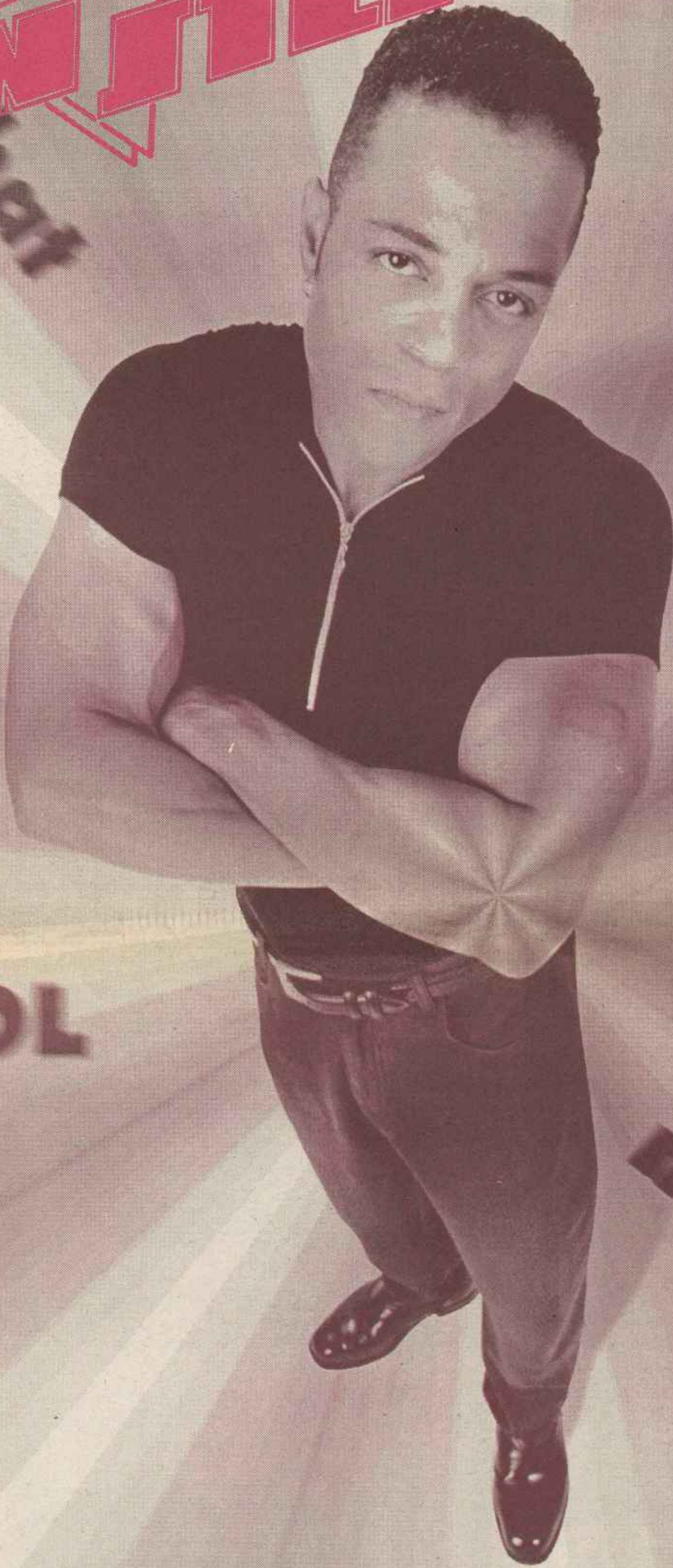


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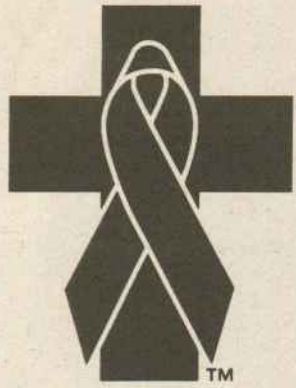
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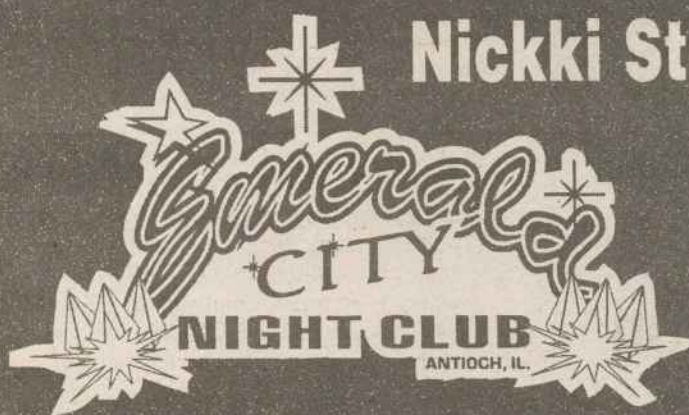
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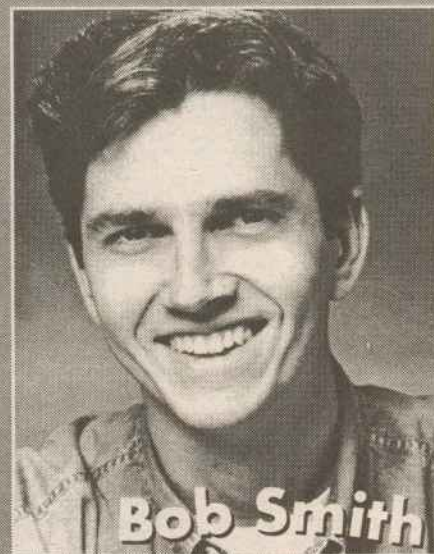
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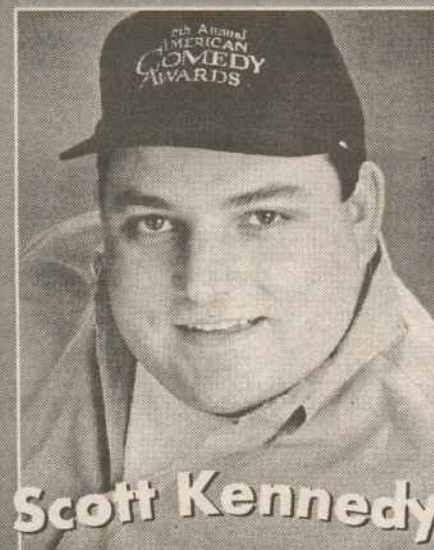
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The newly elected board for the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center (L to R) Elizabeth Brown, Steve Markowitz, Denise Cawley, Julie Ellsworth, Joshua Feyen, Sheila Zelenski and John Wirth. Missing from the photo, Debra Weill. Photo by James Taylor.

Milwaukee LGBT Community Center Holds First Annual Meeting and Election

Milwaukee — On January 24, the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center held its first Annual Membership Meeting, a historic occasion for this two-year old organization. Larry Stocks, Interim Board Co-President, presided over the meeting attended by 75 people. Committees reported on 1997 activities, and what was ahead for 1998. The membership then approved the 1998 budget, voted to oppose a proposed change to the by-laws, and elected eight people to the Board of Directors.

Committee chairs gave reports for the Programming, Youth, Facilities, Fund Development, Membership, Finance and PR/Communications. Programming co-chair Laurie Guilbault described six events and read a list of 23 organizations that collaborated with the Center in 1997. The Facilities Committee reported that they have expanded their site search and are considering two new locations for the Center.

The Fund Development committee reported that the Center has over \$60,000 in contributions and pledges

from donors and foundations. The Membership Services committee reported that there are more than 230 paid members of the Center, and that the goal for 1998 is to increase that to 500.

The Finance committee presented the Center's financial statements. In 1997, the Center had actual income of \$33,541.42, pledges of \$25,845, and expenses of \$11,302.41, leaving a fund balance of \$48,084.01. Interim Board Treasurer, Steve Markowitz, explained that the goal is to have reserves worth six months of expenses at all times. This will insure that the Center can cover its expenses, which will increase dramatically once a building is occupied. Finally, the PR/Communications committee reported that the Center received mention in over 75 articles from more than 15 publications, including two national magazines.

The meeting continued with a look at 1998. The PR/Communications committee debuted the Center's World Wide Web site, found at <http://www.milwaukeeel->

gibtcenter.com. This site, made possible by the work of eight volunteers and a generous financial donation, will be a resource for visitors, newcomers and native Milwaukeeans.

The membership then approved a proposed 1998 budget. This budget assumes building occupancy in midyear 1998, and has an aggressive revenue generating plan. Following this, a discussion took place regarding a proposed change to the by-laws. People spoke both in favor and against the change. The proposal did not receive the necessary 2/3 majority to receive approval. However, it was agreed by many that several areas of the by-laws merit reexamination now that they have been tested since their inception in April, 1997. It is likely that a by-laws committee will be convened in 1998.

During the fall of 1997, an independent nominations committee canvassed the Milwaukee LGBT community and received 23 nominations to the board. Eight nominees were selected based on their skill sets and the criteria set forth in the by-laws. During the meeting, two people were nominated from the floor, and were added to the ballot. The membership then elected eight people to the permanent Board of Directors. This member-elected board replaced the Interim Board of Directors, which had led the organization thus far.

The following eight candidates were elected; Elizabeth Brown, Denise Cawley, Julie Ellsworth, Joshua Feyen, Steve Markowitz, Debra Weill, John Wirth and Sheila Zelenski. A reception followed the Annual Meeting, where members were able to meet the new Directors. The first task of the eight Directors will be to appoint seven more Directors to complete the 15-member board.

The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center is a community-based organization represented by more than 100 volunteers and over 230 members. The mission of the Center is to improve the quality of life for LGBT people in the Metro Milwaukee area. This mission is supported by the vision of providing a home for the community, advocating for programs and services that meet the needs of our communities, educating the public and our groups, and cultivating diversity and inclusion in every aspect of the Center. For more information, visit the Center's web site at milwaukeeelgibtcenter.com or call the Center's Hot line at (414) 483-4710.

Voter Turnout Top Concern for Maine Rights Vote

Bangor, ME (AP) — A few signs, bright against the ice and snowdrifts, announce the Feb. 10 election. A few bumper stickers, just printed and stuck onto cars, promote the gay rights referendum. But with only a few months for the whole campaign — much of the time during the holidays and the ice storm — advocates for both sides are worried that only a few people in Maine will remember to go to the polls.

Neither side is putting much effort into persuasion — they just hope people will know there's an election that day.

A poll released last week indicates that 62 percent of registered voters would vote no on whether to repeal the gay rights law passed last spring; 29 percent said they would vote yes; and 9 percent were undecided. Those figures are nearly the same as a Strategic Marketing Services poll from last fall, but are not especially informative for predicting the results of the Feb. 10 election, according to professors and advocates for both sides.

"Those results at this point mean absolutely nothing," said Christian Potholm, a government professor at Bowdoin College. "This election will be entirely (voter) turnout-driven." Because the poll does not ask whether people are definitely planning to vote Feb. 10, he said, "29 could easily be 52, 62 could be 48 percent."

The Strategic Marketing Services omnibus poll surveyed 450 people statewide between Jan. 16 and 20, and it has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.6 percent. People were asked, "If today were election day, how would you vote?"

With such a confusing question — "Do you want to reject the law passed by the Legislature and signed by the governor which bans discrimination based on sexual orientation based on employment, housing, credit and public accommodations?" —

Douglas Hodgkin, a professor of political science at Bates College, said that many voters won't even be sure what yes and no mean.

"Especially if there has not been an intense campaign which would inform the voters — and there hasn't been so far — there will be a lot of confusion."

But the campaign may well intensify in the final two weeks. Maine Won't Discriminate, the coalition that supports the law, has filmed television ads with Gov. Angus King.

Michael Heath, executive director of the Christian Civic League of Maine, said his group may advertise next week but he doesn't know yet whether those ads will be on TV, radio or in newspapers. The Christian Civic League and the Christian Coalition have recently gotten more money from national and local sources, he said.

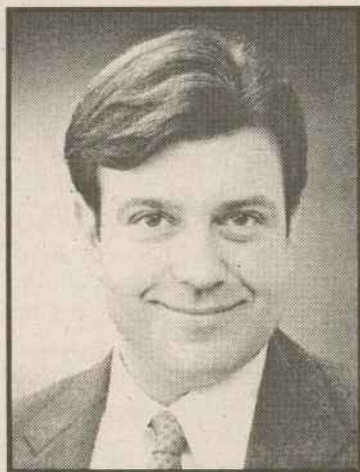
By mid-January, Maine Won't Discriminate had raised far more than Vote Yes for Equal Rights. Both sides have been concentrating on getting out word of the vote rather than trying to persuade undecided voters. Joe Cooper, a spokesman for Maine Won't Discriminate, said, "I think Maine as a community thinks discrimination is wrong, they haven't wavered on any of their views. There's consistently about 65 percent of the community saying discrimination is wrong, then there's the special group saying, 'We want the special right to discriminate.' If people don't come out and vote, those special interests will be able to decide who gets discriminated against in the state."

Paul Volle, executive director of the Christian Coalition of Maine, said, "It's such a very short time that we're just trying to raise awareness that there's an election going on." He said that one out of four voters the group has contacted by phone doesn't even know that there's an election coming up.

Potholm said low turnout would probably translate into an advantage for opponents of gay rights. "If you're the side that wants to keep gay rights you have to give a sense of urgency ... But the ice storm put everybody back — it felt like the Middle Ages, hauling water, hauling wood. I think the ice storm was sent by a god from the Old Testament, not a god from the New Testament."

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Gay & Lesbian Financial Services on the Internet

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

New York — As Internet users know, they can find just about anything on the global computer network's giant World Wide Web, from gay basketball teams to lesbians at the University of Michigan. But one area where you'd likely draw a blank until very recently was, to paraphrase a well-worn slogan: "Finance. Finance. Finance."

In the past few months, however, that's been changing quickly as two new financial firms have announced plans to operate financial institutions via the

A recent Simmons Market Research Bureau survey suggests there may be as many as 4.8 million gays and lesbians who fairly regularly use the Internet, and follow-up studies have found that among these plugged-in 'net users, a larger proportion have stock portfolios, home mortgages and other complex financial needs.

Other market studies have suggested as many as 3.2 million gays and lesbians own stocks or bonds, and that nearly a quarter million actively trade securities. Another estimate indicated some 88,000 gays and lesbians in the U.S. already use

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Internet aimed mainly at plugged-in gays and lesbians.

The most ambitious of the two is the Gay Financial Network (GFN), which already has its Web site online (<http://www.gfn.com>) to introduce prospective customers to the new company and the "virtual gay and lesbian financial community" it hopes to build through it.

The brainchild of GFN is Walter Schubert, the first openly gay member of the New York Stock Exchange and the chief executive officer of SGI Ltd, the parent company of GFN. The firm's literature says GFN plans to offer gays and lesbians on the Internet an online investment center, financial planning services, stock portfolio management, insurance services, and a referral service to local banking and real estate services that customers can use more comfortably for banking and mortgage needs.

The second firm poised to enter the virtual world of Internet finance is the Pensacola, Fla.-based G&L Bank (<http://www.g-lbank.com>), headed up by Steven Dunlap.

Plans for G&L Bank (whose initials not too surprisingly stand for "gay and lesbian") are currently being reviewed by the U.S. Treasury Department and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is expected to decide on its application later this year. According to Dunlap, G&L hopes to start actually setting up its first accounts by mid-year and expects to offer pretty much the kinds of services one would expect from any bank: checking and savings, business and personal loans, credit cards, ATM cards, and bill-paying by electronic funds transfer.

