year later, after starting on the protease inhibitors in mid-1996, Schneider is tan and healthy looking, and he rides his bicycle five miles each day

and works out at a gym.

"I wouldn't have had the strength to do any of this stuff before," he said. "It took an act of Congress for me to just get up the stairs. Now, I've got so much

energy I feel like I could move mountains."

It is this kind of dramatic improvement - from being virtually at death's door to the return to an apparently robust state of health - that many AIDS care workers say marks the new protease inhibitors as such a major development in treating AIDS. Even if they don't work universally, even if they are expensive, and even if their long-term effects are unknown, the protease inhibitors do extend the prospect to many people with AIDS in the Western nations the prospect of at least bringing the illness under control while researchers continue their search for the illusive "magic bullet" that will indeed cure AIDS.

As Dr. Paul Volberding, an AIDS researcher with the University of California at San Francisco, said recently of the new drugs: "Even if they prove to be only a '40 percent miracle' in combating HIV, in the history of fighting this epidemic that would itself be an enormously significant step, it would still be the most important treatment development in 15 years of battling the epidemic."

'Criminals, Hispanics & Lesbians' Dornan Officially Challenges Election Loss

by Keith Clark of the In Step Staff

Washington, DC — Rep. Bob Dornan, the peppery far-right Republican who narrowly lost his Orange County, Calif., congressional seat in the November elections, has launched a legal action to win it back, blaming his defeat on an unholy alliance of "criminals, Hispanics and lesbians."

Dornan once boasted that "every lesbian spear-chucker in America is hoping I get defeated" and they celebrated eight weeks ago, when the 63-year-old former fighter pilot lost his reelection bid for a ninth term in office.

By the last official count, Dornan was defeated by only 979 votes by newcomer Loretta Sanchez - a Hispanic Democrat - and the large number of new immigrants in the county along with the concerted support of gay rights activists were

Also on the Newswire...

Poll: Americans' Attitudes About AIDS

New York, NY — A new Time-CNN public opinion poll has found that seven out of 10 Americans believe AIDS is a very serious problem. But the same poll also indicated that six out of every 10 people surveyed said they weren't at all personally warried that they might become infected. The poll found that the percentage of Americans who have been tested for HIV has also risen considerably, from just 6 percent in 1988 to 38 percent in 1996.

HIV-Infected Man Found Guilty of Rape of 11-Year-Old

Miami, FL — A jury has found Ignacio Perea guilty of kidnapping and raping an 11-year-old boy. Perea, who is infected with HIV, was originally convicted two years ago of attempted murder in the case, but an appeals court overturned that charge and ordered a retrial because of jury selection problems. The man is also facing separate trials in two other cases and, if convicted could receive five lifetime prison sentences.

Cuba Announces Human AIDS Vaccine Test

Havana — Cuban President Fidel Castro announced at a science and technology conference in the capital that scientists in the country are testing an AIDS vaccine on 24 Cuban volunteers. Castro said the vaccine had already been tested on animals to establish safety, but was now being tested with the volunteers to evaluate its efficacy.

Indiana AIDS Agency Gutted by Christmas Day Arson

Lafayette, IN — Fire inspectors say there's no question that the Christmas morning blaze

important factors in her victory.

Dornan has offered various explanations for his narrow defeat, which he has officially challenged with an emergency application to the U.S. House of Representatives election oversight committee. It has the power to subpoena witnesses and to rule if there is any merit to Dornan's claim of systematic election fraud by his opponent.

Money flowed from outside the district into Sanchez's campaign, largely



because Dornan set himself up with his incendiary rhetoric as a national target for liberal groups. During his unsuccessful bid earlier this year for the Republican presidential nomination, he delighted the tiny crowds at his events by denouncing President Clinton as "a sleazeball who can't keep his pants on."

He was suspended from the floor of the House for a day for accusing the President of giving "aid and comfort to the enemy in Hanoi" during the Vietnam war. Dornan even once swam the waters under the Chappaquiddick bridge to test Sen. Edward Kennedy's account of how a young woman drowned in his car in 1969 and why he was unable to save her.

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-BOB DORNAN

for Motherhood," Dornan told the Wall Street Journal following his Nov. 5 defeat to Sanchez. Such an organization, however, is unknown.

Dornan also claims to have uncovered evidence that Hispanic activists fraudulently led a drive to register noncitizens to vote to unseat him. At least 19 non-citizens have admitted voting in the contest according to a report in the Los Angeles Times, and Dornan says many more were involved, including many convicted felons, who are also ineligible to vote.

Sanchez said Dornan's charges were anti-Hispanic and insulting to the "will of the people," but the congressional committee seems to be taking the case seriously even though many House Republicans would be almost as happy as the Democrats to see the last of Dornan.

Court Upholds Benefits Ruling

Ontario, Canada — The Ontario Court of Appeal, the highest court in the province, has ruled that an Ontario law that excludes same-sex couples from getting spousal support benefits violated the equal protection provisions of the country's Charter of Rights.

By a 2-1 vote, the court upheld a lower court ruling in a case involving two women, known in court records only as "M" and "H." After the breakup of their 12-year relationship, "H" had sought spousal support from "M" through the courts, which Ontario officials had said she was ineligible for.

A lower court, however, declared the restiction against gay and lesbian couples from seeking support benefits from an ex-partner illegal.

The ruling now automatically allows "M" the right to appeal the decision to the country's Supreme Court.

'Live' HIV Vaccine Study May Not Have Been a Failure

Washington, DC — Ronald Desrosiers, a Harvard University Medical School researchers, reports that a study he headed suggests that a proposed live HIV vaccine that was shelved in 1995 should be considered for further research.

A weakened but still live virus was used in an experimental vaccine with monkeys, but it was abandoned after researchers said that the vaccine failed to protect newborns from infection.

But reviewing that research, Desrosiers reports in the journal *Nature Medicine* that the vaccine was the only one being tested that worked well with older monkeys who resisted infection after receiving the vaccine.

Desrosiers also reports that the newborns who became infected with HIV in fact were only those whose mothers had not been infected and who had also been given very large doses of HIV to test the vaccine's effectiveness.

Desrosiers and his colleagues concluded that despite the apparent 1995 failure, possible "live virus" vaccine research should continue.

Network of Grandparents Caring of AIDS Orphans

Miami, FL — As the number of people with AIDS die, other family members are increasingly taking on the task of rearing children of relatives who have died of the disease.

In Broward County, Florida, grandmothers who are caring for the children of their sons or daughters who have died of AIDS have formed an organization to give support to each other, share resources and organize occasional daytrips and other social outings with their grandchildren.

The group, Family CARES Network, is believed to be on the first of its kind in the country, and children's health workers in the region give the organization high praise as "crusaders" in caring for the orphaned children.

U.S. Court Rules HIV Infection Not a Disability

Raleigh, SC — A U.S. district court in North Carolina has rejected a workplace discrimination claim filed by an man who is infected with HIV but shows no symptoms of the illness.

The court ruled that Fernando Cortes had failed to prove his job discrimination claim against a McDonald's restaurant because Cortes had not proven that he "had a physical impairment that substantially limited a major life activity."

It is believed to be the first case in which a federal court has ruled that being infected with HIV is not in itself a disability.

Colorado Settles Amendment 2 Legal Fees

Denver, CO — The state of Colorado has paid some \$950,000 to cover the legal expenses of the plaintiffs who successfully fought to have Amendment 2 declared unconstitutional. Amendment 2 was narrowly approved by state voters in 1992 and would have prohibited any local or state protections based on sexual orientation, including existing anti-bias laws in several cities in Colorado.

The payment covers the lawyers' fees and related expenses involved in the legal challenge that eventually went to the U.S. Supreme Court where the state ballot measure was declared unconstitutional in 1996.

Attorneys representing the plaintiffs in the case had asked for \$1.4 million in payment. The settlement was announced by state Attorney General Gale Norton, who personally argued much of the defense of the anti-gay Amendment 2 in both Colorado courts and then before the U.S. Supreme Court.

The settlement is believed to be the largest legal bill Colorado has ever had to pay in loosing a civil rights case. The state also spent an estimated \$400,000 in expenses trying to defend Amendment 2 and nationwide boycotts of the state reportedly cost Colorado between \$10 million and \$20 million in lost revenues.

Coach Pleads Guilty to Sex Charges with Players

Calgary, Canada — Western Hockey League coach Graham James sexually assaulted one of his players more than 300 times over six years, according to records in an Alberta provincial court. He will serve 3 1/2 years in prison following his admission to the charges, and will then be barred from having any contact with minors for 10 years.

that gutted the office of Project AIDS Lafayette was arson, although they have no suspects for motive for the fire yet. Officials said they don't know if an accelerant was used to start the fire but said that blaze was started in several different locations within the downtown offices of the agency, which offers counseling and support services to people with HIV/AIDS in the region. Firefighters needed more than 3 hours to bring the 4-alarm blaze under control.

Iran to Test Visitors for HIV

Tehran — The Xinhua News Agency reports that Iran is now set to test foreign visitors to the country for HIV. The agency also reported that Iranian citizens who have been outside the country for three months or longer would also have to undergo HIV testing when they return to Iran.

Officials Debate Prison Condom Distribution

Boston, MA — The Boston Globe reports that state health and prison officials are continuing to argue over whether condoms should or should not be distributed in Massochusetts prisons. Many state prison officials say that condoms can be used as contained for contraband and that distributing them would only encourage inmates to have sex, which is illegal. Health officials and AIDS activists, however, insist that sexvoluntary or otherwise - will continue to take place in state prisons regardless of whether condoms are distributed and that at least the condoms might help reduce the skyrocketing infection rate among inmates.

BioPic of Late Artist's SM Life Set Despite Objections

London — Over the objections of friends and heirs, a film depicting the sado-masochistic sexual life of the celebrated late painter Francis Bacan is schedule to go ahead in April, backed by the BBC, the National Arts Council and the British Film Institute. Bacon, who died in 1992, sexually enjoyed physical abuse of himself by his mole lovers.





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James, 43, pleaded guilty to repeatedly assaulting two of his former players while he was a coach in Manitoba and Saskatchewan between 1984 and 1994.

The second youth was assaulted at least 50 times during a four-year period. One of the youths was 19 at the time of the sexual encounters, and the other was 14 years old. Although Canadian age of consent laws are more liberal than those in the U.S., and 14 is in fact the legal age in the country, the laws do no apply to adults who have sex with minors and particularly if the adult is in a position of power or authority.

Provincial Judge Frank Maloney banned publication of any information which might identify either of the two men, one of whom is now an NHL player and the other of whom is no longer associated with the game.

Prosecutor Bruce Fraser said the fact that James held a position of authority and trust was an aggravating factor in the case.

James helped coach such star NHL players as Joe Sakic, captain of the Colorado Avalanche; Theo Fleury of the Calgary Flames; Geoff Sanderson of the Hartford Whalers; Sheldon Kennedy of the Boston Bruins; and Dean McAmmond of the Edmonton Oilers.

Missing Computer Deepens Mystery of AIDS Agency Arson

Lafayette, IN — Although fire inspectors still say they have no suspects in the Christmas Day arson fire that destroyed most of the offices of the Project AIDS Lafayette, they say they are now in the process of giving lie-detector tests to volunteers who worked with the agency.

Officials said they are considering the possibility that someone associated with the agency itself may have been responsible for the fire after it was discovered that a computer in the second-floor offices of the organization was taken at the time of the fire.

Fire investigators said that even though there were several computers in the relatively undamaged secondstory offices used by the agency's directors, the only thing missing was one particular computer.

Officials say there may be something on the computer that the arsonist wanted badly enough to set the fire in an effort to hide the theft of the machine.

Americans in Russia Discard 'No Homosexuals' Pamphlets

Moscow — Following press reports in Russian newspapers in December that a pamphlet given to Russians applying for admission visas to the United States indicated homosexuals could not enter the country, U.S. embassy and consular officials in Russia have pulled the pamphlets.

The pamphlet, "U.S. Immigration Law: General Information," states that applicants could not legally enter the U.S. if they were "mentally ill or homosexual." Dating back to 1989, the pamphlet was officially discontinued in 1995 when the restriction on homosexual immigration was formally ended.

But in December, several Russian publications reported that U.S. embassy and consular officials in the country were still handing out the pamphlet. At the time, officials with the U.S. Government Printing Office in Washington, D.C., said the old copies were still being sent out as late as October 1995 because there were too many copies to throw out.

Outing of MP Rocks British Conservatives on Eve of Elections

by Keith Clark of the In Step Staff

London — British Prime Minister John Major and the Tory Party's plans for an election year campaign to undermine the growing edge of the country's liberal Labor Party exploded with the publication in a London tabloid of claims of a homosexual affair between a Tory Member of Parliament and a young man who was under the legal age of consent at the time.

According to the five-page article in the News of the World, Jerry Hayes, 43, the Tory MP for Harlow, had an affair in 1991 with Paul Stone, who is now 24 but who was 18 years of age at the time. Although Britain in 1994 lowered the age of consent for homosexual sex to 18, at the time the two men met the legal age was still 21.

But Stone wasn't just any under-age teen. He is the ex-chairman of the Peterborough Young Conservatives and later worked for Hayes in Parliament as a researcher.

Hayes, who is married with two children, has denied there was any sexual relationship between the two.

But Stone told the newspaper that he and Hayes had indeed had sex shortly after they first met and that they subsequently became lovers. According to Stone, the two often met at rooms Hayes books at London's Sloane Club, a prominent private club in the capital.

Major, whose political campaign to woo back wavering voters from Labor, declined to comment on the Hayes-Stone reports. "The story has been denied and the matter has been put in the hands of lawyers," the Prime Minister said during a television interview. "So I think it would be prudent to say no more about that."

