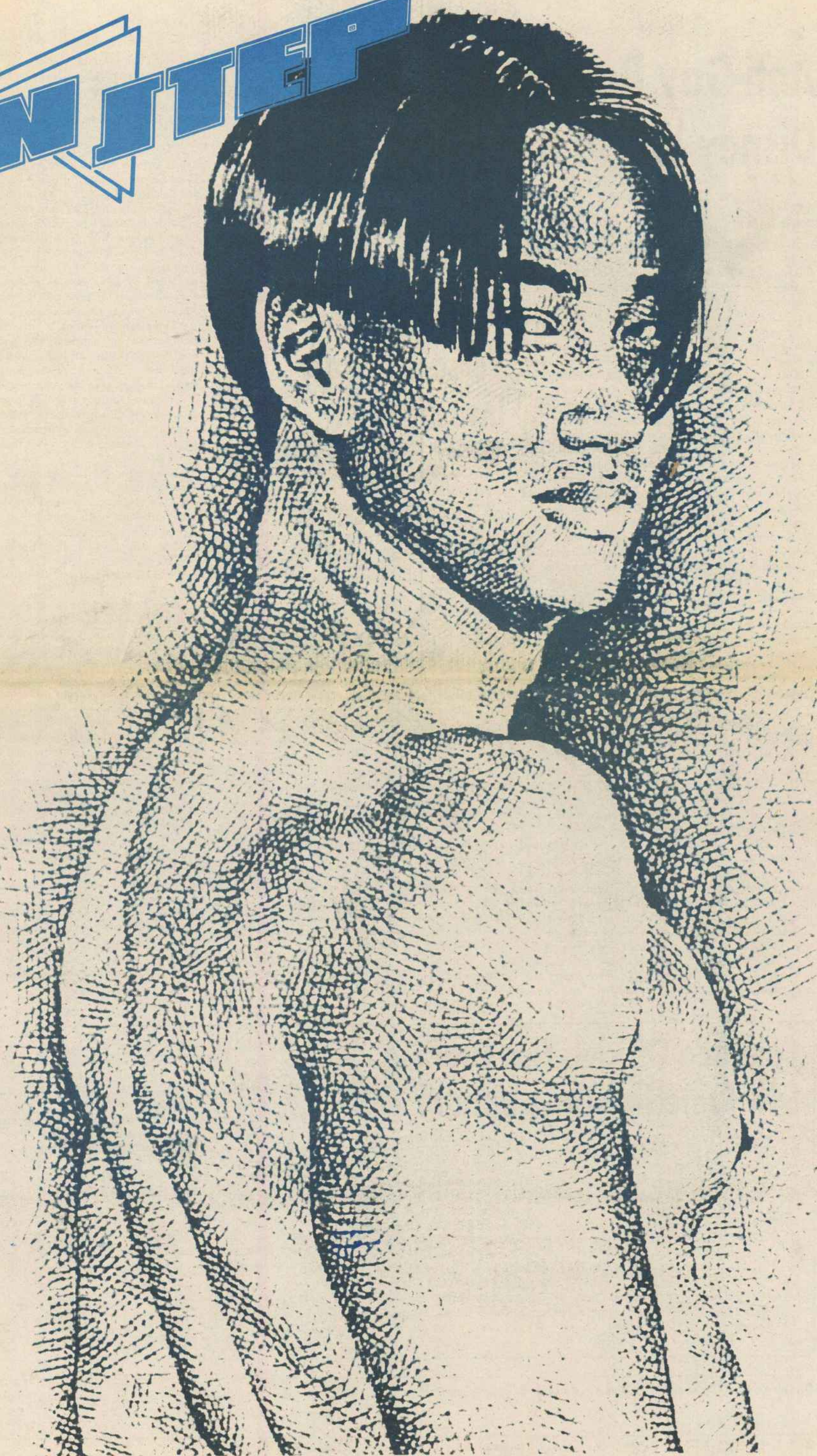


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Anti-Gay Demonstration at Disney World Brings Arrests

by Keith Clark
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Lake Buena Vista, FL — Mickey, Donald and Goofy got an unusual glimpse at the sometimes strange universe outside the Magic Kingdom when scores of protesters organized by a Texas anti-abortion group launched a demonstration near Walt Disney World over what it sees as the Disney Company's "pro-homosexual" policies.

Organizers of the demonstration — Operation Rescue based in Texas — said they were expanding their political agenda to include anti-gay protests and other, non-abortion issues in an effort to assert what they view as "God's law" in this country.

Sheriff's deputies arrested three of the demonstrators, including Phillip "Flip" Benham who heads up the Texas-based group. Matthew Bowman, a college student from West Virginia, and Seth Marschke, a student from Illinois, were also arrested. The three were charged with misdemeanor violations of obstructing a public thoroughfare and throwing promotional literature into the open windows of passing automobiles that had slowed down because of the two-mile traffic jam the protest created.

A number of far-right religious groups, including the American Family Association and the fundamentalist-controlled Southern Baptist Convention, have called for boycotts of Disney's movies, products, television programs and theme parks because of the entertainment company's decision to extend benefits to the domestic partners of its gay and lesbian employees.

Anti-gay organizers have also been angry with the Disney Company for several years because it permits "gay days" at its Orlando, Fla., park. Protesters say the company is "promoting homosexuality" by allowing a "gay day" at Walt Disney World, but the firm says it isn't promoting anything, but simply allowing people to promote their own event at the theme park — something it says it allows any group to do.

But that didn't keep the anti-abortion protesters from showing up outside the theme park with placards reading, "Disney Promotes Homosexuality" and "If You Love Jesus, Turn Around" and "Homosexuality is an abomination to God" as bemused Disney visitors wondered what the Magic Kingdom had to do with homosexuality.

Officials with Disney said the protest, which ended after the arrests, had no effect on the theme park's operations that day, but said they were concerned that the park's visitors were inconvenienced by the traffic jam. One Disney spokesperson expressed concern for the safety of park visitors created by protesters along the highway leading up to the park because of "the possibility of accidents as people slowed down suddenly near the protest."

In November, Disney's CEO Michael Eisner said during a television interview that the Southern Baptist boycott, which was called in June, had had "no financial

impact" on the entertainment company.

But Benham, the arrested leader of the Operation Rescue protest, told local television news reporters that the protest wasn't about profits but was "about whose law reigns, God's law or ... Walt's or Mickey's or Michael Eisner's."

Police Officially End Versace Murder Investigation

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Miami, FL — After some five months, hundreds of interviews, and tens of thousands of dollars in police overtime salaries, Miami authorities officially closed the murder case of slain fashion mogul Gianni Versace, saying why he was murdered will never be known because the man they say shot him — Andrew Cunanan — took whatever his motive was to his grave when he killed himself.

Despite the enormous police report — more than 900 pages and a thousand photographs — on the high-profile killing when Versace was gunned down on the front steps of his Miami Beach mansion on July 15, police still say they also don't know for sure whether Versace even knew Cunanan or not.

Indeed, like a number of other highly publicized deaths, the mystery that surrounds what authorities say was a killing spree that Cunanan went on in mid-1997 has left a number of unanswered questions and inexplicable puzzles — most of which boil down simply to: why?

Cunanan, a fairly nondescript man of 27 from San Diego who apparently made his living as a male prostitute, seemed like an extremely unlikely serial killer by anyone's definition.

Police say Cunanan's killing spree began April 27, when he bludgeoned Jeffrey Trail, in the Minneapolis apartment of Cunanan's ex-lover David Madsen, whose body was found a week later.

Chicago real estate developer Lee Miglin was the next victim, on May 3. There was a report that Cunanan and Miglin's son had been seen together at a gay club in Los Angeles, but police said they could find no confirmation for the story and the Miglin family adamantly denied they had ever met Cunanan.

William Reese, the cemetery caretaker, was found dead in Pennsville, N.J., on May 9, and police believe Cunanan killed Reese simply to get his automobile before heading to Miami Beach where they say he hid out on a

houseboat before killing Versace.

Miami Beach Police Chief Richard Barreto said at a press conference announcing the closing of the Versace murder case that he had no idea why Cunanan killed the noted designer, who was himself openly gay, but said he had no doubt that Cunanan was the killer.

"The investigation based on the information that we have," Barreto said, "concludes that Andrew Cunanan killed Gianni Versace and it also suggests that Cunanan acted alone."

Barreto also said: "We can speculate as we have in the past that this could have been an abortive robbery, that it could have been Andrew Cunanan seeking to go out with all of the exposure that would have been created by gunning down a person of Versace's stature, or that it was motivated by some type of revenge. But I think the answer to that went down with the ship so to speak when Andrew Cunanan committed suicide."

Citing state confidentiality laws, Barreto said he could not comment on Cunanan's HIV status, which had been one theory to explain Cunanan's killing spree. But in August the *Miami Herald* reported that postmortem blood tests showed that Cunanan was in fact not infected.

Antonio D'Amico, Versace's long-time partner, told police during their investigation that he and the designer sometimes hired male prostitutes, but according to police, he "insisted he had never before seen [Cunanan] in Versace's presence."

According to the police report ending the investigation, Cunanan stalked his victim, waiting calmly with his gun on a patch of grass across the street from Versace's mansion on July 15. As the designer returned from a morning walk and slipped his key into the front gate, Cunanan ran up and fired point-blank into the middle of his face.

"He [Cunanan] continued on his way down the street as if nothing had happened," one witness told police in an interview.

But despite this portrait of a cool, calculating killer, police then say Cunanan panicked when he returned to where he had parked a truck he had stolen and "fled for his life" after seeing police officers in front of the garage, leaving behind his passport, prescription eyeglasses, credit cards and other personal belongings.

Authorities say Cunanan somehow made his way to an unlivable-in houseboat 40 blocks away where he holed up for eight days before killing himself on July 23 when a caretaker stumble onto his hideout. He then turned his gun on himself, authorities say, and took his own life.

Police say Cunanan called a number of friends while he was on the houseboat, begging them for enough money to leave the country. And although he had less than \$15 when he killed himself, police said they didn't think robbery was behind the shooting of Versace who apparently still had \$1,600 on him when he was murdered.

Police also said they had concluded that Cunanan had no outside help in the killing, but Barreto said they didn't believe Cunanan just happened to pick the houseboat where he stayed his final days by chance. "I think he had a sense to go there," he said without elaboration.

But even without such peculiarities, the Cunanan case still leaves so many unanswered questions and inexplicable conundrums that it's bound to continue to fuel imaginative speculation for years to come.

Colorado Officials Find Drafting Law Protecting Gays Difficult

Fort Collins, CO (AP) — City officials and interested residents are finding that it is not easy to draft a law extending anti-discrimination protection to gays and lesbians.

The public process used to draft possible revisions to Fort Collins' Human Rights Ordinance — including the addition of sexual orientation as a basis of discrimination — has cost \$12,125 and isn't complete.

The largest single expense — \$7,843 — is the bill for Jim Charlier, a Boulder-based consultant who facilitated the task force's meetings and the public forums.

The estimate of the cost of the process does not include the time of city staff members who have labored over the ordinance and worked with the task force since July. City officials and task force members say the process has been worth the price because of the amount of discussion it has generated in the community.

"It's hard to put a price tag on getting public input," said Bob Lenk, a member of the task force.

While the task force discussed a long list of potential changes to the ordinance, the focus of its work — and practically the only topic of discussion at the forums — was sexual orientation.

"It's a very difficult topic," Mayor Ann Azari said. "This is one that needs a lot a time for people to think about and talk about."

City Manager John Fischbach called the discussions among task force members and the public at the forums as "healthy and respectful."

"They showed the community how discussions can take place about this very important issue," he said.

The cost of the process is not surprising, said Arvid Bloom, a member of the task force. The group did a lot of work in the amount of time it was given, he said, and considered a wide range of opinions.

"I think we accomplished what needed to be done up to this point in time," he said. "Now it's up to the City Council."

Fischbach and other city staff members have drafted two ordinances that are scheduled to be considered by the council early next year.

More Gay Groups Adding Transgender to Missions

by Wendy Johnson

Washington, D.C. — According to the increasingly vocal transgender movement, there is an intimate link between discrimination against Gay people and discrimination against transgender people. To some degree, this idea is catching on, as more national Gay organizations re-examine their missions, beliefs, and attitudes concerning transgender issues.

"I think people have to evaluate whether their strategies will result in leaving part of our community behind so that another part can advance," said Kerry Lobel, whose National Gay and

Lesbian Task Force is hailed by transgender activists as the Gay organization most supportive of their causes.

Along with the National Latino/a Lesbian & Gay Organization (LLEGO), NGLTF is the only national Gay organization to include transgender people in its mission statement. A third group, the National Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Forum, is poised to add transgender people to its mission statement next year, said Leadership Forum Executive Director Keith Boykin. But more important than the inclusive language, said national transgender activist Jessica Xavier, is the organization's deeds.

"I would say that, by far, the most supportive organization is the Task Force," said Xavier. "They have made themselves totally inclusive."

NGLTF in the past year has beefed up its outreach to transgender people and taken a strong stance on a key transgender civil rights issue: reforming the American Psychiatric Association's definition of transsexualism as a mental illness.

Five other national Gay organizations also advocate on behalf of transgender civil rights, including the Human Rights Campaign; the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation; Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays; the National Center for Lesbian Rights; and the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, according to spokespersons from each organization.

Three national groups do not currently work on transgender issues at all: the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund; Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund; and Log Cabin Republicans, according to spokespersons from each group.

But what exactly are "transgender issues," and how are they connected to Gay civil rights?

The national transgender civil rights platform may sound familiar to Gay activists. It includes national employment protections for people who express their gender in nontraditional ways; national hate crimes legislation that would stiffen the penalties for crimes motivated by one's gender or "gender expression"; and declassifying transsexualism as a mental illness.

"When it comes right down to it, they're all

'queer' issues," said James Green, president of the female-to-male transgender group FTM International. "The people who believe that Gays and Lesbians should not have any rights think that we're all the same. They read us the same, treat us the same, and punish us the same. We need each other."

Cathy Renna, GLAAD's media resource director, agrees.

"I think our issues overlap in many ways. So many of the stereotypes about Gays have to do with the transgender community," she said, noting that GLAAD monitors negative media portrayals of transgender persons. "They think that all Gay men wear dresses and act effeminate. It goes beyond a 'Gay issue.' It's a gender issue. Homophobia is based in sexism and gender norms."

HRC, the largest and wealthiest national Gay organization, is also the organization that inspires the most mixed feelings among transgender activists. And although it has taught lobbying skills to transgender activists, arranged transgender lobby visits on Capitol Hill, and commissioned legal expert Chai Feldblum to draft a bill that would prohibit anti-transgender discrimination in the workplace, HRC has one major sticking point with transgender activists.

"HRC has actively worked to keep us out of ENDA," said Green, referring to the organization's refusal to include employment protections for transgenders in its Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

"I personally have very good relationships with several people in that organization, but HRC as a whole seems to be worried that trans issues are divisive and will keep the Gay and Lesbian population from progressing."

Donna Red Wing, HRC's national field director, explained that while HRC "takes transgender issues very seriously, there's still so much education that needs to be done."

"It's taken Gays and Lesbians 25 years to [win over] some members of Congress for ENDA," she said. "And if we queer politicians aren't quite there yet [in passing ENDA], you can imagine the confusion of our politicians."

Other Gay organizations have varying degrees of involvement with transgender issues. PFLAG, for example, sponsors a Transgender Special Outreach Network (TSON) in about 150 of its local chapters; while NCLR is currently providing legal assistance to a transgendered parent in a child custody battle.

"We are still a hard-core, Lesbian feminist organization, but we also recognize that equality cannot be exclusive," said NCLR Executive Director Kate Kendell.

Kendell added that her organization is working with other Gay and transgender civil rights groups to stop the American Psychiatric Association from classifying "Gender Identity Disorder" as a mental illness.

"We recognize that much of the basis of [anti-Gay] discrimination is based on this belief that we are all gender nonconforming," said Kendell. "Moreover, our staff attorney is transgendered, so we have a personal stake in eradicating discrimination based on non-gender conformity."

Meanwhile, national transgender activists continue to educate Gay activists about anti-transgender and gender oppression.

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Montgomery Mayor Refuses to Apologize for Calling Homosexuals "Queers"

Montgomery, AL — Emory Folmar, the mayor of Montgomery and the chairman of Gov. Fob. James' reelection effort has refused to apologize for referring to homosexuals as "queer" during a local television program.

"I used the word 'queer' and I'll use it again," Folmar told the Montgomery Advertiser in a followup article. "I'm not going to call them 'gay.' I don't approve of their lifestyle one bit."

Folmar's comments drew criticism from rights advocates who called his remarks "mean-spirited" and said he seemed to be going out of his way to be offensive.

A spokesman with the Southern Poverty Law Center said such comments by public officials encourages violence.

"When the elected leader of a city holds people up to ridicule, it can be difficult to stop the many violent people out there who are willing to take that further," said Mark Potok of the center.

President to Seek More AIDS Spending for 1999

Washington, DC — The White House says President Clinton will ask Congress for a 35 percent increase in federal spending for AIDS drug programs.

Clinton is expected to ask for \$385 million for federal AIDS drug programs for fiscal year 1999, a figure the would reflect a \$100 million increase over current federal spending on the programs.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart also said the President will seek a \$165 million increase in federal funding for a larger AIDS treatment program.

If approved by Congress, the two increases would bring the U.S. AIDS funding level to more than \$1.3 billion in 1999.