If G&L makes a go of it as a virtual bank, Dunlap says the firm may eventually open real bank offices in a few select locations, such as New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Atlanta and other gay-positive cities.

One reason for this recent interest in developing financial services for gays and lesbians on the Internet is simply the potentially enormous — and largely neglected — market.

Internet online banking services.

With some studies estimating that as many as one-third of the Internet's gay and lesbians users earn more than \$50,000 annually, it doesn't take a financial wizard to see what a potentially lucrative market these Internet users comprise.

So why hasn't anyone tried to tap into this desirable market before now? Well, it was tried back in 1981 when the world's first gay and lesbians bank, Atlas Savings and Loan, opened in San Francisco. Enormously successful at first, the bank at one time had three branches. But it finally shut down after six years with more than a million dollars of debt because of a series of poor loan acquisition decisions by Atlas officials.

Now, more than a decade later, financial mavens like

GFN's Schubert say the high-tech revolution of the Internet has made it possible to offer financial services to gays and lesbians that he says many existing companies "are not prepared to deal with" because of prejudice.

"If you talk to most gays and lesbians in committed relationships, you learn they find the experience of going to a bank or other financial institution like coming out again," Schubert says.

But Schubert and other money managers also voice a caveat to gays and lesbians who may be looking to the Internet for resources to help with their banking and other financial needs.

"Trust is something that's not gained immediately," Schubert says and cautions that, like smart shoppers in the real world, "consumers need to do their homework" before committing funds or handing over management of their finances to anyone.



How HIV Mutates May Be Key in Fighting Virus

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

St. Louis, MO — New insights into how HIV evolves within each patient helps explain why some individuals are apparently able to keep the life-threatening virus at bay for years while others are quickly overwhelmed, according to a leading evolutionary geneticist.

Professor Alan Templeton of Washington University in St. Louis says the recent findings also spark again hopes that a "hit hard, hit early" drug treatment program can be improved in spite of less than impressive clinical trial results recently.

According to Templeton, laboratory experiments and an unpublished 10-year study of 15 AIDS patients shows a "direct relationship" between the progression of AIDS and genetic variations of the virus. The greater the diversity in the gene coding for the outer "coat" that protects the virus from attack by the body's defense system or medicines, the sicker the patient becomes, Templeton and colleagues say.

Previously, AIDS researchers had largely blamed high levels of the virus for break down the body's disease-fighting immune system and leading finally to AIDS-related symptoms and diseases.

Dr. Stephen Kent, a virologist and infectious disease physicians at the MacFarlane Burnet Center for Medical Research in Australia, said Templeton's

"It may not lead to a cure ... but if you keep slowing it down enough, you can get pretty close to a cure."

conclusions dovetail perfectly with unpublished research about the long-term health of patients undergoing triple therapy of drugs combining three classes of anti-AIDS medicines.

He said it would also help explain why HIV targets certain kinds of cells early on, then spreads to other cells like those it invades in the brain.

Templeton says that when a person is initially infected with HIV, the virus is genetically very homogeneous, and consists of just one or two viral strains which infect primarily one type of body cell — an immune system cell known as an unactivated T-cell.

Before the virus can spread through the body, Templeton says, HIV must evolve to change the outer "coat" which enables it to infect, replicate and complete its life-cycle in many types of cells. "It requires genetic variation to reach its deadly poten-

tial," he said.

Templeton says that in some cases, HIV even evolves an ability to break down the membranes between adjoining body cells, enabling it to spread from cell to cell without risking exposure to the body's disease-fighting immune system cells.

"This is a particularly terrible form of HIV which almost always proves fatal," said Templeton, who conducted his research with Professor Richard Markham of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

A key implication of all these recent findings, says Templeton, is that individuals infected with HIV must be treated throughout their lives with medications geared to keeping viral loads down and HIV's genetic diversity to a minimum.

"It may not lead to a cure," he said, "but if you keep slowing it down enough, you can get pretty close to a cure."

ARCW's Needle Exchange Given High Ranking

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) was awarded a \$25,000 grant provided by the George Williams Fund of the Tides Foundation, San Francisco, Calif., for operation of its 1998 needle exchange program in Milwaukee and Racine.

ARCW ranked second out of more than 60 grant applicants nationwide for its successful needle exchange program LIFEPOINT by a committee of national needle exchange experts. ARCW's needle exchange program ranked second best in the country because of its harm reduction philosophy and its comprehensive, nonjudgmental approach to working with injection drug users, their spouses and/or sex partners, a group increasingly at high risk for contracting HIV disease.

"We are proud that in Milwaukee we operate one of the finest needle exchange programs in the country," said Doug Nelson, ARCW executive director. "This grant not only recognizes ARCW's proven track record in this area, but it enables us to reach more people at risk for HIV and save more lives."

"The Tides Foundation grant along with the recent selection of ARCW to receive a \$103,000 needle exchange grant from the Wisconsin AIDS Fund will help ARCW expand programming and staff," said Nelson.

In 1997, through five prevention outreach workers, ARCW exchanged over 300,000 clean needles in Milwaukee and Racine. ARCW also referred 191 drug users into its AODA treatment program through its needle exchange program.

Nelson added ARCW will continue advocating for financial support from local, state and federal governments which have historically prohibited use of government funding for the successful needle exchange program.

NEWS WIRE

Brits Complain to Cayman Island Government Over Cruise Ship Flap

WASHINGTON — The gay lobbying organization, Human Rights Campaign, says it is "encouraged" by a letter it's received from the British Embassy in Washington about the refusal of the Cayman Island to allow a Caribbean cruise ship with gay passengers to dock at the popular tourist stop.

Elizabeth Birth, head of HRC, said in a press statement, "We are encouraged by the statement we have received from the British Embassy and hope that the government of the Cayman Islands will immediately discard its anti-gay tourism policy."

In a letter from its chancery office, British Embassy officials said, it was "surprised that a minister of the Cayman government should have responded to the cruise operator in the terms to which you refer" and added that the "British government's concerns about this decision were expressed by the governor to the Caymans Executive Council on 7 January."

The Embassy letter said the Cayman government had agreed "to review its policy on cruise ship berthing facilities."

The Norwegian Cruise Line ship MS Leeward had been scheduled to stop over at the Cayman Islands on Feb. 1 from Miami with mainly gay passengers when the Caribbean nation's tourism minister refused to give the ship berthing rights. The minister had said in rejecting the ship that the government "cannot count on this group [gays] to uphold the standards of appropriate behavior expected of visitors to the Cayman Islands."

The cruise ship has altered its Caribbean schedule to skip the Caymans this trip.

Canadian Province Weighing Transgender Anti-Bias Protections

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — British Columbia's human rights commission has recommended that the provincial government expand anti-bias codes to include discrimination protections covering the poor, senior citizens and transsexuals.

If the government in fact adopts the transsexual anti-bias recommendations, the province would be the first in Canada to outlaw discrimination based on gender identity.

The commission's recommendations would include anti-bias protections for anyone who acts or dresses differently from social expectations or gender norms, and is intended to include transvestites and transsexuals.

Australian Prison Starts Condom Distribution Trial

PERTH, Australia — The Wooroloo Prison Farm in Western Australia state is starting a 3-month test program that will allow inmates at the facility to buy condoms in the prison.

Prison officials said they were not condoning sex in the prison system but added, "We're not naive, we know it happens and we're trying to make sure there's some sort of way to stop the spread of sexually transmitted diseases like hepatitis and AIDS."

Depending on how the trial program at Wooroloo goes, officials said similar programs may be started in other prisons.

Church Raises \$6.2 Million; Aims at \$19 Million More

DALLAS — After announcing at its Sunday services that the Cathedral of Hope, believed to be the largest gay and lesbian church in the world, had raised \$6.2 million to build a new church for the 3,500-member congregation, church leaders said they are now embarking on an effort to raise an additional \$19 million nationally for further building.

Cathedral of Hope officials said they had already passed their \$5 million local fundraising goal when they received an anonymous give of an additional \$1 million toward the church's goal.

The additional \$19 million national fundraising campaign would help pay for a grand design by noted architect Philip Johnson that includes a sanctuary described as "resembling a soaring iceberg 11 stories tall and two football fields long."

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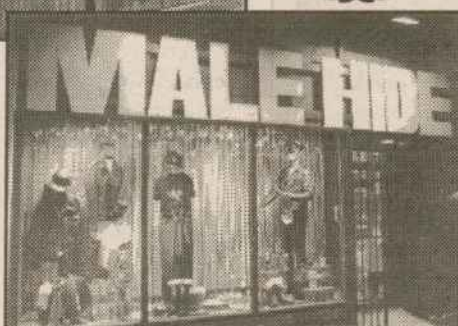
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Methodist Pastor Facing Church Trial for Same-Sex Ceremony

by Keith Clark
 of the In Step Staff

Omaha — Following a 60-day suspension by Nebraska Bishop Joel Martinez of the United Methodist Church, the Rev. Jimmy Creech now faces a church trial for violating church rules because of a covenant ceremony he performed last year for a lesbian couple.

The Committee on Investigation voted to send Creech's case to the church's Nebraska Conference for "disobeying the order and discipline of the church" for conducting the Sept. 14, 1997, ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Omaha, where he is the pastor at the city's largest Methodist congregation.

A church trial will probably not take place until later this year, and a bishop from another Methodist conference, as the church's regional divisions are known, will serve as presiding officer for the ecclesiastical trial. A panel of clergy from the Nebraska conference will serve as jury in the case.

Creech moved to Omaha two years ago from North Carolina, and has been a pastor in the United Methodist Church for 27 years. He says he has performed a dozen same-sex covenant ceremonies, similar to a marriage ceremony for gays and lesbians who cannot legally marry anywhere in the United States.

Creech said he was "disappointed" in the decision of the committee, but that he wasn't surprised by it.

The suspension remains in effect while the trial is pending, as a result Creech will not be allowed to participate in church ceremonies or perform duties of any kinds for "ecclesiastical disobedience."

Despite the possibility of being defrocked, Creech says it's wrong to "withhold God's grace from two people" like the gay and lesbian couples who have asked him to perform their commitment ceremonies.

"I feel honored that these couples came to me and allowed me to perform this ceremony," he says. "I am a Christian by what I do and say. My thoughts and actions come from the heart."

Arkansas Activists Challenge to State Sodomy Ban

Little Rock — Representatives from several Arkansas organizations will join Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund in Little Rock, Arkansas, have announced a lawsuit on behalf of seven courageous Arkansas lesbians and gay men against that state's sodomy ban.

"The government should not be in the business of policing the private behavior of consenting adults," said Lambda Staff

Attorney Suzanne B. Goldberg. "This law creates a second-class status for lesbians and gay men, criminalizing intimate, sexual behavior that is perfectly legal for non-gay people. The Arkansas sodomy statute is used to cause terrible harm to gay people, depriving gay parents of custody of their children and putting people at risk of losing their professional licenses, their jobs, and their homes, simply for engaging in sexual intimacy with a loved one," she said.

The state statute makes certain sexual behaviors, including oral sex, between two adults of the same sex a misdemeanor, punishable by a penalty of up to one year in jail and a fine of up to \$1000.

Lambda will file the suit, seeking that the statute be declared unconstitutional, in the Chancery Court of Pulaski County, in Little Rock. The plaintiffs argue that the statute violates their rights to equal treatment and privacy.

Arkansas is one of six states that single out and criminalize the consensual sexual relations of only lesbian and gay couples. Lambda recently helped overturn similar same-sex bans in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Montana, and continues to fight to enforce the equal protection and privacy rights of lesbians and gay men nationwide. The United States Supreme Court's 1996 decision in *Romer v. Evans* provides a new and powerful federal tool for attacking these discriminatory criminal laws.

Chicago DomPar Benefits Get Low Enrollment

Chicago — The *Chicago Tribune* reports that, even though it was perhaps the most contentious political fight in the city in 1997, Chicago's domestic partner benefits law has had only 23 out of its total city workforce of 40,000 enroll for the program some 10 months after the city council approved it. The newspaper cited some indication that one reason for the low enrollment figures may be U.S. income taxes.

Because federal IRS regulations do not recognize same-sex couples, the value of the insurance package is considered taxable income. Depending on income levels and other factors, the paper says, a gay or lesbian couple enrolled in such benefits programs can end up suffering a large tax burden that outweighs the benefits.

When the benefits program was being considered, city officials estimated that about 300 workers would apply for the insurance coverage at a cost of about \$800,000 per year. Instead, with only 23 actually enrolled, the program is costing the city only about \$60,000 annually.

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London (AP) — The legend holds that during World War II, Bunny Roger's sergeant told him the Germans were advancing. What should be done?

A conspicuously rouged Roger didn't hesitate. "When in doubt," he advised, "powder heavily."

It is not an unlikely riposte from a man who bragged about advancing through enemy lines with a chiffon scarf wrapped rakishly around his neck, brandishing his Rifle Brigade-issue weapon — and a copy of *Vogue* magazine.

This week, in a sale almost as extraordinary as Neil Monroe Roger himself, entire galleries at Sotheby's have been transformed into lavish recreations of the London and Scottish homes of the late designer and his bachelor brothers, Alan and Sandy.

The three-day auction, which begins Wednesday and features ornate furnishings, objets, contemporary art and Roger's rather remarkable wardrobe, is expected to bring in upwards of \$2.5 million.

Bunny Roger — the name came from a nursemaid who said he looked like "a dear little rabbit" — was one of the last of the great English dandies.

He was a couturier who dressed actress Vivien Leigh and minor members of royalty, a keen art collector, a world-class wit, a stalwart friend who showed bravery in battle, and a man serious in the pursuit of ancient, medieval and ecclesiastical history.

He was also, as the *Daily Telegraph* noted last year upon his death at age 86, his own greatest creation.

This, after all, was a man who appeared through flame and smoke at his 80th birthday party in a skintight, sequined "Ball of Fire" costume, complete with an organza cloak and a headdress spiked with soaring bird-of-paradise feathers.

As he once responded when asked if he minded people staring at him, "I'm very cross if they don't."

Roger was the son of a self-made telecommunications tycoon who indulged his son's sole request upon qualifying for a school sports team. "A doll's house, please, father," young Bunny said.

His flagrant homosexuality got him tossed out of Oxford for "corrupting" practices in the 1920s, but Roger's money, his self-assurance and his sheer flamboyance seemed to serve as protection throughout the rest of his life.

Not to mention his one-liners, rated in the neighborhood of Oscar Wilde's rapier responses. When a cab driver derisively yelled after him,

"Watch out, you've dropped your diamond necklace, love," Roger shot back, "Diamonds with tweed? Never!"

Later in life, he remarked that he'd had his face lifted so many times he had to shave behind his ears.

And although he eschewed cigarettes as a rule, he made a point of plowing through an entire pack every Non-Smoker's Day.

Many of the 1,600 lots in the Sotheby's auction come from Roger's exquisitely cut wardrobe, much of it in his favored pale shades of cerulean blue, lilac and shell pink.

His Edwardian-cut jackets were sharply tapered at the midsection, the better to show off his 29-inch waist — an hourglass dimension which, he was wont to note, he shared with Princess Diana.

His 6-foot frame was usually topped off with a curlicue-brimmed bowler hat.

Also included in the sale are the tartan kilts kept specially for guests at the Rogers' 33,000-acre, 18th-century Dundonnell estate in Scotland and, most notably, a set of Gothic chairs that once were in Windsor Castle and are expected to fetch up to \$116,000 alone.

Both of Roger's brothers also have died, so proceeds will go to a family trust, which will decide on benefactors later.

"Without doubt, prices will go higher than estimates," Simon Blow wrote in the *Sunday Telegraph*, "for there will be many nostalgia-seekers. But, one might ask, nostalgia for what?"