Included in the lengthy news report were a number of letters to Stone from Hayes. In one letter, Hayes wrote: "I love you with every fiber of my being... . I am stupid enough to say that I would give anything up for you, that I would love you until my dying day."

Hayes has said he had an "intense friendship" with the young Stone and that while insisting that they never had a sexual relationship, his friendship with Stone was "a stupid mistake."

In an interview, Hayes said, "Nothing like this had ever happened to me before and nothing has since. It was the most strange and turbulent time of my life. I loved Paul in a naive, innocent and platonic way. But in retrospect my friendship with Paul was the biggest mistake of my life and an error of judgment."

Stone told the paper his relationship with Hayes ended after 16 months when the Tory MP refused to publicly acknowledge being gay and leave his wife.

2 Gay Films Slated for 1997; Etheridge to Star as Joplin

Hollywood, CA — Gay-themed films slated for release in 1997 include "In and Out," with Kevin Kline as a teacher who is outed against his will. Another film to watch for now slated for release next year will be the biographic film of 1960s rock star Janis Joplin, with Melissa Etheridge in the title role. Actor Brad Pitt has also reportedly agreed to portray a very young Kris Kristofferson in the film.

Arizona Lawmakers to Go After Gays

Phoenix, AZ — Republican conservatives in the Arizona Legislature are out to get gays and lesbians. Legislation is being prepared for the 1997 legislative session to make sodomy a felony in the state and to ban any gay student organizations from operating on high school or college campuses. One of the spansors is Representative-elect Karen Jahnson of Mesa who says homosexual behavior is deviant and shouldn't be sanctioned on campuses. "They (gays) want to sodomize, and I don't want them recruiting (on campuses) for that," Johnson said.

Rodman Throws A Tame New Year's Eve Party

Chicago, IL — Dennis Rodman's New Year's Eve bash at Navy Pier did not go without a grand entrance from the host. Rodman arrived at the grand ballroom shortly before 11 p.m. dressed in an elaborate costume, a cross between Cleopatra and King Tut. He wore a gold gladiator's helmet and an enormous cape constructed of purple and gold sequins. Its price tag was a mere \$10,000.



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Terminally III Patients Get Tax Break

Washington, DC — A change in federal law that takes effect this year may bring a brighter financial picture to thousand of Illinois residents coping with the final stages of AIDS, cancer and other terminal illnesses.

As of Jan. 1, terminally ill people
— and chronically ill people in certain
circumstances — began receiving certain types of life insurance benefits taxfree. The change is included in the
Health Coverage Availability and
Affordability Act of 1996, known informally as the Kennedy-Kassebaum law.

In recent years, a growing number of terminally ill patients have chosen to sell their life insurance policies to outside companies, known as viatical settlement companies. In return for naming the viatical company as the sole beneficiary, the sick client gets a payment that amounts to 50 percent to 85 percent of the policy's face value.

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Now, viatical settlements — along with accelerated death benefits, which are paid under arrangement with an insurance company — are exempt from federal income tax. But they still may be taxable under state law.

To qualify for the federal tax break, the policyholder must have a life expectancy of 24 months or less. Chronically ill people also can get tax-free settlements, but only if they use the money for long-term care not reimbursed by insurance.

The tax change has been praised by AIDS groups and the American Cancer Society.

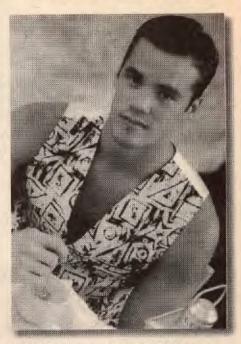


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Group Notes

GLEEDA To Hold Valentines Day Sock Hop In Appleton

Appleton, WI — Hot on the heels of the enormously successful New Years Eve Dinner-Dance, GLEEDA is making plans to hold a SOCK HOP in Appleton on Valentine's Day.

Dig out your old letter jackets and poodle skirts, and dance the night away to a selection of Oldies played by a live DJ. The dance will be held on Friday, February 14 at the Liberty Hall Banquet and Conference Center, located near the intersection of Highways 441 and CE (College Avenue). The dance will begin at 7:30pm.

For reservations and additional information, call Tim at 414/727-1515 or write to GLEEDA at PO Box 102, Appleton, WI 54912-0102.

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24 Hour Voice Mail (414) 297-9251 Education and Economic Development Alliance) 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, PO Box 102, Appleton, WI 54912-0102, or call 414/830-2065.

Bi Definition Celebrates First Anniversary

Milwaukee — Bi Definition, Milwaukee's bisexual community organization, will be holding it's First Anniversary Party Saturday, January 18th at 7 pm, BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady Street.

Whether you've attended a Bi Definition event in the past or not, whether you consider yourself bisexual or not, plan on helping us celebrate Milwaukee's first year of organized bicommunity!

As always, there is no charge to newsletter subscribers. Others can donate just \$10. and receive a full one-year membership, which includes the newsletter — Bi All Means!, free admission to all socials at the clinic, as well as admittance to the Anniversary Party. Otherwise, \$3 covers the cost of the party alone.

Bi Definition strives to have as diverse a membership as possible, and a special invitation goes out to all various ethic, orientational, ability, aged and gendered persons.

For further information write Bi Definition P.O. Box 07541 Milwaukee, WI 53207 or call Steven at 414-4835046 or Carol 414-562-4058.

Cream City Chorus Begins New Season

Milwaukee- The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, Ltd. will return from its holiday leave, with rehearsals beginning January 15, 1997. The primary focus of the spring season rehearsals will be the upcoming concert, "To Every Season..." This musical commemoration of the times of our lives and the changes they bring will feature Faure's Requiem.

The Cream City Chorus is accepting new members for the upcoming season. Interested persons are encouraged to leave a message at the chorus office, 344-WCCC, or attend one of the weekly rehearsals at the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee, 1342 N. Astor, to arrange for an audition.

The concert, "To Every Season..." will be held at 8 pm, Saturday, April 5, 1997, at the First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee. For more information, write to the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, PO Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

St. Camillus Holiday Fundraiser a Success

Milwaukee — St. Camillus wrapped up its first annual holiday ornament fundraiser after selling hundreds of the ornaments to benefit the HIV/AIDS Volunteer Program.

"Many people purchased them as gifts and in memory of loved ones who have died," said Bro. Stephen Braddock, Executive Director. "My sincere thanks to all of the individuals, businesses, and churches who held sales..." Braddock said. A very limited surplus can be purchased at a discounted price of \$10 each by calling (414)259-4664. All proceeds support services provided by St. Camillus to persons infected and affected by HIV disease.

Baldwin to Speak on Gay Marriage

Madison — State Representative Tammy Baldwin will discuss with Frontiers social group the legislation she plans to introduce that would legalize same-sex domestic relationships.

Learn about this landmark proposal which has enormous implications for: health care, property-holding, child rearing, pension rights, and a host of other vital matters affecting the lives of gays and lesbians. The meeting will be Saturday, January 25, at 7:30 pm at the Inn on the Park Hotel Capitol Square at Carroll and Main Streets, Assembly Room. Sponsor by Frontiers. For more information call (608) 274-5959.

Wisconsin AIDS Fund Benefit to Feature Absolut Art Exhibit

Milwaukee — It's an "Absolut Benefit" on Friday, January 17 when the Wisconsin AIDS Fund holds it annual fundraiser featuring the first Midwest art exhibit of the renowned Absolut Vodka advertisements.

Set in the restored firehouse in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward District, patrons will get the opportunity to view 25 Absolut original artworks including works by the late Keith Haring and Milwaukee's own Fred Stonehouse ("Absolut Wisconsin.")

Art lovers will get the opportunity to view the art from 5 pm to 8 pm., available for the first time here in the Midwest for only a \$10 donation, which also places their name in a special drawing for prizes including Absolut merchandise, compact discs and other giveaways.

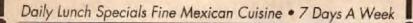
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invited to a cocktail party with gourmet hors d'oeuvres and drinks, including port, whisky and martinis. Cigars are also available to round out the evening. Well-known entertainers Paul Cebar and the Milwaukeeans will provide "art for the ears."

The Absolut Benefit will also feature a silent auction, which includes personally "designed doodlings from performers such as Bruce Springsteen, Bette Midler and Melissa Etheridge.

The Wisconsin AIDS Fund was founded in 1989 and has provided over one million dollars in funding to 35 AIDS-related organizations throughout Wisconsin. For more information, please call Harry Cherkinian at (414)276-4588.

Electronic Magazine, Woman Motorist, Wins **Print Award**

Los Angeles, CA - Woman Motorist, the Automotive Magazine for Women and Others on the World Wide Web, won the prestigious Nettie Award from PC Computing Magazine published by Ziff Davis Publising (a leader in computing publications) in December, 1996.

Of the 1,001 best Web Sites listed in PC Computing Magazine's Year End issue, only 40 were bestowed with a Nettie. Woman Motorist was the only Automotive Site to receive the award. Other Nettie winning Sites included Careerpath.com, The Wall Street Journal Interactive Edition, Intel, Yahoo, The Library of Congress, E Online, National Geographic Online, Fodor's and CNN Interactive, placing Woman Motorist in an elite category among online information Sites.

In addition to the Nettie, Woman Motorist was listed in Net Guide Magazine's 1996 Year End review of 4 Star Award winning Sites (an honor bestowed in April, 1996 when Woman Motorist had been online for 4 months.) Also in December, Online Access Magazine recognized Woman Motorist in

their "Best of the Net" year end Hot List.

Woman Motorist celebrates its first anniversary in January 1997. The publication provides continuous automotive information to women and men in language everyone can understand. This enables people who have been passed over by traditional, auto enthusiast automotive publications to obtain the information they need to make informed decisions about purchasing new cars, maintenance and safety and find travel and motorsports articles they enjoy.

Damron Women's Traveller 1997 Released

San Francisco, CA — Since 1989 women have trusted *Damron*, publishers of the original gay travel guide, to provide them with the most up-to theminute travel information on the market. With its sophisticated new design and expanded listings, the *Damron Women's Traveller 1997* is no exception. From Portland, Maine, to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, lesbians of all ages, races, sizes and abilities.

This information-packed guide lists thousands of groups, bars, accommodations, bookstores, retail stores, spiritual groups, publications, restaurants, and travel agencies that welcome lesbians. Each listing gives readers all the facts at a glance: address, phone number, business hours, wheelchair accessibility. Bringing the whole family along? The Damron Women's Traveller 1997 tells you where to find lodging for you and your sweetie, as well as the kids and the family pets. And because Damron celebrates the diversity of our communities, you'll now find transgender-friendly resources listed as well.

Best of all, the *Damron Women's Traveller 1997* showcases major metropolitan areas and popular resorts with in depth essays (some penned by our readers!) and a side bar with information on annual events including lesbian/gay pride celebrations, local transit options, a weather report, and our famous "where the girls are" listing.

Theatre X and Wild Space to Hold 1997 Mardi Gras Mask Ball Fund-Raising Event

Milwaukee — Theatre X and Wild Space Dance Company are teaming up again this year for a lively Mardi Gras fund-raiser, which will take place at the Italian Community Center on February 8, 1997. This gala event will be co-hosted by Masters of Ceremonies Mike Gousha (WTMJ) and Lynn Sprangers. The festivities begin at 6:30 with cocktails, festive mask making, and a silent auction of exceptional gifts and services. At 7 pm a delicious Cajun meal will be served accompanied by a vignette from Tennessee Williams' Vieux Carre, as performed by members of Theatre X.

The evening's highlight will be the auction of original masks created for this event by Milwaukee's most eclectic visual artists and chosen through a juried competition. A unique performance by Wild Space Dance Company will feature the masks for auction. The masks will be displayed in a preview exhibition at the Lake Shore Gallery, 4401 North Oakland, from January 25 - February 7, 1997. Following the mask auction, stay and dance the night away to the sounds of the Ernie Brusabardis Jazz Trio.

Artire is semi-formal, costumes are optional. Parking will be provided. For more information or to order tickets, call Mike Ramach at Theatre X (414) 278-0555 or Kirsten Bonner at Wild Space Dance Company (414) 271-0307.



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LEGALLY SPEAKING

by Arlene Zarembka

Preserving The Hawaii Marriage Victory

our years ago, I did not have marriage rights on my agenda for the Gay and Lesbian community. I couldn't imagine any court or legislature granting a marriage certificate to same-sex couples in my lifetime. My thinking changed drastically after the Hawaii Supreme Court ruled in 1993 that Hawaii could not deny marriage licenses to same-sex couples unless it could prove a compelling reason to do so.

Even so, marriage still was not high on my agenda. I could no more imagine a Gay couple being able to marry in Missouri, where I live and which has among the most anti-Gay family court decisions in the country, than I could imagine flying to the moon. Moreover, my partner and I didn't want to get married. Having thrived for so many years without the state's approval of our relationship, it seemed a bit strange at this late date to demand a certificate of marriage, even though we pay a price in the loss of certain financial benefits that come with marriage.



Nonetheless, I believe it is crucial that the Hawaii marriage victory be preserved. Granted, winning the right to marry in Hawaii will not eliminate discrimination, not even in Hawaii. But losing it will give the green light to the codification of second-class citizenship for Gay men and Lesbians throughout all 50 states.

Preserving the Hawaii victory means beating back attempts to amend Hawaii's Constitution to ban same-sex marriages. Such an amendment is the Right Wing's goal now

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that it is virtually certain that the Hawaii Supreme Court will uphold Judge Chang's December 3 ruling. If the Religious Right ultimately wins in Hawaii, it can do so anywhere, for Hawaii is one of the most liberal, culturally diverse states in the union.