Calif. Supreme Court to Get Gay Scout Case

Sacramento, CA — The California state supreme court will shortly begin hearing arguments over whether the Boy Scouts of America in the state can or cannot legally bar gay men from serving in the youth organization.

The case the state's high court will hear involves Timothy Curran, who was featured in a 1980 news report on gay youth. At the time, Curran was 17 and an Eagle Scout and assistant Scoutmaster in Berkeley, Calif. He now lives in Los Angeles.

But the local Scout chapter refused to let Curran serve as a Scouter — an adult member who works with Boy Scout troops and the case has been in court now for several years with mixed rulings and leading to the state supreme court hearing.

That's 'Sir Elton' to You

London — Britain's annual "honors list" naming those who are being given knighthoods includes openly gay rock singer Elton John — now Sir Elton John, if you please.

The list of recipients noted that John's knighthood for his "charitable services" as well as his achievements in the field of music. John heads up a leading British AIDS charity that he founded.

Hereditary Gene Mutation May Offer HIV Resistance

London — According to a report in the British medical magazine The Lancet, researcher led by Dr. Luc Montagnier at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris have identified a new inherited genetic mutation in a gay man who remains uninfected even though he frequently has unprotected sex with several partners who are infected with HIV.

The researchers estimated that the genetic mutation may affect up to 1 percent of the total population and appears to offer resistance to infection by the virus.

The scientists say that although the finding is another important piece of information about HIV that might explain some reported cases of HIV resistance, it is unlikely to help in developing any new clinical treatments against the virus.

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Maine's Referendum to Repeal Gay Rights Law Looms

Groups Organizing to Get Out the Vote

Bangor, ME (AP) — The referendum on whether to repeal Maine's new gay-rights law is less than six weeks away, but the campaigns to overturn or preserve the law remain low-key.

Spokesmen for both sides say their organizations have been focusing on recruiting volunteers whose jobs will be to get supporters to the polls on Feb. 10.

Maine's new gay-rights law forbids discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in credit, employment, housing and public accommodations. Enforcement of the law has been suspended during the referendum process.

The Christian Coalition of Maine and the Christian Civic League of Maine initiated the referendum, also known as a "people's veto," to repeal the law. The two groups led a petition drive last summer that gathered more than the 51,131 signatures required to get their question on the state ballot.

The Christian groups also created a coalition, known as "Yes for Equal Rights," to campaign for the repeal of the gay-rights law.

The campaign has a narrow focus: Getting people already identified as opposing the gay-rights law out to the polls.

Paul Volle of the Christian Coalition said the group will largely use church contacts to rouse voters.

"We're very selective on who we're going to contact," he said. "It'll be done through our Christian community network and field volunteers."

The campaign will not try to win over to its side members of the general public who are undecided about the referendum.

Maine Won't Discriminate, the coalition opposing the referendum and supporting the gay-rights law, has concentrated on organizing volunteers and putting together its statewide campaign.

Like the pro-referendum side, Maine Won't Discriminate has a big roster of volunteers from 1995, when Mainers voted down an anti-gay-rights referendum.

Both sides also are raising money, and both say the short length of the campaign will limit how much they raise. Exactly how much the campaigns have raised and spent won't be known until Jan. 15, when campaign finance reports must be filed with the state.

Joe Cooper, a spokesman for Maine Won't Discriminate, which supports the gay-rights law, said all forms of advertising are being considered by his campaign, including television.

Not so with Yes for Equal Rights, which opposes the law. Television, Volle said, is unlikely. "It wouldn't surprise me if we didn't run one ad," Volle said.

Volle said television advertising in particular soon escalates into "air wars" in which each side tries to refute the other's ads.

Such ads are futile, he said.

"TV advertising doesn't persuade the voters. How many more things can you say about it (gay rights), and what can you say on TV that you haven't already said to people?" he asked.

Volle's view contradicts Christian Potholm's emphasis on the value of television political advertising in Maine. Potholm is a professor of government at Bowdoin College, and a student of Maine political campaigns.

Potholm sees television ads as the only way to reach a large number of voters, alert them to the upcoming election, and win them over to one side or another.

California Hate Crimes Report Shows Extent of Violence

Sacramento, CA — According to the second annual report on hate crimes in California issued by Attorney General Dan Lungren's office, a staggering 75 percent of the 2,054 bias-motivated crimes reported in the year 1996 were violent in nature.

While the overwhelming majority (71.2 percent) of hate crimes in the state continues to be related to race, the second largest category of bias-based crimes (17.6 percent) were aimed at individuals believed by the attackers to be gay men or lesbians.

The report tends to confirm gay and lesbian anti-violence organization reports in recent years that although the numbers of anti-gay attacks isn't growing at a rapid rate, the intensity of the violence involved in such attacks is increasing.

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City Council Member Comes Out in Ypsilanti

Private Life, Ordinance are Unrelated

Ypsilanti, MI (AP) — "To me, (my sexual orientation) is a non-issue. To everyone it should be a non-issue. The fact that people want to make it an issue strengthens the need for the ordinance." — Council Member Pam Cuthbert

The crowd at a fund-raiser in favor of Ypsilanti's proposed anti-discrimination ordinance was cheering when Council Member Pam Cuthbert took the microphone.

The setting was an Ann Arbor brew pub, and Cuthbert was the third Ypsilanti City Council member that evening to speak about the ordinance.

Like the two before her, Cuthbert stressed the importance of the proposed city law. But that was not message that the resonated most.

"I'm gay and I'm proud," she said.

It was a comment intended to be made among friends, she later said, not a public statement.

"I was just reaffirming who I am," she said of her comment. "I was not making any announcement that anyone in the audience didn't know. I didn't have any intention to make my personal life a public story."

But the comment, made in a public place, didn't stay private.

Word of her statement spread quickly, in the gay community and then in the larger community. Realizing that it was likely to be reported soon in either the mainstream press or in one of the area's gay publications,

Cuthbert agreed to an interview with the *Ypsilanti Press* edition of *The Ann Arbor News*. Speaking reluctantly, but openly, she discussed an array of issues.

She said that she supported the ordinance because it was "the right thing to do," and not because she is gay.

"It was extremely, extremely hard to try to listen to the hatred and try not to have any facial expression, or to show any effect,"

She talked about the possibility that she will become a target for those who oppose the ordinance revoked because it gives protection to gays and lesbians. But she vowed that she will not back off in her support of the ordinance.

Throughout the interview, she said repeatedly that she resented having to talk publicly about the fact that she is gay, arguing her sexual orientation is a private matter that has no bearing on her public service.

"To me, (my sexual orientation) is a non-issue," she said. "To everyone it should be a non-issue. The fact that people want to make it an issue strengthens the need for the ordinance."

Cuthbert helped draft the anti-discrimination ordinance approved unanimously by City Council in December. The city ordinance prohibits discrimination against 14 specified classes, including homosexuals.

It was the hotly contested sexual orientation reference that brought people to public meetings and City Council sessions by the droves over the past 10 months. During intense public hearings, both sides fiercely argued their points. At times, each side accused the other of unfair attacks.

"It was extremely, extremely hard to try to listen to the hatred and try not to have any facial expression, or to show any effect," Cuthbert said. "Often I would

look out into the audience at someone I knew just to find a focal point. I would grab a focal point and just stare so that I didn't have to listen to hate, to myths, to untruths."

After a while, she said, the hatred had less effect. She had grown numb. When asked whether she believed that she had ever been the victim of discrimination because she is gay, Cuthbert struggled to respond.

"I don't know if I can answer that question. I think everyone has had times when they've had verbal insults thrown at them or had to deal with hateful remarks. But after a period of time, it becomes a part of your life and you know you could become the target of something because of who you are, because of who you are perceived to be," she said.

During the course of the ordinance debate, some community members came forward to share their experiences, and in the process revealed their sexual orientation. Cuthbert wasn't inclined to do so, she said.

"There are two types of people. There are those who can be that front-line person, who can say, 'This is who I am,' and not be ashamed to say it," she said.

But Cuthbert said who she is wasn't relevant to the ordinance, so she kept quiet.

"To have said I was gay, I would have become the focus," Cuthbert said. "I would have been the red herring. This is not about me. I didn't want to be — and don't want to be now — the focus of what is right or not right about this ordinance."

She said the ordinance protects everybody.

"There isn't one person in the community who doesn't fit into the ordinance somewhere. It's unfortunate that sexual orientation is the one thing that people have chosen to focus on," she said.

She acknowledged her experiences in life helped shape her opinion on the ordinance, just as some African Americans might support the ordinance based on discrimination they'd personally experienced. But she said she supported the ordinance for broader reasons, just as her

fellow council members did.

Cuthbert pointed to four other members of the council — Mayor Cheryl Farmer and Council Members Lisa Mills Walters, John Gawlas and Terry McDonald — and said: "They aren't African American and they aren't gay and they voted the same way, too."

She said the other council members' votes were their own. When asked how much influence she thinks she had over them, she answered, "None. Laughing, she said: "That's a horrible thing for a politician to say, that she didn't have any influence on other council members. But, none."

During the public debates, Cuthbert sometimes wondered if she would be confronted directly about her sexual orientation. "If it has not been directly implied, it has been suspicioned that I might be gay," she said.

Cuthbert said she doesn't know what her response would have been, had she been asked forthright about her sexual orientation.

"I don't know how I would have handled it," she said.

And she doesn't know how she will handle the next few weeks. In addition to this article, two gay publications in the area are planning stories about her sexual orientation. There could be repercussions, she said.

"I think it'll go either way," she said of the possible reaction in the community. "I'm not interested in having hate calls. The positive responses will be fine. The negative responses will be bad."

She admits being "shaky" about talking to the press about her private life. But she saw circumstances as backing her into a corner, once it became likely that the media would pick up on her comment, which was made during a Dec. 10 fund-raiser.

"It was like I was going to be damned if I did and damned if I didn't. I thought if I could put the right spin on this, it would make the story different. I didn't want a story at all," she said.

"I don't think it's the public's business. My personal, private life is just that, personal and private. And now it's about to be public."

Cuthbert, a social worker, is nearing the end of her term representing the 3rd Ward on the Ypsilanti City Council. She isn't sure if she will run for re-election next fall, at the close of her sixth year on council. The community's reaction to news of her sexual orientation may sway her.

Cuthbert vowed that no reaction will pull her from her support of the ordinance, which is being challenged by opponents who are circulating petitions to bring it to a public vote.

"I will be just as active for this ordinance," she said. "It doesn't strengthen my position, which couldn't be any stronger. But it certainly doesn't weaken it."

New Poll: Public Doesn't Like Ellen

Detroit, MI — Actress Ellen DeGeneres is better known than Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, but her approval ratings are closer to those of House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

A Gannett News Service poll found that more than 90 percent of Americans know who DeGeneres is, but only one in three approve of her.

DeGeneres gained national prominence earlier this year when she publicly disclosed that she is a lesbian. Her character on the popular television named after her also came out of the closet.

Many Americans argue Hollywood had gone too far in its depiction of gays on television.

In the GNS poll, 47 percent said they had an unfavorable opinion of DeGeneres; 34 percent said favorable. Twelve percent said they had no opinion; 7 percent never had heard of her.

In the poll, 58 percent think the government should prohibit same-sex marriage; 33 percent would permit it.

Respondents also were asked their views on gays on television: 33 percent said television should feature no gay characters. 23 percent said television should feature fewer gay characters. 30 percent said the mix is OK as it is. 7 percent wanted more gays.

Heather Bishop

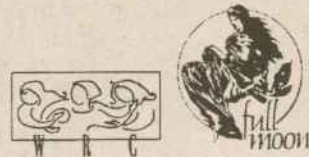
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group notes

Nominations Sought for Cream City Brick Awards

Milwaukee — The Human Rights League for Lesbians and Gays (HRL) is seeking nominations for the annual Cream City Brick Awards. Nominations are due by February 3, 1998. Presentations will be made at the Human Rights League annual meeting during the last week of February.

Originally created by the Cream City Business association in the early 1980's, these awards have been given almost every year by CCBA, later the Lambda Rights Network took over the awards and today the Human Rights League for Lesbians and Gays has the honor.

For work in 1997, there are eight (8) award categories:
Torch Bearer Award — given to non-gay or lesbian identified person or group that had advanced understanding and acceptance of the LGBT communities.

Pace Setter Award — given to a LGBT person or persons who have promoted our communities in a positive fashion.

Group Spirit Award — given to a LGTB group(s) or organization(s) whose efforts establish or promote our community in a positive fashion.

Spotlight Award — given to a media person(s), department or station/paper whose coverage best promotes understanding and/or acceptance of our community.

Groundwork Award — given to a business which has made a significant contribution to the LGBT community;

President's Award — given to a person(s) whose service to our community has been above and beyond the call of duty.

Bridge Award — given to a person(s) who has acted as a "bridge" between the LGBT communities and the broader communities by initiating programs or projects through his/her professional life that address LGBT needs and issues.

Ambassador Award — given to a LGBT person(s) who has made an outstanding, significant and long term contribution in the area of human rights, demonstrating the highest principles of the Human Rights League and representing our responsibility to participate as active citizens in a diverse world.

Nominations should include a description of the reasons for your nomination of the person, group or business and identify for which award you wish to nominate them. Have others who support your nomination sign on with you. Nominations also should include the name(s) and telephone number(s) of the person(s) making the nomination. Nominations should be mailed to: Human Rights League, C/O Awards Committee, P.O. Box 92674 Milwaukee, WI. 53202

For more information, call Scott D. Gunkel at (414) 871-4839, leave message.

Milwaukee AIDS Project Merges With Statewide AIDS Agency

Milwaukee — Effective January 1, the Milwaukee AIDS Project will officially merge with the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) becoming part of its statewide system of AIDS services. The historic AIDS project, which operated for 13 years in the Milwaukee area will officially change its name and operate as ARCW.

The merger was prompted by the State Division of Health's decision to designate ARCW as the AIDS service organization to provide AIDS services and prevention programs in 50 of Wisconsin's 72 counties, and the agencies desire to achieve greater cost efficiencies.

"The merger allows us to reduce administrative costs and increase AIDS prevention, care and support services throughout the state," said ARCW Executive Director, Doug Nelson. "We will be more cost effective. Our donors demand it and our government funders expect it."

Neil Albrect, ARCW regional director for Southeastern Wisconsin, said the ARCW merger "will help assure a uniform standard of comprehensive HIV and AIDS services in cities, towns and rural areas." He added that ARCW provides direct care and support services to 1,225 individuals with HIV and AIDS in Southeastern Wisconsin.

Beginning in 1998, ARCW will operate with offices in Milwaukee, Kenosha, Green Bay, Appleton, Eau Claire, La Crosse, Wausau, Rhinelander and Superior.

For more information regarding services available at ARCW in Milwaukee, call (414) 273-1991. For information on HIV and AIDS, call the Wisconsin AIDSline at (414) 273-AIDS in Milwaukee or 800-334-AIDS.

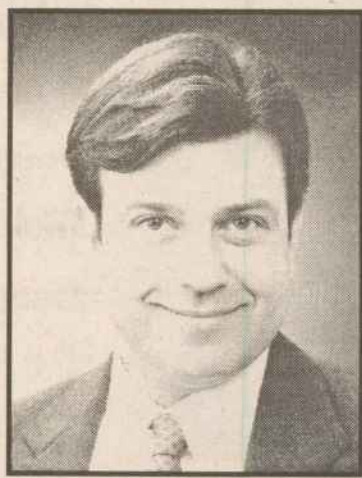
Latino Health Organization to Move

Milwaukee — Latino Health Organization (LHO) is moving to a new location. Due to consistent growth and expansion, the agency has had to acquire a larger office space. The agency will be hosting an open house at the new location in January, with the date and time to be announced.

LHO is non-profit, community-based organization that serves to promote healthy living by offering language services, health education and referral information. The new address of LHO is: 1225 Wet Mitchell Street, Suite 212, Milwaukee, WI 53204. The telephone number is: (414) 647-9990.

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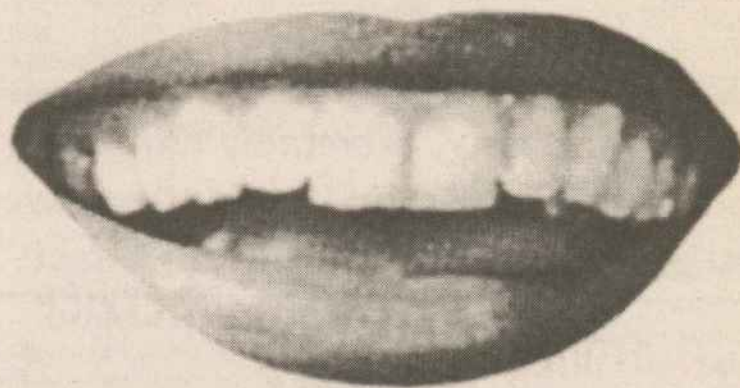
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TAA Receives Award For Work On DP Benefits

Madison — Pride in Wisconsin Government recently held its first annual reception to present its 1997 Leadership award. The event occurred on Saturday, November 15, 1997 at the Ancora Coffee Roasters on King Street.

On behalf of Pride in Wisconsin Government, Kathy Falk presented the 1997 Leadership Award to the Teaching Assistants' Association, Local 3220, WFT/AFL-CIO at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The teaching Assistants' Association (TAA) is dedicated to improving the working conditions of graduate student employees and to improving undergraduate education at the University. The TAA continues to be a progressive voice in the community and have consistently shown their support for LGBT issues. They have lobbied and negotiated with the University to provide domestic partner benefits for its graduate assistants for several years. We are pleased to recognize their efforts and acknowledge the courage and persistence they have shown [in] treating all employees equally.