"Nostalgia, of course, for the passing of a remarkable pansy in a time when gay openness has made the likes of Bunny Roger a phenomenon of the past."

'Ellen's' Future Uncertain

Los Angeles — Beginning March 11, "Ellen" will go on hiatus for six weeks, ABC announced last week. "Two



Guys, a Girl and a Pizza Place," a new "Friends"-like series set in Boston will premiere in the "Ellen" time slot Wednesdays at 8:30. "Ellen" will return April 22.

Although the network "couldn't be more thrilled" with the program creatively, ABC has yet to decide whether to renew the controversial sitcom "Ellen" for next season.

Sources say "Ellen's" namesake, Ellen DeGeneres, has pressed the network for early notification so she can make plans regarding either ending the series or charting its course through another season. But

ABC Entertainment President Jamie Tarses said the network will wait and monitor the program's ratings performance before making a decision. The networks announce their schedules for next fall in May.

"Ellen" has won critical praise since its star came out as a lesbian both on the show and in real life, but the ratings remain marginal, losing more than 20% of the audience that views the lead-in "The Drew Carey Show" during an average week.

ABC has yet to air a "Nothing Sacred" episode featuring a gay priest dying of AIDS, with Tarses saying that particular show "hit some real hot buttons" but that it's "likely it will turn up at some point." Some Catholic groups have already objected to the series about a faith-questioning priest, though the show has won support in other corners.

Student Group Sues District for Recognition

Denver — HHART (the Homosexual-Heterosexual Alliance Reaching for Tolerance), a gay-straight student social and political group at the Smoky Hill High School in suburban Auro-

ra, Colo., has filed a federal lawsuit against the Cherry Creek Public Schools, charging that the school district is violating students' civil rights by refusing to recognize the group.

Smoky Hill officials had suggested that rather than forming as a student social and political group that HHART instead set itself up as a "support" organization under the direction of a mental health professional to involve members' parents and to promote sexual abstinence. School officials also refused to let HHART members put up anti-bias posters at Smoky Hill.

It is believed to be the first time a gay-straight student group in the U.S. has filed a federal civil rights discrimination suit. Six of the student members, five of their parents and the group's faculty sponsor joined in filing the lawsuit.

The suit charges that school officials denied the group privileges routinely granted to other school clubs, including the right to announce its meetings over the school public address system, posting club information at the school, and announcing meetings and events in the school's yearbook, handbook and other publications.

Smoky Hill officials also refused to pay the group's faculty sponsor the extra stipends it pays other faculty advisers.

Ex-President Banana May Ask Zimbabwe High Court to Block Prosecution

HARARE, Zimbabwe — According to news reports, Canaan Banana, Zimbabwe's first president, may ask for a permanent court order to block prosecution on 11 charges of sodomy and indecent sexual assault that he's currently on trial for.

Newspapers in the capital city report that Banana's attorneys will ask the country's supreme court to drop the charges against him and permanently block further prosecution of the former president, arguing that pretrial publicity has made it impossible for him to get a fair trial in the country.

Banana has been charged with the various sexually related crimes by former male aides, staff members, household employees and military bodyguards who worked at the presidential palace during the seven years he served as Zimbabwe's largely ceremonial office of president.

New Mexico Set to Get Needle-Swap Programs

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — State health officials say New Mexico should have its first needle-exchange program to help stem the spread of HIV among injection drug users in Albuquerque by Feb. 2.

Officials hope to have similar programs set up later this year as well in Roswell, Las Cruces and Farmington.

Health officials say studies indicate fewer than 1 percent of the IV drug users in much of New Mexico are infected with HIV, contrasted with infection rates of 35 to 45 percent in some East Coast urban areas. Officials hope the needle-exchange programs will help keep the virus from making significant inroads into the drug-using population in the state.

Miami Shores Nixes County Gay Rights Proposal

MIAMI — The Miami Shores city council has rejected by a 3-2 vote a measure proposed by Vice Mayor Mike Boyle to urge the county to add sexual orientation to Dade County's anti-bias protections.

The county commission rejected an anti-discrimination measure by a 7-5 vote last year and Boyle had hope to encourage the commissioners to change their mind on the anti-bias protections.

Mutual of Omaha Sued Over HIV Health Coverage Caps

CHICAGO — Insurance giant Mutual of Omaha has been sued in federal court jointly by the Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund and the AIDS Council of Chicago for allegedly breaking the law by severely restricting HIV-related health coverage.

The suit was filed in behalf of two Chicago men who have infected with HIV and whose names are not being released in court documents. The health insurance policy of one of the men is capped at \$25,000 for HIV-related claims, while the other man's policy is capped at \$100,000.

The suit charges that Mutual of Omaha violates both state law and the federal Americans with Disabilities Act with the caps, and claims as much as \$1 million in coverage on other health-related illnesses.

CDC Warns AIDS May Be Ignored Among Americans Over 50 Years of Age

ATLANTA — Officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that in the 5-year period from 1991 to 1996, new AIDS cases among people in the U.S. 50 years of age or older rose twice as fast as younger Americans.

CDC data for the period found that the AIDS rate among Americans under the age of 50 rose 9 percent (from 46,000 to 50,300 cases); during the same period, the rate among those over 50 years of age rose 22 percent from 5,260 to 6,400 cases.

CDC officials said the rising rates suggest that older Americans aren't protecting themselves from infection.

Federal researchers at the agency also noted that older patients diagnosed with AIDS die faster than younger Americans who develop the illness. CDC data indicate that about 13 percent of those over age 50 diagnosed with AIDS die within a month of diagnosis, while only about 6 percent of younger patients die that quickly.

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Make a Promise Dinner & Auction Slated for March 21

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin's (ARCW) 12th annual Make a Promise dinner & auction is set for Saturday, March 21, 1998, beginning at 5:30 p.m., at the Pfister Hotel, 424 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee.

"This year's Make a Promise theme 'VOICES' will include an original, live performance accompanied by a musical score and is dedicated to the strength and power of the many voices united in the fight against AIDS," said Marge Beil, ARCW special events director.

The performance will unveil five actors — a volunteer, a teen, an HIV case worker and two individuals living with HIV or AIDS, each communicating AIDS awareness messages of hope and change regarding the AIDS epidemic.

A highlight of the evening is the silent auction. Items already included are a pair of round-trip, economy tickets to Amsterdam, a pair of first-class, round-trip tickets to Hawaii and a pair of first-class, round-trip tickets in the 48 contiguous states donated by United Airlines; a Frank Lloyd Wright window replication donated by Oakbrook-Esser Studios; dining certificate donated by the Boulevard Inn; and tickets to the Milwaukee Ballet and Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra.

Mike Gousha, anchor on TODAY'S TMJ4, will once again be master of ceremonies. All proceeds will benefit programs and services provided by ARCW. Ticket prices are \$175, \$100 and \$75 per person.

Principal sponsors for this year's Make a Promise din-

ner & auction are United Airlines, Miller Brewing Company and Schwarz Pharma, Inc. Other sponsors include: Northwestern Mutual Life; Potawatomi Bingo Casino; Anderson Consulting LLP; Hoffman LaRoche; Executive Director, Inc.; Groupware Technologies, Inc.; Family Health Plan; Columbia St. Mary's; Ameritech; Pfister Hotel; and Rockwell Automation/Allen Bradley.

To reserve tickets or for more information, call 414-225-1577.

Bagnall Appointed to Prevention Planning Council

Milwaukee — This past October, Andy Bagnall, ARCW's gay & lesbian outreach manager, was appointed as Co-Chair of Wisconsin's HIV Prevention Community Planning Council. Bagnall's commitment to HIV prevention was an intricate part in the election process that has provided him the opportunity to play an important role within the Council through September '98.

"I hope to encourage and empower people to take an active role on the Council and help individuals realize their own potential in the area of HIV prevention," said Bagnall.

The Council is a statewide body of 35 community members and staff from the Wisconsin AIDS/HIV Program involved in a national effort in making decisions concerning HIV prevention. Together they work on identifying populations most at risk for HIV, effective strategies for reaching those populations and evaluating program success and effectiveness.

While the Council's specific focus is on HIV prevention, it also serves as a model for community members and a combined effort in decision making that has, in the past, been the role of the government.

"We are putting HIV prevention into the context of

people's lives. The Council enables people to exercise their voice and provide direction on HIV prevention within the state," said Bagnall.

Council members contribute their own unique experiences, along with data from the state of Wisconsin, focus group summaries and public meetings, to sustain an effective program.

"I have the chance to bring my own voice and ideas along with the ideas of everyone I come in contact with and learn from to the Council," said Bagnall. "In doing this, we can obtain many diverse ideas."

Bagnall's enthusiasm will contribute to the Council's success in the upcoming year in which they will be focusing on areas of poverty and oppression, specifically focusing on communities of color, women in poverty and young men who have sex with other men, while creating links between the field of HIV prevention and related areas such as STD's and alcohol.

For further information on Wisconsin's HIV Community Planning Council or questions, call Andy Bagnall at (414) 225-1502 or Mari Gasiorowicz, Wisconsin HIV Prevention Community Planning Coordinator, at (608) 267-9489.

Lesbian "Couple Communication" at New Prospects

Milwaukee — A lesbian *Couple Communication* course will be offered beginning February 23rd on three consecutive Monday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m.

Couple Communication is a structured psycho-educational program that teaches lesbian couples how to talk,

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The group will be facilitated by Cheryl Orgas and Sue Bronson. The group will meet at New Prospects, 1219 North Cass Street, Milwaukee. Register now by calling (414) 964-7995 (Cheryl) or (414) 291-9478, #4 (Sue).

Gay Harley Riders Need Housing

Milwaukee — Great Lakes Harley Riders (GLHR), an international network of gay and bisexual Harley men, is looking for housing to accommodate out-of-town

members attending the Harley Davidson 95th anniversary celebrations, June 10th to 14th 1998 in Milwaukee.

Most riders will be billeted with members in the Milwaukee area, but more housing is needed. The goal is to provide free or low cost space. All visitors are members of GLHR.

If you have a spare bedroom, rec. room, floor space or a place to pitch a tent, please call the housing coordinator at (414) 747-0703 or write Great Lakes Harley Riders, P.O. Box 341611, Milwaukee, WI. 53234-1611. E-mail Jakonabike@aol.com.

For more information regarding Great Lakes Harley Riders contact the above U.S.P.S. address or E-mail Booted-HOG@aol.com.

ARCW Seeks Applicants for Drug Trials

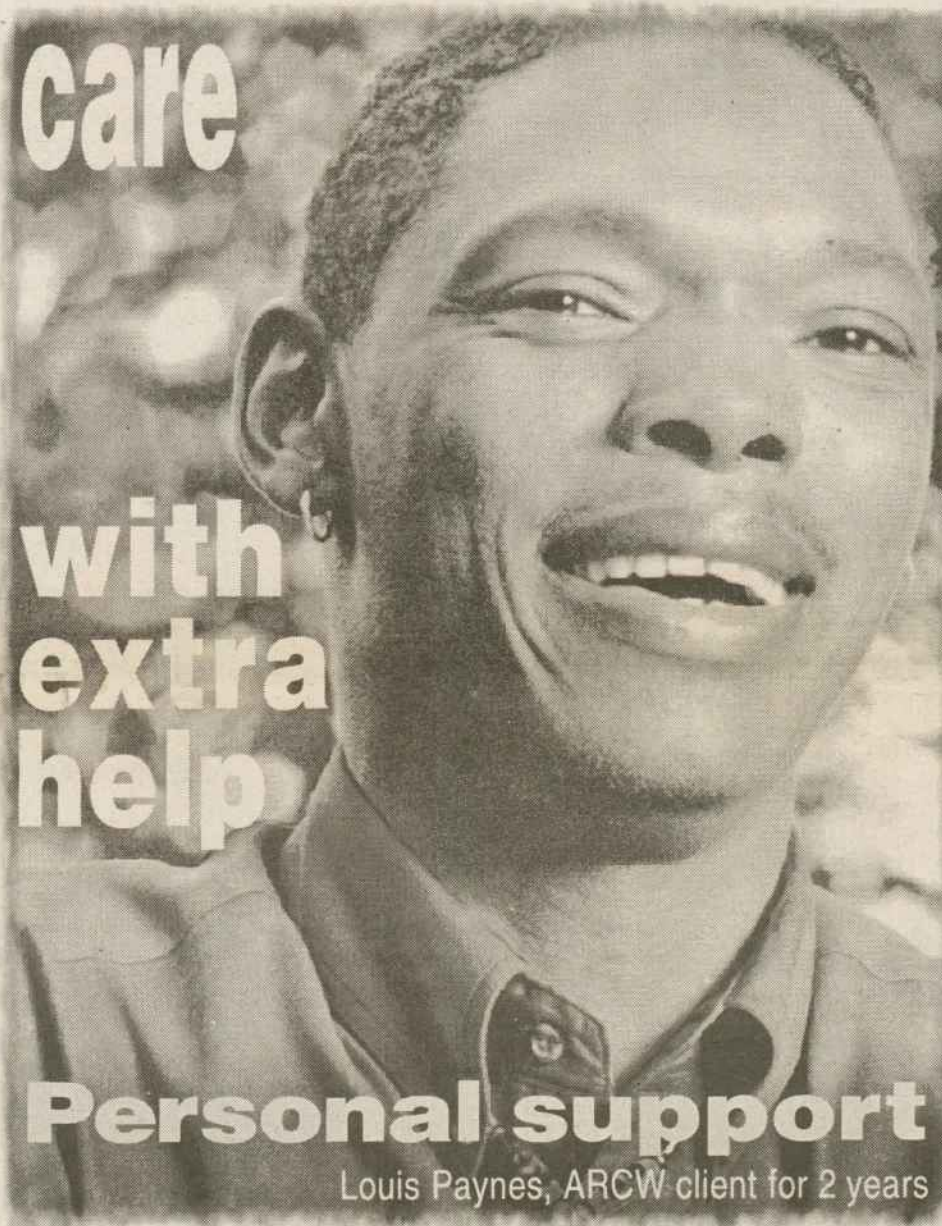
Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin's (ARCW) Wisconsin AIDS Research Consortium is set to begin a new one year study of triple and quadruple therapy combinations of antiretroviral drugs. The study will consist of four arms: Rescriptor, AZT, Crixivan; Rescriptor, Crixivan, 3TC; AZT, Crixivan, 3TC; or a combination of all four.

Unlike some previous clinical drug trials, this has no placebo arm. Everyone accepted into this trial will receive one of the combinations. This is a national study being conducted by Pharmacia and Upjohn.

"This trial is an opportunity for individuals who are HIV positive, have a CD4 count of at least 50, a minimum viral load of 20,000 copies and they should not have taken previous drug therapy against HIV," said Dr. Brian Buggy, ARCW medical director, lead trial physician and chair of the Consortium's scientific committee. "Everyone accepted into this study will receive medications and proper medical attention from one of six area infectious disease doctors and will be able to follow the progress of their health all at no charge."

Prior to this new trial, the Consortium has participated in several AIDS drug studies which have since been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and are now on the open market. These include Abbott Laboratories with Ritonavir (Norvir), Glaxo Wellcome with Lamivudine (Epivir or 3TC) and Pharmacia Upjohn with Delavirdine (Rescriptor). For more information on this study or to see if you qualify, please call 414-225-1504.