Just as the battle over the right of Gays to serve in the military is a conflict over labeling Gay men and Lesbians as second-class citizens, so too is the battle over marriage rights one over whether our relationships will be codified as abnormal. Both battles are important ones, even for those of us who never want to be in the U.S. military or who may never want to marry. Both ultimately are about equal rights.

The Right Wing understands this. The straight world understands this. Only our community seems to have difficulty understanding this. To allow the tremendous Hawaii victory to be crushed through a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriages would be a tremendously demoralizing reversal of a major equal rights victory. Such a defeat would embolden the Radical Right throughout the rest of the nation to redouble its efforts to pass not only antimarriage laws, but laws banning Lesbians and Gay men from adopting children, from having custody of their own children, and, from bearing children through donor insemination. To walk away from the Hawaii marriage battle is to acquiesce in the constitutional labeling of same-sex families as inferior to families headed by heterosexual couples.

Yet our national organizations, with the exception of

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, act as if what happens in Hawaii isn't their battle. The Hawaii Equal Rights Marriage Project (HERMP) does not have the financial capacity at present to counteract the Right Wing's anti-marriage onslaught, which includes regular anti-marriage television ads, radio spots, and full page newspaper ads. It is a tiny volunteer organization, with funds only to help pay for the lawsuit, and for a part time lobbyist. HERMP cannot fight effectively without resources for a media and educational campaign, without a paid staff, and without a strong legislative presence.

Our national organizations must make it a priority to raise funds to win the Hawaii marriage battle. The HRC and National Gay and Lesbian Task Force should hold fundraisers in various parts of the country, and split the proceeds three ways — one-third for HERMP (or its lobbying and media arm, Friends of HERMP), one-third for the co-sponsoring local organization, and one-third for the national organization. In addition to raising funds for the Hawaii efforts, these events also could help spearhead local efforts to educate local communities — both Gay and straight — about the marriage issue.

While supporting the Hawaii efforts, the national organizations need to avoid hogging credit and rewriting history. For example, the first paragraph of Lambda's December 3 press release about the victory in the Hawaii lawsuit inaccurately states that the lawsuit was brought by "Honolulu civil rights lawyer Dan Foley and Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund." Although Lambda has provided excellent legal and financial assistance to the litigation efforts since 1993, it simply was not involved when Foley filed the case on behalf of three Hawaiian couples in 1991. Lambda became co-counsel only after Foley's 1993 victory before the Hawaii Supreme Court.

Individuals also can help the Hawaii efforts by sending contributions to P.O. Box 11690, Honolulu, HI 96828, payable either to HERMP (tax-deductible) for the litigation and education efforts, or to Friends of HERMP (non-tax-deductible) for the lobbying and media efforts against the proposed constitutional amendment. Alternatively, people can call 1-900-97-MARRY to make a contribution by telephone to Friends of HERMP. Those with media contacts (in the straight or Gay presses) can provide HERMP with those names and addresses, so it can add additional media to its list for press releases about the marriage issue.

To keep up to date on the marriage battle in Hawaii, check out the Web site at http://www.xq.com/hermp/, or send a request to ramsey@math.hawaii.edu to be added to the Hawaii marriage e-mail list.

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The Arts

by Jorge L. Cabal

Broom Street Theater Presents "My Favorite Aliens"

Madison — Who are these aliens? What do they want? Why do they want to take us into their space ship? Broom Street Theater attempts to answer these questions in its latest production "My Favorite Alien." The play premieres Friday, January 10th at 8:00 p.m. Broom Street Theater is located at 1119 Williamson Street in Madison. For more information call (608) 244-8338.

"My Favorite Alien," is a hilarious, provocative, and thoughtful new comedy about aliens abduction written and directed by Doug Banasky. This is an amusing show which aliens from outer space fall in love with humans, while humans help aliens save the earth from disaster. The production dramatizes the end of the millennium, threats to the global environment, and the alien abduction phenomenon. Playwright/director Banasky has insisted that the story is not horrifying. Banasky relegated "My aliens are friendly aliens. They're frightened of humans because they don't understand our hatred and our ability to kill one another." The main character in the play, Daniel Salverson, tries to prevent the expansion of the ozone hole and consequential environmental disaster. Daniel is on a mission for the aliens to save humanity and bring the alien message to earth.

While the play is derived from the history of all UFO sighting since 1947. "My Favorite Alien" is mainly based on the research of famed psychiatrist John Mack. Mack, a professor at Harvard Medical School and Pulitzer Prize winning author, scandalize Harvard three years ago with his controversial book "Abduction: Human Encounters With Aliens." Harvard professors were so outraged that they attacked the book as phony research. Mack brought aliens abduction our of the closet and made it a respectable field of research. Until the appearance of Mack's book, alien abduction was only covered in trash super market magazines. It was John Mack's courageous breakthrough that inspired Banasky to write and direct "My Favorite Alien."

The cast includes: Kevin Bosley, Tracy Wieczorek, Dan Jacobson, Sam Butzer, and Trisan Vincent. Broom Street veterans in the play are Phil Strowman, Jamie McCanless, and Doug Banasky. The set design is by Christopher X. Burant, light design is by D.W. Wanberg, sound and light operation are by Chet Toni. Costumes are by Gerri Ager, and special designs are by Jamie McCanless.



The Fireside Theatre Presents "Legends In Concert"

Fort Atkinson — The Fireside Restaurant and Playhouse presents an exclusive Midwest engagement, direct from Las Vegas, John Stuart's award winning "Legends In Concert." The Fireside's production features live re-creations of Buddy Holly, Reba McIntyre, Marilyn Monroe, The Blues Brothers, Neil Diamond, Judy Garland, and the King himself, Elvis!

"Legends In Concert" was conceived by John Stuart in 1983 and booked into the Imperial Palace in Las Vegas for a six week run. That six week run has turned into a 12 year plus engagement. Touring companies of the show have played all over the world including Russia, Europe, Australia, the Far East and throughout the United States. "Legends" even became the first Las Vegas show to play Broadway.

The show is produced for The Fireside by Ed Flesch, directed by "Legends" creator John W. Stuart with choreography by Bobby Boling. In addition to the "Legends" stars, there is a supporting cast of eight singers and dancers that were selected from the Fireside's New York auditions.

"Legends In Concert," runs until March 16th with ten performances weekly Wednesday through Sunday. A Las Vegas style casino buffet is served prior to each performance.

The Fireside complex includes several gift shops with an extensive selection of unique merchandise including many popular collectible lines. For additional information, call 1-800-477-9505.

The Rep Gives Shakespeare A Twist In "Goodnight Desdemona"

Madison — Madison Repertory Theatre presents Ann-Marie MacDonald's delightful "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)." The play is a wonderfully clever comedy about an English professor who enters the world of two of Shakespeare's best known plays, changing not only the fates of Desdemona and Juliet, but also her own. "Goodnight Desdemona" runs from January 10-26 in the Isthmus Playhouse of the Madison Civic Center, 211 State Street. The production, directed by Rep Artistic Director D. Scott Glasser, is full of twists, fights, dances and wild surprises. For more information call The Rep at (608) 266-9055.

Called, "delightful, often hilarious" by "The Washington Post," "Goodnight Desdemona" follow the escapades of English professor Constance Ledbelly. As she attempts to prove that a pair of Shakespeare's great tragedies, "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet," were originally written as comedies and that an obscure, indecipherable manuscript holds the proof. When she literally falls into the worlds of the plays, she wreaks literary havoc while changing the fates of two of Shakespeare's great heroines-and she does it in iambic pentameter.

Her journey takes her first to Othello's Cypress, where she foils Iago's plot. She befriended and then, through Iago's conniving reprisal, hunted by an Amazonian Desdemona. Transported next to Verona, Constance spills the beans about the secret marriage of Romeo and Juliet, uniting their rival families and setting the stage for a happy ending-except the famous lovebirds' infatuation with each other has gone sour. Each one subsequently falls in love with Constance, sparking confusion as convoluted as any of the Bard's comedies. On one level, MacDonald's play is a deft Shakespearean parody, on another it is a satirical swipe at academic life and on yet another it is a sharp commentary on fragmented identity in modern times.

The play calls for a talented ensemble of five that will take on 15 roles. Leading the cast is Sarah Day in the role of protagonist Constance Ledbelly. Day is a veteran of American Players Theatre where she is a member of their acting company. She last appeared on the Madison Rep stage in "tis the season." Included in the cast are John Staniunas, Karole Spangler, Dathan Williams and Katheryn Phillips.

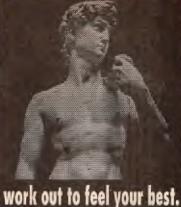
Director D. Scott Glasser most recently directed the Rep's production of "Season's Greetings." Artistic Director for the Rep since 1993, Glasser has directed productions of "Hauptmann," "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?", "Three Tall Women," "Oleanna" and "Dancing at Lughnasa" for the Rep. He has worked with such theaters as the Guthrie, GeVa, ACT-Seattle, Minnesota Opera, The Playwrights' Center, the Utah Shakespearean Festival and Skylight Opera Theatre.

Nobel Prize-Winner Seamus Heaney at Milwaukee Public Library

Milwaukee — Milwaukee Chamber Theatre is proud to present Seamus Heaney, poet and playwright, who will read selections of his poetry on Saturday, January 11 at 3 p.m. at the Milwaukee Public Library in 700-seat Centennial Hall, 814 West Wisconsin Avenue. This is one of the education outreach programs being offered for MCT's production of "The Cure at Troy." The event is free and open to the public with ticketed seating available on a first-come, first served basis. General admission tickets for the poetry reading will be available for pickup Wednesday, January 8 through Friday,







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Helen Vendler in The New Yorker, delineates Seamus Heaney "as much the legitimate heir of Keats of Frost as Kavanagh or Years, and the history of his consciousness is as germane to our lives as that of any other poet." Born in 1939 in Country Derry,



Northern Ireland. Heaney, began teaching at Carysfort College in Dublin. In 1984, he was elected the Boylston Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory at Harvard, and served for two years as Professor of Poetry at Oxford University. Mr. Heaney's works include eleven books of poetry, two books of criticism, and "The Cure at Troy," his version of Sophocles's drama "Philoctetes." His "Selected Poems 1966-1987" was published in 1990, and his third collection of literary essays and lectures, "The Redress of Poetry," in 1995. He co-founded Field Day Publishing with Brian Friel and others in 1983. Professor Heaney was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1995, the Irish Academy of Letters Award in 1975 and the Bennet Award in 1982. He is an honorary doctor of Queen's University, Belfast. His poems have appeared in The New Yorker, The New Republic, The New York Review of Books, and other magazines.

"The Thundering Herd" Roars into the Pabst Theater

Milwaukee - The explosive big band sound of the Woody Herman Orchestra comes to the Pabst Theater on Friday, January 17, 1997 at 8 p.m. Under the direction of Frank Tiberi, Milwaukee welcomes "The Thundering Herd" as its celebrates its 60th Anniversary with a very special Milwaukee Homecoming Performance.

Born on Milwaukee's Brady Street in 1913, Woody Herman spent almost his entire life on stage. His debut was singing at a farewell dinner for World War I serviceman at the Milwaukee Auditorium in 1917. While attending St. John Cathedral High School, he moonlighted on saxophone and clariner with various bands. He dropped out of school at 17 and started his non-stop life on the road. In 1931, Herman joined a jazz band; and in 1937 formed his first band. In the mid 1940's, he was one of the

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first band leaders to use elements of a jazz movement called bebop as well as classical music. He also developed an unusual reed section consisting of three tenor saxophones and a baritone sax. Herman became ill during the band's 50th Anniversary Tour in 1986 and chose Tiberi to lead the Orchestra. "Frank is thoroughly familiar with our music and how the band should feel playing it," Herman said. Woody Herman's last Wisconsin appearance was in April 1986. He died in October of 1987 and was posthumously elected to The Wisconsin Performing Artists Hall of Fame in 1990. Humbled to have been selected to carry on the orchestra's tradition, Tiberi accentuates "the leader of this band will always be Woody Herman."

Tickets for the Woody Herman Orchestra performance range from \$10 to \$20; and are available at the Pabst Theater Box Office, 144 East Well Street. For additional information call (414) 286-3663.

Celebrate Martin Luther King Day with Dr. Joycelyn Elders at the University of Chicago



Chicago — Dr. Joycelyn Elders, former U.S. Surgeon General, will be the keynote speaker when the University of Chicago celebrates Martin Luther King Day at noon Monday, January 20, in Rockefeller Memorial Chapel, 5850 S. Woodlawn Avenue. The multicultural event will also feature a Latino children's dance troupe, University singing groups, a benediction by Rabbi Suzanne Griffel and a

reading from the work of Dr. Martin Luther King. The even is free and open to the public. For more information, call (773) 702-4829.

The first African-American Surgeon General, Elders was the second woman to hold that post. At her confirmation, she said, "I want to change the way we think about health by putting prevention first. I want to be the voice and the vision of the poor and powerless. I would like to make every child born in America a wanted child." Elders is now a professor and physician at the University of Arkansas Medical School.



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TRAVEL by Kevin Isom

We'll Always Have Paris

smiled at the two beautiful women holding hands, then I kissed Stephane good-bye gently on each cheek. He opened the door to my taxi, and I climbed gingerly inside in the pre-dawn darkness. We murmured "au revoir," he closed the door, and I was off, speeding onto the Champs-Elysee, past the grand facades, around the brightly lit Arc de Triomphe, as the red tail lights and yellow head lights of the cars blended into streams ahead and behind. We sped along the River Seine, the Eiffel Tower glimmering in the distance, past the Palais du Louvre, past the Cathedral of Notre Dame, as I breathed in the cool night air.