Kathleen Falk, County Executive for Dane County, presented the award on behalf of Pride in Wisconsin Government. In her remarks, Falk praised the work of the TAA and shared her continued support of the LGBT community and, of course, those working in Dane County. She interacted with the audience wonderfully, and clearly showed her commitment and compassion for the needs of our community.

Those in the audience had a wonderful time and it was a good opportunity to meet with some of our community leaders, including Jon Hendricks and Mark Pocan. The event wrapped up at 8 p.m. with a number of attendees walking over to the Monona Terrace Convention Center for the New Harvest Foundation Annual Fundraising Dinner. Thanks again to Kathleen Falk and the Ancora Coffee Roasters for their support and congratulations to the TAA. Keep up the excellent work.

YWCA Unveils Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Bronze

Milwaukee — The YWCA of Greater Milwaukee announces the historic unveiling of a larger-than-life bronze statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Thursday, January 15 at 10 a.m. The unveiling, which is part of the YWCA's celebration honoring Dr. King's birthday, will be held at the YWCA's King Heights Apartments, 1740-1750 N. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive.

The powerful statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., created by nationally recognized sculptor Erik Blome, stands at nine and one-half feet tall, one and one-half times Dr. King's actual size, and will overlook Milwaukee's Historic King Drive. According to Blome, who was selected by the YWCA's Dr. Martin Luther King Artist Selection Committee, the figure's height feels natural and will help to give it a physical presence and make it centrally important to passers-by.

"Creating a sculpture of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. has been exciting for me," Chicago native Blome said of his experience. "He is one of the great American leaders of the 20th Century, symbolizing compassion, sacrifice, hope, reason and peace to all races, creeds and

colors in the United States. There certainly is no person more worthy of a monument than Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.," Blome said. "I feel greatly honored to have been selected to create this sculpture for the YWCA of Greater Milwaukee."

The inviting figure of Dr. King took over two thousand pounds of clay translating to over twelve hundred pounds of bronze, and provides a magnetism and symbolic gesture that conveys the complexity of Dr. King. Blome captures Dr. King's leadership and multi-faceted personality by depicting him speaking in stride. He stands upon a large, solid foundation of books—books referred to him in his many speeches and writings, as well as other civil rights texts by men and women who lived before him.

The statue will stand to the south of King Heights, as part of the historic rehabilitation project of the YWCA. "This statue captures the magnitude of hope in the community," said Julia Taylor, Executive Director and CEO of the YWCA. "This unveiling is a powerful representation of our commitment to the YWCA's mission of the elimination of racism and empowering women and families."

Annual Leather Swap Meet Slated

Milwaukee — Woody's will be the site of the second annual leather swap meet Saturday, January 31st, at 7 p.m.

The event, a social gathering of local Great Lakes Harley Riders and Wisconsin Boot Men, offers all leather-folk an opportunity to sell/trade or buy new and used leather garments and gear at reduced prices.

Walk in vendors are welcome, however, table space is available on a first come, first serve basis. Those wishing to reserve a table, may obtain applications at Woody's located at 1579 South Second Street.

The regional representative of West Coast Boot Company will again be available to address your boot questions and needs.

The Argonauts of Wisconsin and the Castaways M.C. will host an 8 PM beer bust in conjunction with the swap meet. Door prize gear will include a custom made upper body harness.

Nel Johnson Memorial Service Set for January 10th

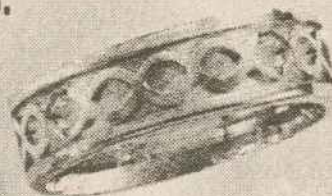
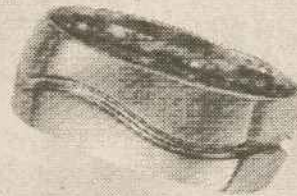
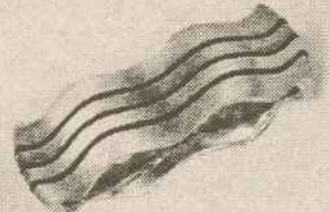
Milwaukee — In a follow-up to the Nelvin Johnson Memorial in the last issue of In Step. A Milwaukee Memorial Gathering will be held Saturday, January 10th at 3 p.m. upstairs at the M&M Club 124 North Water Street.

The Cream City Foundation, of which Johnson was a longterm board member and volunteer, has set up a special fund to honor his memory. The Nelvin Johnson Memorial Fund for Youth will fulfill Nel's desire to provide a funding source for LesBiGay youth concerns.

The reception will provide an outlet for his Milwaukee acquaintances to gather and share memories and thoughts. Several of his family members are planning on attending and are looking forward to meeting those who knew him. All are invited to attend, complimentary refreshments and cash bar will be available.

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Commentary

Hate, Exorcism & Logging Equipment in Duluth

Analysis by Keith Clark
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Fred Phelps, the Topeka, Kan., fundamentalist preacher with a fondness for picketing at funerals of people who have died of AIDS, was a "no show" for a promised demonstration in Duluth Dec. 26.

But the Primitive Baptist minister promised he still planned to take his message of rock-ribbed hatred for homosexuals to the Lake Superior city of a quarter million people this summer. Although one would think that if fire and brimstone is your business, the chilly winter weather in northern Minnesota might be a better setting than July as Phelps has now rescheduled for.

Earlier in December, Darrell Lewis, Duluth's openly gay city planner, turned down a high-paying job as planning director in Topeka because it's where the rabidly anti-gay Phelps runs a little church, made up mainly of family members, in between running his high-profile, low-turnout "God Hates Fags" protests.

With somewhat less than divine retribution, Phelps and his clan announced it was their civic duty to take their anti-gay show on the road to Lewis' hometown of Duluth, which Phelps described as "another antichristic municipality going the self-destructive way of Sodom and Gomorrah," for some "old-fashioned street preaching" outside city hall.

Phelps was getting a pretty cool reception from offended and utterly bemused locals in the Northern Minnesota city as soon as he announced his planned protest. Duluth's Lutheran Bishop Peter Strommen and Catholic Bishop Roger Schwietz issued a joint statement denouncing the Topeka minister for "hate mongering" which the bishops said "scripture itself condemns."

A group of lay church members in Duluth in fact announced that as soon as Phelps had finished with his eschatological act downtown, they would ritually cleanse and exorcise the site of his protest. A bit like cleaning up after a septic tanker truck accident on the Interstate, but still a commendable idea.

And even in the face of Phelps' canceled demonstration, the good folks of Duluth turned out by the hundreds when he would have been promoting the not-so-gentle virtue of wholesale hatred for a "Family Concert for Peace" instead.

Duluth Mayor Gary Doty said, "We will not allow hate mongers to come here and make something out of our community that it isn't," adding that Phelps had "got the message that he's really not welcome in Duluth."

That, of course, is the last thing in the world Phelps did. Topeka's apostle of doom gets messages only from those nasty little demons in his head whom he calls "god." Most of Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Nebraska and California have made it abundantly clear that Phelps and his ilk are about as welcome as typhoid fever already, yet he remains utterly oblivious and

deprived of clues.

No. Phelps will take his venomous little venom side-show to the gentle souls of Duluth. If December was too cold for the family Phelps, the hellish heat of July doubtless will suit them better.

Indeed one of the Phelps daughters, Shirley Roper, told reporters in Duluth pretty plainly what the whole point of these shenanigans really is. "We heard your downtown is pretty dead the day after Christmas," Roper said. "Obviously we want to get to our target audience."

It's all about marketing.

Not enough people would have been around for the Phelps show in the depths of winter on the day after Christmas when most sensible folks are taking it easy, trying to figure out what to

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do with yet another toaster from Aunt Emily, or are on their way back home from Grandma's house.

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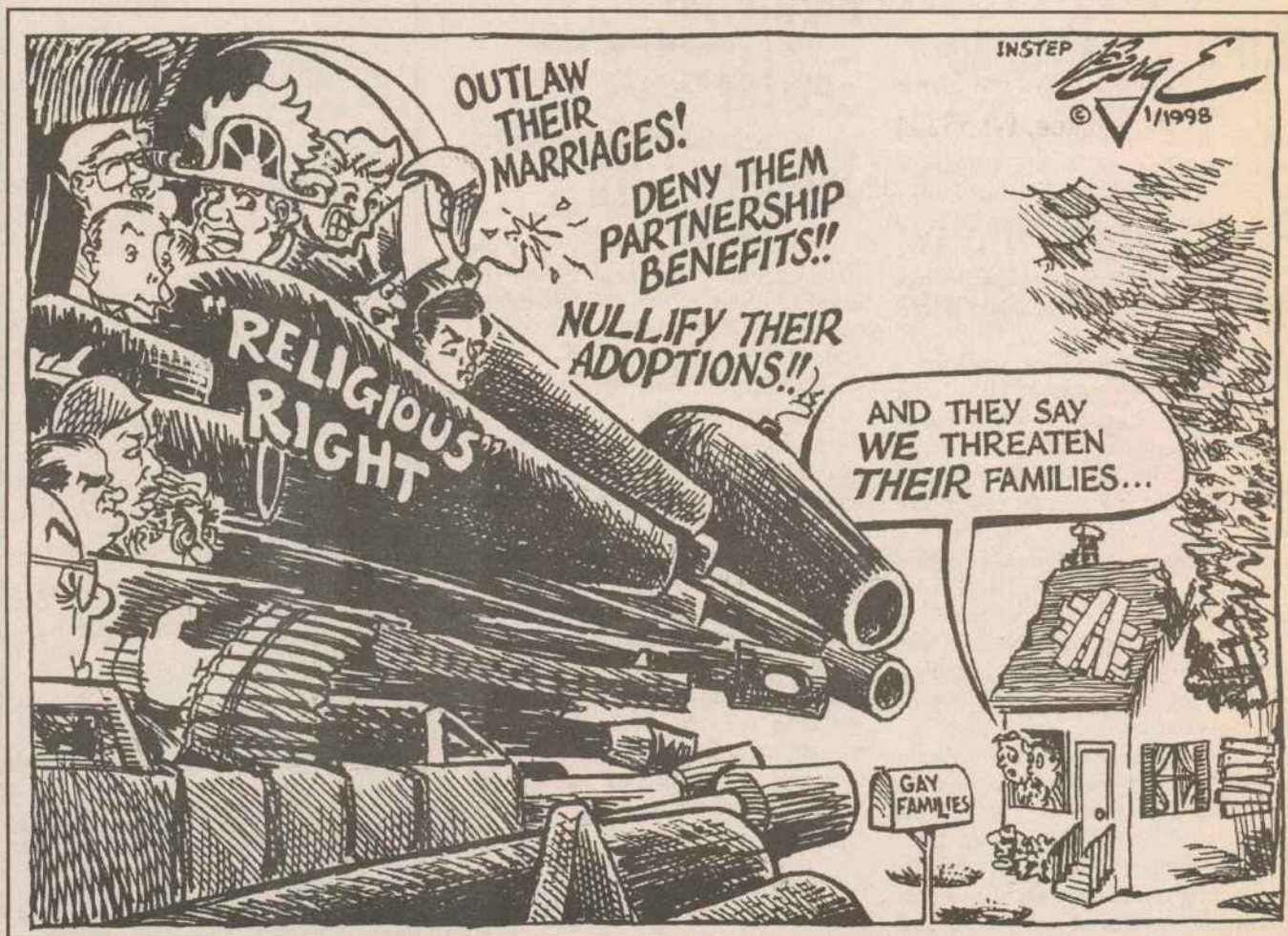
So with an imminent sense of appropriateness, the clan Phelps simply rescheduled it's Duluth doom-date until July 24-25 where they'll be able to take their message of Sodom and Gomorrah to the 7,000 or so folks who'll be attending the annual North Star Expo logging equipment show at the city's convention center.

And we all know how concerned logging manufacturers are about honeycombing homosexuals in their midst.

Frankly, if director Mel Brooks were to come up with one of his zany film farces based on a plot-line like this it might have some humor value. But honestly, one wonders if the logging equipment conventioners aren't going to be just a bit non-pleased by the rantings of Phelps & Company.

That's irrelevant to the Topeka terror, of course.

Mass marketing hate, stupidity and ignorance can't be an easy lot in life, even for a Primitive Baptist.



Letters

Eliason Finally Loses One

Dear Editor—

After earlier victories showing the power he wields over the Brown Deer School Board (on a student survey) and over the Milwaukee Common Council (on the Domestic Partners benefits proposal), Vic Eliason, the head of Wisconsin's WVCY religious broadcasting network has found that his organization does not control the State of Wisconsin, even if he and his minions control the City of Milwaukee.

The Eliason organization's loss involves the Wisconsin Women's Council (WWC). In August, Pastor Ralph Ovidal, WVCY radio and television host and notorious Madison homophobe, had complained that the WWC, then headed by Senator Margaret Farrow, was, in his opinion, violating Wisconsin State law by promoting abortion using state funds.

The "promotion" of abortion alleged by WVCY's Ovidal was the fact that a directory of women's services published by WWC included information on groups that provide information to women on abortion, and on homosexuality.

Upon being made aware of WVCY's charges, Senator Farrow asked Wisconsin Attorney General James E. Doyle to review the WWC directory and offer an opinion. Despite the fact that WVCY's Ovidal had tried the usual pressure tactics that worked well on the Brown Deer School Board and the Milwaukee Common Council, the religious group lost its case.

Attorney General Doyle has returned to Senator Farrel (who, incidentally, no longer heads the WWC) an opinion stating that the WWC

directory "does not violate prohibition" against contributing to the performance of abortions. In rejecting WVCY host Ovidal's complaint, as forwarded by

Farrow, the Attorney General wrote that "The statutory language is plain on its face, and we are not at liberty to read in additional prohibitions not reflected in the words of the statute." But hey — when did the religious right ever understand anything that is "plain on its face?"

Those who don't particularly approve of WVCY and its pressure tactics can take some comfort in this defeat of the organization. Those politicians who have in the past caved in to WVCY's pressure can take a lesson from Attorney General Doyle: all it takes is a modicum of backbone to stand up.

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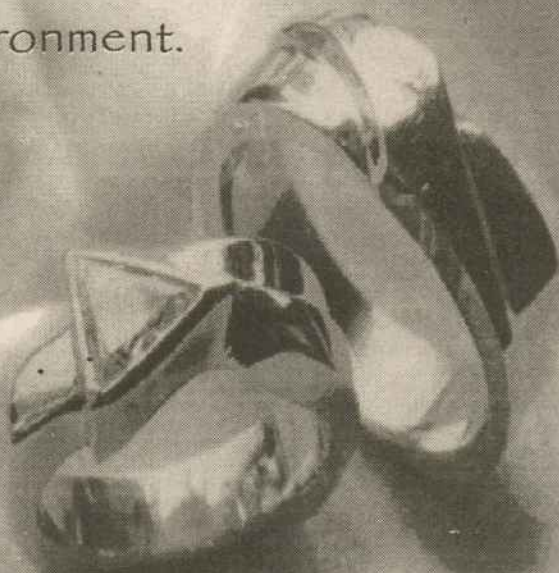


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Life Liberty

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A Foretaste of the Coming Year

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Reporters and editors are notoriously ill suited to predicting the future. Probably the only people less fit for foretelling the events of tomorrow are fortune-tellers — simply because, unlike us newspaper-biz folks, fortune-tellers, palmists and tea-leaf readers know they're fallible.

Nevertheless, reporters are annually expected to try their hand at prognostication. The assumption — at least somewhere around New Year's Day — is that because we knew what happened yesterday, we've got better than an even chance of knowing what's going to happen tomorrow. It's a bit like assuming that because we were once children we'd be terrific pediatricians.

Even so, here's a stab at forecasting things to be on the watch for in 1998.

Life ...

An AIDS "vaccine" will continue to be the holy grail among researchers and scientists. Alas, we won't see one for a few years. But what activists and the rest of us must begin to prepare for is that when a vaccine (or vaccines) is developed, it is likely to be much less than we had hoped for.

Margaret Johnston, head of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative, said recently that it was likely that any initial vaccines against AIDS that prove efficacious would be "less than 100 percent effective" in fending off infections.

There have been some 40 AIDS vaccines that have been tested in smaller trials around the world. None of them have been promising enough to move into larger studies. During the coming years, at least a few vaccines will prove promising enough to go into large-scale trials but even so, Johnston says they will not mean the end of the epidemic as such.

In the past, many vaccines have been extremely effective against various microbes — the polio and smallpox vaccines being among the best examples. But

most vaccines — including those against polio and smallpox — aren't 100 percent effective. And because of the wily characteristics of the HIV retrovirus, Johnston and other scientists increasingly feel, that initial vaccines against AIDS may be much less than 100 percent effective in preventing infections.

In short, don't look for any "magic bullets" against AIDS in the near future. And when scientists begin announcing that potential vaccines are going into large-scale clinical trials, don't expect them — even when one or more proves good — to be fully effective.

In the meantime, scientists and researchers are increasingly going to be asking difficult questions about the new class of anti-AIDS drugs known as protease inhibitors.

Although they have proven to be highly effective at reducing HIV levels for most patients to undetectable levels, there is a significant percentage — perhaps as many as 40 percent — who are not helped by these new drugs for one reason or another. The clinical question that presses for these patients, of course, is why aren't the protease inhibitors effective for them and can't a medical alternative for these patients be found.