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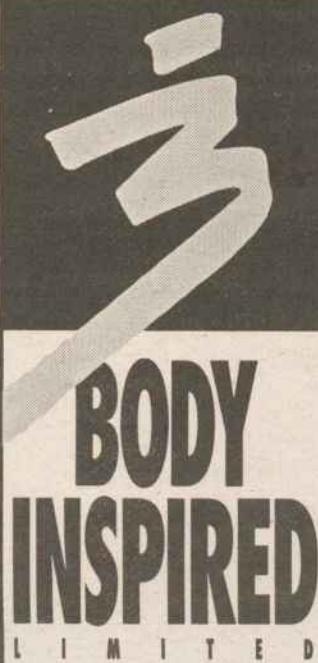
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Candidate Forum to Address LGBT Issues

Milwaukee — Candidate for Wisconsin Governor Ed Garvey and candidate for Lt. Governor Barbara Lawton will address lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues, and other progressive issues affecting Milwaukee, at a candidate forum on Saturday, February 7, 1998. This will be the LGBT community's opportunity to bring questions forward to these candidates for two of Wisconsin's highest seats of office.

The forum will be held at the UW-Milwaukee Lapham Hall, Room 162 at 6 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, and the UW Milwaukee departments of Political Science, Gay & Lesbian Studies and Women's Studies. This forum is for informational purposes only and is not an endorsement by any of the parties involved.

Shake It Up! Makes Annual Political Effectiveness Awards

Madison — Shake It Up!, an activity-oriented GLBT group will make their 1997 Political Effectiveness Awards on The Ides of March, Sunday, March 15, 1998 at Fyfe's Corner Bistro (1344 East Washington Ave.) at 2 p.m.

The winners were selected by SAGE-Dane's Grand Dames and Grumpy Old Gay Geezers. The Presenter will be Dr. Anthony L. Brown (Madison's Director of the Equal Opportunities Commission) and The Host will, again, be Rita Wlodarczyk (TV star of Madison's "Senior Beat", Cable 12, and "In The Trenches With Rita", Cable 4).

This is the second year this group is making these "Good Guy/Bad Guy" awards. The *Good Guys* who have been selected include Action Wisconsin, a group of LGBTQ Democrats and Republicans who have found political spaces and issues where they can come together as a team and fight the their common oppressors, and PFLAG-Madison (Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays), who have been a wonderful force for healing in the Dane County area.

Also included are Don Elmer of the Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center, who has been a pivotal worker in developing a common data base, assisted by the 10% Society, in giving the community a

daily e-mail calendar; Jamie Nabozny, the former high school student from Ashland, Wisconsin, who rattled the cage of the school board and got a \$800,000 settlement in his discrimination suit; and, finally, Sol Kelly-Jones, a 10 year old girl & her two lesbian moms. Sol testified in front of the Assembly Committee on Children and Family on behalf of herself and her two lesbian moms in the current LGBTQ marriage issue. Sol also addressed the ACLU, who gave her an award.

The *Bad Guys* who will get day-glow painted cow pies delivered to their offices are Lorraine Seratti of Spread Eagle, who led the legislative battle in the Assembly over the Anti-Marriage bill, and Ray Allen of the Madison School Board, who after hearing testimony from gay high school students about harassment in the public school system postured in front of the LGBTQ Community assembled at the James Reeb Congregation meeting place and told those assembled "that we need to get evidence that harassment was a problem in the school system."

Finally an "over-all progressive slap in the face" will be delivered to Tommy Thompson for being "the most outrageous governor this state has ever suffered," according to Dave Runyon of Shake it Up!

When asked if the Awards would really be delivered to the recipients, Runyon exclaimed, "How could you not send a painted cow pie to Tommy and Lorraine Seratti? How could one give up such an opportunity to offer an 'under the cow's tail' Award to such deserving assholes? They earned these awards! These nitwits think they can dump on people without being confronted! Hand-delivery will be lots of fun, especially with a TV camera on them and their staff."

Potawatomi Bingo Makes Generous Gift to PFLAG

Milwaukee — Potawatomi Bongo has made a generous gift to PFLAG-Milwaukee. These funds will enable this organization to better serve the needs of the G/L/B/T community and their families at PrideFest '98. It will allow PFLAG-Milwaukee to obtain a larger and more private space to permit more attention to caring and sharing. Our mission is to provide education, support and advocacy to our gay and lesbian children and their families.

A quote from the letter accompanying the sponsorship states: "I commend you on your efforts to five support to families who will then be able to better support their loved one's lifestyles. Diversity is an issue which has always been with us, and always will be."

PFLAG-Milwaukee has operated a pizza booth at PrideFest for several years. It sought this support from Potawatomi

Bingo in order to give it's attention fully to doing what it does best: Providing an atmosphere to encourage confidential and accepting dialogue, and conflict resolution within families.

H.I.T. Announces Board Members and Fundraisers

Milwaukee — Holiday Invitational Tournament (H.I.T.), the longest-running gay and lesbian bowling tournament, recently held their elections for the Board of Directors for H.I.T. 20 to be held over the Thanksgiving weekend. Congratulations to all who were elected.

Director, Jeff Whitt; Assistant Director, David Kiefer; Treasurer, Jeff Sonnenberg; Assistant Treasurer, Mark Horan; Secretary, Mark Groth; Assistant Secretary, Bill Conklin; Amenities, Jeff Lahmann; Awards, Cindy Olsheske and Debi Vance; Banquet, Rick Steiner; Assistant Banquet, Bobby Reyes; Graphics, Steve Grahek; Hospitality, Chuck Bowe; Scheduling, Steve Morrissey; Marketing, Peter Nye; Assistant Marketing, Ray Freson; Sponsorship and Publicity, Roland Hoffmann; Assistant Sponsorship and Publicity, Doug Sleaper; and Statistics, James DeVargass.

H.I.T. would like to announce their upcoming fund-raisers and are looking forward to the communities' continued support in raising funds to produce one of the most successful tournaments in the country. The following dates in 1998 should be noted:

February 28, Empress Casino Run; March 13, Rita Bowl; May 9, H.I.T. Against AIDS; August 28-30, PrideFest '98; September 12, Randy Frank's Birthday Bash; September 20, AIDS Walk Wisconsin '98; November 14, Celebrity Bartender Exchange — This is It; November 25-29, Holiday Invitational Tournament '98.

Please watch for other fund-raisers to be announced. There are still a few board positions available. If you are interested in serving on the Board or would like more information on H.I.T. and the upcoming fund-raisers, please call the H.I.T. Hotline at (414) 332-7142 or e-mail at HIT20@aol.com

New Dance Lessons at Just Us

Milwaukee — Now is the time to follow through on that New Year's Resolution to do something new and fun. Shoreline, Milwaukee's gay and lesbian country western dance group, will be teaching a new sequence of line dances during February and March at Just Us at 8:30 p.m., following two-step (partner) sessions. There is no partner required.

The dances are being presented in an order that will allow dancers, particularly beginners, to build upon what is learned each week. The following is a schedule of dances that will be taught: January 24, Watermelon Crawl; January 31, The Outback; February 7, Sleazy Slide; February 21, Tennessee Twister; February 28, Hanky Panky; March 7, Honky Tonk Twist; and March 14, Mercury Blues. On Valentine's Day, February 14, a romantic couples dance called The Sway will be taught.

A variety of male and female recording artists will be featured, including such venerated country artists as Madonna and Janet Jackson. Two-step lessons, in addition to country line dancing lessons are offered every week at 7:30 and 8:30 respectively at Just Us. The lessons are free of charge by members of Shoreline. For more information contact Just us at (414) 383-2233.

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They ... couldn't go to divorce court because they were never legally married. Yet, they needed to find some mechanism for dividing their house, cars, furniture ... and other personal property.

now faced was to how to divide the substantial property they acquired during the course of their relationship.

They knew they couldn't go to divorce court because they were never legally married. Yet, they needed to find some mechanism for dividing their house, cars, furniture, annuities and other personal property. And we mustn't forget, Grover, the couple's pet dog. Fortunately for Jeff and Steve, a friend told them about alternative dispute resolutions.

What are "alternative dispute resolutions?" These are methods or systems that people can participate in to resolve disputes or conflicts, without spending a lot of time and money going to court. The most popular types are mediation and arbitration.

Mediation involves sitting the couple down in a private room with a mediator. The mediator's role is to facilitate and assist the couple in coming to an agreement that the couple believes is fair and equitable. The mediator should not be mistaken for a pseudo-judge or having any authority over the outcome of the mediation. Nor should the mediator give the impression that he or she favors one partner over the other partner. Rather, the mediator is merely there to assure that both partners can express their concerns and interests without interruption and thereby opening up some space for negotiation.

Once the couple has agreed upon how they are going to divide the property, the mediator or an attorney may draft up their decisions into a formal written agreement. Once signed by each partner, the agreement becomes binding on both of them.

Arbitration often follows the same basic procedure as mediation but with one major caveat. The couple may give the arbitrator the authority to decide the ultimate

outcome of the dispute. In Jeff and Steve's case, the arbitrator would decide how the property should be divided — and quite possibly a visitation schedule with Grover. In this scenario, the arbitrator is unlike the mediator because the arbitrator is acting similar to a judge and not merely a person who facilitates dialog between the two partners. The arbitrator will hear each partner's side of the story and then makes a binding decision for both of them.

Alternative dispute resolutions, and in particular, mediation, is becoming increasingly popular for divorcing heterosexual couples. Studies of divorced couples who have participated in mediation

have shown that these spouses believe that they had more control over the decision making process and therefore felt that the resolution was a fair and equitable one. A divorced couple must nonetheless have the family court judge review and approve their mediation agreement.

There is no reason why gay and lesbian couples shouldn't participate in these alternative dispute resolutions. Mediation and arbitration provides gay and lesbian couples with a relatively low cost and time efficient way to come to a fair and equitable division of their property while taking into consideration the idiosyncracies of their relationship. An added "bonus" is that the gay and lesbian couple doesn't

have to seek the Family Court's approval of their agreement because they are not legally divorcing.

Mediation and arbitration may not be for everyone. If there is a history of abuse in the couple's relationship, mediation is not advisable since the abusive partner may unfairly dominate and control the decision making process.

If you have any questions regarding alternative dispute resolutions, you may contact the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts at (608) 251-4001, or an attorney in your area that is knowledgeable on mediation and arbitration.

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TRIBAL TALK

by Ron Geiman

Ahh, my first column on my new, full screen Mac, with the added luxury of a man-sized keyboard with easy bold and italic commands. I had to go out and purchase an external modem, and naturally had to get the US Robotics 56K. My research assures me the industry standards will be set by Spring, and I'll be able to easily upgrade. Now my only problem is that I can't get the software CD for the modem to properly install. I've been spending the last two sessions on my Mac just dealing with that, and for now have to put it aside to get this column done. Oh well, Bill, it looks like another issue with a courier picking up my disk. Next time, on line I promise!

I still have plenty to learn about Word, too, I've always used WordPerfect or Word Star. I've got tons of other software to dive into and it should make for a busy time in my den this winter. Talk about cocooning (yeah, in an electronic web). I have this feeling once I've charted my path on the internet (research, you know), learning all those other software programs are going to receive a lesser priority.

Here's my two bits on the "Presidential Crisis": if he lied, or coerced others into lying in sworn depositions, he ought to be out of there. I really could care less about his sex life, and apparently Hillary doesn't either. I'm just glad that it's all these heterosexuals who are making the headlines for once. I do think there is a coordinated effort of the right to oust Clinton, and has been from Day One. I don't know if I'd call it a conspiracy, but it's definitely a cabal.

Here in Milwaukee, I discovered in last Sunday's *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel* that the cocaine-busted former county clerk of courts Gary Barczak was bisexual. William Janz's front page banner headline column featured a two-sided interview with Barczak and a 36-year old by the name of Troy Cager who set up the bust. Turns out Cager and 58 year old Barczak had a thing going for years and crack pipes weren't the only thing they were sucking on. Barczak's wife stood by her man, unconcerned with his sexuality, saying for the last 15 years they've had a loving platonic relationship.

I had read reports of the case since it broke, about sex as well as the drugs but had never known until Sunday it was gay sex. What a hell of a way for a guy to be dragged out of his political closet. Of course, he's probably one of those married men who 'have sex with other men' but don't consider themselves gay.

Did gay insiders in the Courthouse know about him all along? And if they did, how'd they keep it off the grapevine? Or am I just that much out of touch that I hadn't heard?

I'm sure you've heard about the Caymans Islands banning a gay cruise ship from docking there. According to what I've read, the only really decent 'gay' Caribbean island is Puerto Rico. It's the only one with a gay community and culture. The other islands put up with gay dollars and gay cruises but aren't overly friendly. David Olport, publisher of *Out and About* gay travel newsletter said "Gay travelers tend not to go to the Caribbean

to find gay venues, they go for the sun or for recreation."

If I ever go on a trip to the islands, rest assured it will be Puerto Rico. I'm sure I can do plenty of sunning and scuba diving on a host island that at least has an organized gay scene. Olport is supporting a boycott of the Caymans, and might I suggest you do likewise?

While we're in the Caribbean, Cuba was in the news with the Pope's visit (at least until the DC. scandal broke) and their AIDS sanitariums got a lovely write up in *USA Today*. Castro built the 14 fenced-in hospital compounds for PWAs back in the late 80's. Supposedly the sanitariums are quite deluxe by Cuban standards, and "patients received daily medical attention and balanced regular meals". That's contrasted with the rest of the decaying city of Havana "where daily hardship and food shortages are the norm."

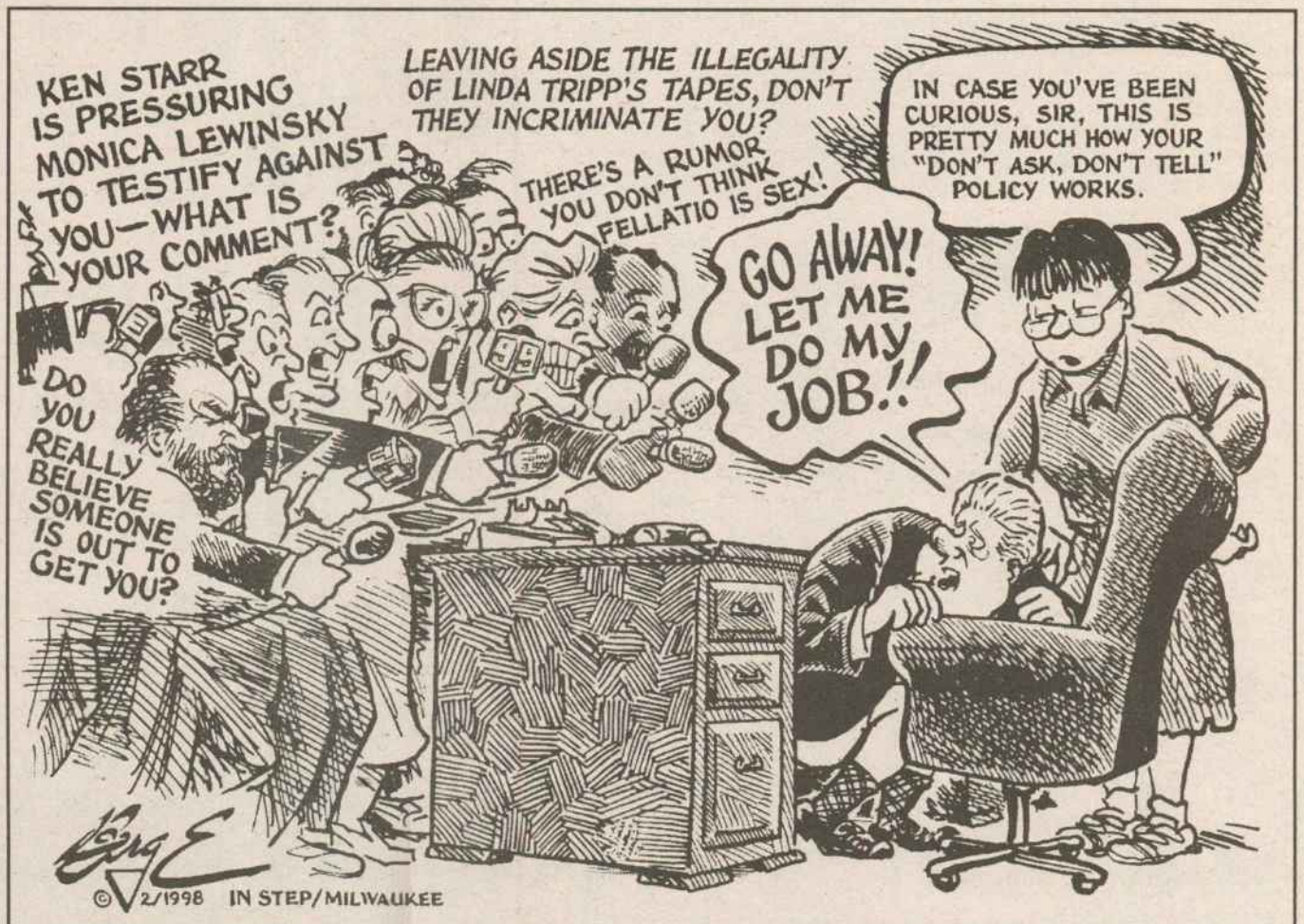
Now, Cuba, citing the increasing numbers of PWAs and the cost of treating them, is re-integrating PWAs into general society to reduce patient loads at the sanitariums. The gates have been opened, and PWAs are free to leave, but few have. Lack of legitimate opportunities, the recent influx of tourists, and US dollars have lured many Cubans into prostitution and a new education campaign hopes to stop the spread of AIDS.