We reached the Hotel de Ville (Paris' city hall), my favorite building in all of Paris, and I asked the driver to stop. I left the taxi, and walked through the plaza in front of the Hotel de Ville, empty but for me and a girl playing ball with her dog. Never mind that it was 4 a.m. This was Paris, where charm appears as if by magic. I sat on a bench and looked from the intricate statues of the Hotel de Ville, to the full moon in the sky above. I made a wish, and I walked away, following a curving side street to my hotel.

Paris at night is the most romantic city in the world outside of Venice, where even the Parisians go for their weddings. And night in Paris is only a precursor to the day. Paris is a city of intense architectural beauty, astonishing art, fascinating history, incredible food and wine, nightlife, and, of course, fashion.

Even the poor are chic. Because in Paris, style, art, and life blend together inextricably.

Paris is accessible from any number of airports in the U.S. The primary airport is Orly, the secondary is Charles de Gaulle, each just

outside of Paris. When you arrive at Orly or Charles de Gaulle, follow the crowd to the transportation section, and avoid asking attendants questions. These people are rude. Ask another traveler. Parisians have a reputation for rudeness, but it's a little inaccurate. The people who are asked questions by tourists all the time suffer from compassion fatigue, and they are always snappy. But most other people are very helpful, especially if you try to ask the question in French, however haltingly. The French take offense to Americans in their country expecting the them to speak English, which seems reasonable when you think about it. Could a French person in America expect everyone to speak French?

Once you've found your way, you can either take a taxi

or a train (the R.E.R.) to the subway (the Metro). A taxi will run you about \$30 into Paris. The exchange rate has favored the French franc in the last few years. The R.E.R. will cost you \$10. It's better to arrive with some French cash for the taxi, but the R.E.R. folks take credit as well. And be sure you bring your Visa card, because years ago Visa rather sneakily became the official card of French banks. They call it "Carte Bleu" (blue card). As a result, Visa is accepted most places, while the other cards just aren't. One of the best ways to get cash is from any ATM in Paris. Your credit card company will give you a better exchange rate (some bank checking account cards will even work in Paris now), and it's so cool pulling out francs from a teller in Paris.

So from Charles de Gaulle, you're bought your ticket on the R.E.R., you've taken the bus shuttle (right from the R.E.R. entry) to the R.E.R., station, you've followed the signs to "Paris par le train" (Paris by train), and you've arrived at the Metro station. Or from Orly, you've taken the shuttle buss to the OrlyVal rail link, which takes you to the R.E.R. station, and now you're on your way to the

Metro station. (It's really more obvious than it sounds, but if you have the cash, the included daylight tour of a taxi is worth it.)

The Metro in Paris is easy, Stations are within a few blocks of each other, marked by the art nouveau wrought iron and the red Metro sign. Some stations even have board where you press the button for your destination, and the route lights up on the map. Buy a "carnet de dix" (a packet of ten tickets—pronounced "carnay duh dee"), because unless you're planning on spending all day on

the Metro, a day or week pass isn't worth it.

But where are you going to stay? Paris is expensive, and you can expect to pay at least \$100 per night for a basic two star hotel (five star being the maximum). Most of the hotels are traditional European, with no two rooms alike. You can save money by staying in a one star, and some are really okay. It's less expensive to have the toilet of the shower down the hall, but if you don't want dorm style, be sure you room comes "avec salle de bains" (closest anglo pronunciation is "avek sall de ban"—with bathroom). 0

The primary gay area of Paris is the Marais, which, coincidentally, is smack in the middle of everything. The Hotel de Ville, the Cathedral of Notre Dame, the Pompidou

Center, Les Halles—all are within easy walking distance, no more than a few blocks. I can personally recommend the basic but gay-friendly two-star Hotel Acacias, at 20 Rue du Temple (telephone 1-48-87-07-70), a block from the Hotel de Ville and around the corner from the Marais. A gay friendly three star in the Marais is the St. Merry, at 78 Rue de la Verrerie (telephone 1-42-78-14-15), a gothic former presbytery where some rooms have flying buttresses over the beds.

Now you're settled in, you've taken a short nap to fight jet lag, and you're ready to see the sights of Paris. What's first? The Eiffel Tower, of course. Take the Metro to the stop Trocadero. You can't miss the tower. The best view for photos is across the way from the plazas of the Trocadero. Then you can buy a ticket to ride to the observation deck. Once there, if you're lucky, you can get in for lunch at the pricey restaurant Jules Verne. But in any case, the view is a must.

From the Eiffel Tower, your next stop should be the Arc de Triomphe, another international symbol of Paris, at the top of the grand boulevard, the Champs-Elysee. Take the Metro to Charles de Gaulle-Etoile, then cross to the Arc, But if you want to come back in one piece, don't make the mistake of walking across the speeding lanes of traffic circling the Arc. There are tunnels, marked "Souterrain." From the Arc, stroll down the Champs-Elysee (past the world-famous gay disco called Queen).

Next on your list is the Cathedral of Notre Dame (Metro stops Cite or St. Michel). Go through and marvel at the dramatic stained glass, feeling the sense of history that seems to overcome every visitor to this majestic cathedral. Next, take a tour to the top of the towers for a real Victor Hugo experience. Of course, I tend to hunch over, walk funny, and croak "Esmerelda? Esmerelda?" But that may not be your cup of tea.

From Notre Dame, stroll along the River Seine, past the Palais du Louvre,

through the very-to be blunt-cruisy park, the Jardin des Tuileries. In the summer, you'll see gay and lesbian sun bathers stretched out along the banks. Other important sights are the Bastille, or at least the site where it was, since it was destroyed in the French Revolution; Les Invalides (Metro Les Invalides), where Napoleon is buried; La Madeleine (Metro Madeleine), the Greek temple styled church; and the Theatre de l'Opera (Metro Opera). If you're into clautrophobia, tour the (Metro Catacombs Denfert-Rochfereau), dating from Roman times, which run beneath Paris and house six million human skeletons, stacked by bone size. The French can be kinda quirky.

If art is your preference, then Paris is for you. Besides the obvious architectural gems, Paris is a city of art treasures. You can spend days at the Louvre and never see it all. Marvel at the glass pyramid addition to the Louvre, pay your respects to DaVinci's Mona Lisa, then choose the rest of your art from the astounding collection. The painting and sculpture ranges from Egyptian to Dutch. If you like Modern art, visit the sixties-looking Centre Pompidou, right next to Les Halles, houses Modern art in Paris.

For Impressionist paintings, your Mecca is the Musee d'Orsay, an elegant train station converted into an even more elegant museum. This is THE museum of Impressionist art. Once you've gotten your fix of Renoir, Monet, and Van Gogh (who actually painted in Arles, France), try a leisurely visit to the Musee Rodin, where you can gaze at The Thinker, marvel at the sensuousness of The Kiss, and enjoy the many other sculptures. Fans of Picasso will even find a small Musee Picasso nearby.

But not all the art is in the museums. Take the subway to Montmartre (Metro stop Anvers) and climb the picturesque hill to Sacre Coeur Cathedral (or take the lift, which accepts Metro tickets). Look out over Paris from the dome of the pearly white cathedral and buy a prayer candle inside. If you're wishing for love, this is the place to put in a good word. Then you can walk down into the square in Montmartre, the (still living) artists' district of Paris.

Wander through the artists' stalls in the square. Even if you don't buy, it's fun to look, as street artists offer to cut paper silhouetres of your face. Better yet, have one of the artists draw your portrait in charcoal. It's cheap, and you're expected to ask for a lower price. Choose an artist whose work you like,



and you'll come home with a once-in-alifetime portrait of yourself when you were in Paris to hang above your fireplace. And if you're part of a couple, what could be more romantic than a portrait of you both?

If you have the time, there are day trips from Paris that are well worth the effort. Perhaps the most opulent palace in the world, Versailles, is a brief train ride (R.E.R.) outside of Paris. Allow a full day for the visit. A little further on the other direction is the older chareau, Fontainebleau. While the gilt and scale of Versailles is mind-blowing, Fontainebleau is equally impressive as a fairy tale castle.

Next Time... The Paris Nightlife!



FILM REVIEW

by Eldon E. Murray

Madonna Shines as Evita

t could be said that this blockbuster film, sure to be nominated for an Academy Award, has a twenty year history since Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber released their Evita concept album in Great Britain in November of 1976. The album, based on the short, but dramatic life of Eva Péron (wife of Juan Péron, President of Argentina), soared to the top of the charts primarily because of the hit song "Don't Cry For Me Argentina."

The album's producer, Robert Stigwood, produced Evitation for the London stage in 1978, where it ran for 2,900 performances. A Broadway production was mounted in 1979, starring Patti LuPone. A solid hit, it won the New York Drama

Critics Circle Award for Best Musical and seven Tony Awards.

Stigwood began to think of a film version and asked film director Alan Parker to direct. Parker, known for his Oscar winning direction of Midnight Express (which caused controversy because of its bold depiction of the rape in a Turkish prison of the young male protagonist) and for directing Fame (two Academy awards),

declined. For the next fifteen years he regretted his decision as a long list of top stars were proposed for the film and the rumor mill had every major film director in the world seeking the job. When Cinergi Pictures offered him the job again at the end of 1994, he accepted.

Together, Stigwood and Parker assembled the best technical and back lot talent in the world to do the filming — top flight camera people, set designers, etc... For example,

Vincent Paterson, selected as choreographer, has done important work for Madonna (her Blonde Ambition tour) and for Michael Jackson (his Bad tour). He also was nominated for a Tony for his choreography for the Broadway musical Kiss of the Spider Woman and did the film choreogra-

phy for Birdcage.

Casting the central characters, particularly the role of the charismatic *Evita*, was more difficult than selecting the technical people. Madonna had not been seriously considered for the part until she sent Parker a four-page handwritten letter begging for the role and promising to devote all of her time to the film until it was completed. Seeing the finished film, it is hard to believe that anyone else was even considered for the part.

To her credit, Madonna realized that this was her opportunity to achieve the superstar status that she has always craved. She prepared by reading everything she could about

> the life of Eva Péron. She went Argentina well before filming began and interviewed both Eva fans and those who hated her to gain insight into the character she would be playing. She also hired a vocal coach and expanded her vocal range so that she could sing Lloyd Webber's music as it was written. The Madonna you hear

Madonna you hear in this film uses vocal areas that you have never heard before from the old Madonna.

Because of her status as a sex symbol many in Argentina hated the very idea of Madonna playing the role of their beloved Evita. Signs appeared saying, "Madonna go home!," but slowly and surely she won almost everyone's respect and left Argentina almost as much of an idol as Evita, herself.

The Spanish actor Antonio Banderas sent an audition tape to Parker and when they mer in a Miami restaurant he clinched the part of Ché, the narrator, by singing a word perfect rendition of all the songs from the musical to the delight of other restaurant patrons.

As the narrator, Banderas struts through the film with a



sexy, smoldering masculinity that is rarely seen on film. Every movement is butch, but graceful and self-assured, reminding one of the old Clark Gable. His tango with Madonna near the end of the film is pure fire.

The role of Jaun Péron, Evita's husband and President of Argentina, is brilliantly handled by Janathan Pryce whom you may remember for his incredible performance as Lytton Strachey in the film Carrington.

The recording of all 49 musical numbers was done first in London and then matched to the actual acting in Budpest and Argentina later. One young reviewer objected to this technique, calling it "lipsync." His knowledge of film making leaves something to be desired, since almost all film musicals are either done this way or the songs are "dubbed" in later for clarity, with trained voices sometimes being dubbed in for the actors. All the actors in *Evita* use their own voices. I can imagine what "Don't Cry For Me Argentina" would have sounded like without this pre-recording technique. With 4,500 extras below the balcony in the square, a live recording would have been one long scratchy cough.

Rather than give you a synopsis of the plot line, suffice it to say that the film follows the life of Eva Péron quite accu-



rately, warts and all. Madonna lives and breathes the spirit of Eva and will probably be nominated for an Academy Award for best actress.

The film makers recreated old still photos and newsreel footage (sometimes using actual footage) to preserve authentic detail. The use of thousands of late 40s props and costumes also enhanced the authenticity of the period. This attention to detail even included a reproduction of the daringly low cut gown Evita wore in Paris on her world tour. The Paris ladies



were shocked and considered the gown "inappropriate." Evita retaliated by spending a fortune on Christian Dior creations. The fashion industry is now hoping that the film's extensive use of Dior-like outfits will change the current industry slump.

The film's stunning use of photography and color, some scenes visualized in vivid yellows and others bathed in somber blues, is outstanding. If there is one fault, it is that the film tries to cram too much into the two hours and thirteen minutes. The pace is very fast and a little disjointed as it hops from scene to scene in an attempt to show everything possible about the period. Even the narrator's excellent explanations can't bring it all together. The film is a blockbuster and I urge you to see it when it opens on January 10. I believe that a few years down the road we will be calling the film version of Evita a classic film.

DEEP INSIDE HOLLYWOOD

by Miss Paige Turner

The Gay Oscar

ould 1997 see two openly gay directors nominated for Oscars? Will a gay producer win Best Picture? Anything is possible in the Oscar race this year, since no single film has emerged as an odds-on favorite.

Two gay directors do seem likely to enter the Oscar race, both with critically acclaimed films. Robert Harling, the witty creator of Steel Magnolias and Soapdish, had both his adapted screenplay of The First Wives Club and Evening Star(his sequel to Terms Of Endearment) debut in 1996 to much success. Evening Star is Harling's directorial debut and, despite tensions on the set between star and director, is a superior film.