Equally of concern to scientists will be how long patients can be expected to continue taking these complex and extremely expensive medicines. Scientists have already determined that the new drugs do not entirely eradicate HIV, but apparently leave some remaining in the body in an inactive state. As growing numbers of patients taking the new drugs resume more or less healthy, normal lives, the pressure to discontinue the medicines — or at the very least to develop a radically reduced dosage — will become irresistible.

And finally, as more and more patients taking the protease inhibitors enter their second and third years of taking the new medications, researchers will also be increasingly concerned about what possible side-effects taking the protease inhibitors may have in the longer-term.

Liberty...

In an interview several years ago, Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) more or less converted me from optimism about federal civil rights legislation to what might be called a "pragmatic pessimism."

Rep. Frank, who is hardly a slouch at national politics, said he didn't give much

chance at all for Congress passing any positive gay civil rights law in the near future. "In the area of civil rights, the states lead," Frank bluntly said, "and Congress follows — eventually."

So, don't expect Congress to go into a sudden fit of sensibleness and pass the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) this year. While the New England states are now a (more or less) solid bastion of civil rights protections for gays and lesbians, there's clearly a long way to go on a state-by-state basis before it dawns on a majority of Senators and Representatives that the country doesn't plunge into a state of chaos and debauchery because gays and lesbians are allowed to work, to rent an apartment, or to eat at a restaurant.

What's needed, of course, is several more states to enact anti-bias legislation barring discrimination based on sexual orientation. And where these are needed most is also in those states where that may be most difficult to achieve — the American Heartland.

Where there may be more political developments of note in fact may be from the courts, even in rather conservative states.

In August, the Montana state supreme court declared the state's felony sodomy law — the toughest anti-sodomy law in the country — unconstitutional, ruling that the law "strikes at the very core of Montana's constitutional right of privacy." And 1997 ended with a Kentucky state appeals court overturning a lower court decision and ruling that same-sex couples are covered under the state's domestic-violence laws.

Pursuit of Happiness...

"Home is where the heart is," goes the old saying. And nothing has proven the truth of this old saw so much as the battle — in its various get-ups and guises — over who is and is not family.

Officials from Texas to California to Illinois have been struggling with custody questions, domestic partnership issues, and who is or isn't a "couple."

New Jersey adoption officials bowed to a court ruling and agreed as 1997 ended to put gay and lesbian couples on an equal footing with married heterosexuals seeking to adopt children in the state.

The Presbyterian Church, the Episcopal Church and the Catholic Church all wrangled with family-related issues concerning gays and lesbians last year.

And even the Walt Disney Co. — thanks to the un-Christian-like Southern Baptist Convention — had to confront gay and lesbian family issues.

All these various battles, of course, are the same issue and it's one that has two dynamic elements to it: First, anything even remotely close to recognizing gays and lesbians as part of legitimate families sends far-right conservatives into paroxysms. Yet despite this wild-eyed opposition — and occasional defeats — fairly ordinary gays and lesbians around the country continue to insist on their right to be part of their own families. Second, while these battles all have important national impact, they all take place at the local or state level — where the gay rights movement is weakest.

What all this means, if you want to think about what 1998 may hold for us, is that despite glamorous TV coming-out episodes, or headline-grabbing black-tie dinners with President Clinton, or even Supreme Court rulings on sexual harassment issues, the real issues of importance for the coming year will be in states like Ohio, Utah, Iowa, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.

As gays and lesbians continue to insist on their rights to formalize their unions, to set up households, to have and rear children — in short, to pursue the kind of domestic happiness that many heterosexuals apparently feel is their own personal "special right" — we can expect to see more and more fights at the state and local level.

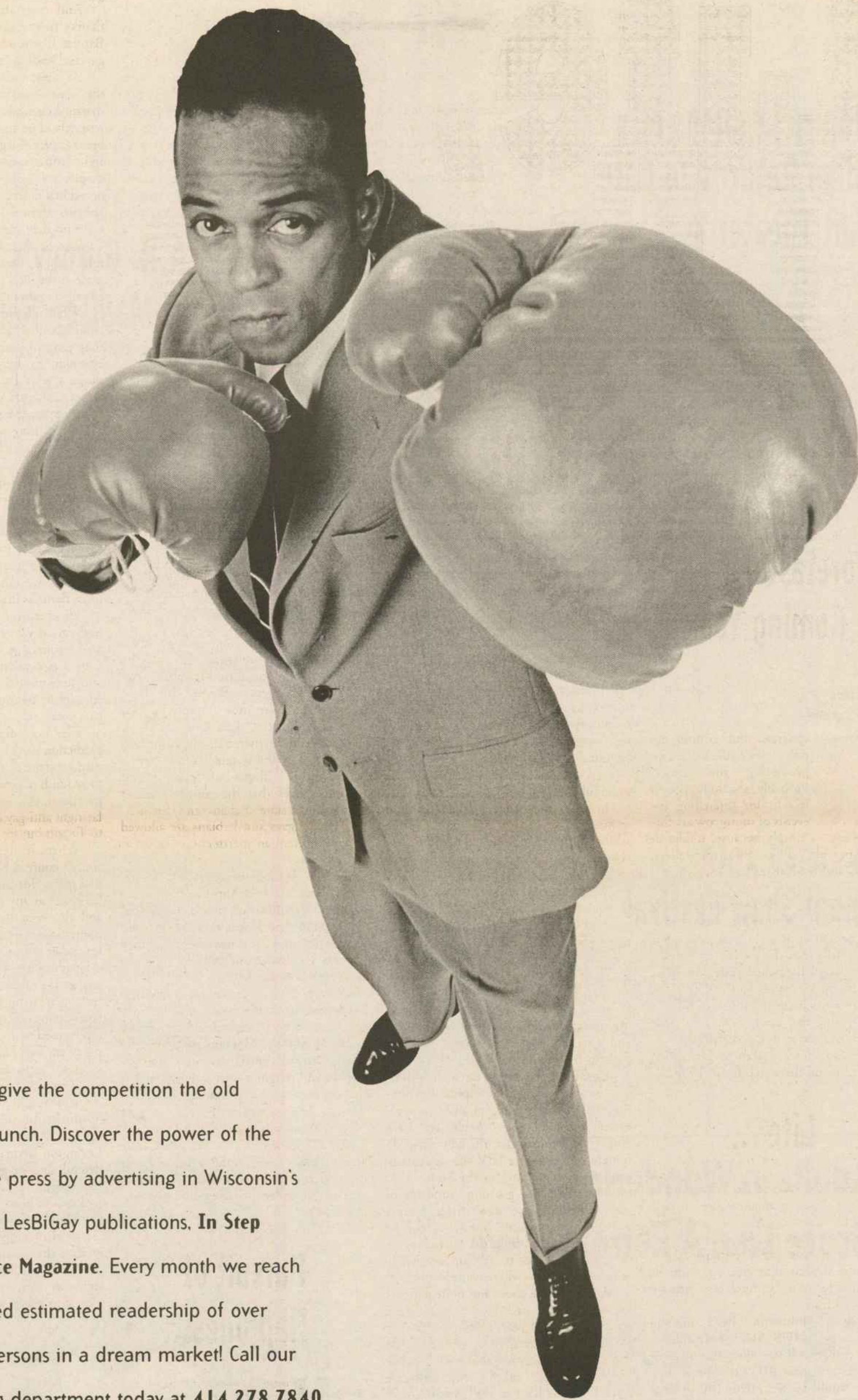
Nineteen-ninety-seven was a surprisingly good year in these terms. Despite a set-back here and there, it would be difficult to remember a single year when gays and lesbians made more progress toward "domestic tranquility" as we did in this past year.

The problem (and here we return to the prediction part) is that if an utterly unqualified crystal-ball reader like myself can see these kinds of developments at the local and state level, you can bet your last donut that far-right anti-gay conservatives from Toledo to Tucson can see the same thing.

When it became clear that a state appeals court in Kentucky was likely to rule that gay and lesbian partners were as much "couples" as any other domestic household and therefore protected under the state's domestic-violence laws, it didn't take a state lawmaker long to introduced legislation to explicitly exclude same-sex couples from any such protections. "If two men or two women are living together, and one of them beats up the other, there are assault laws that can be used to throw the abuser in jail," said state Sen. Tim Philpot (R-Lexington) of his proposed measure.

It wouldn't be trivial to point out that the same is also true for married couples in Kentucky, but it would doubtless be lost on the likes of Sen. Philpot. The good Lexington lawmaker has a special right to defend, and by gum he'll defend it to his last breath — no matter how idiotic it makes him look.

The battle brewing in Kentucky is clearly also going to flare up in other states around the country as well. The specifics obviously will be different, but the 1998 fights we're facing will be about the issues closest to home — literally.



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the arts

Vampire Lesbians of Sodom Returns To Late Night Theater X

Milwaukee — Late Night Theater X is happy to bring back the delightful farce *The Vampire Lesbians of Sodom* by Charles Busch, which opens at Theater X on Thursday, January 22 with an open-ended run in the Studio Theater at the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway.

It sold out the last time around — catch the wave of terror as this horrific comedy returns! "Deliciously nasty... delightfully outrageous" writes the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. Rejoin the terrifying trail of laughter from Sodom to Vegas as two beguiling vampires battle it out in the cat fight of the century. See the beautiful virgin sacrifice plead for her life. Attest to the dreaded Succubus who travels through time seeking scintillating dinner companions. Witness the horror as these two fabulous creatures slouch 2011 years toward redemption and cocktails. Awful puns, sinister innocence and harmless depravity—we have it all!

Recreating the role of the Virgin sacrifice and Madeline, B.J. Daniels. Elaine Thornton-Wyler, David Rommel and Johnathan West reprise their roles from last year. Two new cast members, Timothy Reynolds and Terry Tuttle join the production this season. The production is directed by Amy Zeh and stage-managed by Therese Phillips.

Performances are at 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. All tickets are \$12. No discounts except for Theater X subscriber discounts for Late Night Theater X productions. For more information call the Broadway Theater Center Box office at (414) 291-7800.

Chamber Theatre to Launch 16th Annual Shaw Festival

Milwaukee — Milwaukee Chamber Theatre presents the 16th Annual Milwaukee Shaw Festival, the only festival of its kind in the United States, February 7 through March 8, 1998. The festival will feature Bernard Shaw's comic parody of 1930's adventure movies *Too True to Be Good*, and Samuel Beckett's classic tragic-comedy *Waiting for Godot*. Screaming Penguin Productions, in its fifth year of association with the Shaw Festival, will present two hysterically funny short plays: *Augustus Does His Bit*

by Bernard Shaw, and *Box in Cox* by John Maddison Morton. Also added to this year's Shaw Festival is a Staged Reading of *Jitta's Atonement* by Bernard Shaw, and a screening of Shaw's 1937 classic screenplay *Pygmalion* at the Landmark Oriental Theatre. Package tickets and single event tickets for the Shaw Festival are available at the Broadway Theatre Center Box Office, 158 N. Broadway, or by calling 414/291-7800.

Since 1983, Milwaukee Chamber Theatre has presented an annual festival of plays that celebrates the words, wit, and wisdom of the great 20th-century Irish dramatist, essayist, letter writer, critic, socialist, feminist, futurist, and vegetarian, Bernard Shaw. The Festival consists of Shaw works and plays, both classic and contemporary, that reflect on Shavian themes. The Milwaukee Shaw Festival shares a unique heritage and status with the Shaw Festival in Niagara on the Lake, Canada, and the original English Shaw festival at Malvern during his lifetime.

Single ticket prices for *Too True to Be Good*, and *Waiting for Godot* range from \$14-\$29. *Shaw Shorts* single tickets are \$10. The German Buffet at *Jitta's Atonement* package tickets are \$20. Tickets for *Jitta's Atonement* without the buffet are \$10. The "Shaw Flick" *Pygmalion* is \$5.

Package tickets and individual tickets to all Milwaukee Shaw Festival productions are available now, and can be purchased at the Broadway Theatre Center Box Office, 158 N. Broadway, or by calling 414/291-7800. Box office hours are Monday-Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. or until curtain, and Sundays from noon to curtain on days of performance. The Broadway Theatre Center is wheelchair and handicapped accessible.

A sneak preview of the 16th Annual Milwaukee Shaw Festival will be held on Thursday, February 12, 1998 at 7 p.m. at the new Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop, 2559 N. Downer Ave.

UWM Union Art Gallery Presents Works By Local Women Artists

Milwaukee — "Transcending Ourselves: Other Work by Women Artists" opens January 26 at the UWM Union Art Gallery, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd., and continues through March 6. On Friday, January 30 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. there will be an opening reception at the Gallery with the exhibition artists in attendance.

The exhibition includes artworks by eight local women: Evelyn Patricia Terry, Diana Georgia Mehal, Jilandante Glynn, Beth Simpson, K. Tinsley, Lois Chicks, and Sonji A. Yarbrough. The artists feature a main body of work in a medium outside their usual range. Installation pieces, body casts, artist's books, paintings

and small constructions are all part of the exhibition.

The gallery is open to the public and there is no admission charge. Gallery hours are 12 noon to 3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 11 a.m. through 7 p.m. Thursday; 12 noon to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Reservations can be made for group tours during regular gallery hours. For more information call (414) 229-6310.

A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia" at Madison Rep

Madison — Madison Repertory Theater will unleash its production of A.R. Gurney's play *Sylvia* on Friday, January 9 at 8 p.m. in the Isthmus Playhouse of the Madison Civic Center, 112 State Street. This comedy will run through Sunday, February 1.

It's an affair to remember. Quite without warning, Greg finds himself tumbling head over heels down the slippery slope of middle age. His career has peaked; the kids are grown; and his wife Kate is finally pursuing her own professional dreams. His inner compass has gone haywire, and Greg drifts into a murky sea of discontent.

Then one day, she appears. She's young. She's exciting. She's a bit bad. Her name is Sylvia and Greg likes the way she makes him feel. They bond, recognizing with a single glance that they were meant for each other.

Greg is a man and Sylvia is ... a dog! Poignant, funny and wildly entertaining, *Sylvia* — the dog and the pay — teaches us about love, about sharing, and about what it means to spend a life together. The *New York Times* writes, "if you have ever loved a pet, you'll fall head over heels for *Sylvia*."

Under the direction of Madison Rep artistic director D. Scott Glasser, the production features Darla Max as the irascible pup Sylvia, Paul Bentzen as Greg and Iris Lieberman as Kate. Mark Corkins plays the multiple roles of Tom, a macho male dog owner, Phyllis a college pal of Kate's who hates dogs, and Leslie, an androgynous marriage counselor. The design team for the production includes set designer Nanya Rayme, lighting designer Michael Klaers, and costume designer Sharon Sobel.

Post performance discussions are open to the public and will be held on Sunday, January 11 and Wednesday, January 21. The performance on Sunday, February 1 will be interpreted in American Sign Language. Ticket prices are \$18 for Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays and \$22 for Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets are available at the Madison Civic Center Ticket Office or by calling (608) 266-9055. TTD (608) 267-2674.

In conjunction with its production of *Sylvia*, Madison Rep is giving dog lovers the opportunity to show their favorite pooches just how much they care. For a \$25 donation to the Rep, one can dedicate a performance of the play to the favorite dog, an honor that will be announced from the stage. Posted on a display board in the lobby will be Fido's biography and photo. There are

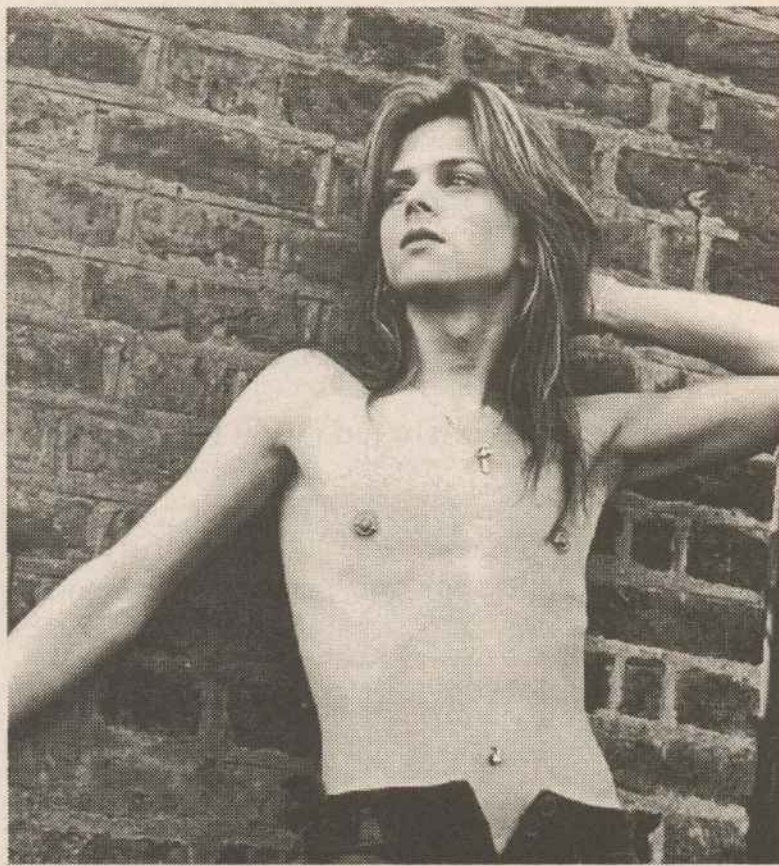
Adults in Wonderland Grace Lau: A Retrospective

Reviewed by Ed Grover

“Over the last fifteen years, Grace Lau's photographic journey through the world of sexuality, gender identity and sado-masochistic subculture has earned her a reputation as one of the leading photographers of the perverse. This retrospective details that journey from her earliest male nudes, to her life as a voyeur at *Skin Two* (a British fetish magazine) functions and in the dungeons of dominatrices, culminating in her most recent work on cross dressing.