A recent AIDS headline here in the USA meanwhile cited the rise of AIDS among older adults. Between 1991 and 1996, the Centers of Disease Control reported new cases of AIDS rose twice as fast among older people as they did among young adults. Mostly, we had heard it was youth who had to be educated. Now these findings suggest that older adults may not be protecting themselves and or their doctors aren't looking for it.

In a follow up to last issue... U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin's January 29th decision marks the first in history against the Pentagon's 1993 "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy on gays in the military. All previous cases against the malicious policy challenged its constitutionality, whereas this case focused on whether that policy was being carried out in a proper manner. Senior Chief Petty Officer Timothy R. McVeigh's suit against the Navy was over his dismissal for alleged homosexuality based on an anonymous on-line profile. The decision effectively barred the Navy from ousting the 17 year veteran submariner for alleged homoness.

The Navy plans to appeal. The judge said the Navy went too far in its investigation. Sporkin had previously ruled that the Navy violated the 1986 Electronic Communications Privacy Act by obtaining information from America On Line illegally. AOL blew it, too. Some techie simply gave out McVeigh's AOL profile without question, and that profile expressed an interest in young men.

That's the first big strike against D.A.D.T., a failed compromise between Clinton and the Right. Many other cases have lost, and numerous others are in the pipeline. It may take a few more years, but this policy will eventually bite the dust and this nation will have to come to grips with reality. Hey, we're every-



where!

Meanwhile, McVeigh is back in Honolulu, but no longer in charge as the top enlisted man on the USS Chicago. He's complaining he's been assigned to build office spaces and then given a clerk position. As a 17 year veteran with an impeccable record, "I want to continue my career."



Every January I get this urge to go to Utah. Not for the Mormons, and not for the slopes, but for the Sundance Film Festival. Small films become big hits, small filmmakers make a name for themselves and get the money they need to continue. Even to be accepted to screen during the run in Park City is a mark of success. Relatively few of the films will go into wide release, but many others will appear in local film festivals and art houses sometime down the road. Thank God for Landmark Theaters and the UWM affiliated Gay and Lesbian Film and Video Festival, our scant hopes of ever seeing some of these imaginative, innovative films here in Milwaukee.

Oh well, even if I did make it to Park City, about all I could do would be to stand outside the screening venues and ogle the lucky ticket holders and drool over big name stars (and stars in the making).

Perhaps I'm just a frustrated, unfulfilled filmmaker. Back in the 70's at UWM I couldn't decide what form of communications to try and I dabbled both in the arty as well as the journalistic side of film/video, as well as other forms of communications. I never finished any of my studies, as a matter of fact, I was enjoying my 'outness' too much to concentrate on school. It's just life circumstances that brought me back to my print medium roots from high school yearbook to the military press. Poof, here I am today, a former magazine publisher.

Anyway, the Audience Award for documentary went to *Out of the Past* a film juxtaposing the history of the gay rights movement with a Utah girl's attempts to start a gay-straight alliance at her high school. *Divine Trash* won a Filmmakers Trophy for this documentary on John Waters of *Pink Flamingo* fame. Billy's Hollywood Screen Kiss a *boy meets boy* romantic comedy by director Tommy O'Haver was picked up by Trimark Pictures. *2by4* about a blue collar worker seeking comfort in the arms of hustler won another cinematography prize, and a Lesbian feature, *High Art* won a screen writing award.

Bits and Pieces...

Wednesday, January 28, I spent the night at home curled up on the couch reading and watching TV (which I spend too much time doing, but that's

what my life is like) and just by chance, every show I chose to watch had something gay. And that doesn't even include *Ellen* on ABC at 8:30. I knew none of this beforehand, so the programming was a pleasant surprise and a good indication of our burgeoning television presence.

ABC, 7pm, *Spin City* has a gay character who is the most normal member of the cast; ABC, 7:30pm, *Dharma and Greg* ended with a well done comical gay situation; FOX, 8-9pm, *Party of Five* had a gay coming out of a regular character; and then on NBC, 9-10pm, *Law and Order* had some gay situations, which unfortunately, involved a serial killer. He was gay, but the well written and superbly acted drama handled it well, in my opinion.

Got a good one for those of you who are trying to cut back on smoking and sex... a friend of mine put his nicotine patch on the head of his penis and now he's down to two butts a day. Ta-dum.

Sir Elton John has spent himself into a tizzy it seems and his accountants are warning him to tame down his voracious shopping appetite. Besides owning properties in Windsor and London, England, Elton also has places in Atlanta and the French Riviera. He has two florists making 240 arrangements a week for his homes. He spends hundreds of thousands on jewelry, fine art, antiques, a fleet of four Bentleys every month. But the biggest budget is for clothing. \$412,000 on one Versace trip alone. *The Guardian* article wouldn't name the source in Elton's management company who leaked the accountants (Price Waterhouse) letter urging caution in spending until income is increased.

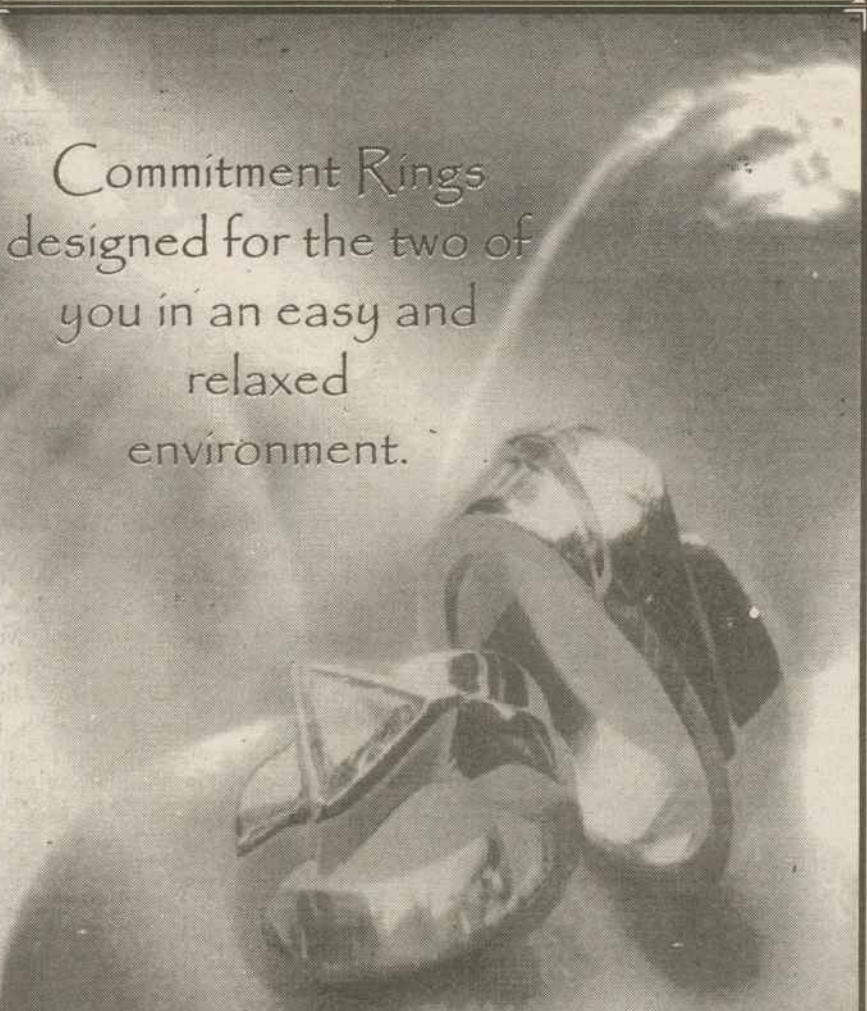
Did you read about some of the Packers players who ventured onto Blacks Beach in San Diego? Blacks is infamous as a gay beach and for nudity. Meg Kissinger wrote in her column in the Journal that "Allegiance to the Packers was in evidence on the shore. Someone carefully scripted 'Go Pack Go' in the sand" and she shuddered wondering what they used as a writing utensil there on the nude beach.

Guard Aaron Taylor and some other unnamed teammates stumbled onto the beach by accident (yeah, right, Travis probably sent you there). He was quoted in Packers Notes "We found out later it was a gay beach and a nude beach in the summer... I guess it was kind of apparent after the guy walked by naked with his bicycle..."

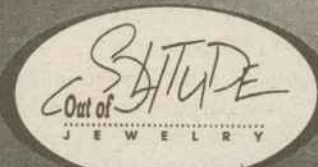
Madonna fans take note: she's starring in her first role since *Evita* as a woman reconciling with her AIDS-stricken brother. *The Red Door* goes into production by summer.

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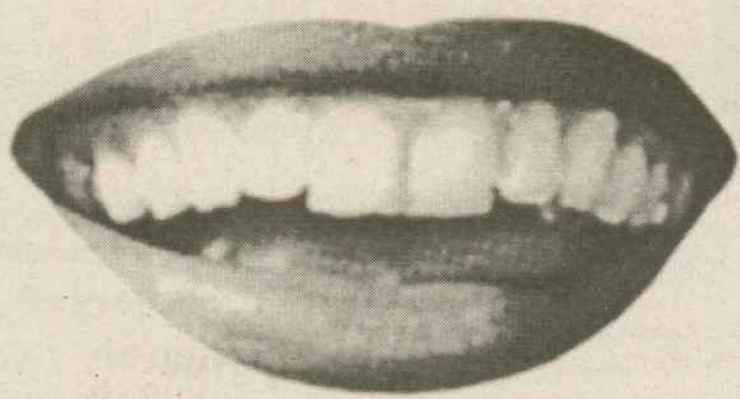
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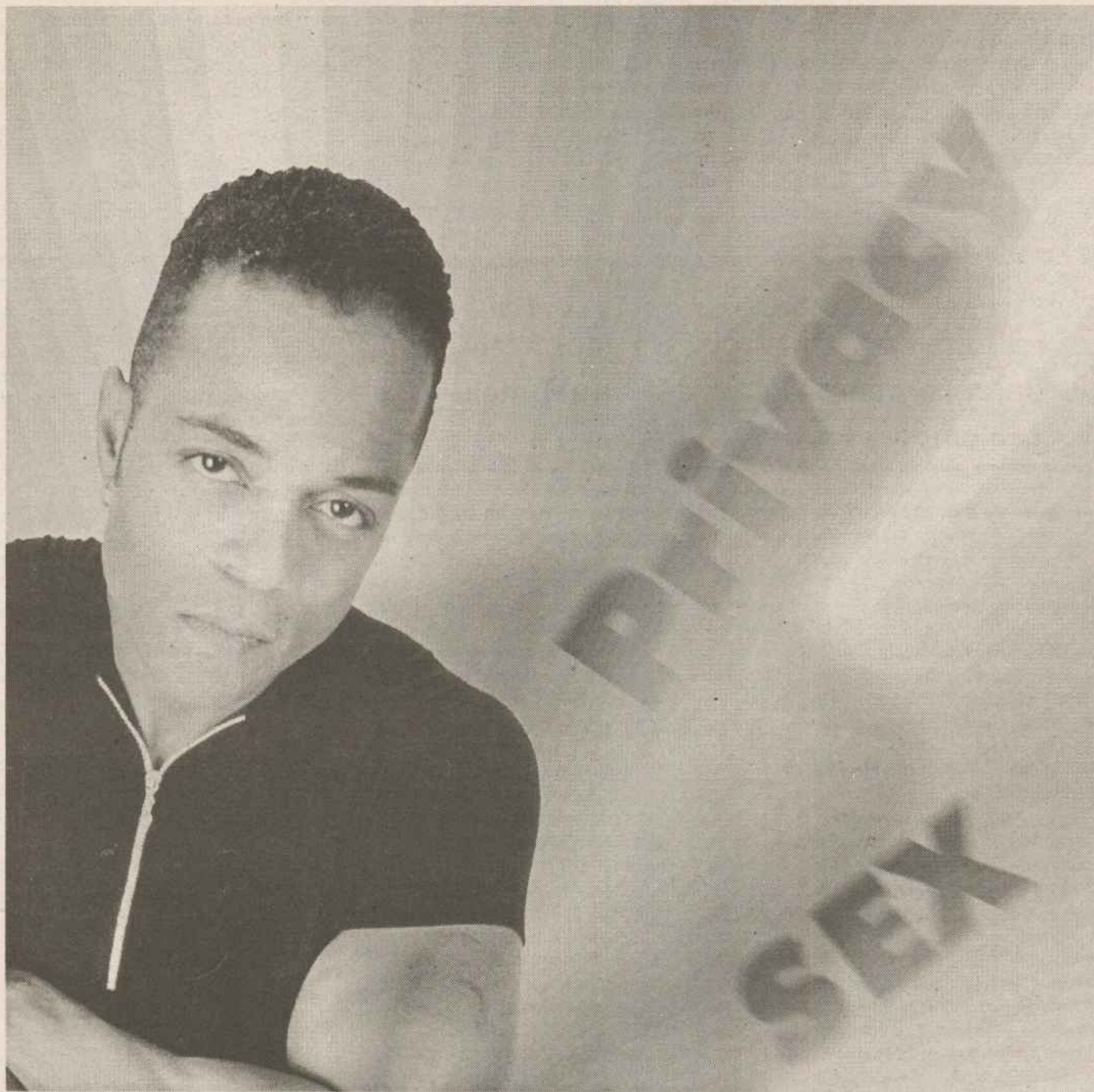
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Road Rage on the Electronic Superhighway

Dangers Lurking for Gays and Lesbians on the Internet

by Keith Clark

No one is quite sure what the rules of the Internet are — or to be more precise, *everybody* seems to have a personal set of rules they think governs the massive computer network that has become almost as ubiquitous as television and the telephone in America. But there is probably more that isn't known about the Internet by most Americans than there is actually known about it.