Nicholas Hytner, a respected stage director, could be nominated for his work on *The Crucible* starring Winona Ryder and Daniel Day Lewis. The film, which was adapted by playwright Arthur Miller, has been much discussed in Hollywood (and not just because the star ran off with the screenwriter's daughter). Hytner's next feature is expected to be *Affection* (with screenplay by Wendy Wasserstein) about a woman who rents a room to a gay man and falls in love with him.

Openly gay producer Scott Rudin, who has brought such crowd-pleasing films as Sister Act and The Addams Family to the screen, is also the producer of Marvin's Room, which stars three previous Oscar winners (Meryl Streep, Diane Keaton, and Robert DeNiro) and a previous nominee (Leonardo DiCaprio). Marvin's Room is expected to do well for its stars at Oscar time, but let's hope it's popular enough to get a Best Picture nomination.

The Sweeney Todd Battle

Broadway still hasn't forgotten Stephen Sondheim's brilliant musical adaptation of Sweeney Todd (in my opinion, his last great musical) that swept the Great White Way nearly twenty years ago. Plans for a film version of the musical have been in the works for years, and currently rest with successful gay producers Craig Zadan and Neil Meron (who brought Serving In Silence: The Margarethe Cammermeyer Story and Gypsy to the small screen).

When I interviewed Craig in October, he told me that plans for the musical were moving forward with Tim Burton (Mars Attacks!) scheduled to direct. Recently, Liz Smith reported that John Schlesinger may direct a dramatic version of Sweeney Todd starring Ben Kingsley and Absolutely Fabulous star Joanna Lumley (who last appeared for Schlesinger in the BBC production Cold Comfort Farm) in the role Angela Lansbury made famous on Broadway.

To set the record straight, the Schlesinger film is NOT an adaptation of the Broadway musical, but a new dramatic version of the story. While the Schlesinger film is expected to air on Showtime late this year (well ahead of the musical version), don't expect it to be much competition for a Tim Burton adaptation of Sondheim. Even still, perhaps the air of competition will get the ball rolling faster for the musical.

Celebrate "Party Of Five"

There is good news for fans of Fox's award-winning series, Party Of Five. Starting this month, Ross, the gay violin teacher (played by media-friendly openly gay actor Mitchell Anderson) is going to have a love interest on the show.

When I spoke with Mitchell about it, he was very excited about the new storyline and said "It's very sophisticated for television, I think," The conflict in their relationship will be based on the fac that Mitchell's onscreen boyfriend will not be open about his sexuality in his life.

In real life, the newly single Mitchell, who is currently appearing in the Los Angeles production of gay playwright Terrence McNally's Love! Valour! Compassion! has been on Party Of Five since its pilot episode. The critically acclaimed series, which has had trouble getting strong ratings, was rescued from cancellation last year when it won the Golden Globe for Best Drama Series.

Previously, his character adopted a baby girl (which Anderson had suggested for his character), but his daughter has not appeared on the show this season. Says Mitchell, "That's a sore spot for me. I feel like they dropped the ball on that storyline. They always have to deal with the core family." Mitchell may have expressed displeasure at not being able to continue the adoption story, but at least his character is able to grow in other areas.

January 8 through January 22

The Calendar

ACTIVITIES:

Saturday, January 11

GAMMA Fun Run and Walk (Milwaukee): 9 am. A 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable east side, followed by a stop of eating. Starts at the base of the Water Tower, For more information call (414)342-4322.

Sunday, January 12

GAMMA Skiing (Milwaukee): noon until 3 pm. An afternoon of Cross Country Skiing at Brown Deer Park. There will be a get together following the skiing. For more information call (414) 342-4322.

Madison Wrestling Club: Practice/Instruction (Milwaukee): 1 pm. Beginners welcomed. For more information call (414)244-8675.

Wednesday, January 15

GAMMA Volleyball (Milwaukee): Open Volleyball tonight at UWM Engelman Gym. 8 pm. For more information call (414)342-4322.

Thursday, January 16

GAMMA Sheepshead (Milwaukee): An evening of sheepshead card playing for everyone at 7:30 pm. For more information call 342-4322.

Saturday, January 18

GAMMA Fun Run and Walk (Milwaukee): 9 am. A 30-40 minute jog through the fashionable east side, followed by a stop of eating. Starts at the base of the Water Tower, For more information call (414)342-4322.

GAMMA (Milwaukee): Cowles Volleyball League tonight at UWM Engelman Gym. 3 pm. For more information call (414)342-4322.

Monday, January 20

GAMMA Book Club (Milwaukee): Discussion starting at 7:30 pm. For more information call (414) 343-4322.

Wednesday, January 22

GAMMA Volleyball (Milwaukee): Open Volleyball tonight at UWM Engelman Gym. 8 pm. For more information call (414)342-4322.

ARTS:

Thursday, January 9

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Reading Group (Shorewood): 7 pm. The Star Trek reading group will discuss Uhura's Song by Janet Kagan. For more information

coll (414)963-3111.

Friday, January 10

Walker's Point Center for the Arts: Members Party (Milwaukee): 7 pm. WPCA kicks off its Tenth Anniversary year with a salan-style tribute to its artist members January 10- February 16. The "Members Show" promises to pack 'em in, and hang 'em high with the work of local luminaries and up-and coming talent. The apening reception, is free and open to the public. Walkers point Center for the Arts is located at 911 West National Avenue. WPCA gallery hours are Wed-Sun 1-5 pm, with extended hours Fridays until 8 pm. For more information call (414) 672-2787.

Monday, January 13

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Reading Group (Shorewood): 7 pm. The Reflections on the Page Reading Group led by Sue Bronson will discuss Anywhere But Here by Mono Simpson. Therapists from New Prospects Counseling discuss the psychological aspects of fiction. For more information call (414)963-3111.

Wednesday. January 15

Milwaukee Art Museum: Free Day for Senior Citizens (Milwaukee): 10 am until 2 pm. Free admission for people 50 or older from 10 am to 2 pm. Special tours of the museum's permonent collection and the Technology in Design: 1700 to Present exhibition will be given, plus entertainment and snacks for early birds. Ask about MAM's free bus program for groups. For more information call (414)224-3200.

Aububon Court Books: Rick Germanson (Milwaukee): 7:30-11:30 pm. Rick Germanson plays jazz piano. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Thursday, January 16

Aububon Court Books: Gayen (Milwaukee): 8 pm. Live performance by Gayen, as heard on public radio. A program for booklavers of all sorts, Gayen's dramatic reading presents new reading ideas for everyone. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Saturday, January 18

Aububon Court Books: Allen M. Young, Ph.D. (Milwaukee): 2 pm. Author of Lives Intertwined... Relationships Between Plants and Animals. The material for this book and many of the photographs were gathered during Dr. Allen's trips in the tropical rain forest of Central America. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Sunday, January 19

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Original Writing

(Shorewood): 1 pm. Shorewood Intermediate School 7th and 8th grader will share their original writing. For more information call (414)963-3111.

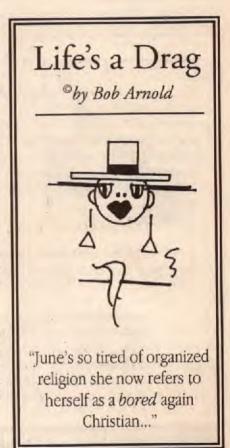
Aububon Court Books: Robert Greenier (Milwaukee): 2 pm. Author of Rainbows, Halos, and Glories. He is well known as the organizer and frequent presenter of "The Science Bag" programs. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Monday, January 20

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Sci-Fi Reading Group (Brookfield): 7 pm. The Sci-Fi reading group will discuss Childhood's End by Arthur C. Clarke. For more information call (414) 797-6140.

Wednesday, January 22

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Reading Group (Mequon): 7 pm. The Mystery Group will discuss Vanished Child by Sarah Smith. For more information call (414) 241-6220.





INSIDE OUT

by Yvonne Zipter

Discovering the Hick Within

espite the fact that I have always lived in extremely urban settings—the housing projects of Milwaukee, downtown Manhattan, Chicago—I think I have, in some way or another, spent my entire life for preparing to live in the country.

It started innocently enough, with the Little House on the Prairie book series and having as setting for my Barbie play the wilderness. By college, this preparation became more intense, with me reading books on how to buy cheap land and construct alternative sources of power and with titles like Wilderness Wife, from which I garnered very useful facts, such as that one has to be careful not to ear too much polar bear liver or one could get vitamin A poisoning. I have steered clear from making polar bear liver part of my diet ever since; one can't be too careful.

Following college, I gradually collected other reference



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books that I hoped to put to good use some day. The most cherished of these was Successful Berry Growing, but I foolishly lent it to a woman I was dating who forgot to return that book—along with an old set of my Corelle dishes—before she disappeared out of state, never to be seen or heard from again. Thus ended my promising career as a berry farmer, the book now out of print or, any way, impossible to find again. My dreams of being a country girl were beginning to fade.

But over the past year or two, my gal and I have talked seriously about trying to buy a place in semi-rural southwestern Michigan. Finally, this past year, we did just that. You know the farm from the movie Field of Dreams? It's nothing like that.

Think instead, if you will, of the house in *Green Acres*. Now you're getting a little closer to the picture. Just reduce the size of the house in that picture by half and replace the barnyard animals with small children carrying floaty toys to the lake, and you've pretty much got an accurate view.

While not exactly a rural setting—more like suburban without the encumbrances of large lots and oversized houses—there are several apple orchards and corn fields within a mile's radius and the tiny group of houses kitty-corner across the street promises to yield up some local color. Why, there could easily be a Mr. Haney or an Eb among them. And I certainly hope there will be a Ralph.

But this questionable purchase of ours has revived that life-long dream for me, and I have begun doing what I always do when contemplating country living: read. I feverishly read Farm Boys: Lives of Gay Men from the Rural Midwest by Will Fellowsand pored over my copy of Out Our Way: Gay and Lesbian Life in the Country by Michael Riordan, hoping to find clues about how we should conduct our lives and what we should expect in the way of acceptance as we begin the gradual transplanting of our lives from the savvy city to the slower countryside in what is, for now, nothing more than a summer getaway place. Neither book, however, provides any kind of blueprint or map. As with gays and lesbians in any kind of setting, from urban to rural, from family to workplace, the experiences of the people represented in these books have been mixed and all are different. We will just, as with so many things in queer life, have to find our own way.

Perhaps I'm being naive, but I don't anticipate any difficulties with our neighbors there. Based on my experience as a homeowner in the city, what people seem to care about most is that you keep your grass cut and that don't blast your music late into the night, whether it's Melissa Etheridge or Queen Latifah. Mainly, I think we just need to remember not to hold any orgies on the lawn. I'll make a note to myself...

Frankly, what I'm most worried about, is finding any sense of community. I'm pretty sure there's not a single gay bar in Dowagiac, and despite its groovy feminist-sounding name, there's not a bookstore, feminist or otherwise, in Sister Lakes, the town our little cottage is actually located in. While it's possible that St. Joseph's, the city 10 miles west, has a flamboyant and jubilant Gay Pride Parade every year, I'm not starching and ironing my pride flag just vet. And though I have heard rumors of other lesbians in the area, I suspect we may simply need to make our own community with the resources primarily at hand: straight folk.

Even that will not be an easy task, issues of any homophobia aside. I have seen on TV the author of a book on moving to a small town, who advises that the best way to become a part of town life is to participate in the activities of the townsfolk. In Sister Lakes, this pretty much means, as far as I can tell so far, one of three things: going to church, playing bingo, or joining the volunteer fire department. Participating in any of these activities would necessirare acquiring new skills, on my part. Church: sitting still for long periods of time. Bingo: arranging troll dolls in a ritualistic manner and inhaling secondhand smoke. Volunteer fire department: not getting urpy and faint at the sight of blood.

Our saving grace, right now, is that we will still have a life in Chicago and so we can work up to life in Sister Lakes somewhat slowly. My hope is that, by the time we are ready to make a permanent move there, downtown Dowagiac will have a coffee shop frequented by hip literary rural types, which I think I may just now have invented.







Ringing in 1997 at The Bollgame.



Bear in Jo at Just Us. Photo: Jamie
RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Repay Mona all year long for the numerous "Titty Lifts."



Tim and Corey at La Cage Photo: Jamie

RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Tim: "Own more Barbie Dolls," Corey: "Try Harder"



Dianna 'n Debbie at Just Us. Photo: Jamie RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Come Up for Air!



Liz 'n Trent at La Cage. Photo: Jamie RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Travel More!



KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

List? What List.

The Holiday season is pretty much over now and I made it through without too many scrapes or bruises. It just seems to be so damn hectic and nerve racking. What to buy people. Will it be the right gift? Was I paying attention when that person might have been dropping hints? Or worse yet, that person didn't drop hints.

I had 6 people (including me) on my list to shop for and not much of a budget this year (you know, mortgage pay-



ment, gas, electric, car, and of course the camera). Lots of people have a list in their hand and know where to get the items on that list. Me? What list, I'm going commando.

So there I am, wandering the shopping malls... clue-less.

I would go into clothing stores to see if something would catch my eye. Nope, too hard to buy clothes for other people. Oh check our that cool shirt. Wrap it up, I'll take it... for me.

Next stop, the little novelty shops. Ya, maybe a few cool items here. Hey, there's a picture frame that will match my sisters decor. Wrap it up. That's one down, 5 to go.

Now it's to the big department stores. There's gotta be some good ideas here. And there were. I was able to take care of most of the items on my list so I was all set.

Then there's buying for my boyfriend. Now that in itself can be a real chore for anyone. First of all, I can't buy him clothes, this guy has impeccable taste in clothes. When I go shopping for my wardrobe I take him with to make sure I don't buy something hideous.