The text that accompanies the photographs is also a literary journey of how, what, when and where the pictures were taken. But most importantly, it's the images that grab you as you page through the book. They are, if anything, disturbingly and revealingly beautiful — some in full color. They are as seductive to straight men and women as they are to gay men and lesbians — and each for their own reasons.

Val Williams of the *New Statesman* says, "Grace Lau rediscovers the erotic and the fetishistic . . . and returns the picturing of eroticism to its established place within British photography." Grace Lau has certainly captured some very kinky images in this collection of her work illustrated in three chapters: *Men Undressing—Or Dressing Up?*, *Dungeons and Disneyland*, and *Who's Looking At Whom?* This is a real conversation piece; it's one for your collection. Get it! (Serpent's Tail, ISBN: 1-85242-552-0, \$29.99)



23 performances, so it's "first come, first served."

Photos, with owner and dog's name on the back can be sent to Madison Rep, 122 State Street, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53703. Sorry, no photos can be returned. Call the Rep at (608) 256-0029 for further information.

Milwaukee Ballet Presents "Carmina Burana" & "Les Nuits D'Ete"

Milwaukee — An exciting new version of the celebrated ballet, the Milwaukee Ballet's production of "Carmina Burana" relies on the genius of German choreographer Ernst Uthoff and the music of Karl Orff to interpret the 13th-century poetry of this classic tale. An explosion of sound raises the curtain on the evening revealing the star (The Empress of the World), the Milwaukee Ballet Orchestra and the 100 voices of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Chorus.

Paired with "Carmina Burana" for this series is "Les Nuits D'Ete" (Summer Nights), a love story told through passionate dance and the powerful music of Hector Belioz, and the vocals of the MSO Chorus. This series is part of Milwaukee's 1998 International Arts Festival, celebrating German/Austrian heritage.

The production will be staged at the newly refurbished Uilhein Hall at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts. For tickets and further information, please call (414) 643-7677.

Theater X Presents "Ms. Klein"

Milwaukee — *Mrs. Klein*, a Milwaukee premiere play by Nicholas Wright, will open at Theater X on Friday, January 16, and will run through February 8, 1998 at the Studio Theater at the Broadway Theater Center, 158 North Broadway.

Mrs. Klein tells the story of a brilliant and unorthodox woman whose single-mindedness threatens to destroy those closest to her. Melanie Klein, who lived from 1882-1960, came to Britain from Berlin to extend psychoanalysis to children. The

action of the play is set in 1934 when, at the peak of her career, she is shattered by the news that her son has died in a climbing accident.

Her daughter, Melitta, thinks that he committed suicide as an act of defiance against their overbearing mother. The battle between these two women spills over into their professional lives. Melitta, also a psychoanalyst, publicly challenges her mother's theories. The childhood events which lie at the heart of the conflict are exposed and a third remarkable woman, a psychoanalyst on the run from Hitler enters the situation with her own agenda. These three women vie for dominance in this sharp, literate, and witty play.

John Kishline who was last seen in *Good*, directs; Marcie Hoffman plays the role of Paula; Deborah Clifton will play the daughter Melitta; and Flora Coker will play the title role of Mrs. Klein. Lighting and Settings are by R. H. Graham; Costumes are by Carri Sloczek; and the production is stage managed by David Oldberg.

Thursday evenings are "pay what you can" (\$5 suggested donation/ tickets available at the door only). Tickets can be reserved for Thursday evenings, however at \$16. Friday and Saturday \$18, and Sunday \$16. Senior citizen, student and group discounts are available. For more information call the Broadway Theater Center Box office at (414) 291-7800.

Ongoing Writer's Workout at Woodland Pattern

Milwaukee — Flex those creative muscles each week with a variety of language/mind/genre stretching exercises. This six-week session of writer's workshops will begin on January 14, 1998. It's the caloric equivalent of a brisk walk. Generate new work each week with a group of supportive peers.

The instructor is Peggy Hong, a poet, writer, and dancer, whose poetry has appeared in local and national publications. The six-class card is \$65/\$60 for members, or \$12 for a single class. Register by phone, mail or in person at Woodland Pattern, 720 E. Locust St. Tuition payment reserves your space in class. For more information call (414) 263-5001 or FAX (414) 372-7636.



BOOK REVIEW

by Ed Grover

Gay Body: A Journey Through Shadow To Self

by Mark Thompson

Mark Thompson calls this book a memoir. It's the spiritual journey of finding himself, as a gay man, with "a mix of theory and autobiography that explores the healing and recovery that gay men can experience if they dare to take the path leading to a fully integrated body and spirit."

Right from the book's Introduction, in which Thompson describes being asked by his brother to be at his suicide (he was dying of AIDS), through his childhood and coming out, his activism in the gay movement, his deep involvement on the leather community, and his having a 19-year career in journalism at the *Advocate*, to the last chapter where he relates how he scattered his brother's ashes on a hillside in Carmel, California, I was fascinated by his writing.

Betty Berzon, psychotherapist and author of *The Intimacy Dance* (Plume/Penguin Books, reviewed in In Step, Volume 14, Issue 26) says in her book-jacket quote: "Gay Body is an extraordinary contribution to the deeper understanding of what it means to be a gay man. Mark Thompson gives us a window into the parallel realities of his own life (sometimes shocking) and the workings of a gritty gay world illuminated by the insights of Carl Jung and the wisdom of ancient mythology..."

Thompson tells of his dysfunctional family and, in a chapter called "We, Two Brothers Clinging," about his first lover—

who was his brother. It seems that with all the turmoil coming from his parents, these two brothers found some solace in each other's arms. At his grandmother's knee he learned "the difference between a woman being hysterical and merely headstrong, and how his mother was both." We learn a lot about mother complexes.

Among other things he "learned the importance of secrets, and also about their destructive power." He had begun to hide his sexuality and found the safest place to hide was the town's library, where he read and reread all fourteen of the *Oz* books by L. Frank Baum. He identified with Ozma, ruler of the realm, not Dorothy, who he calls the least interesting of the *Oz* figures. Ozma was strong and brave and took control of her destiny.

When the family moved to Carmel-by-the-Sea, he already — at fifteen — had "gay radar" and could tell who was and who wasn't, as he became aware of the "stylish clique in their cashmere sweaters and crafted good looks who were a kind of queen's guard standing watch over the expensive boutiques."

We are told about the epic story of *Gilgamesh*, — "one of the most enduring myths of same-sex love..." and the idea of the Double — the other half of our gay selves that we search for throughout our lives. Thompson says that "one way to read the *Gilgamesh* story is as a myth of gay male individuation. Any man's soul-making journey must necessarily involve the integration of opposites; the inner masculine and inner feminine, among other disparate elements." He quotes a comment by psychologist James Hillman: "The union of opposites — male with female — is not the only union for which

we long and is not the only union which redeems. There is also the union of the sameness, the reunion of the vertical axis which would heal the split spirit."

In San Francisco during 70s, where he comes out with a vengeance, he uses a copy of John Paul Hudson's *The Gay Insider: USA* to find his way to a gay bar called the Stud, where he has his much hoped for first encounter with another man. He joins the Gay Students Coalition at San Francisco State University, and marches in drag (sort of) in the fourth local parade commemorating Stonewall, where some of the gay men end up dancing naked in the eucalyptus groves of Golden Gate Park.

He says, "Even the act of coming out is hindered when many a gay man's inner mother—a secret lover now left behind— seeks revenge," and adds in another passage, "Somewhere inside every gay man, there's a wounded boy who stopped growing. Who simply gave up and shut down..." Thompson discusses "archetypes of the Wounded Healer, Divine Child, Trickster and the Double within the context of his own search for meaning in a homophobic and fragmented society."

The publishers write that "*Gay Body* is an attempt to identify the 'Gay Shadow,' as Thompson calls it — the deep-down place where we hide the inferior parts of ourselves we wish to deny, the shameful and neglected aspects of personality. By claiming this place as our own, and creating a passionate and empathetic relationship to it we can begin the journey towards self knowledge and heal from within." Reading this book can help many of us do just that. (St. Martin's Press, ISBN: 0-312-16853-5, \$24.95).

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Activities:

Saturday, January 10

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's - Bridge Club (Madison): The group meets at 7 p.m. FMI call Reggie at (608) 244-7139.

Bar Specials:

Sundays:

Cell Block (Chicago): Beer Busts hosted each week by various groups. Check your monthly planner. \$3.75 pitchers all night! Holding Cell opens at 6 p.m. Dominic DJ.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Pizza Night!

Club 94 (Kenosha): 3-7 P.M. \$1.25 Bloody Marys, 50¢ Tappers. \$5.50 Beer Bust. 9 p.m. to close. Free Hot Dogs & Nachos served all day!

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 219 Girls! Don't miss Wisconsin's Premier Drag Show.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Cosmo Sundays! Cosmopolitans, Martinis & Lounge Drinks!

Emerald's (Milwaukee): Men's Night! Call drinks \$2.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Bloody Marys \$2. DJ Bange spins at 10 p.m. No cover.

Just Us (Milwaukee): 5 P.M. - close. Women's Night 2-4-1 Taps, Miller bottle, and Rail.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Noon to 4 p.m. Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers - \$2 a mug.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Customer Appreciation Night. LaCage Showcase, Super Bust, DJ & Dance. No cover.

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Join M&M on Packer Sundays for brunch. Brunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mad Bar (Madison): Any domestic bottled beer \$2. Any shot \$3 or less is \$2.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Grill hours 4 to 8 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Beer Bust from 3 to 8 p.m. \$5 for Miller Lite. After 8 p.m. all taps are 50¢ off. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay): \$6 Beer Bust from 3 to 6 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 Bloody Marys hosted by the Gay Voice.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to close. Half off rail drinks and domestic beer when you "Take It Off" for Spike (shirts only, guys!).

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys & Mimosas - \$2.

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Bloodys, Screws, Greyhounds - \$2.25, tap beer 80¢ (until 6 p.m.) \$1.75 rail drinks - 9 p.m. to close.

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

Triangle (Milwaukee): Show Biz Sundays. \$6 Long Island Pitchers!

Za's (Green Bay): Dry Dance Night! (16 & up in Za's). Alcohol served to over 21 in Java's.

Mondays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4:10 to 8:10 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! All Budweiser products are \$1.

Cell Block (Chicago): Beer appreciation Club. Monday Night Football. \$2 specials on microbrews.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Closed.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Absolut Night! \$1.25.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1, 5 to 7 p.m. Pool & Dart Leagues sign up now.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Margarita Mondays! \$2 - 8 p.m. to midnight.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Watch iMelrose Place! from 7 to 8 p.m. Margaritas \$2. DJ Bange spins at 10 p.m. No cover.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Closed.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): 4 to 6 p.m. Pull tabs!

LaCage (Milwaukee): Shake a Drink!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.

Mad Bar (Madison): All rails and domestic bottles of beer \$2.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Double Bubble! 5 to 7

p.m.

Lunch from 11 a.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off every drink. Domestic bottles of beer, taps of Miller Lite & rail drinks \$2. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Man's Country (Chicago): Half-Price Night. Rooms \$10, Lockers \$7.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull tabs from 3 to 7 p.m. (Drinks as low as 25¢) \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Melrose Mondays. Free pizza & shot specials.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): \$3 pitchers - 9 p.m. to close.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails - 3 to 8 p.m. (tickets good until 9 p.m.).

Station 2 (Milwaukee): 75¢ Tappers!

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Domestic beer \$1.25, rail drinks \$1.75. 9 p.m. to close.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Miller products - \$1.50.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Melrose Place Monday. \$1.50 Doctors, 75¢ Tappers.

Za's (Green Bay): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super Bust at Java's.

Tuesdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4:10 to 8:10 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! Vodka Special all night! Vodka Drinks \$1.

Cell Block (Chicago): XXX Tuesdays! DVB. \$2 Stolichnaya, pints of Goose Island. Free pool & darts.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Leather/Levy Night. Well-drinks & draft beer \$1. Dress Code Enforced. Pit open.

Club 94 (Kenosha): \$1.25 rail drinks 7 to close. \$5.50 Beer Bust!

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1, 5 to 7 p.m. Tattoo Tuesdays! A free drink w/ every tattoo.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust - 8 to midnight!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Competitive Karaoke with Mark & Sammie. Free & anonymous HIV testing & counseling sponsored by Lake County Health Dept. \$2 well drinks.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Pull-tabs on all drinks. Full-price/half-price/25 cents.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Mexican Night! 4 p.m. to ? Tacos \$1.7 to 10 p.m. 2-4-1 Tequila 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Corona \$1.75.

Kirby's Klub (Madison): Every Tuesday is Fetish Night! Saved, Leather, Wet N' Wild, Flesh, Latex, Master & servant. \$50 for best Fetish Outfit. If you wear a fetish outfit prices are \$2 rails, \$1.50 taps.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Draw for a Dream Trip! 8 winners nightly. Grand Prize drawing every 90 days. Next drawing: Trip for 2 to San Francisco.

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.

Mad Bar (Madison): Bottles of Miller Lite \$2. Any shot that's \$3 or less is \$2.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Double Bubble 5 to 7 p.m. Lunch from 11 a.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off of every drink. All top beers 50¢ off. Shots of Pucker \$2. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay): Shake a Drink! Aces free and sixes half-price - 3 to 7 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): All coffee drinks - \$2.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): Progressive Night! Starts 9 p.m. to close. \$1 rail mixers, 50¢ mugs of beer. Price goes up 25¢ every half hour to closing.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m. Pull tabs to closing.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Mini pitchers \$2.50.

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): \$2.50 top-shelf, \$1.75 rail drinks.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Bud Products \$1.50.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): 2 for \$2. Domestic bottles and rail mixes all night.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Rail pitchers \$6.

Wednesdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4:10 to 8:10 p.m. 2-

4-1 drinks! Leather/Western Night. Drink Specials and a Chance to Win \$100 Cash.

Cell Block (Chicago): Open Show'n's Treasure Chest for Great Prizes! \$2 Lite/MGD longnecks.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Free pool.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Karaoke Night 9 p.m. to close. 2-4-1 rail drinks, 50¢ Tappers 7 to 11 p.m. \$2.50 pitchers all night.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Strippers! Always the HOTTEST Men for your enjoyment.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Watch Ellen & Zena with us.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Lady's Night! Call drinks \$2.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): iEllen at 8:30 p.m. One of the hottest Gay Dance Parties. DJ Bange spins at 10 p.m. \$1 domestic bottled beer. Live DJ at 10 p.m.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Import Night. Half-price on import bottles of beer.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Hump Day! Everything's a buck. Open to close.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Super Bust!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.

Mad Bar (Madison): All rail drinks \$2. Shots of Jack Daniel's \$2.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Double Bubble 5 to 7 p.m. Lunch from 11 a.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off every drink. All rail drinks \$2. Shots of Jack Daniel's \$2. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Man's Country (Chicago): 7-5-7. Special: Rooms and Lockers \$7 for 5 hours.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay): Rail drinks \$1.50, Soda /& juice 50¢ from 3 to 7 p.m. \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Karaoke! \$1.50 MGD and Michelob Goldens.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): 2 for \$2 domestic bottles and rail mixers. 9 p.m. to closing.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Double Bubble all day. 2-4-1 cocktails open to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bottles of beer, rail drinks and wine: \$1.50!

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Beer Bust \$4, or 80¢ glasses of beer.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$2.50 pitchers/50¢ darts.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Super Bust! All you can drink (top, wine and soda).

Za's (Green Bay): \$6 Super Bust. Sean spins requests.

Thursdays:

Bootcamp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4:10 to 8:10 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks!

Cell Block (Chicago): \$2 well, wine, domestic beer. Music videos from the 70s, 80s & 90s. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m. T.L. Noble, DJ/VJ.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Pain & Pleasure in the Pit. \$1.50 longnecks. Pit open.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Beer Bust 7 p.m. to close. HIV testing 8 to 10 p.m.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Wisconsin's #1 Show Bar! Talent Night. Variety Night.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Amy entertains!

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Tea Thursday! Ice Tea \$2.50.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): \$2 well drinks. DJ Bange at 10 p.m. No cover.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Men's Night. 2-4-1 all taps, Miller bottles and rail. Restaurant open from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Slammers! \$1 - 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Kirby's Klub (Madison): Every Thursday Night is 20's Night! Party to the hottest rock all night. \$1 rail, \$1 shots, 50¢ taps. Listen to our new DJs Todd & Shawn.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Super Bust. DJ & dancing 7 nights a week.

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Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Double Bubble 5 to 7 p.m.

Lunch from 11 a.m.

Mad Bar (Madison): Ex & Ex Lite \$2. Shots of Cuervo \$2.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off every drink. Bottles of Special Ex & Special Ex Lite \$2. Shots of Cuervo \$2. Shots of Tattoo \$1. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Man's Country (Chicago): Half-Price Night. Rooms \$10, Lockers \$7.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull tabs! drinks as low as 25¢ 3 to 7 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1 bottle beer, 50¢ drafts.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): Free Pool & Darts. 2-4-1 top beer 9 p.m. to close.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good 'till 9 p.m. 75¢ taps from 9 p.m. to close..