And it has quickly become evident that there are real dangers lurking on the Internet far beyond the annoyances of unsolicited junk email messages promoting dubious "deals too good to be true" and the threats of computer viruses infecting your harddrive and crippling your computer.

Senior Chief Petty Officer Timothy McVeigh has learned one of those risks as the Navy continues to be poised to discharge the Pearl Harbor submarine officer because his America OnLine profile listed his marital status as "gay."

It remains unclear exactly how McVeigh's identity actually became known to the Navy since his account lists him only as "Tim in Hawaii" — which is hardly enough to identify anyone since there's no requirement that his AOL profile actually be truthful. He might actually be Jennifer in New Hampshire for all the outside world knows.

AOL knows, of course. They are "renting" the account to him, so they know who was paying the bills. But in theory this sort of account information is private and AOL's policy is that it won't release information about its subscribers to anyone without a court order, warrant or subpoena. At least in theory.

But according to court martial testi-

mony, a Navy investigator simply called up the Virginia-based online service, asked who "Tim in Hawaii" was, and was told by an AOL employee known only as "Owen" that the account belonged to McVeigh. No warrant, no subpoena, no court order. Just a simple long-distance call.

AOL at first denied that any such call took place, and insisted that it would never give out such customer information

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without the required legal orders to do so. But soon the online service — the largest in the world — modified its story and said the Navy officer who called for the information had misrepresented himself to get the information.

Who's to be believed in such a situation?

Unfortunately it's far too easy to believe that in fact some yahoo Navy investigator simply did call up AOL, get some customer service employee on the line who perhaps wasn't as careful about customer privacy and AOL policy as he should have been, and did just give out the information about McVeigh.

One reason this is so easily believable, of course, is AOL's change in story about what did or did not happen. At first, the service said no such thing could have happened; now AOL says the Navy investigator misrepresented himself.

Another reason such a thing is believ-

able is the track record of other Internet service providers. A couple years ago my own Internet service (Netcom) discovered its database of customer credit card numbers had been hacked by someone who then went on to use those credit card numbers to charge purchases over the phone at will. How could such a thing happen? The credit card database was kept on the same machines that people use to

access Netcom's services instead of keeping the database on a separate machine that wasn't linked to the Internet itself.

No matter how the Navy got access to the information about McVeigh, however, it doesn't take a Ph.D. in computer sciences to see that the information was obtained either in violation of federal law or in violation of the so-called "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" policy — or both.

McVeigh didn't tell. Some account at AOL with the name "Tim in Hawaii" listed his marital status as "gay." As Rep. Barney Frank and 20 of his congressional colleagues pointed out to Navy Secretary John Dalton, McVeigh "maintained the profile under what amounted to a pseudonym."

The Navy says that by stating his sexual orientation on the AOL user profile, McVeigh had publicly acknowledged his homosexuality. But that just begs the question of how the Navy was able to con-

nection an AOL account identified only as "Tim in Hawaii" as being Timothy McVeigh, a sailor on the USS Chicago in Pearl Harbor.

And clearly the Navy did ask — the Navy investigator testified how he obtained the information of McVeigh during the court martial. And given that there was no public record to connect "Tim in Hawaii" with Timothy McVeigh, it's also pretty clear that the Navy was damn well pursuing.

Rep. Frank says the McVeigh case "constitutes a dramatic example of the Armed Forces' misapplication and inconsistent application of the (don't ask, don't tell) policy." And Navy Secretary Dalton has temporarily put a hold on McVeigh's discharge and is reviewing the case following the complaints.

But Internet experts hold widely differing views about the privacy of information that users put on the world-wide computer network in a variety of ways.

John Aravosis, an Internet consultant who is advising McVeigh in his legal battle, says, "America Online has admitted that McVeigh was railroaded. It would be the ultimate in hypocrisy for the Navy to now discharge this decorated sailor when it's they who seem to have broken the law."

Bob Hattoy, an openly gay Clinton White House staffer agrees. "This is the Internet version of illegal search and seizure. The evidence should be thrown out, this patriot should be set free, and AOL and the Navy should be investigated because it's the fourth amendment that's being threatened, not national security."

But Jeff Portnoy, a Honolulu attorney who also specializes in Internet legal issues, says going online usually means giving up some of your privacy rights. "It's like a newspaper," Portnoy says. "Not like television, not like a telephone. You can't intercept telephone messages but the Internet, the Supreme Court has said, should be treated like a newspaper. And if you go out with that information, you risk that somebody is going to obtain it."

An even more chilling tale of high risks on the Internet arose earlier in January when Philadelphia police charged William McClellan with murdering his two young children in their bedrooms and attempting to kill himself because he was convinced his wife, Juanita, was carrying on a lesbian affair over the Internet.

Police say McClellan became obsessed with his wife's online activities after he found out she was e-mailing another woman under the log-on ID of "Shi butch." His anger then became so deranged, authorities say, that he walked into his young children's bedrooms in the early morning and stabbed them to death with a kitchen knife as they slept. Then he turned the blade on himself.

Police said there was no actual indication that Juanita McClellan was having an affair with anyone — male or female. And even if she were, it would hardly justify murdering anyone. That's why there are marriage counselors and divorce courts.

Advocates for gay and lesbian groups say the double murders were even more disturbing because McClellan allegedly killed his own children. "We've seen how homophobia can push people, especially men, over the edge," said Cathy Renna, media director for the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. "That someone would commit a murder based on another person's sexual orientation, or perceived orientation, concerns us greatly."

There have also been several cases in the past year or so of AIDS-related frauds being perpetrated via the Internet's gigantic WorldWide Web. In the most recent, a California businessman and two companies he owns have been charged with marketing "medically useless" HIV home test kits. According to court documents, Larence Clare Greene sold the test kits over the Internet to about 30 people in the United States, and to up to 40 area pharmacies. The products were reportedly sold as "confidential, safe, accurate, and easy to use," but had not been approved by the

Food and Drug Administration.

Such frauds are at least as easy to perpetrate on the Internet as they are in a newspaper or any other medium because a Web site can be made to appear highly professional and "respectable" with very little effort. Many sites also allow browsers to make purchases and place orders using their credit cards on line. What more could would-be ripoffs ask for?

In October 1997, South Carolina solicitor David Schwacke became first openly gay politician to hold office in that state — although Schwacke's announcement of his sexual orientation wasn't entirely voluntary and, he says, was an effort by fellow Republicans to force him out of office.

Schwacke announced he was gay two days after local Republicans pushed for a state investigation into allegations that he used his office computer to download male-oriented pornographic images from the Internet. Schwacke categorically denied the charges and said he believes the motive behind the call for an investigation were motivated by homophobic local Republican leaders who wanted him out of office.

Whether one approves of pornography or not, the use of a work computer to do things on the Internet that you're not being paid by your employer to do is considered justifiable cause for firing by most companies these days. Add to this the possibility that Schwacke might have been looking at naughty pictures of men, and it's a perfect formula for political death in most states — and certainly in South Carolina.

Other private sector employment issues have also arisen recently because of material users have put on the Internet. In Michigan, a man who had been hired by a marketing firm to teach its employees about computer technology was abruptly fired after some of the women he was teaching read some of his fictional stories that he had published on his Web pages

and complained that they were sexually explicit and violent.

A woman in Virginia was also fired after her employer, a small publishing company, discovered her personal Web pages where she calls herself "SexyChyck" and poses in leopard-print underwear. The firm fired her because her Web page included a passing mention that she worked for the company.

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Whether these firings are legal or not remains a somewhat murky area because few such cases have gone before U.S. courts.

Some Internet experts argue that personal Web pages should be considered private, along the lines of the books or magazines that you read at home. But if they can be accessed by anyone who's connected to the Internet, it's much less clear how "private" a personal Web page might be legally considered.

Esther Dyson of the Electronic Frontier Foundation in San Francisco says, "Just as people need to watch what they say in real life, what you put on your Web page is going to be visible to everyone, including future employers."

The overwhelming majority of people who now use the Internet on a more or less regular basis know very little about the technologies behind the vast global network. We just "use" the Internet for email, or the bulletinboard-like discussion groups known as Usenet, or to chat in real-time with friends and strangers in chat-rooms or on the Internet Relay Chat channels, or to browse the Web in pursuit of our own interests.

This isn't all that surprising since most

of us don't know a whole lot about the technology behind modern telephone systems either, but we still use the phone with a fair degree of confidence that what we talk about is private and not likely to get us discharged from the military, fired from our jobs, thrown out of political office, or murdered.

But in fact the Internet is still a very new medium, and a good deal remains

unknown about it — even among the computer literate. Just getting a figure on how many people use the Internet isn't all that easy, and estimates may range anywhere from 20 million to 50 million people, depending on who you ask. One estimate suggests there may be as many as 4.8 million gay and lesbian Americans plugged into the Internet now, although anything like a definitive count is dubious at best.

What is clear, however, is that unless you've gone to some lengths to actively protect your privacy online, people can indeed find out a good deal about you with relatively little effort.

Virtually all U.S. telephone directories are now in databases online, so if someone knows your last name and what city you live in, the chances are at least reasonably good your phone number and address can be located using a simple search tool. Similarly, if you post a message on any of the 20-plus thousand Usenet news groups, that information can also be fairly easily traced. If you maintain a Web page, any of the information you include in it is probably indexed in one or more of the Web's numerous search engines and can be found easily. Even writing a letter to the

editor can put you on the Internet if the publication itself has a WorldWide Web site where your letter is carried.

Beyond these "superficial" methods of tracking down information, there are also technologically more sophisticated methods of monitoring your online activities, including things like "packet sniffers" that can "listen in" on private online chats you have or intercept, copy, and then send along your message without any trace that it's been intercepted.

The chances of such things happening randomly, of course, are fairly minuscule. Among other things, there are just too many people on the Internet now for anyone to bother trying to do hit-or-miss monitoring of anything. Moreover, it takes at least a moderate degree of hacker know-how to do such things, and it's hard to imagine even the most idle hacker with so much spare time he'd try such tricks randomly on people.

But as sailor McVeigh and others have found, privacy on the Internet is only a sometime thing that — when violated in even relatively trivial ways — can lead to enormous problems. For most of us, being out on the Internet would not pose any problems. But for some people confidentiality can be a real issue to be aware of — because of the type of work we do, or our personal lives, or even perhaps because of where we live.

A rule of thumb that some Internet mavens increasingly say applies is: If you wouldn't be willing to plaster it like a billboard on the front of your house, you probably shouldn't be putting it anywhere on the Internet.

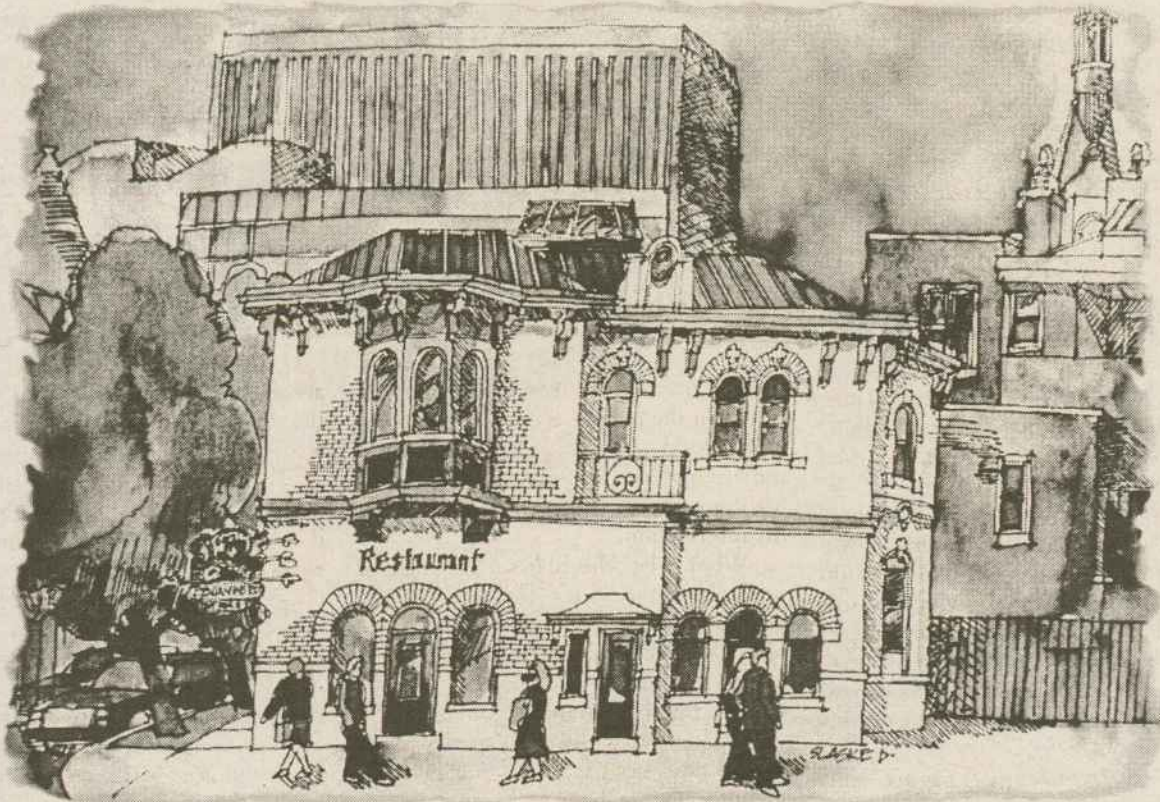


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the arts



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Boulevard Stages Albee's "A Delicate Balance"

Milwaukee — The Boulevard Ensemble announces the third production of its 1997-98 season, Edward Albee's intoxicating comedy *A Delicate Balance*. Boulevard Resident Director Maureen Kilmurry will direct the Milwaukee revival of Albee's Pulitzer Prize-winning play. Opening night is Friday, February 6 and the production will run through Sunday, March 8 at the Boulevard Theater, 2252 S Kinnickinnic Avenue.

Albee's brittle and witty comedy of family and friends begins in a tastefully decorated living room of the posh well-appointed house of Tobias and Agnes, a middle-aged couple just beginning to explore the battles which the more mature years of life supply. Proving to be of no assistance in winning the fight is Agnes' alcoholic sister Claire, who can handle and accordion, a cocktail and a caustic comment with equal ease.

Agnes abides Claire with barely hidden revulsion and Claire returns the antagonism with gusto, while doting on Tobias. The situation is complicated by the arrival of best friends Harry and Edna, who announce calmly that that they have not dropped in for a short visit but to stay for the rest of their lives.

As Tobias and Agnes attempt to cope with this bombshell, their oft-married daughter Julia appears and announces that her fourth marriage is headed for divorce. Albee's portrait of shifting family ties versus the promised constancy of friendship is fraught with humor, pathos and a style of sharply edged writing that he displayed in *"Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe?"* Tickets are \$9 to \$14. Reservations and information are available by calling (414) 672-6019.

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The variety of events taking place will offer something for every taste and every age throughout the three-week festival. The following are just some of the events planned: At the Milwaukee Art Museum you can view the current show of Gabriel Munter's works. Munter, a major German Expressionist during the first half of the century, created stunning paintings, drawings and prints.

The show runs through March 1.

On February 5, 6 and 7 the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra will feature an all Brahms concert. The Milwaukee Ballet will offer a performance of "Carmina Burana" on February 12 to 15. The Florentine Opera Company will present Mozart's "Abduction from the Seraglio" from February 20 to 22 in Uihlien Hall of the Marcus Performing Arts Center.