I could buy him something for his new condo, but I wasn't sure what kind of motif he was going after.

Then there's that no hint thing I was talking about. Actually I did pick up on a few ideas just over the course of dating for almost 8 months so hopefully I didn't do too bad.

All in all the holiday season went well. I have all the stuff I need for a complete kitchen (I made it quite clear to my family what I needed for the house). From another friend I received a gift certificate from Menards which of course will be put to good use. And from my boyfriend I got a sculpture I had been wanting for quite some time. He also gave me (among other things) the sound track from Miss Saigon that as my tenant can tell you, I listen to it all the time.

You ask me about New Years? It was a total blast. I started the festivities over at JUST US. Once again, this year I was on the hunt for New Years Resolutions and JUST US was a great place to start.

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Brian 'n Tim at La Cage, Photo: Jamie
RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Quit smoking and be more organized!

My next stop was CLUB 219, The place looked great. Black and white balloons all over the place. BOBBY LYONS even gave me his new years resolution but you'll have to check out the photos for that one.

I made a quick stop at IN BETWEEN to meet up with JOEL and have a quick cocktail before heading over to LA CAGE. LA CAGE was filled with tons of people waiting to ring in the new year. We made it just in time for the big celebration. We stayed there for the next 3 hours just having a hoot.

Those were not the only places in town throwing big parties. I did my homework and heard that M&M was filled to capacity for much of the night. C'EST LA VIE had a big party with food and other goodies. BALL GAME was having so much fun they barely noticed someone sleeping under the buffet table. Was that CRAZY ERIC?

TRIANGLE, ZIPPERS, BOOT CAMP, THE DOCKS and B'S also fared well. TRIANGLE stayed open for 33 hours. By the time I made it there New Years day things started to calm down.

FANNIES and KATHY'S NUT HUT had plenty of party go'ers as well. Not to mention all of the out of town stuff. Next year I think I will hit MADISON or GREEN BAY for New Years.

Well I hope this year is a great year for everyone and to end this column as I always do, if someone is tailgating you in the left lane remember, Slower traffic keep right.



Tommy at In Between. Photo: Jamie
RESOLUTION FOR 1997: Not to make or break any resolutions!



Happy New Year from Brian at La Cage. Photo: Jamie RESOLUTION FOR 1997: To be less perfect!

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BAR SPECIALS:

Sundays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$2 Bloody Marys, \$2 Screwdrivers, \$2 Mimosas.

M&M (Milwaukee): Brunch 11am - 4 pm.

Just Us (Milwaukee): \$1.50 all rails drinks, \$0.75 Miller tappers, \$1.50 Miller tappers; all day.

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 'fil 6 pm,\$0.80 Top Beer, \$2 Bloodys, Screws, Greyhound. \$1.50 rail (9 pm until clase)

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 11 am Brunch.

Napolese Lounge (Green Boy):Beer bust from 3 pm til 8 pm, S6.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$1 Bloody Marys

Club 94 (Kenosho): 3-7 pm \$1.25 Bloody Marys, \$0.75 tappers, 7-closing \$5.50 beer bust.

SWS Docks (Milwaukee): 2-7 pm, \$0.75 taps, \$2 Margaritas, \$2 Bloody Mary's.

Station 2 (Milwaukee):\$1.50 Bloody Mary's, \$6 beer bust for Packer games.

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Bloody Mary 52, Beer Bust \$1, Tap Beer \$0.50

Mondays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$1.50 Doctors

M&M Club (Milwaukee); Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7pm.

La Cage (Milwaukee): Shake A Drink

Just Us (Milwaukee); 2-4-1; 5-8 pm. \$1.75 Miller Brands: 8 pm to close.

Club 94 (Kenosho): Closed

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 10 pm to close, Domestic Beer \$1,25, \$1,50 rail

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull Tabs from 3 pm til 7 pm (drinks as low as \$.25), Beer Bust from 10 pm til 2 am for

The Office (Rockford, IL): Martini Specials, \$1.50; Michelob and Mich Goldens

Club 219 (Milwoukee): Absolut Nite! \$1.25.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Happy hour

3-8 pm; 2 for 1 pints domestic beer til midnight

Station 2 (Milwaukee):\$1.50 7 Crown Drinks

Tuesdays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$6 Rail pitchers

M&M Club (Milwaukee); Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7pm.

La Cage (Milwaukee): Beer Bust with Joan, Shot of Doctors/Cuervo for rail price.

Just Us (Milwaukee): 2-4-1: 5-8 pm. Pull Tabs 8 pm to close.

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 10 pm to close,\$2.50 Top Shelf, \$1.50 roil

Club 94 (Kenosha):\$1.25 rail drinks, \$5.50 beer bust

The Office (Rockford, IL): Weekly Beer Specials \$1.25

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Happy hour 3-8 pm; \$0.50 off Everything until midnight.

SWS Docks(Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust from 9 til close.

Wednesdays:

Triangle (Milwoukee): \$5 Beer Bust.

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7pm.

La Cage (Milwaukee): "Super Bust"

Just Us (Milwaukee): 2-4-1; 5-8pm. Margarita Pitchers \$3.50; all day. Imports \$1 off: 8 pm to dose.

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 10pm to 1 am, Beer Bust \$3.50 or \$0.80 glasses of beer.

Club 94 (Kenosha): 7-11 pm 2 for 1, \$0.50 tap, \$2.50 pitchers

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay):Bar rail for \$1.50, Soda and Juice \$.50 from 3-7 pm, Beer Bust from 10 pm til 2 pm far \$6.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Red Wednesdays Red Dogs and Red Wolfs \$1.50

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Happy hour 3-8 pm; Double Bubble — 8 pm fil midnight.

Station 2 (Milwaukee):\$1.50 Bottled beer, Rail drinks, Wine.

Thursdays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$6 Rail Bust.

M&M Club (Milwoukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5 pm till closing.

La Cage (Milwaukee): "Super Bust", plus DJ & Dancing 7 nites a week.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Food Service: 6-8 pm. 2-4-1: 5-8 pm. \$1.50 roil drinks: 8 pm to close.

Club 94 (Kenosha): \$5.50 beer & wine bust

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 10 pm to close, \$1.50 roil.

Napalese Lounge (Green Boy):Pull Tobs (Drinks as low as \$.25) from 3 -7 pm.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Dollar Daze -\$1 Beer/Wine and \$1.50 Well Drinks.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Happy hour 3-8 pm. Live Entertainment.

SWS Docks (Milwaukee): Leather Night 50.75 taps from 9 til close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): S0.75 Tappers.

Fridays:

M&M Club (Milwaukee): All you can eat Fish Fry with other great specials.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Food Service: 5-10 pm. 2-4-1: 4-8 pm. After midnight specials.

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Imported Beer, S2 from 3 pm fil close. Six Shorties in a Bucket for S5.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party.

Mama Roux Milwaukee): Happy hour 3-8 pm; Fish Fry, 4 - 10 pm.

Station 2 (Milwaukee):\$1.50 Kamikaze shots.

Saturdays:

Just Us (Milwaukee): Food Service: 6-8 pm. After midnight specials.

Ballgame (Milwaukee): 'fil 6 pm,\$0.80 Top Beer, \$2 Bloodys, Screws,-Greyhound.

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Beer bust from 3 pm til B pm for S6.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party.

Station 2 (Milwaukee):\$1.50 Schnapps Shots.

BAR EVENTS:

Thursday, January 9

Mama Roux (Milwaykee): Live enter-

tainment!

Saturday, January 11

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Tabitha Presents-showtime at 10:30 pm

Club 94 (Kenosho): D.J. -Jeff-Jim

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Steve Kelso from 11 pm until 1 pm.

Monday, January 13

Triangle (Milwaukee): Melrose Place Party: 7 pm every Manday.

Friday, January 17

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Ball Busters

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Tabitha Presents-showtime at 10:30 pm

Saturday, January 18

Just Us (Milwaukee): 7:30 pm. Every Saturday: Free 2-step lessons from Shoreline; also free line dance lessons from Shareline.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Ball Busters

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Male Strippers at 10:30 pm

Club 94 (Kenosha): D.J. -leff-Jim

10 % Club (Milwaukee): First Anniversary Party

Men's Room (Madison): Teasers-Showtime at 11 pm.

Wednesday, January 22

Ballgame (Milwaukee): Dart Night: Every Wednesday at 7 pm.

COMMUNITY:

Friday, January 10

GAMMA Circle (Milwaukee): The first of the year Circle. Join us to bring in the GAMMA New Year. Social and party begins at 7:30 pm. For more information call 414-342-4322.

Aububon Court Books: Surf the Net (Milwaukee): 7-11 pm. Surf the Internet Free - Visit our Espresso Bor and explore the cyberworld. Every Day. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Saturday, January 11

Designing Men: Steve Kelso (Milwaukee): 2 - 4 pm. Popular Eagle and former Colt model Steve Kelso will be signing and will be available for photographs. Proceeds will benefit the Cream City Foundation. For more information call

(414) 389-1200.

Frontiers: Bridge for Everyone (Madison): 7 pm. For locations of functions and membership information call David (608)274-5959.

Sunday, January 12

OUTreach: C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): HIV testing at C'est La Vie from 5 pm to 8 pm. Sponsored by: BESTD Clinic and MAP. For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414)225-1502.

Integrity/Dignity: Eucharist and Social Hour (Madison): 7:30 pm. For directions or more information call (608) 250-3020 or (608) 836-8886.

Thursday, January 16

OUTreach: M&M Club (Milwaukee): HIV testing at M&M Club from 9 pm until midnite. Sponsored by: BESTD Clinic and MAP. For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414)225-1502.

Friday, January 17

The Ten Percent Society: Snow Ball (Milwaukee): 8 pm. Snow Ball for lesbions, gay men, bisexuals, transgendered, and friends. Open to UW-Madison students and employees. Great Hall-Memorial Union. S3 admission. D1 and Cash Bar.

Saturday, January 18

OUTreach: Galano Club (Milwaukee): HIV testing at Galano Club from 6 pm until 8 pm. Sponsored by: BESTD Clinic and MAP. For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414)225-1502.

OUTreach: 10 % Club (Milwaukee): HIV testing at 10 % Club from 10 pm until 1 am. Sponsored by: BESTD Clinic and MAP. For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414)225-1502.

Sunday, January 19

Milwaukee Public Museum: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration (Milwaukee): The Milwaukee Public Museum will celebrate Dr. Mortin Luther King, Jr. with films depicting the life of Dr. King, his speeches and special tours of the Africa exhibit hall. For more information, call (414) 278-2750.

Shake It Up!: PFLAG Meeting (Madison): 2 pm. PFLAG meets on the third Sunday of every month at the Friend's (Quakers) Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Court, behind the Associated Bank on Monroe Street. For more information call

(608) 255-0533.

Monday, January 20

Angels of Hope Metropolitan
Community Church: P V Meeting
(Green Bay): 6:30 pm. Positive Voice will
meet at the church, Angels of Hope MCC.
The program will be about home buying,
financing, and all the special considerations
that a gay person and especially a couple
might need.

Tuesday, January 21

Frontiers: Man to Man Rap Group (Madison): What will the topic(s) be tonight? Come and join in on the interesting conversation as the Rap Group continues its informal tradition of discussing the issues that strike your fancy. Relax and share ideas with friends. For locations of functions and membership information call David (608) 274-5959.

Wednesday, January 22

OUTreach: Mama Roux (Milwaukee): HIV testing at Mama Roux from 9 pm until midnite. Sponsored by: BESTD Clinic and MAP. For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414)225-1502.

FILM/TV:

Friday, January 10

Milwaukee Public Museum:
Destiny in Space (Milwaukee): Daily
throughout December at the Humphrey
IMAX Dome Theater. For show times and
ticket information, call (414) 319-IMAX.

Saturday, January 11

Madison Gay Video Club (Madison): 8 pm. "One Nation Under God: Can Homosexuality be Cured?" "Our Trespasses" (All Words) (608) 244-8675 (eves)

Wednesday, January 15

Frontiers: Film Circle "Parting Glances" (Madison): Movie begins at 7:30 pm. For locations of functions and membership information call David (608)274-5959.

GALLERY:

Wednesday, January 8

Michael H. Lord Gallery: Luis Roldan (Milwaukee): Exhibition of Recent Paintings, December 6 - January 11. In his most recent paintings, Luis Roldan explores the relationship between color and pure abstraction in this series titled "Sabrosito Ya." Location: Pfister Hotel, 420 E. Wisconsin Avenue. Gallery hours: Monday - Saturday 10 om to 5 pm.

Thursday, January 9

Madison Art Center: "Sincerely, Cliff": H.C. Westermann(Madison): Combining a keen sense of Irony and a passionate devotion to craftsmanship, Horace Clifford Westermann (1922-1981) created a body of work that is unique in twentieth-century American art. Featuring over 60 drawings, prints, sculptures, illustrated letters, and pointings. Work by freewheeling, idiosyncratic artist on view December 8-February 2. For more information call (608) 257-0158.

Friday, January 17

Milwaukee Art Museum: Gallery Night (Milwaukee): 5:30 pm until 7 pm. Tours of the Technology in Design Exhibition led by Jody Clowes, curotor of decorative arts. Sponsored by East Town Association and the Milwaukee Art Museum. Free Admission. For more information call (414)224-3200.