Station 2 (Milwaukee): \$1 Tappers. \$2 Seven-Crown & Captains!

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): \$1.75 rail drinks 9 p.m. to close.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer/Wine/Well drinks \$1.50. DJ Jes One.

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Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Fish Fry. Lunch from 11 a.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off of every drink. Rail whiskey drinks \$2. Shots of Pucker \$2. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Midnight.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 shot specials & import beer specials. DJ/Dancing.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): \$1 domestic bottles 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Kamikaze Shots! \$1.50.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Best Dance Party! DJ Cris.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): All chilled shots \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m.

Saturdays:

Cell Block (Chicago): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Night Riot til 3 a.m. Blackout in Holding Cell & Yard.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Drawings for Eagle Leather all night. Pit open.

Club 94 (Kenosha): DJ Jim's party 9 p.m. to close.

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FILM REVIEW

by Kevin John

"Jackie Brown" Struts

Quentin Tarantino's new film, *Jackie Brown*, is like *Pulp Fiction* with all the juice weaseled right out of it. No one gets remotely

strangled (i.e. when life finally becomes an existential pain worse than death), we try not to start ALL over again. We take our past investments and play them against the new experience.



Pam Grier as Jackie Brown

medieval on anyone's ass or even threatens the same. But all that means is this long-awaited meta-blaxploitation film is not *Pulp Fiction II*. Rather, it's a profound, stately meditation on aging in the, er, postmodern era.

Pam Grier stars as Jackie Brown, a "44 year old woman desperately clinging to a shitty job she's lucky to have (due to prior convictions)" in the words of Michael Keaton who plays the ATF asshole that nabs Brown with some money and coke she's delivering for gun dealer Ordell (Samuel L. Jackson). So, in a way, Grier is really playing herself. Long past her 70's Coffy clutch, Grier desperately clings to this film for one last run around the box office. And that's just the first wink-nudge in 160 minutes of self-referentiality.

It's the last hurrah for another character in the film as well: Max Cherry (Robert Forster), a bail bondsman who Jackie gets to help her steal almost half a million dollars under the noses of both Ordell and the ATF. It's the double-double cross that will allow Jackie to escape her \$16,000 a year plus benefits stewardess job and that will squeeze out the last drip from the Fountain of Youth for the 56 year old Cherry.

In a key exchange after Jackie plays a vinyl album, Cherry asks her why she hasn't switched over to CDs. "I can't afford CDs and start all over again," she responds. "I've already invested too much." Seconds later, she asks him how he feels about getting old and confesses that she feels like she's always starting over again stating "I got nothing to start over with and that shit is scarier than Ordell" who planned to kill her the night before. When a world where job security is at an all-time nil and the average human will experience six or seven careers gets scarier than being

That's what Tarantino does all over this film. He stuffs it with things he knows and loves well: split-screens, arrows tracing character movement on a map, late soul classics, cheesy go-go music from Jesse Franco films, Los Angeles neighborhoods, long-forgotten films like *Detroit 9000*, cameras with "a life of their own," perfect details like Jackie's square coffee cups and bourgie bathrobe or Keaton's

Teva sport sandals with socks, Ordell's great line ("I gotta remember this place") when he enters the bar that served as the crucial rendezvous point in *Pulp Fiction*, etc.

His surrogate in the film is Melanie (Bridget Fonda), Ordell's hippie-holdover girlfriend. Her only ambition



Bridget Fonda as Melanie.

may be to "get high and watch TV" but keep in mind that Ordell lives in HER house (not apartment). We know little of where she came from and where she winds up is devastating but in between she sustains herself on a junky diet of the Grass Roots, Helmut Berger and the benefits of coughing. That is, like Tarantino, she's done well for herself in a rootless/futureless world merely by investing in the things she loves. That's why Jackie (or do I mean Pam) sings along to Bobby Womack's "Across 110th Street" at the end — it's such a damn good song.

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Sage's Resolution: Not to whine so much. Photo by Jamie at La Cage.



Jeremy's Resolution: Have sex by January 2nd. Photo by Jamie at La Cage.



Mark's Resolution: Take at least 1 day off of work a week. Photo by Jamie at Club 219.

Bange.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Country Dance! Free dance lessons 7 p.m. to midnight with the Shoreline Dancers. Restaurant open from 6 to 10 p.m. DJ 'til close.

Kathy's Nur Hut (Milwaukee): Short beers 2 for \$1.50.

Mad Bar (Madison): Bottles of Rolling Rock \$2. Shots of Jagermeister \$2. Levi/leather uniform night! 50% discount for those dressed in levis/leather or uniforms.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Grill open 4 to 10 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. \$1 off of every drink. Bottles of Rolling Rock \$2. DJ Every night at 10 p.m.

Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Midnight. Free Continental Breakfast Sunday Morning.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 shot specials. DJ/Dancing.

Scouter's (Eau Claire): All chilled shots only \$1.50 9 to 11 p.m. DJ dancing starting at 11 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Cold Schnapps shots \$1.50.

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Bar Events:

Thursday, January 8

La Cage - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be at the bar from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Friday, January 9

Cell Block (Chicago): Don't forget Fetish night! Check your monthly planner. Drawing for \$100 Male Hide Gift Cert. Earl Pleasure DJ. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m.

SWS Docks - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be at the bar from 7 until 10 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Sunday, January 11

Cell Block (Chicago): Trident Windy City Full Moon Party and Contest. Open at 2 p.m. with Bloody Mary Bar. \$4.25 pitchers all night. DJ Dominic.

Tuesday, January 13

Cell Block (Chicago): In House Pool Tournament continues for the next five weeks. Grand Prize of a pair of Stealth pool cues & cases will be awarded in 2/3.

Wednesday, January 14

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Solidarity Event/Fund-Raiser to save Maine's new Gay Rights Law. FMI call Pat Flaherty (414) 225-1510 or (414) 964-8412.

Thursday, January 15

Cell Block (Chicago): The Chest men of America meet for their monthly get-together.

Friday, January 16

The Ballgame - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be at the bar from 7 until 10 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Book Clubs, Classes & Readings:

Tuesday, January 13

Gerber/Hart Library - Book Discussion (Chicago): Continuing in the spirit of gay history month, this series of book discussions about our political movement continues with "Virtual Equality: The Mainstreaming of Gay and Lesbian Liberation" by Urvasi Viad at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (773) 883-3003.

Wednesday, January 14

Woodland Pattern - Writer's Workout (Milwaukee): Writing practice for all experience levels starts. Six-class session with instructor Peggy Hong begins today, 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. FMI, pre-registration & prices call (414) 263-5001.

Thursday, January 15

Harry W. Schwatz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Downer Ave): "The Art of South Indian Cooking" by Milwaukee authors Alamelu Vairavan and Patricia Marquardt at 7 p.m. There will be a "tasting" of dishes from the cookbook. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

Sunday, January 18

Woodland Pattern - Monthly Readers Group (Milwaukee): Join them each 3rd Sunday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. as a different writer selects a book and leads a lively discussion. Today it's Vladimir Nabokov's "Invitation to a Beheading" with Rick Ollman. FMI and prices call (414) 263-5001.

Tuesday, January 20

Harry W. Schwatz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Downer Ave): Amy Bloom will read from her debut novel "Love Invents Us" at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

Wednesday, January 21

Harry W. Schwatz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Downer Ave): Marya Hornbacher will share her new book "Wasted: A Memoir of Anorexia and Bulimia" at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

Community Meetings & Events:

Friday, January 9

Milwaukee Symphony Chorus - Auditions (Milwaukee): Interested singers should call (414) 764-1905 for an audition appointment and information about audition requirements. Auditions are from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Marcus Center.

Saturday, January 10

Gemini Gender Group Meeting (Brookfield): The group will meet at 7 p.m. at the First Unitarian Church. FMI call (414) 297-9328.

Sunday, January 11

Integrity/Dignity - Religious (Madison): Eucharist and Social Hour at 7:30 p.m. at St. Francis House. FMI call (608) 836-8886.

Wednesday, January 14

SAGE/Dane - Women's Chat (Madison): Everyone meets at Bagel & Baking Co. at 9:30 a.m. FMI call (608) 835-8971.

Thursday, January 15

YWCA of Greater Milwaukee (Milwaukee): The unveiling of the bronze statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will take place at 10 a.m. at King Heights Apartments, 1740-1750 N. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive.

Friday, January 16

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Guest Speaker (Madison): Jay Hatheway will give an overview of his 3-part series that examines the various ideologies of homosexuality in the U.S. from 1870 to 1960. The event will take place at 6 p.m. at the Tamarack Trails Clubhouse, 110 S. Westfield Rd.

SAGE/Dane - Gay Male Geezers (Madison): Meet at 3:30 p.m. for a movie or High Tea & Talk at Monty's Blue Plate Diner, 2089 Atwood Avenue.

Sunday, January 18

P-FLAG Meeting (Madison): This group meets at the Friends Society Meeting House on Roberts Court at 11 a.m. Third Sunday Youth Program. Youth share their stories.

Perfect Harmony Chorus - Rehearsal (Madison): Meet and Sing at Grace Episcopal Church on Capital Square from 7 to 9 p.m. FMI call Clay at (608) 232-0528.

Monday, January 19

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Rap Group (Madison): The Group will meet at The United for the next several meetings. There will be an open discussion at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 20

Bi Definition Meeting (Milwaukee): There will be a meeting and social group at BESTD Clinic at 7 p.m. Topic: review Anniversary Party & Comedy Show.

P-FLAG Meeting (Waukegan, IL): This new group serves Northeastern Illinois & Southwestern Wisconsin. It meets on the third Thursday of the month from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ. FMI call (847) 336-5368.

Sex Out Loud - Gay/Bi Discussion Group (Madison): Meets at the Memorial Union from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. FMI call Joy (608) 265-4901.

Wednesday, January 21

Silver Space - Older Lesbian Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This group meets from 6 to 8 p.m. on every 3rd Sunday at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

Film, TV, Video and Radio:

Sunday, January 11

Oriental Institute Film Series (Chicago): This free series runs on Sunday through 1/18 & 1/25 at 2 p.m. Starts with "Nubia 64: Saving the Temples of Ancient Egypt," and continues with "The Royal Archives of Elbo" and "Iraq: Cradle of Civilization." FMI call (773) 702-8574.

HER TURN - WORT 89.9 FM (Madison): A 30 minute radio news show for those who use the "F" word (feminism). Followed by a Woman's music show, "Her Infinite Variety" from 11:30 to 2 p.m. To volunteer call Susan Goldwoman (608) 256-2001.

Monday, January 12

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Film Circle (Madison): A screening of "Sex Is..." will be shown at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Peter at (608) 827-8262.

Tuesday, January 13

Boyz Nite - ARCW (Milwaukee): Movies are shown on the first Tuesday of the month & later there is a discussion. Otherwise, the group meets every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Assemble Safer Sex kits and other prevention materials. It's a place to hang out with other gay men and just dish. All ages welcome. FMI call Chris (414) 225-1556 or Andy (414) 225-1502.

Wednesday, January 14

QUEERY - WORT 89.9 FM (Madison): Your Queer FM radio station for

news and information for south-central Wisconsin plays every Wednesday from 7 to 7:30 p.m. To volunteer call Margo Robb at (608) 256-2001. Followed by "This Way Out" a nationally produced show for GLBT folks at 7:30 p.m.



Tracie's Resolution: To be good to people. Photo by Jamie at Dish.



Scott's Resolution: Start using my 10 year old health club membership. Photo by Jamie at La Cage.



Jeff's Resolution: Quit annoying Rob Bruckner - broken two minutes after midnight. Photo by Jamie at Triangle



Ted's Resolution: Bungie Jumping! Photo by Jamie at Triangle.



James' Resolution: None... I'm good the way I am. Photo by Jamie at In Between.

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Theater Arts:

Thursday, January 8

Organic Touchstone Company - Current Show (Chicago): "After-Play," by Anne Meera will run through 1/18. FMI ticket prices 8 times, call (773) 404-4700.

Friday, January 9

Ameritech Jazz at Symphony Center (Chicago): Featuring Latin jazz with the Roy Hargrove Big Band and the Eddie Palmieri Big Band at 8 p.m. Tickets \$15 to \$37. FMI call PhoneCharge at (312) 294-3000.

Madison Rep - Comedy (Madison): "Sylvia," an A. R. Gurney play about a dog who steals a middle-aged man's heart, runs through 2/1/98 at the Isthmus Playhouse of the Madison Civic Center. FMI & tickets call 608/266-9055 (TTD 608/267-2674).

Saturday, January 10

Present Music - Concert & CD Release Party (Milwaukee):



Elio's Resolution: Go on a date with Jamie.
Photo by Jamie at Club 219.



Scott & Jackie's Resolution: Not to sleep with each other. Photo by Jamie at La Cage.



Curt's Resolution: No to be so damned???
Photo by Jamie at In Between.



Resolution: Huh?
Photo by Jamie at Dish.



George's Resolution: To finish the remodeling in 1998. Photo by Jamie at La Cage.

The concert and the following party take place at Wisconsin Lutheran College's Center for Arts & performance, 8815 W. Wisconsin Ave. at 8 p.m. FMI & Tickets call (414) 271-0711.

Sunday, January 11

UWM Fine Arts - Recital (Milwaukee): Yuri Belavsky in a violin and piano recital at 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater, 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Wednesday, January 14

Chicago Symphony Orchestra - Chamber Music Series (Chicago): The Chicago Brass Ensemble plays Boehme, Wagner, Berzowsky & Dahl at 8 p.m. Tickets \$17. FMI call PhoneCharge at (312) 294-3000.

Friday, January 16

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra - Concert (Milwaukee): Hear orchestral music from Berlioz' "Romero and Juliet" at 7:30 p.m. Also on 1/17 at 8 p.m.. FMI call (414)291-7605. or (414) 273-7206.

UWM Fine Arts - Dance Concert (Milwaukee): "Winterdances" features 30 dance majors in new choreography by faculty members at 8 p.m. Also on 1/17 at 8 p.m. and 1/18 at 3 p.m. Guest choreographer Sean Curran, formerly of the Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company presents a new work; "Landscape/Horizon." FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Broadway Theater Center - Theater X Opening (Milwaukee): Mrs. Klein, the story of three unorthodox women, by

Nicholas Wright runs through 2/8 in the Studio Theater. FMI & tickets call (414) 291-7800.

Saturday, January 17

Pabst Theater - Dance/Theater (Milwaukee): The Urban Bush Women will perform African American art forms for one night only. Tickets \$28 & \$22. FMI call (414) 286-3663.

U. of Chicago - Theater Symposia Opening (Chicago): A series of four lectures and plays. Starts with "Left Brain, Right Brain: The Scientist & the Artist" in "The Notebooks of Leonardo da Vinci." Other dates are 2/21, 3/22, & 4/18/98 and include Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband" and the Shakespeare play (or is it?) "Cardenio." FMI & Tickets call (773) 702-1722.

UWM Fireside Lounge (Milwaukee): Canadian feminist singer-songwriter Heather Bishop in concert at 8 p.m. FMI & tickets call (414) 229-2852. Tickets also available at AfterWords, Outpost Natural Foods & Just Us.

Monday, January 19

Symphony Center Presents - Jazz (Chicago): "Take 6" & "Mavis Staples" will celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday at 8 p.m. Tickets \$15 to \$25. FMI call Phone Charge at (312) 294-3000.



Duck... Photo by Jamie at Dish.



...duck... Photo by Jamie at Eagle.



... GOOSE! Photo by Jamie at Triangle

THE DANCE BEAT

by Dj Bange

In 1997, I got to wear many different hats... general manager, disc jockey, construction worker, columnist... now in '98, I add one more... music psychic. Yes, I will now gaze into my crystal ball and tell you what I see happening the world of dance this year.

For the immediate future, I see the **SPICE GIRLS** grabbing headlines with the U.S. premiere of *Spice World* later this month. I do see it providing more ammo for critics of



The Spice Girls

the band, but those of us with true "girl power" will find it to be a real treat. Also, look for their pay per view to rake in major ratings and major cash for the quintet.

SEAN "PUFFY" COMBS (Puff Daddy) shows no sign of slowing down either. In 1997 alone he hit #1 and won awards galore for *Missing You*. He remixed the **POLICE** classic *Roxanne*. He put *Mariah Carey* back on the map by producing *Honey*. He also managed to squeak in a tour and run his own promotion company. He has an extraordinary talent for remixing old favourites and all 5 songs he produce last year went to #1. Many times throughout 1998 you will be dancing to his work.

Look for the music trend called "electronica" to continue. The term could best be described as computer-generated dance music. You heard it from groups like **PRODIGY**, **THE CHEMICAL BROTHERS**, **SNEAKER PIMPS**, **THE CRYSTAL METHOD**, **DAFT FUNK**, and even old favourites like **DAVID BOWIE** and **U2** who both used electronic to freshened up their sound (and image). Although no entirely radio friendly, I can tell you this 21st century version of techno is extremely popular in urban night spots.

I think the **SPICE GIRLS** put it best when they told MTV's **KURT LODER** they thought "pop music could make a comeback." With the success of bubble gum groups like **HANSON**, **THE BACKSTREET BOYS**, **ROBYN** and the successful returns of pop divas **JANET** and **MARIAH**, it is obvious the public is eating it up. Look for new groups trying to be the next **SPICE GIRLS** or the next **BACKSTREET BOYS** to literally "pop" up everywhere.