On February 18 through March 1, Theater X/Wild Space Dance Company will present "Seven Deadly Sins" by Bertold Brecht and Kurt Weill. First Stage Milwaukee will present "Wilkommen to Wisconsin," the story of one family's decision to leave Bavaria in the mid-19th century and start a new life in Milwaukee. The Milwaukee Public Library/Goethe House will share German literature that still speaks to us today in "Milwaukee's German Literary Legacy."

A variety of other venues such as the UWM School of Fine Arts, Woodland Pattern Book Center, the Pabst Mansion and The Milwaukee Public Museum will offer music, readings, lectures and tours. Be sure to see the Calendar Section in this issue for more entries. Not to be outdone, Milwaukee's German restaurants will also collaborate with special menu selections. For more information and a brochure call (414) 273-FEST (3378) in Milwaukee, or 1-800-273-FEST outside of Milwaukee.

The American Bach Project, Stage Two, Comes To Milwaukee

Milwaukee — The second phase of The American Bach Project comes to Milwaukee with events slated from February 7 to February 15. A former special project event of the Historical Keyboard Association of Wisconsin, The American Bach Project is now the special project focus of the original instrument bande, *Ensemble Musical Offering* under the direction of harpsichordist and project director Joan Parsley.

This season, The American Bach Project offers 15 events including MainStage concerts and BachNight recitals in these historic sites: All Saints Cathedral, 818 E. Juneau Ave., and the Pabst Theater, 144 E. Wells Street. This year's theme focuses on Bach's relationship to his contemporary circle of influential composers; namely, Buxtehude, Handel, Telemann, Vivaldi and Francois Couperin.

The American Bach Project is pleased to be a part of Milwaukee's first *International Arts Festival*, (IAF) the city's newest festival, which will feature a German/Austrian theme. The IAF is a collaborative effort of the per-

forming and visual arts groups and organizations, Milwaukee World Festival, Inc., and the Greater Milwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau. For more information on The American Bach Project, please call (414) 226-BACH (2224). General information on the International Arts Festival may be obtained by calling (414) 273-FEST.

Smithsonian Chamber Orchestra at The Pabst

Milwaukee — As part of The American Bach Project and Milwaukee's newest festival, The International Arts Festival, The Smithsonian Chamber Orchestra will be presented in the historic Pabst Theater on Saturday, February 14 at 8 p.m. The Smithsonian Chamber Orchestra, directed by Kenneth Slowick, consists of a group of virtuosi dedicated to exploring the sonic and cultural historic worlds of the masters instruments found in the collection of the Smithsonian Institution.

Founded in 1976, the Chamber Orchestra remains in the vanguard of groups specializing in historical performance. In keeping with the theme of the American Bach Project "Pathways to Bach" and the premier season of the International Arts Festival celebrating German/Austrian Heritage, the Pabst Theater concept will focus on Johann Sebastian Bach and his contemporaries, with works by F. Couperin, Telemann, and Vivaldi, as well as Bach's Double Concerto for Oboe and Violin.

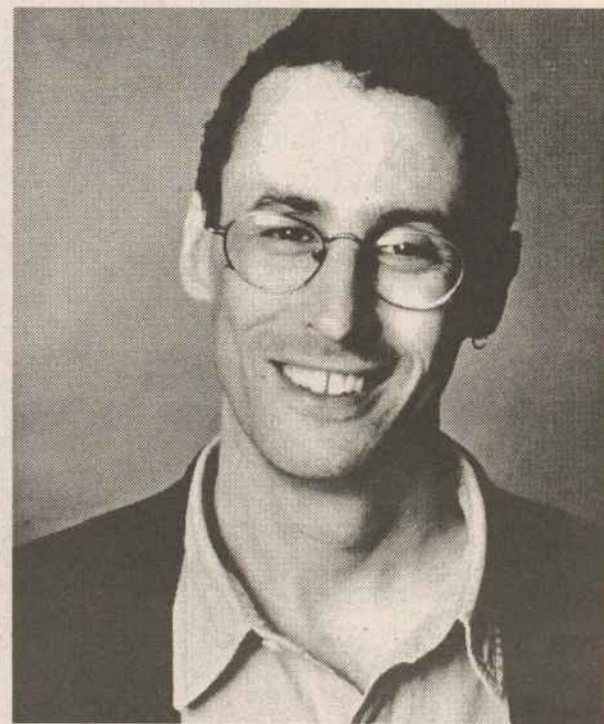
Tickets for the Smithsonian Chamber Orchestra can be purchased at the Pabst Theater Box Office or by PhoneCharge at (414) 286-3663. General information on the International Arts Festival may be obtained by calling (414) 273-FEST.

In the Life's Feb/March Episode to Air on PBS

New York — The February/March episode of *In The Life* explores the depth of complexity of the lesbian and gay community, a vast population drawn together by sexual orientation, yet made up of numerous distinct identities sometimes at odds with each other over a range of cultural, religious, economic, and gender expressions.

Correspondents Tanya Batfield and Kate Bornstein join host Katherine Linton in this one hour program. This episode of *In The Life* journeys to: Tijuana, for a report on the growing AIDS crisis in that border city; North Carolina, where a gay man confronts his family's secrets as well as his own; Brooklyn, for a look at the Audre Lorde Project, the nation's first community center devoted to serving the needs of gay, lesbian, bi, transgendered, and two-spirited people of color.

Toronto and The Clark Institute of Psychology are the next stop, where *In The Life* uncovers what's behind Gender Identity Disorder; then, it's on to the heart of Jewish culture to see where modern gay and traditional



Tony Award Winning Playwright Tony Kushner.

Jewish identities come together; and finally on to cyberspace with special guest correspondent Kate Bornstein for a look at the world of virtual activism. Included are interviews with Tony Award-winning playwright Tony Kushner and dance music "Diva" Joi Caldwell.

The episode will be aired on Milwaukee on WMVS Channel 10 on Wednesday, February 18 at 11 p.m. Wisconsin Public TV dates are to be announced. A complete list of airdates can be found on the Internet at <http://inthelife.org>.

Submissions Sought for "Early Embraces II"

Los Angeles — Lindsey Elder, editor of the best-selling *Early Embraces: Women Describe Their First Lesbian Experience*, wants new stories for *Early Embraces II*.

This anthology will be a collection of true, first-person stories by lesbians describing in erotic detail the first time they had sex. It should provide a sometimes passionate, sometimes romantic, and always sizzling look at the many ways in which women discover their sexuality for the first time.

This book is scheduled for release by Alyson Publications in 1998. Deadline for submissions is April 30, 1998. For guidelines send a SASE to Lindsey Elder, c/o Alyson Publications, PO Box 4371, Los Angeles, CA 90078; E-mail to mail@alyson.com; or go to <http://www.alyson.com>.

MIAD Student Art Sale and Show at Marquette Memorial Union

Milwaukee — Art by students from the Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design (MIAD) will be featured in an *Art & Sale Show* at the Marquette Memorial Union. This is the second year for the collaborative exhibit, which offers MAID students an opportunity to share their talents with their peers at Marquette.

The juried exhibit, running February 6 through March 9, includes work by students at all levels in drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, printmaking, illustration, communication design, industrial design and interior architecture plus design majors. The Marquette University

Memorial Union is located at 14th and Wisconsin Avenue and is open seven days per week. For more information on the exhibit, please call the Union at (414) 288-3265 or MIAD at (414) 276-7889.

UWM Fine Arts Quartet Features Works By Brahms and Wolf

Milwaukee — The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Fine Arts Quartet presents its next concert on Sunday, February 15 at 3 p.m. in the UWM Fine Arts Recital Hall, 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd., featuring guest artist Paul Biss, viola.

The program opens with Hugo Wolf's *Quartet in d minor*, one of only two works he wrote for string quartet. Wolf, who was advised by Brahms to

study more theory before attempting to compose, became a virulent critic of Brahms, and as a result had trouble getting his instrumental works accepted. Fittingly, the concert ends with a performance of Brahms's *Quintet No. 1 in F Major*, Opus 88, featuring Paul Biss, viola.

Paul Biss studied with two of the best-know string teachers of the 20th century. He has appeared as soloist and chamber musician in Israel, Europe and the United States. Tickets are \$14 adults and \$7 students. They are available at the UWM Fine Arts Box Office or by calling (414) 229-4308.

Art Museum Hosts Exhibit Of German Photographer

Milwaukee — The first U.S. exhibit of works by German photographer Andreas Gursky opens at the Milwaukee Art Museum on Friday, February 27. Gursky, who has made some of the most subtle, spectacular images in contemporary art, uses the traditions of German documentary photography to explore the relationship between people and their environments. The Milwaukee Art Museum exhibition, comprising 11 works will travel to several U.S. venues. The exhibit is sponsored by the Institut for Foreign Cultural Relations, Stuttgart.

Gursky creates large color photographs of landscapes and interior views employing subtle manipulations to create not-quite-real environments. The grand size of the photographs (up to 10 feet long) creates a dual perspective — remarkably detailed when viewed close-up or a vast, blurred abstraction from a distance. Gursky's subjects vary from the natural environment to the human-made world, including a glacier and interiors of industrial plants.

Unlike some photographers who take pictures of one subject in a series, Gursky's subjects vary but are united by the photographer's painstaking efforts to make the pictures appear "normal" and nearly documentary. His work explores the relationships between documentary and personal, as well as between notions of order and disorder.

Admission to the art museum is \$5 adults, \$3 students, senior citizens 65 or older. Free to members. Free to Milwaukee County residents 10 a.m. to noon on Wednesday and Saturday.

Miller Cabaret Series Presents "Life & Times of Lorenz Hart"

Milwaukee — Theater X's Michael Ramach writes and directs and John Schneider plays Lorenz Hart in this musical review about the famous lyricist opening in the Skylight Bar on the 2nd floor of the Broadway Theater Center on Friday, January 30 at 10:30 p.m. The revue will run on Friday and Saturday evenings through February 14.

Songs featured in the revue include *My Funny Valentine*, *Where Or When*, *Blue Moon* and *Ten Cents A Dance*. Musical arrangement and accompaniment is by Dan Dance. There will be no cabaret performance on Opening Night, Friday, January 30. All cabaret performances are free and open to the public.



Sat., February 14th

Mama will be serving Romantic Dinners for Two from 5pm to 9pm for ONLY \$29.95!!

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Activities:

Friday, February 6

Winter Festival (Cedarburg): 24th Annual Winter Festival & Mardi-Thaw Gala - 7 to 11 p.m. Also on 2/7 (8 a.m. to 11 p.m.) and 2/8 (11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) at varied downtown sites. FMI call (414) 377-9620 or (414) 377-8020.

Friday, February 13

10% Society - Valentine's Ball (Madison) Ifs in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union at The University of Wisconsin-Madison from 8 to 2 a.m. Raffle for prizes and a Dance-O-Thon, sponsored by students for Camp Heartland. There is a \$3 admission fee. FMI call Don at (608) 251-7298.

Saturday, February 14

Full Moon Productions - Valentine's Day Dance (Milwaukee): The First Annual Dance for women only is at the Harbor Lights Ballroom, 900 E. Michigan Ave. The festivities start at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 at the door.

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!

Diversions (Neenah): Open ant 11 a.m. Bloody Marys \$1.50 Old Fashioned & Screw Drivers.

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Bloody Marys \$1.50. Open 3 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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 Bash from 3 to 8 p.m. \$5 for all the taps of Lite you want. After 8 p.m. all taps are 50¢ off. Drag Show Night - Showtime 10:30 p.m. Dancing after the show.

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.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): Beer Bust (top beer \$6) 3 to 8 p.m. \$8 rail mixers, \$10 call mixers, \$2 dbl. Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers all night.

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 \$2. Open at 3 p.m.

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!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Steve's Mini-Dart Playoffs - 4 to 9 p.m.

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 to 8 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 "Melrose Place" from 7 to 8 p.m. Original Vodka \$2.75. Come play Twister. Open 5 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. All other drinks \$1 off. 8 p.m. to close all rail, domestic beer & taps of Lite \$2. Shots of Hot Sex \$1.50. Buckets of Miller Lite shorties - 6 for \$5 all day long. DJ & Dancing 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): Closed!

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.

Woody's (Milwaukee): Steve's Martini Lounge Night! \$1 off drinks - 4 to 9 p.m.

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

Tuesdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 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.

Diversions (Neenah): Open at 7 p.m. Rail & domestics \$1.75.

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Competitive Karaoke. Compete for a trip to Mexico from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Free & anonymous HIV testing 8 to 10 p.m. \$2 well drinks. No cover.

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! Shaved, 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.

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. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. All other drinks \$1 off. 8 p.m. to close taps of Berghoff Dark Honey Wheat, Sam Adams, Miller Lite 50¢ off. Shots of Pucker or Hot Sex \$1.50. Buckets of Miller Lite shorties - 6 for \$5 all day long. DJ & Dancing 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): Closed!

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.

Woody's (Milwaukee): Mike's Super Service! \$1 off drinks from 4 to 9 p.m.

Wednesdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! Leather/Western Night. Drink Specials and a Chance to Win \$100 Cash.

Cell Block (Chicago): Open Shawn'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.

Diversions (Neenah): Open at 7 p.m. \$6 Beer Bust!

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): "Ellen" at 8:30 p.m. MGD Lite bottle \$1.50.

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. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. Buckets of Miller Lite shorties - 6 for \$5. 8 p.m. to close all rail drinks \$2. Shots of Jack Daniel's \$2. DJ & Dancing 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): 2-4-1 6 to 8 p.m. Mini Pitchers after 8 p.m.

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¢ drafts.

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): Happy-Happy Hour 4 to 5 p.m. 50¢ Tappers and \$1 rail drinks. \$1 off all drinks from 5 to 9 p.m.

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

Thursdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 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 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!

Diversions (Neenah): Open at 7 p.m. \$8 Rail Bust!

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Come play free pool! \$2 well drinks. No cover. Open at 5 p.m.

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.

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

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. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. All other drinks \$1 off. Buckets of Miller Lite shorties - 6 for \$5. 8 p.m. to close bottles of Special Ex & ex Lite \$2, shots of Cuervo or Doctor's \$2. DJ & Dancing at 10 p.m.

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

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1 bottle beer. 50¢ drafts. Scooter's (Eau Claire): Free Pool & Darts. 2-4-1 tap 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): 2-4-1 6 to 8 p.m. After 8 p.m. 7 Crown \$2, Captains \$2.

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

The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer \$1 Well drinks \$1.50.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): Super Bust! 9 p.m. to close. \$8 rail, \$10 call mixers, \$12 top-shelf mixers.

Triangle (Milwaukee): ShowBiz Thursdays are back! Always a great mix of comedy, show tunes & mcre. \$6 rail bust!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Happy-Happy Hour - 4 to 5 p.m. 50¢ Tappers, \$1 rail drinks. \$1 off all drinks from 5 to 9 p.m.

Za's (Green Bay): \$6 Super Bust. DJ Mark spins.

Fridays:

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

Cell Block (Chicago): Fetish Night! Check your Monthly Planner. \$100 drawings. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Club Night. Chicago's Leather and S&M Clubs welcome. Pit open.

Club 94 (Kenosha): DJ Jeff's party. 10 p.m. to close.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

Diversions (Neenah): Open at 7 p.m. Dance Party! DJ requests.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): After Work Cool Down! Mondays through Fridays 5 to 7 p.m. \$1.25 rail drinks.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Friday Night Dance Party. Live DJ. Shot specials.



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BOOK REVIEW

by Ed Grover

a/k/a

by Ruthann Robson

This novel centers on the stories of two women with complicated and contradictory identities. The story opens with two well-groomed women waiting in a hallway in front of Professor Gertrude Yarnes' office. The professor, who has been detained at a meeting, secretly thinks how perfect these two women are for each other. "... Both so lesbian as well as seriously smart, albeit in very different ways." Indeed there is a lot of description of clothes, handbags and their contents.