BESTD Gallery: Marlon Banks (Milwaukee): The show entitled "Marlon Banks: the beauty of color" will feature a variety of works executed during the artist's careers of commercial art, military service and education. Gallery hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 10 am until 9 pm; Thursday and Friday, 10 am until 5 pm. For more information call (414) 272-2144

LIVE MUSIC:

Friday, January 10

Aubuhon Court Books: Dan Dance (Milwaukee): 7:30 - 11:30 pm. Live music! Dan Dance on jozz piano. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Saturday, January 11

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop: Paul Silbergleir(Shorewood): 8 pm. Music in the Cafe presents jazz guitar by Paul Silbergleit. For more information call (414) 963-3111.

Aububan Court Books: Barry Velleman(Milwaukee): 7:30-11:30 pm. Barry Velleman plays jazz piano. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Friday, January 17

Aububon Court Books: Rick Germanson (Milwaukee): 7:30-11:30 pm. Rick Germanson plays jazz piana. For more information call 414-351-9140.

Sunday, January 19

Aububon Court Books: George Lindquist (Milwaukee): 7:30-11:30 pm. George Lindquist, classical guitar. For more information call 414-351-9140.

THEATER/DANCE:

Friday, January 10

The Boulevard Ensemble: "Little Egypt" (Milwoukee): 7:30 pm. December 19- January 12. "Little Egypt" paints a portrait of love, lust and romance gone awry in Cairo, Illinois when two waitness sisters and their less than saintly waitness mother pair off (respectively) with the town stud, a nerdy security guard, and an adulterous mayor. Boulevard Theatre, 2252 South Kinnickinnic. For reservations or information call 414-672-6019.

Saturday, January 11

DanceWorks: Reggie Wilson/Fist and Heel Performance Group (Milwaukee): 8 pm. Danceworks presents the rhythms and rituals of Africa and the Caribbean with love, by New York's Reggie Wilson/Fist and Heel Performance Group. This evening-length piece for six dancers was created by Milwaukee native Wilson in his unique "post-African/modern dance" style, with text by Rhetta Aleang. The performance at Wisconsin Lutheran College, 8815 W. Wisconsin Avenue. Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$12 students, and are available at the Center's box office. For further information call (414) 443-8802.

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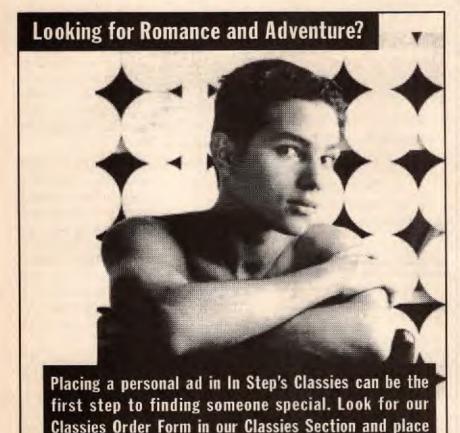
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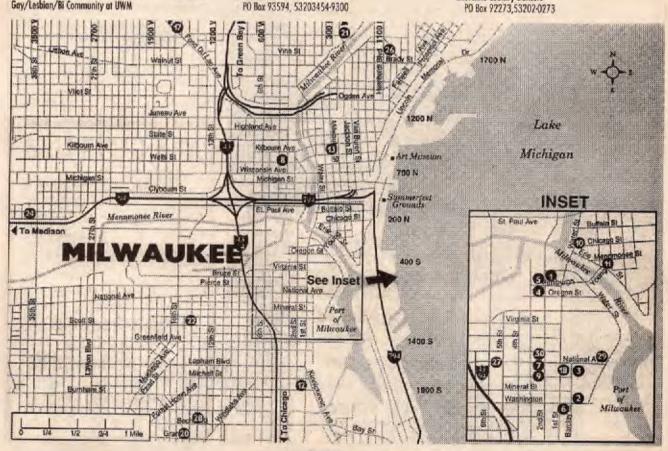
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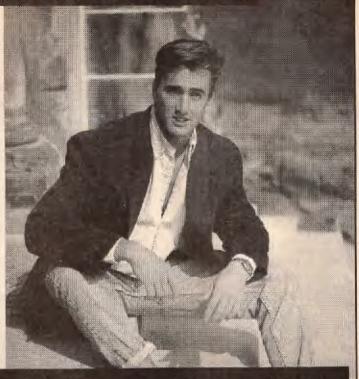
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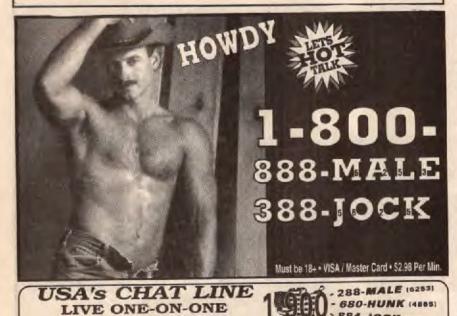
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600 6th St. Rocine 53403	.632-0171
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625 College, Racine 54303	.634-0659
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c/o Unitarian Universalist	1005353
PO Box 593, Kenosha 53141	.654-9427
Southeastern WI AIDS Project (HIV/AIDS Service	
Organization) 6927 39th Ave.	
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820 Tower, Superior, 54880
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PO Box 152, Wousau 54402-0152 842-1377
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HIV/AIDS Service Organization
505 Dewey St., So, #107
Eou Claire 54702(800) 750-AIDS
Local Number836-7710
Scruples (MW, DJ, F)
411 Galloway St., Eau Claire 54703839-9606
The Trading Company (MW, DJ)
304 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire 54701838-9494
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8 N. 2nd Ave. E., Ste. 309
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PO Box 264, Superior 54880
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c/o 153 C Harvey Hall, UW-S
Menomonee, 54751 UW Eou Claire
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105 Garfield Ave, Davies Center, Eau Claire 54701
Parents, Families, & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
Greater Chippewo Valley
PO Box 8091, Eau Claire, WI 54702-8091
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e-mail: ALLIANCE@uwplatt.edu	040-3370
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Cavalier Lounge (MW, D)	
114 N. 5th St., LoCrosse 54601	782-9061
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Gay & Lesbian Alliance	
Box 131, Platteville, 53818	
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	785-9877
	103-401F
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SMOOTHE? I'm 6'1, 175lbs, 30's. I swim and I dance. I have a nice smooth body. I like to give and receive massage. #17702

ASTRO GUDE If you are interested in body shaving. I would like to shave your entire body. (Milwaukee) = 17826

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White male, in search of other
men who are into football gear
and football, in shape guys only.
Discretion assured. #17403

LET ME TOP YOU OFF SAFELY I'm a White male, 32 years old, 5'11, 150lbs. I'm looking for bottom men for safe sex. I love getting it on with other men. (Milwaukee) #17554

HELP ME GET OFF I'm 25 years old, smooth bottom boy looking for a hot top muscular man. A hot construction worker, body builder, cop, etc. to take control of me. Make me do it sir. Make me your dirty little boy. (Milwaukee) =7498

BROWN HANKY WIENERSNITZEL Hey Brown Hanky wearers. I'm a hot German, Goy, White male, 6'5, Brown hair, Blue eyes, late 30's, 190lbs,

masculine and looking for a buddy who wears a brown hanky. I'm not into bondage, but I enjoy leather. I'm usually a bottom, but I can lop a submissive boy. (Milwaukee) #17314

STRAIGHT UP I'm a Black male, 6'2, 150lbs. I'm seeking a man who is straight acting and appearing. (Milwaukee) #16937

HOT WIRED WHEELS I'm interested in meeting hat guys in the Milwaukee area. I'm 57, 150lbs, Brown skin, good looking, and very well maintained. (Milwaukee) #15990

SADDLE UP I'm 28 years old, Blond hair, Blue eyes, 148lbs, top man. I like riding guys. (Milwaukee) #15781

ON THE SIDE I'm a Gay White male, late 30's, 5'8, 150lbs, hairy chest, receded hair line. I'm looking for an East Side top for fun on the side. Call me. (Milwaukee) #7373

LET'S GET WET I'm 6'3, Bland hair, Hazel eyes, 1.55lbs. I like swimming, walking, biking, comping, etc. I'm interested in meeting new friends. Call me. (Milwaukee) \$6599

READY FOR A CHANGE I'm a single White male, 30 years old, 6ft, 200lbs. I'm looking for a Transvestite. I need a first time experience with a kinky cross dresser. (Milwaukee) #5255

SIT BACK AND RELAX I'm a handsome and bored Gay White male, early 30's, slim, discreet, very oral. I'm looking, far Gay or straight White men who would like to be serviced. Call me. (Milwaukee) #5879

UVE IN SLAVE WANTED I'm
48 years old and I'm looking for
a slove boy or she male stave 18
to 35. I'm willing to train
someone. This is a possible live
in situation. (Milwaukee)
23680

THE WILD NIGHT IS
CALLING I'm a very attractive
32 year old Gay White male,
Blande hair, Hazel eyes, 6' 1,
165lbs, trim muscular build. I
enjoy working out, camping, etc.
I'm looking for guys in my area
for fun and friendship. Call me.
(Milwaukee) #3897

THE COLOR OF MY DREAMS
I'm a 29 year old Black male, 6'3,
180lbs, mustache, attractive. I'm
seeking ather men of color in my
area. Call me. (Milwaukee)
#3985

NO CRIMINAL RECORD I'm a Bi White male, 6'1, 29 years old, 217/Ibs, arthletic build, Blue eyes, handsame, GG looks, drug free, disease free, no criminal record. I'm looking for a Bi White or Hispanic male 21 to 35 who is muscular and good looking. (Milwaukee) #3378

MORE THAN THIS I'm a curing Gay White male looking for the same for friendship and possibly more. I'm 51 years old, Brown hair, Brown eyes, 5'8, 145lbs, If you are interested please call me. (Milwaukee) = 1720

LOOKING FOR A HOT, HUNG TOP I'm a Gay White male, 25 years old, Brown hair, Blue eyes, slender build. I'm looking for a lot hung sop man. Call me. (Milwaukee) = 1774

SMALL ENDOWED
BOTTOMS WANTED I'm an
older young looking 44 year old
Gay White male, 5'9, 165lbs,
Brown hair, Brown eyes, clean
shaven, hairy chest, nice legs, top
mon, I'm looking for younger guys
who are small endowed bottoms.
Call me. (Milwaukee) = 1878

LET'S PLAY A GAME Let's turn up the heat together. I'm 41 years old, honest and carring. Lenjoy booting, fishing, hiking, block jack, and cribboge. Call me. [Milwaukee] #2582

TOP MAN WANTED I'm a 20 year old Gay White male, Reddish Brown hair, Brown eyes, 6h, 200lbs, freckles. I'm looking for a top man 18 to 25. Call me. (Milwaukee) #2611

DANCES WITH NATURE I'm a Gay White male, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 6'1, 25 years old, nice body. I lave dancing and the outdoors. Give me a call. (Milwaukee) #1538

I LOVE TRANSVESTITES If you enjoy cross dressing call me. I enjoy the company of another guy when he is in drag. Call me. (Milwaukee) #1626

MAKE ME LAUGH I'm 577, 180lbs, well built. I'm looking for the same in a guy with a good sense of humor. Lets go out. (Milwaukee) =1316

BLACK MEN ONLY I'm a 21 year old Drag Queen. I have Brown hair, Brown eyes, 5'9, 155lbs, Rexible. I'd like to meet a very fun laving and caring guy who likes to do a lot of things as well as auddle. I'm an'ly interested in Black men. #42795

LEATHER TRAINING I'm into leather. I'm looking for a slave boy or she male. I'm in rhy 40's, good build. I'm looking for someone to train. (Milwaukee) =32154

SMOOTH, LITTLE BOTTOM,
WANTED I'm a top man, 41
years old, 6'5, 230lbs. I'm looking
for a smooth little battom 18 to 25.
I'm secure and a worksholic. If you
would like to know more please
call me. (Nino) =8686

691NG... I'm a 36 years old Bisexual man, 5'8", 170lb, in very good shape. Lacking for guys to have fun and 69ing. Preferred well-hung guys. (Park Falls) =2109

RACINE RACER I'm a sharp 39 year old, Racine resident, who loves to caddle. I'm 5/8, 1771bs and have Brown hair and eyes. People fell me that I'm attractive and good-looking. I like movies, the theater, and alning out. I also love staying in, for those special evenings, with just the right person. Let's spend some cold winter nights in each other's arms. (Racine) #18827

HERE'S THE SKINNY I'm a Gay White male, Bland hair, Green eyes, skinny, 120lbs. I like cuddling, watching movies, and the beach. (Rocine) #17609

YOUNG AND ACTIVE IN WAUSAU I'm a Gay, While male, 25. 6ft, 190lbs, with Bland hair, and Blue eyes. I have a sturdy, medium build. I'm a non-drinker and non-smoker, into tennis, biking, exercise, and the movies. I'm straight acting, and not into the bar scene. I'd like to meet guys with similar attributes for outdoor excitement, and indoor excitica. (Wausau) = 11144

LIFE, LOVE, AND HAPPINESS
I'm a 45 year old, Gay, White male, lacking for a friend, and potential romanic parmer. You should be between 21 and 50, HV negative, and a lower of all things autitions. I am 577, have Brown hair. Green eyes, and hove a trimmed beard and mustache. I drink very little and dan't hit he bors much, but like to go out to dinner, trovel, and gaze at the stars. (Rice Lake) #14410

BORED IN ROBERTS I con't find much adventure in Roberts. Can you help me? I'm a Goy male, 6'2, dark Blue eyes, long Bland hair. I work out at least two times per day and have a full-bady tan. I hape to meet an adventurous guy who likes to try' new and different things. (Roberts) #19159

LONG WALKS AND CUDDLY NIGHTS I'm a 42 year old Gay White male, 6° I, 275 lbs, Brown hair, Blue eyes. I'm looking for a Gay male who is interested in a long term relationship. ==6524

DAD WANTS BOY I'm a Gay White male retired professional seeking a cute young dude, son, brother, for affection, companionship, and more. #34420

DISCUSS AMONGST
YOURSELVES I'm a deeply
spiritual. Goy, White male, who is
very "out", and into goy issues. I'm
interested in going to bars, dancing,
seeing dramatic movies, playing
computer games, and reading goy
ilterature. I enjoy spiritual
conversations very much. I'd like to
make same new triends, with an eye
toward a long term relationship.
[Superior] =21797

BIG HEARTED BEAR If you are looking for a big hearted bear to love call me. I'm 43 years ald, 6'2, Blue eyes, Brownish Grey hair, moderately hairy, I'm looking for a cuddly young cub 21 to 35 who would like to pamper and spoil this papa bear. #15056

NEXT I'LL SEND UP A
SATELLITE I decided to try on od,
since you didn't respond to my,
smoke signals. I'm a Gay, Black
male, 21. 58, 1331bs, with Black
hair, and Brown eyes. I'm an
attractive non-smoker, and nondrinker I would like to meet a tall,
alim, attractive, Black, or Hispanic,
mole, between 20-32, for a romantic
reisonship. I'm into movies, N,
shopping, and quiet evenings at
home. Please be honest, caring,
and monogamous. #13034

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LONGING AT THE LAKE
Are there any friendly guys in
the Balsam take area? I'd like to
get acquainted and see what
happens. I'm a Gay, tatin male,
5'11, 150lbs. I'm interested in
hanging out and getting to
the guys. Maybe
you can fill the vaid in my heart.
(Balsam take) =19007

COLD NIGHT HEAT Long term relationship sought by Gay, White male, 29 years old, 5'3, 135lbs. Brown hair with Blue-green eyes. I'm stable, healthy, non-smoking, non-drinking, drug free. I enjoy country life, movies and cuddling at home. If you share these qualities and interests and are ready for love and romance, let's heat up these cool winter nights together. Age unimportant. (Ellsworth) #1607.