Also, singers and record companies have realized that to maximize the life of a single, a remix has to be done. 1997 saw the incredibly club-friendly remixes from **LISA STANSFIELD**, **JANET**, **THE BACKSTREET BOYS**, **TONI BRAXTON** and even **STING** with the release of *Roxanne '97*. Remixes also put artists like **PATTI LABELLE** and **MICHAEL JACKSON** back on the dance floor. Look for more killer remixed in 1998 from groups you'd never expect to release a club cut. And check the credits because it will probably be done by "Puffy." (I'm putting my money on a **LEANN RIMES** remix myself).

1997 was an eventful year... in music and in life. But I can guarantee you two things: 1) most of my predictions will come true; 2) there will be many **BIG** surprises in dance music in 1998.

Covering the dancebeat isn't easy, but I'm glad I get to do it.

Dj Bange has worked for several Chicago-area radio stations and can currently be seen spinning at Emerald City Night Club in Antioch, IL.



KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

Let me first say that this is my 3rd attempt at putting together a column. After the first 2 two attempts at putting together an "up beat" column, I've decided to cave in to reality. Like I have said before, you will read about bits and pieces of my life, good or bad. You see, I am not one of those people that looks forward to the Holidays. It's a very depressing time of year for me, and a bazillion other people. It just seems like my life starts falling apart around this time of year.

And this year was no different. Actually it was... it was one of the worst holidays I can remember. There were 2 nights that things seemed so desolate that ending it all seemed like the best way out of this mess. Fortunately, I don't have any fire arms or any drugs stronger than over the counter pain killers in my house. More importantly, in the back of my mind I knew that this too will pass.

It started the day after Christmas when my boyfriend and I got into a huge fight in Chicago that ended up in us parting ways. It wasn't really his fault, I take most of the blame for the destruction of a relationship with a really great person. I probably want too much out of a person and nit-pick over every detail of a person. One of these days I will realize that and put in the effort (actually a good relationship is a lot of hard work) to make a relationship work. At this point, I'm not ready to put myself into those shoes, I really think it's best if I take some time to re-group.

Then there is Mom. She can be such a bitch. How my father ever put up with her for all these years is beyond me. Well, I wasn't about to put up with it and that's why we aren't talking to each other. It came to a head the Saturday after Christmas. She wanted me to cut some mirrors for my sister so I told her that I would the next day. Sunday morning rolls around... 9:00 am... my phone rings. I'm sorry, but at 9:00 Sunday morning I'm lettin' the machine pick it up. "Jamie, it's your mother, call me". Two seconds later... the phone rings again... "Pick up the phone, it's your mother". Another 2 seconds later (by this point I wouldn't answer the phone for any reason) "Call your mother, you've got to cut that mirror for your sister". Another 2 seconds later the phone rings again. By now I am furious and knew that if I picked up the phone there would be a fight, so I let the machine

pick it up... "It's your mother, time to get out of bed". Nope, on a Sunday morning, I decide when it's time to get out of bed.

An hour or so goes by, I get out of bed and call my mother, she's not there. I hop in the tub for a nice relaxing bath to ease myself into the day. Fifteen minutes later, ding-dong, ding-dong, ding-dong, bang bang bang ding-dong, ding-dong, bang bang bang. First of all, I think it's rude to show up at somebody's house un-announced. Second, it's terribly rude to use the doorbell button like a button on a video game, not to mention banging on the door. Nope, ring it once, ring it twice and if nobody answers, leave. After a few minutes the rude person at my door left. Then the phone rings and I pick it up. It's my mother "were you in the shower?". By this point I am more than boiling, I'm spittin' nails and she knew it.

I had a couple of things to do and when I came back there were two nasty messages on the machine from my mother. I called her back in hopes of calming the situation down but she hung up on me... twice. Those last 2 calls are the last 2 calls I will make to her. It is now up to her to make this right, I can't deal with her anymore. (By the way, I did cut those mirrors for my sister.) Next year, I plan on spending the holidays with my Aunt Cheryl and Uncle Rick, they love me unconditionally.

So, there it was, the Holiday season of 1997. There were a couple of other things that added to the "Holiday Spirit" but I've gone on enough about it. (Sorry Ron, I tried to keep a smile on my face) The holiday season is over and I will move on with the goal of having a great 1998.

The big news of course was New Year's Eve. Yeah, I have to admit, I had a pretty good time while I was out doing "New Years Resolutions". My first stop was at TRIANGLE where there were lots of party favors, a fabulous buffet and many people willing to tell me their 1998 resolutions. By the way, ROB is offering a reward for information about a print that was stolen from there, if you have any info about it give him a call.

Over at LA CAGE things started to pick up around 11:00pm. GEORGE put on a huge buffet, gave away little bottles of champagne and even took time out for a photograph. Cutie of the Week PETER (last issue), was

there as well. He gave me a big hug and wished me a happy new year, he is soo cute!

Next stop was IN BETWEEN. CURT was there and was nice enough to buy us a shot. Heading north I stopped at DISH. The place was packed with the best looking Lesbians in the state. I met up with some of my favorite girls, and had a toast with them and yes, got big sloppy wet kisses and a few needed hugs as well. (OK, so I only got hugs).

C'EST LA VIE had an interesting night. I was there at midnight with the champagne corks flyin' all over the place. Two minutes after midnight the lights went out. The entire building lost it's power, it was pretty cool. Apparently somebody actually took the meter. A brave cop and a couple of butter knives later, the power was restored.

CLUB 219 was a hoppin'. It was wall to wall people ringing in the New Year. There were a few of my favorite people there including KIMBERLY, MARK ROGER and my favorite stripper, ELIO. Actually both the strippers were yummy but Elio is my all time favorite.

Other parties around town fared just as well. I heard that the BALLGAME was busting at the seams, along with JUST US, WATER STREET DOCKS, 1100 CLUB, BOOT CAMP and EAGLE. I didn't catch up with the M&M crowd until the next day. I can't tell you about that 'cause I promised. All in all, the New Year's Celebration was pretty cool.

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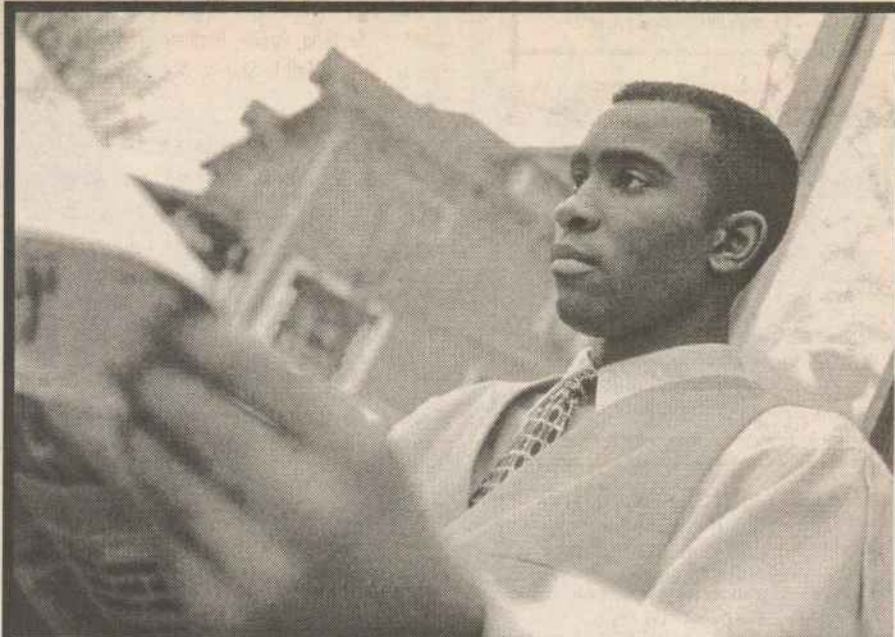
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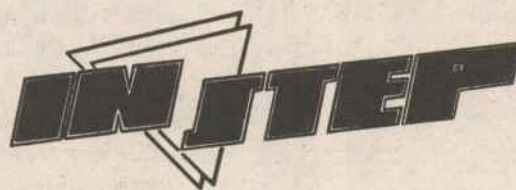
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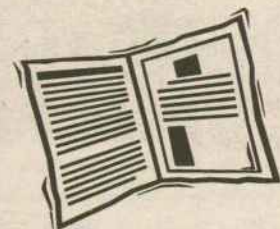
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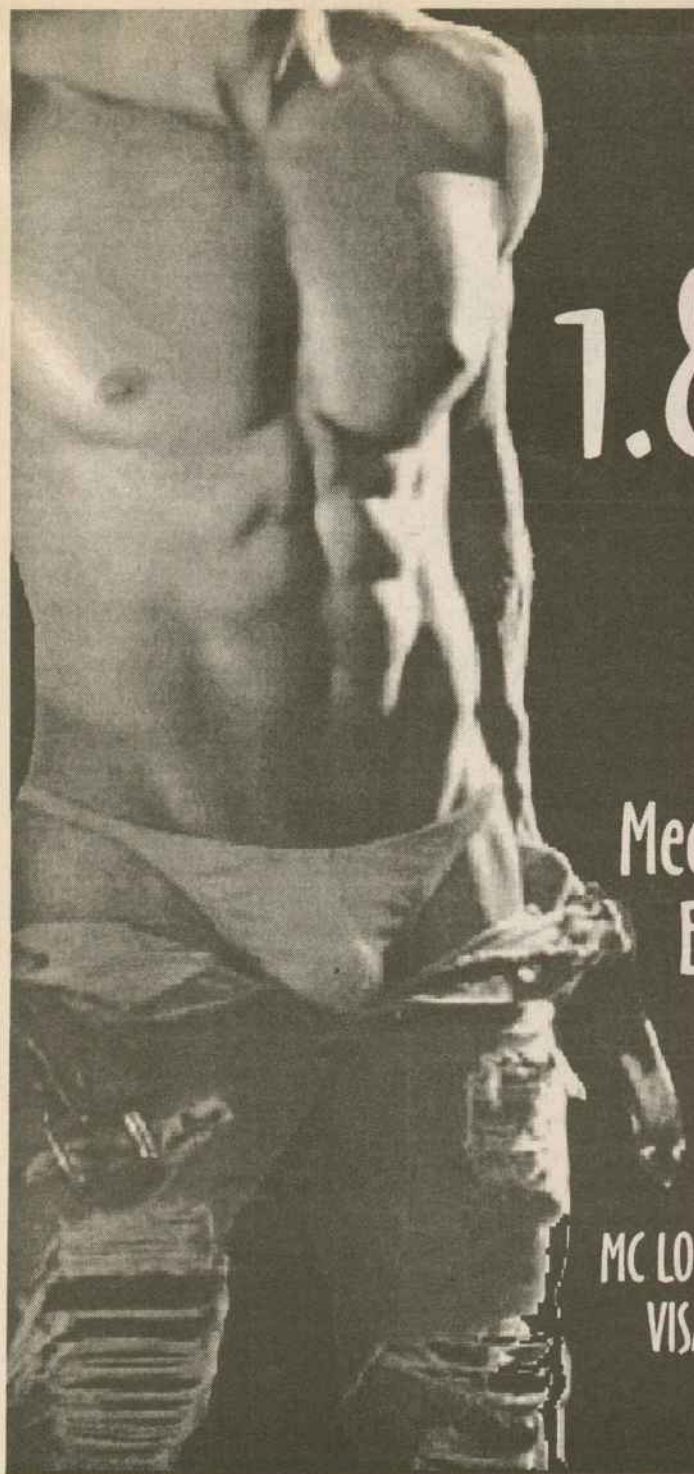
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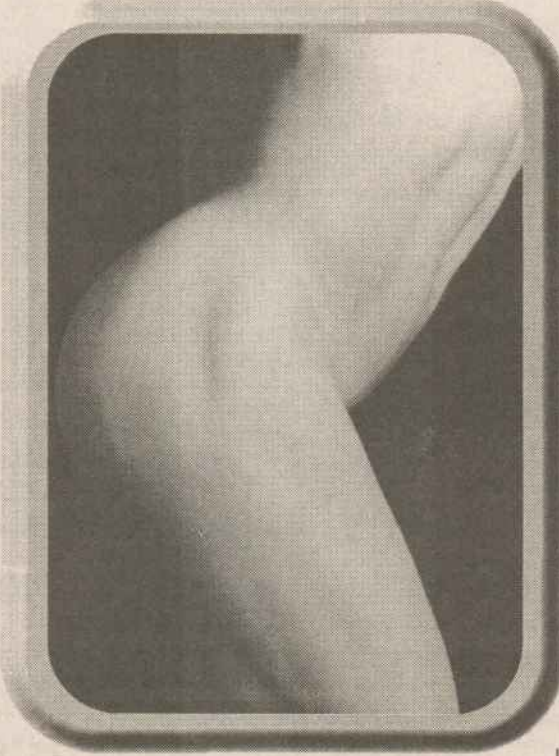
Horny, Gay, White male, 19, wants to meet guys, 18 to 24, for hot fun. I won't tell anybody. (Madison) ☎10079

PROVE MEN ARE

BETTER This very well endowed, Bi, White male, 6'2, 220lbs, with a hairy chest, needs to find another well hung guy, to prove to me that it's more fun with men. I'm totally new to this but am all jacked up for it. I can last for hours. (Madison) ☎8776

HAIRY, BLOND SOUP

Sexy, hairy, Blond bottom, 38, 190lbs, in southwestern Wisconsin, seeks other hot guys for fun times. ☎6299



DO THE RIGHT THING

I need a daddy to show me the ropes. This very submissive, White male, is attractive, smooth, and ready to do the right thing. (Madison) ☎8327

SILVER STREAK

Attention seniors. This attractive, well built, Gay, White male, in my 40's, seeks in shape, senior, Gay, White males, in their 60's, 70's, or early 80's. White hair and a hairy chest are big plusses. I'm willing to travel to Milwaukee. (Madison) ☎8322

YOU WEAR THE

PANTS This hot, Bi, White male, seeks men to dominate me. One at a time or groups. I'm especially interested in Transvestites and Transsexuals. (Madison) ☎7890

FEEL MY WARMTH

This well endowed stud likes to be on the bottom. I'm looking for a hot guy, 25 to 30, to share good times with. (Madison) ☎7613

EXPLORING,

EXPANDING This good looking, White male, 30, mostly dominant, seeks bottoms, for hot times. I'm also interested in an older man to serve and obey. (Madison) ☎6953

THE BOND THAT TIES

Good looking, 23 year old, White male, 6ft, 180lbs, seeks dominant, aggressive men who are into bondage. (Madison) ☎6419

PRAIRIE HOME

COMPANION I'm new to this area and want to meet guys to hang out with. I'm an attractive, White male, 26, with Blond hair and Blue eyes. I like men around my age with Brown hair. We can work out together, listen to music, go out dancing, and enjoy each other's company at home. (Marshfield) ☎10849

TIED UP TRYST

My partner and I are into group scenes and light bondage. We're both

good looking and fit. I'm 33, 5'6, 145lbs, with dark hair and Brown eyes. He's 6'6, 200lbs, with Reddish Brown hair and Brown eyes. (Milwaukee) ☎2788

FATHER, MAY I?

Seeking a father/son relationship. As your father, I'm nurturing, gentle, generous, respectful, affectionate, and open minded. As son, you're respectful, obedient, drug and alcohol free, full of love and patience, well mannered, clean shaven, smooth, thin, and 140 to 150lbs. You're able to think and act like a good boy. (Milwaukee) ☎11321

OIL IT UP

This well built, White male, 5'9, 167lbs, with a nice chest and arms, and great legs and butt, seeks muscled, gym studs, who like to oil up, pose, and show off their bodies. I'll worship every inch. (Milwaukee) ☎10632

NEED A GENTLE TOUCH

This attractive, shy, Bi curious, White male, 20, 5'9, 165lbs, seeks another White male, 18 to 30, to help me change the fact of my total inexperience. If you're honest and understanding, patient and gentle, you may be able to teach me all I need to know. If you're the man, I hope you'll call soon. (Milwaukee) ☎10543

KEEP AN OPEN MIND

This masculine, White male seeks interesting, open minded people to get together with. Let's talk. (Milwaukee) ☎6750

MASTER OF THE GAME

Master seeks slave. Slave should be 18 to 25, under 5'9, alcohol, drug, and disease free, and willing to submit to master at all times. He should be smooth or willing to be shaved, and accept all forms of discipline and training. Master is a strict, demanding, teacher who must be satisfied at all times, but who can be nurturing and generous. (Milwaukee) ☎10733

HALLEY'S COMET

This masculine, total top, White male, in my 40's, 5'7, 160lbs, with Blond hair, Blue Green eyes, and various interests, seeks a spirited, Black male, for a sensual journey, and maybe more. (Milwaukee) ☎10756

WHAT'S BREWING?

This good natured, White male, enjoys movies, tennis, walking, biking, and lots of other good times. I'd like to make some new connections. (Milwaukee) ☎10432

TASTE THE DIFFERENCE

This attractive, 35 year old, White male, has an interest in hanging out with educated, well traveled, older men, who have what they consider to be exotic tastes. (Milwaukee) ☎10447

BEAR IN CHARGE

I'm a firm, stern, but fair and loving bear, 35, of medium size. I'm strong with dark, Blond hair and Blue eyes. I need bare bottomed, clean shaven, boy toys, 18 to 25, who desire to play sex games and be dominated and punished by a stronger, older, wiser man, such as myself. Come on boy, let me show you what a man really is. (Milwaukee) ☎9837

KNOT'S LANDING

This good looking, 37 year old, White male, 5'8, 160lbs, wants to get into the bondage scene. I've been longing to be tied up but I don't have any experience. I hope you'll call if you can show me what it's all about. Use a tight knot. (Milwaukee) ☎9928

YOUR BODY OBSESSER

I'd like to meet a bodybuilder who likes having his body worshipped and serviced, by a smooth, in shape, good looking, White male, 5'9. I'm very versatile and can be submissive or dominant. (Milwaukee) ☎9635

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CAN'T GET ENOUGH I'm looking for some interesting and sexy people to meet. I like anything hot and intense. This 19 year old, White male, 5'10, 180lbs of muscle, has Blond hair and Green eyes. I can't wait to get it on. (Milwaukee) **#9332**

SECRET CIRCLE This Married, Bi, White male, 50, with a husky build, seeks other Bi, Gay, Married, or otherwise available men, for pleasurable, passionate fun. I'm seeking ongoing friendships with other clean, healthy guys. I can get away whenever I want and I need some companions. Age, race, and size aren't important. (Milwaukee) **#9450**

BACK TO THE BOYS Newly Divorced, White male, 5'11, 240lbs and losing weight, seeks guys to have fun with. I smoke, am a social drinker, and can't wait to catch up on what I've been missing. (Milwaukee) **#8973**

INEXPERIENCED SLAVE Slave to be, looking for an older master. I'm a 32 year old, White, professional, Bi male, eager but inexperienced. I want to be a good slave. Show me how. (Milwaukee) **#8966**

FOREVER YOUNG I'm a very young looking, 25 year old, White male, 5'11, 145lbs, with Brown hair, Brown eyes, and good looks. I wanna meet other guys, 18 to 27, for fun. (Milwaukee) **#8835**

THE LOOK OF LOVE I'm looking for a tall, masculine guy, over 6ft, either Black or White, who has varied interests. I'm a 46 year old, White male, who's kind, loving, and enjoys nice people and good sex. I'm the type who prefers a quiet night at home. I'm very oral and into kissing, hugging, and making love, not just having sex. (Milwaukee) **#8741**

MASTER ME This good looking, masculine, well endowed, White male, 31, 6'2, 185lbs, with Blond hair, seeks a master into serious bondage and discipline, light S&M, creative humiliation, and occasional crossdressing action. I'm also into nature, nudism, movies, and more. I'm sweet, sincere, honest, loyal, and can't wait to meet you. (Milwaukee) **#8395**

AT MY EXPENSE This good looking, fun loving, passive male, seeks a dominant, aggressive top, who likes to enjoy himself at the expense of another person. I'm into leather, bondage, and slavery. I'm all yours. (Milwaukee) **#8045**

OUTGOING HOMEBOY I'm looking for a sensitive someone who likes to explore sexually. I hope you're an outgoing person who's also a bit of a homebody and who enjoys entertaining friends. (Milwaukee) **#8391**

PARENTAL UNIT WANTED I'm an attractive, clean shaven, submissive, 24 year old, White male, 6'3, 190lbs, with Blond hair and Green eyes. I love older men. I need a father figure who can help me when I've been bad and show me what to do. I'll bet you know all the right ways to punish me. (Milwaukee) **#8423**

I'M CUMIN TO TOWN Good looking, versatile, Black male, 26, 6'3, 210lbs, seeks other masculine, versatile guys, 25 to 45, over 6ft, for good times. I live in Chicago but visit Milwaukee frequently. (Milwaukee) **#8511**

THE RIGHT PLACE This professional, Gay, White male, 5'8, 150lbs, likes movies, weightlifting, running, shopping, quiet dinners and sex. I'd like to meet a top, with a good job and a nice body. All ethnic groups encouraged to apply. (Milwaukee) **#6142**



HANKY BROWNIE I'm looking for hot, White males, who know what a brown hanky means. I'm good looking, sexy, 6'5, 190lbs, and am an expert in this unique scene, as a top or bottom. (Milwaukee) **#7412**

MAN OF COLOR ONLY Very masculine, 20 year old, Bi, Black male, seeks other Hispanic, Asian, and African American males for fun, dating, and a possible relationship. (Milwaukee) **#7738**

LET THE MUSIC PLAY Attractive, White, band musician, 25, 5'8, 135lbs, seeks a guy for friendship or more. I'm in pretty good shape because I'm a runner and I work out. I'm young looking and am attracted to similar guys, 18 to 30, who are smooth and fit. If you like to go out to dinner, see movies, or kick back and talk, we'll get along just fine. (Milwaukee) **#7979**

HANDY HUNK This very attractive, certified massage therapist, is interested in giving hot oil, full body massages, to accomodating, professional, clean, discreet, masculine, intelligent guys. I'm a very mature, 24 year old, Black male, 5'9, 190lbs, with short, curly, Black hair, Brown eyes, and medium Brown skin. Feel my hands. (Milwaukee) **#7031**

LAKESIDE MASTER This good looking, 42 year old master, 185lbs, wants to meet a slave into bondage and discipline. If you long to serve a master, I'm the man to call. (Milwaukee) **#7044**

30 LOVE This fun loving, 29 year old, Asian male, 5'4, 120lbs, seeks friends and especially, a tennis partner. I love tennis but don't have anyone to play with. Let's start on the court and see what develops. (Milwaukee) **#6797**

WIFE HASN'T A CLUE Discreet, Bi, Married, White male, 36, 5'6, 155lbs, seeks other Bi, or Married, (or both) men to hook up with. (Milwaukee) **#5846**

RIDE OF YOUR LIFE What more could you possibly need than this good looking, extremely horny, bottom. Bend me over. I'll take you for a ride. (Milwaukee) **#6098**

YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE I'll try anything once. This Bi, White male, totally inexperienced, wants to try it, out of curiosity. I need a discreet, gentle, friendly man. (Milwaukee) **#6127**

TAKE MY PIX Photographer wanted to take creative, magazine quality, photographs, of this good looking, in shape, 40 year old, White male. I'll also consider shoots including other hot, young, guys. (Milwaukee) **#6141**

HEAD OF THE CLASS Hot, private, sexual encounters. This studly, White male, 6'2, 210lbs, can't wait to meet a similar, non-smoking, White male, for a totally discreet encounter. I'm new at this game so teach me the basics. I'll advance to the top of my class in no time. (Milwaukee) **#6201**

CHECKERED FLAG I'm a 27 year old, Bi, White male, into sports, watching Nascar races, working out, and running. I'd like to meet some friends, 18 to 30, with similar interests. (Wausau) **#7264**

ANY HAIR THERE? Youthful, handsome, White male, 39, 6ft, with Brown hair, Blue eyes, and a husky build, seeks guys for good times. I'm masculine and have regular guy interests, like watching football and more. I'd like to meet men between 21 and 45. I'm especially attracted to hairy guys with facial hair. (Peshtigo) **#7675**

ROOKIE WRANGLER This good looking, 20 year old, cowboy, in central Wisconsin, seeks another man, 18 to 25, who's just starting out. **#10728**

24 OR YOUNGER This handsome, masculine, 36 year old, can be your mentor and companion. I'm 6'2, 200lbs, with a construction worker's build. I'm active, versatile, and have many interests, including model trains, rock and roll, woodworking, 4x4s, camping, and traveling out west. I'm attracted to masculine, adventurous, boy next door types. **#9659**

SUPERIOR STUD Good looking, fit, masculine, White male, 27, 5'7, 170lbs, with Black hair and Brown eyes, is into the outdoors, working out, camping, hiking, hunting, snow mobiling, 4-wheeling, concerts, movies, and road trips. I'm easy going and am sometimes a bit shy. I'd like to meet guys with similar characteristics for fun times. Please be in the Phillips, Ironwood, Superior, Minocqua area. **#9481**

ACTIVE PASSION This masculine, White male, with a mustache, Brown hair, Blue Green eyes, and a swimmer's build, seeks an aggressive, yet passionate, Black male, who's active but can also kick back and relax. Let's have some one to one fun. **#6752**

LINCOLN LOG I'm a lumberjack from Northern Wisconsin. I'm looking for cute, young, slim guys, blonds preferred. I'm 6ft tall, weigh 200lbs, and have dark hair and a trim beard. Head north and visit me. **#5531**

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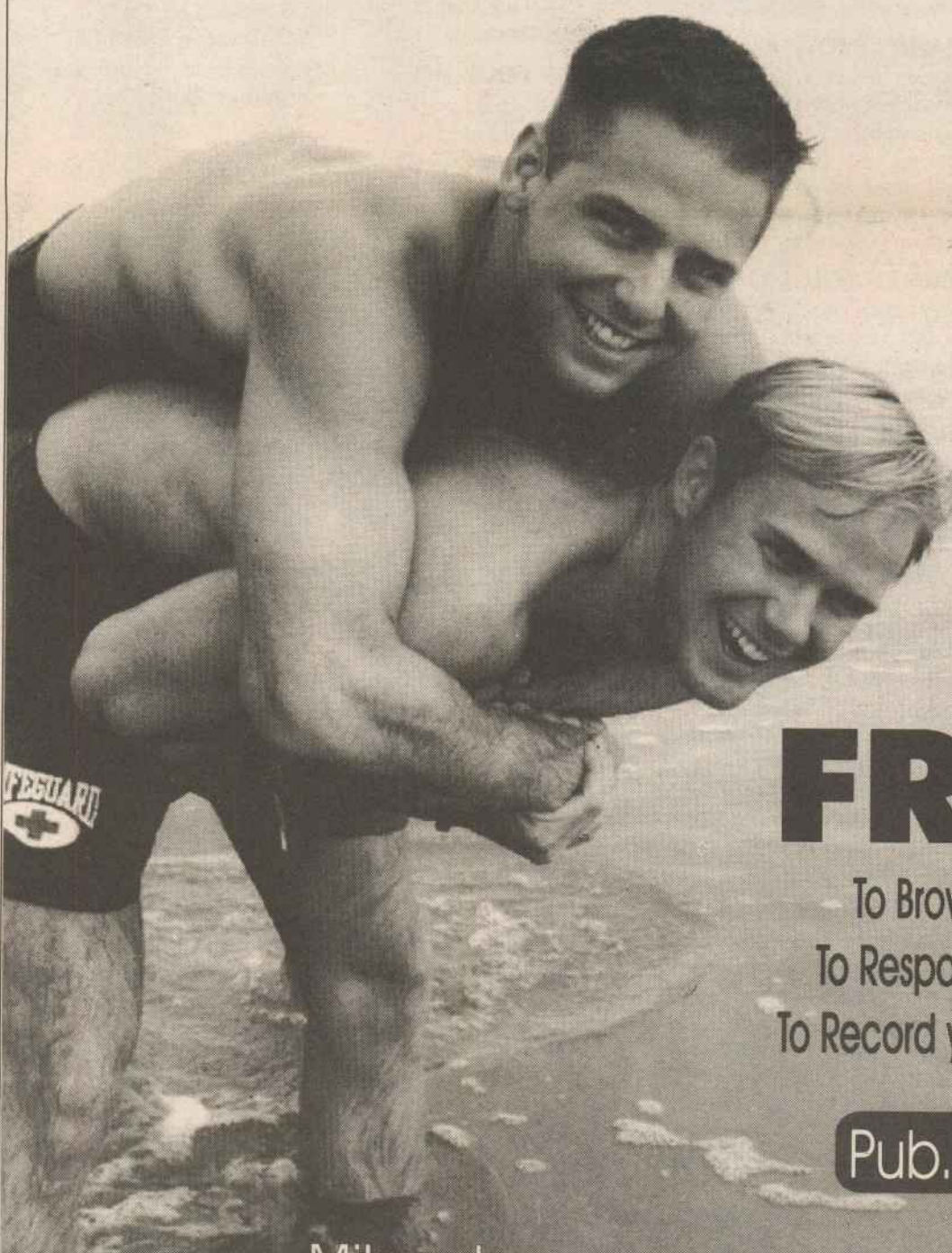
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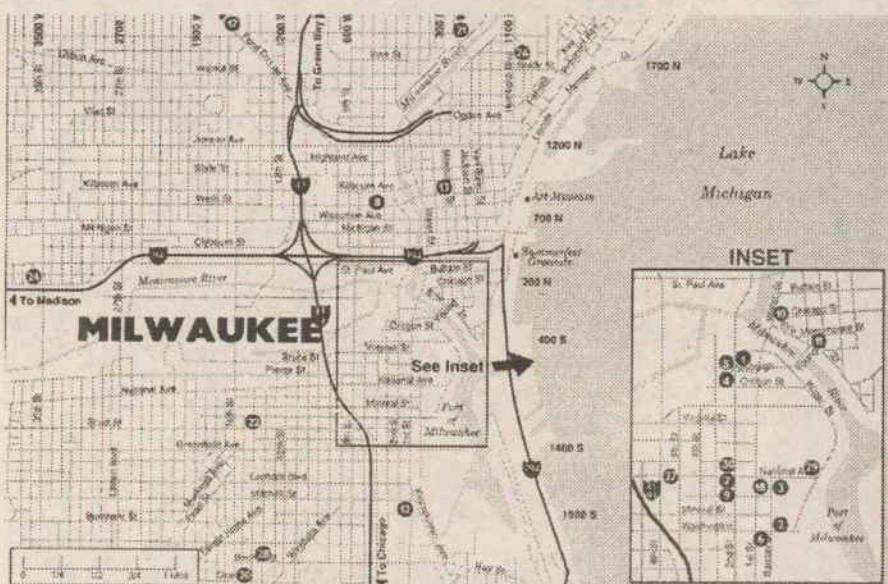
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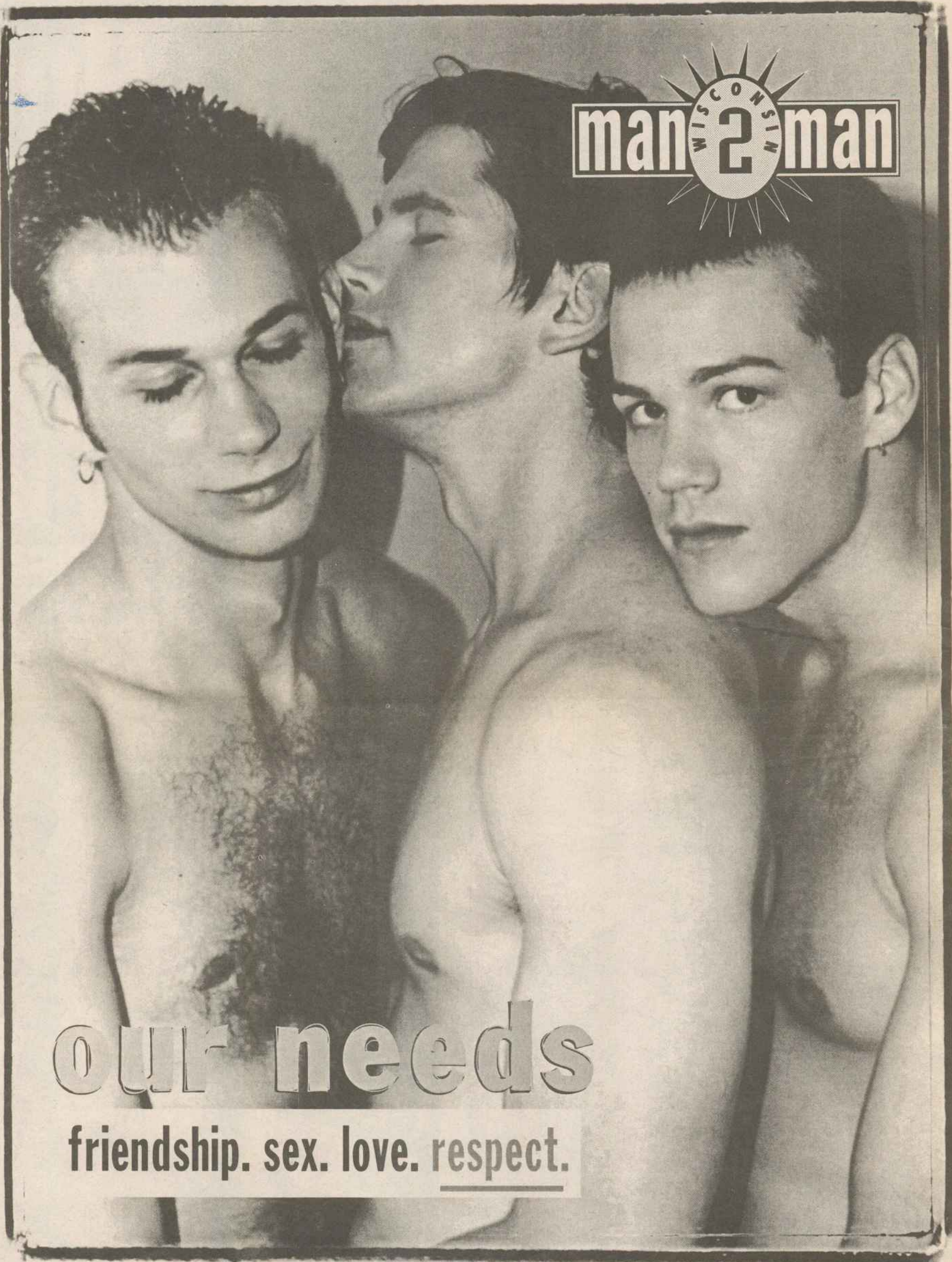
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