BISEXUAL MALE WANTED I'm a Gay male, cannot meet people treely. Looking for 33 years old professional Bisexual male in my area. (Fon du lac) #18752

CHEESE NEAR THE BAY I'm a 27 year old, Gay male, with Bland hair and Blue eyes. I'm looking to meet other guys in the Green Bay area. Give me a call (Green Bay) #19721

KNOCK ON MY BACK DOOR I'm a 46 year old Bisexual married White male looking for a discreet man for fun and games. I am new to the scene and I'm eager to learn. If you want to have fun with a hot virgin call me. (Green bay) #18380

TOUCHING AND HUGGING I'm 5'11, 180lbs, single Gay White male. I like quiet times and going out. I'm looking for friendship first. (Kenasha) #13604

VET'S PLAY BALL I'm a 22 year old Goy White male interested in meeting someone for friendship or other reasons. I have dark bland hair and blue eyes and I love sports. If you are interested please call me and leave a message. (Kenosha) #43128

CHEESY RIDER I (ust moved to Madison, from Indiana, and am interested in making some new friends. I'm a White male, 29, 5'11, 165lbs, with Brown hair, and Green eyes. I'm very versattle between bottom and top. I like movies, cuddling on the couch, and hanging out. I'm counting on a tour guide to show me the ways of Wisconsin. Let's go for a ride. (Madison) = 22930

THIS TOY COMES WITH GUARANTEE I aim to please. I am a 30 year old, Gay, White male, very

White male, very clean cut, who is looking for a Gay, White mole, top man. I'm 6'1, 175lbs, with Brown hair, and Green eyes. I'm fit and hope you are too. Tell me what makes you feel good. That's what I'm here for. (Madison) #23019

I NEED HELP I'm new in Madison and would like to meet a sexy bottom, between 18-30, who wants to service me and show me a good time, I'm 29, 611, 190lbs, with light Brown hair, and Brown eyes. I'm straight appearing and am attracted to similar guys, Hurry, I could explode at any time. [Madison] #22820

COFFEE TALK Social butterfly in Madison wants to meet other guys for morning coffee or evening fun. Care to join me? Poss the sugar, please. (Madison) =1779

DISCRETE PLEASURES I'm a 26 year old, Bi curious male, desiring new experiences. Fun, outgoing and discrete, I live in the Madison area. Let's start with friendship and see what happens from there. (Madison) #3161

IT'S ALL IN THE GAME I'm looking for someone to just have fun with. I'm 5'11, muscular build, 160lbs, clean cut, shaved. I'd like a man in his early 20's. I'm a versatile top man. (Madison) = 17764



NEW TO MADISON I'm 5'7, 180lbs, 26 years old, Brown hoir, Brown eyes, muscular build. I'm into auticor sports (especially down-hill skiing), movies, and dancing, I'm looking for hiendship and possible relationship. Serious replies only. (Modison) =14270

"HUNG" HUNTER I'm 6ft, Bland hair, Blue eyes, medium build, very well endowed. I'm looking for men who are good looking and well endowed. (Madison) #17253

EARLY MORNING HARD ON I'm looking to get together with someone in the mornings or late evenings. (Modison) #17456

I'M LOOKING FOR FRIENDS I'm new to the area. I'm a cute 22 year old Gay Asian male, 5'6, 120lbs. I'm looking for White guys 18 to 25 for friendship and maybe more. Call me. (Madison) #10278

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER I'm in my early 30's, well built, tall, dean shaven, healthy. I would like to meet men 18 to early 30's to get to know and have fun with. Call me. (Madison) #8996

MUSCLE MADNESS I'm 5'8, 155lbs, Bland hair, Blue eyes. I'm looking for muscular and hairy men who like to have fun. Call me. (Madison) #8511 LET'S CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSITY I'm looking for someone to have a good firm with, I like to do lots of different things, Call me. (Madison) =6750

MENASHA MAN I'm a Gay male in my early 30's. I enjoy the outdoors. I'm new to the area. Call me. (Menasha) #16411

AU NATURAL!
wanna get naked with a
man, hug, engage in
some mutual hand work,
and have some oral fun.
Anyone out there have
the same hankering!
(Milwaukee) #23128

SOMEONE TO LOOK UP TO I trovel a lot and would like to meet guys all over the placel I'm 6t, 200lbs, with short Brown hair, and Blue Green eyes, I like taller

Blue Green eyes, I fike taller guys, especially over 6'4. May interests are varied and I hope yours are too. Give me a call. Maybe this ad is what we've both been waiting for. (Milwaukee) #23468

PANTING IN PANTIES I'm a passionate Transvestite looking for take charge, top men, of all roses, for kinky times. I make love in high heels and makeup. I'm also into stockings, and panties. I'm ponting lor you. (Milwaukee) #19832

BAY CITY ROLLER I'm a 20 year old Gay White male in Green Bay looking to meet guys 21 to 35 for friendship and possible relationship. I like movies, music, and going to the clubs an accossion. I'm a light drinker and a non-smoker. If you're interested in getting together, give me a call. (Willyoukee) #22569

SUBMISSION IMPOSSIBLE
I'm your French Connection in
Green Bay. I'm a Gay White male,
5°9, 155lbs, Brown hair, Brown
eyes, I'm a well educated
professional. I like biking, long
walls, foreign movies, fine
restaurants, coffee houses, and
dancing. I'm a non-materialistic,
non-smaker, and non-drinker. I'm
looking for in-shape guys, 22 to
26, of any race, for massage, both
giving and receiving, and other
good times. The code word is
lun. (Milwaukee) = 5390

WHEN ONLY THE BEST WILL DO I'm 27 years old, 5'10, 180lbs. I'm looking for a Transvestite or Transsexual for fun and fellowship. A feminine fellow might be nice too. Please be nice and smooth and call me as soon as possible. (Milwaukee)

DEEP VOICE, SIMPLE NEEDS
If you're a Gay, Asian male who is
looking for more than a one night
stand, this husky-voiced man may
be the one for you. I'm a Gay,
White male, am 5'11, and weigh
165lbs. I have Black hair and
Brown eyes. I am very warm,
caring, and romantic. I love
movies and being outdoors.
Please be serious and have a sense
of humor. We'll get along great.
(Milwaukee) #18863

A BLACK MAN'S BOY I'm 39 years old, White male, looking for Black guys in the Milwaukee area. You can use this white boy whenever you see fit. Pleasure Guaranteed! (Milwaukee) #6157

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL.
I'm a Gay male, 180lbs. I'm looking for other guys in my area for good times and friendship. If you would like to know more about me please leave a message in my mailbox. (Milwaukee) e20332

SADDLE UP AND RIDE I'm a
Gay bottom boy looking for hat
top men to have fun with. If you
like topping hat bottoms then I'm
the one for you. (Milwaukse)
#20351

ARE YOU EXPERIENCED? I'm a 31 year old Gay White male, 5'8, 190lbs. I'm into science fiction. I'm inexperienced and I'm locking for other White males 18 to 35 to experiment with.
Discretion is a must. (Milwaukee) pr 18726.

FREE MAID SERVICES I'm 44 years Gay White TV. Looking for position as a maid or servant. I like to cook and clean and be domesticated and feminized. I have a car and con travel. (Mihvaukee) #20281

SLICK RICK Hello. I'm 36 years old, 5'8, 165lbs, with Brown hair and Brown eyes. I'm looking to get into the leather scene. I am a total submissive, obedient, and eager to please bottom. I seek a master 40 to 50 years of age to train and utilize me. #20929

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OUT OF THE STARS

by C. Lichtenstein

Horoscope for Jan. 8 through Jan.22



ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 20)

Queer Rams have full professional plates now when all those planets in Copricorn pile on the responsibili-

ties. Are you prepared to ascend to the starchamber my proud master builder? A word to the wise; All this stressful corporate activity may make you fairly short tempered and snarly so avoid any avoidable confrontations with partners now.



TAURUS (APRIL 21 - MAY 21)

All these planets in Capricorn may tickle the hooves of even the most complacent and sedentary queer

Bulls. Maybe it's time to get your show Out on the open road, cousin, and seek some of our lost tribesfolk. (A good place to start is some beach somewhere... oh let's say maybe Key West or Sobe.) Expand your mind while you're at it and breathe that continental air.



GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

If January feels hot and sultry maybe it's because gay Twins feel hot and sultry themselves. Sexual stimulation is a must have with all

those planets in Capricorn. But be warned; As you dance the night away in your alluringly drafty leather outfit, friends may feel a little like old peeling wallpaper. Try not to ruffle the feathers of a few good birds.



CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

All these planets in Capricorn demand that you reassess what you are looking for in a relationship. Be rational and practical. Heck, be lusty

and sleazy! Then examine yourself in the mirror warts and all and see if your idealized partner would be attracted to you. If the answer is a resounding yes, then get Out there and seek your mate. Come clean, but don't come cheap!



LEO (JULY 24 - AUG. 23)

Although I've always recommended that proud Lions should eat Out as often as possible, you may find an

agres holiday bulge where that fabulous flat stomach used to be. Use the month of January and all those disciplined planets in Capricorn to choose a diet and exercise regime and develop a svelte, alluring you. Cruise season is a year round sport in my book.



VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23)

If you though that party season was over, think again proud Virgin. All those planets in Capricorn seem

to be plotting and planning a jolly January so don your party hat and hop on the party train. You may feel slightly sexually repressed (so what else is new...) but take heart; Even if money can't buy love, it can certainly buy an excellent bottle of strong champagne.



LIBRA (SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23)

Queer Libras may get their fill of family mandates this January. Expect all those planets in Capricorn

to stir up all the ancestral dust that you have been shoving under the rug. Good thing too; You can no longer live your life according to the mandates and expectations of others. Life is far too short to compromise. Come out, come out, wherever you are!



SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Manipulative and calculating queer Scorps will be happily surprised at how well their reportee is received.

Give thanks to all those planets in conservative, discerning Capricorn for the bountiful bon mots. Perhops you can put your eloquence to work at one of our worthy community causes. Try shouting and waving the rainbow flag where everyone can hear and see.

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SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 22)

Helping friends in need comes at the expense of fun and frolic but who cares? Queer Archers realize

that their value system needs a recount so grab a calculator and add up the points. There is money to be made for those of you with a clear sense of risk and reward. Thankfully, all those planets in practical Capricorn prevent you from buying that fur lined bothing suit.



CAPRICORN (DEC. 23 - JAN. 20)

Every cloud has a silver lining so it's a good thing to have all those planets clouding up your sign. It's an excellent month to begin new pro-

jects and test the waters on a new wardrobe or hairstyle. Have we achieved stylish cult status yet? If not, seek the advice of those in the know. It may be true that you are just the type to wear those hot pink chaps. Then again... maybe not.



ADUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19)

Although the Age of Aquarius is still a few years off, all those planets in Capricarn turn on the mystical bubble machine full force. Aqueerians

are well advised to allow the spiritual energy to flow freely and seek affirming kinships to strengthen your fortitude. It also couldn't hurt to volunteer for a worthy gay cause. Karma builds on all levels now. Build a pink palace.



PISCES (FEB. 20 - MARCH 20)

Pink Fish find a comforting school to swim in now. Thankfully, all those planets in Capricorn enable

you to draw friends from all ranges of social groups. Choose carefully, dear, queer Pisces. You only want to hang around those that make you feel proud and happy with yourself. There can be no compromise. You don't have to dance with just anyone who asks.

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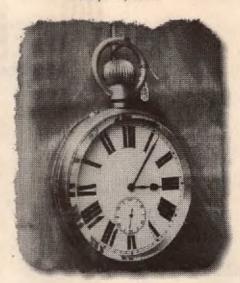
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