These two women are initially strangers to each other, but as their identities unravel and bring them close to disaster and death, their carefully constructed lives decay, they find themselves drawn to each other and to the possibilities of salvation.

The novel continues with a chapter on Margaret, a chapter on B.J., and on to an episode about the professor and her lover. Then it continues switching back and forth, revealing more about each of their lives. In the Coda, these two women end up in a hotel room with two single beds. They kiss, get it on and fall in love.

A bit about the characters: "Margaret, raised with ever-changing names in a series of foster homes, assumes various names in her career as an *escort* for women. As Tamara, she supplies sexual favors for a minister's wife; as Melanie, she is hired to be "gorgeous" for an unattractive lesbian; and as Ursula, she dates — and provides cover for — the heterosexual female director of a gay and lesbian organization.

Her most desperate identity, however, is as law student Margaret Smyth, the name she hopes will rescue her from the others when she graduates."

BJ (Beverly Jane) "came to New York to be a model but found instead a lucrative career as a soap opera actress. For almost twenty years, BJ has performed, under her stage name, Jill Willis, as a dog-good lawyer on a daytime serial. Her private life resembles too closely the role she plays — especially after the sperm donor for Malcom, the child she has raised with her mentally ill lover shows up."

Ruthann Robson is the author of three previous books, most recently *Another Mother*, and two books of non-fiction. The novel is well constructed and the author's knowledge of legal matters comes through. (St. Martin's Press, ISBN 0-312-15469-0, \$23.95)

Execution, Texas: 1987

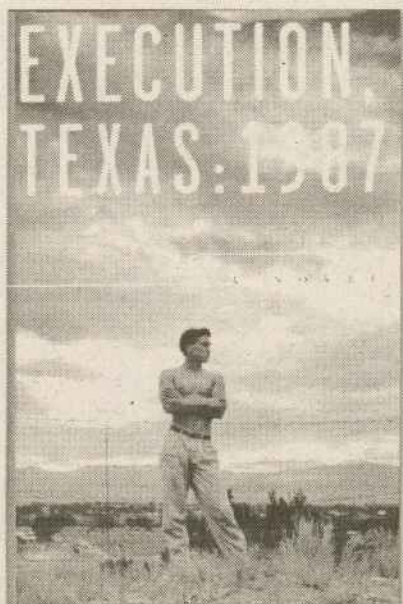
by D. Travers Scott

Seeger King (Seeg), is a 16-year old high school senior in the small town of Execution, Texas. This first novel, which takes place over a series of months in 1987, explores Seeg's feelings of deep memories, tragic precognitive visions involving his father and stepmother, his own "real" mother's obsessions with drugs and psychic readings — he does readings

over the phone for her.

There are his relationships with his class mates and his wildly expansive girlfriend, Cordelia. Included is Cordelia's stepsister/cousin who is a serious alcoholic and topples over dead drunk — desk and all — in her first period class, Jesus, a gay Mexican classmate that he has had an affair with (mostly in the front seat of a car) and Kent who turns out to be frustratingly straight—he seems to think it's "cool" to pretend to be gay.

Seeg is had discovered is bisexuality and is obsessed with Kent, a sophomore wrestler he seems bent on somehow seducing. He has to decide who to love while he and his friends indulge in drink, drugs, fantasy and the music of Marc



Almond. Cordelia, who is a year older, knows about his dual sexual identity. Seeg and Cordelia see themselves as the Andy Warhol and Edie Sedgwick of Execution. They vow to escape from that place and plan to head for New York together. Cordelia ends up in LA, and Seeg, at the end of the book, heads for the Big Apple.

In between there are other characters to savor. His father Abe, who teaches U.S. History at the high school and raises pot in among the tomato plants, his stepmother Rhonda, who is a righteous, religious flake. She makes a pizza that just has to join the list I have of "food for people you hate." You take a roll of packaged sugar-cookie dough, roll it out, cover it with strawberry jam and top it with fruit (think drained, canned fruit cocktail). It sounds just awful. There is a hilarious trip to Mexico with his mother so they can do drugs and mushrooms to try and enhance Seeg's existential powers. They both get ill and have a bad trip in the hotel room.

This story shows a "depth and complexity of character, time and place that defy the expectations of a coming-of-age and coming-out novel ..." The author, who was raised in dozens of tents, trailers and apartments throughout Texas, now calls Seattle his home. His writing and performance pieces have appeared in numerous magazines and anthologies. (St. Martin's Press, ISBN: 0-312-16830-6, \$20.95).

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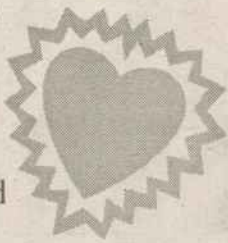
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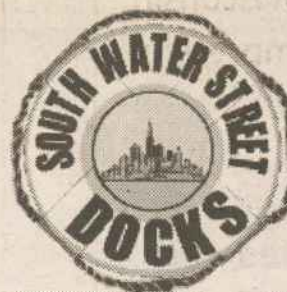
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On The Boulevard:

Gay Skit Comedy Show Launch Set for March



The cast of "On the Boulevard," top l-r: Doug Wilson, DJ Grabe. Center: Mark Brey. Bottom, l-r Amy Higgins, and Cindy Collins.

Los Angeles — *On the Boulevard*, a new half-hour skit comedy video series produced exclusively for a national gay and lesbian audience, is making its national debut in over 45 major U.S. cities including Milwaukee in March of 1998.

Up-beat, fast-paced and totally irreverent, the show takes a new approach to traditional skit comedy, putting a gay 90's spin on the genre. Similar to other successful skit comedy shows such as *The Kids in the Hall*, *In Living Color* and *Saturday Night Live*, *On the Boulevard* adds a fresher, queerer twist!

But you won't see it on TV — rather than running on broadcast or cable television, the series will be distributed directly to the gay and lesbian audience, exclusively through gay and lesbian video bars, clubs, and resorts — over 120 of which in more than 45 cities have already eagerly agreed to showcase the program. Nationally, over 70,000 viewers are expected to see the premiere episode.

In Wisconsin, *On The Boulevard* has been scheduled to appear at 1100 Club, C'est La Vie, Dance, Dance, Dance, M&M Club, Triangle and Grubb's Pub.

Test screenings of the first episode have been a huge hit with club management and audiences alike. Standing-room-only crowds have consistently laughed, clapped and cheered throughout the program and producers are hoping that gay America will support quality programming that reflects their lives, their needs, and their humor!

The award-winning premiere

episode of *On the Boulevard* is a non-stop fun house ride through some familiar aspects of gay and lesbian life. One skit features a disheveled lesbian, late for work, as she flirts with the woman in the next car. She watches in astonishment as the woman transforms herself from a curled coffee-sipper to a lipstick-lesbian businesswoman in the time it takes the light to change. In another skit, a straight couple is given a taste of what dating would be like if they played by gay rules. And in a hilarious spoof of cheesy late-night commercials, a lisping queen discovers a miracle spray product that can butch him up and transform his dull sex life.

On the Boulevard is a sponsor-supported series, featuring advertising from gay and gay-friendly companies large and small, with products and services of interest to the gay community. The program's unique distribution approach has also generated interest from several large mainstream corporations eager to target the gay market, currently one of the hottest consumer demographics.

On the Boulevard will be produced on a quarterly basis, one new show every three months beginning with the March 1998 launch of the premiere episode. In year two, *On the Boulevard* will be released bi-monthly, becoming a monthly series by year three.

Interested viewers should check future issues of *In Step* for screening dates, or can find that information and much more on the *On the Boulevard* site on the World Wide Web (<http://www.ontheblvd.com>).

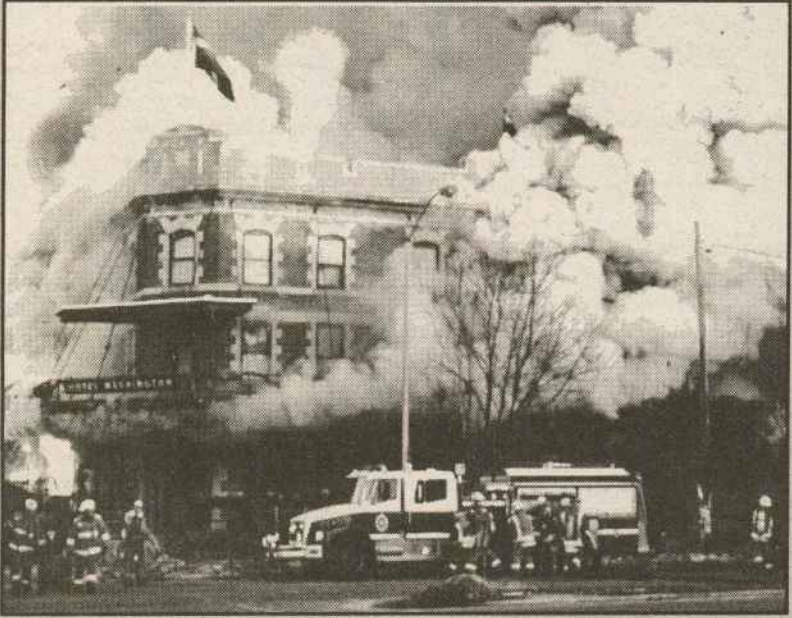
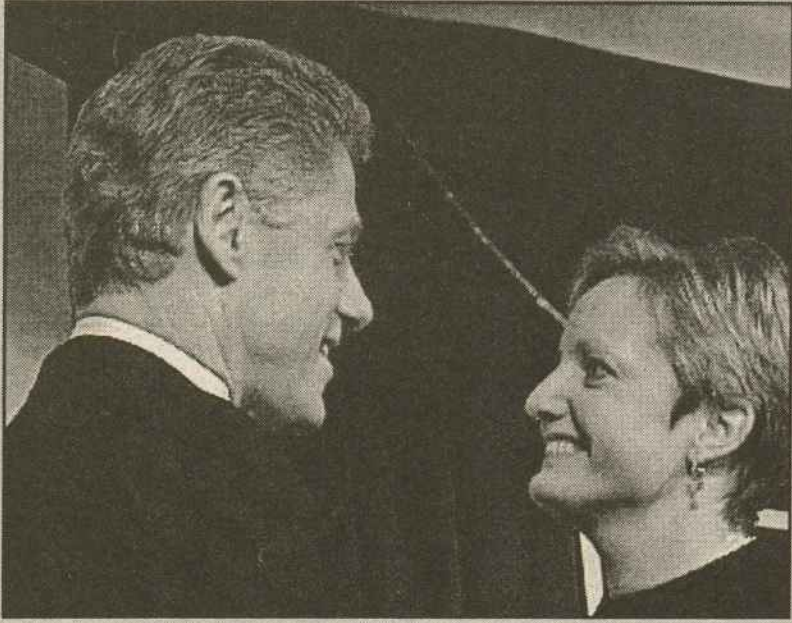
GLAAD Awards Honor Degeneres, Lang And Others

New York — On February 2, GLAAD announced its special honorees for the 9th Annual GLAAD Media Awards, which include Ellen DeGeneres, k.d. lang, Judith Light and Bob and Harvey Weinstein.

At the March 30 New York ceremony, GLAAD will honor k.d. lang with the Vito Russo Entertainer Award, presented to an openly lesbian or gay individual who has achieved excellence in a specific area of media and has furthered the visibility and understanding of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community through his/her work.

Also being honored in New York are the Co-Chairmen of Miramax Films, Bob and Harvey Weinstein, who will receive the Excellence in Media Award for individuals in the entertainment and media industries who have included lesbians and gay men in their work, furthering the visibility and greater understanding of the community.

At the April 4 Washington, DC ceremony, GLAAD will honor Judith Light with its Vision Award for an individual that has had a long-term vision and commitment to making a significant difference in society by promoting equal rights for lesbians and gay men. On April 19, in LA, Ellen DeGeneres will accept GLAAD's Stephen F. Kolzak Award, presented to an openly lesbian or gay individual in the media for an outstanding contribution in combating homophobia. For more information contact Cathy Renna (GLAAD Interim Communications Director) at (212) 807-1700 or pgr. (301) 215-1354.



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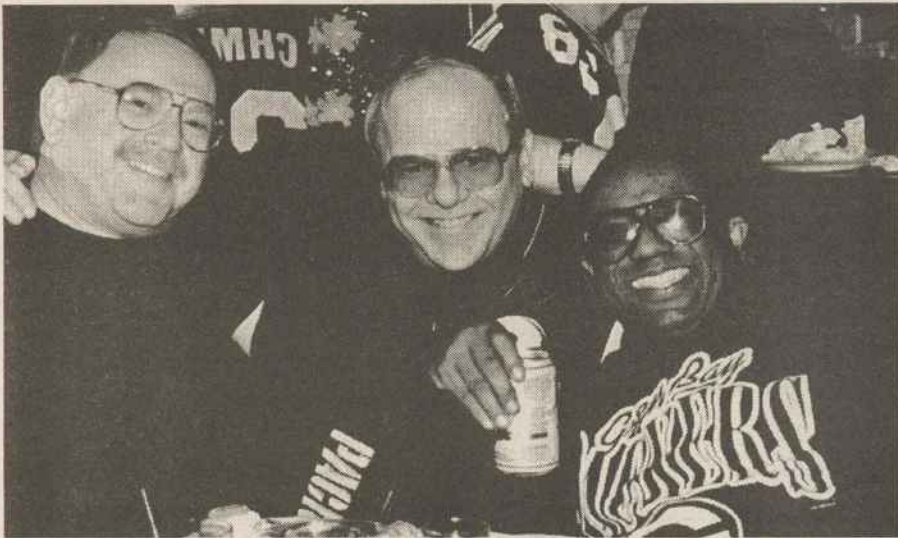
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We're Triplets! Photo by Jamie at the Ballgame.



The gang is all here. Photo by Jamie at Walker's Point Cafe

Just Us - Just Us Bust (Milwaukee): Beer \$7, rail drinks \$10, call drinks \$15. DJ Doug plays your requests all night! Fish Fry. 5-10 p.m.
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Pull tabs! 5 to 7 p.m.
 LaCage (Milwaukee): LaCage Showcase. Show starts at 11 p.m.
 M&M Club (Milwaukee): All you can eat Fish Fry and other great specials.
 Mad Bar (Madison): Rail whiskey drinks \$2. Shots of Jack Daniel's \$2.
 Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. All other drinks \$1 off. 8 p.m. to close rail whiskey drinks \$2. Shots of Pucker \$2. DJ & Dancing at 10 p.m..

Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Mid-night.
 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): \$1 glass of top beer. Dr.'s \$1.50 all night.
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Best Dance Party! DJ Cris.
 The Trading Company (Eau Claire): All chilled shots \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m.
 Woody's (Milwaukee): Happy-Happy Hour - 4 to 5 p.m. 50¢ Toppers, \$1 rail drinks. \$1 off all drinks from 5 to 9 p.m.

Saturdays:

Cell Block (Chicago): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Nigh Riot til 3 a.m. Blockout 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.
 Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.
 Diversions (Neenah): Open at 7 p.m. Dance Party!
 Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Super Saturday Night Dance Party. No cover before 9 p.m. Shot specials DJ Bange. Open to 3 a.m.
 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 'till close.
 Kathy's Nut 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 levee leather or uniforms.
 Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Friendly Bartenders. Grill open 4 to 10 p.m.
 Manoeuvres (Madison): Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 on any drink up to \$3.50. All other drinks \$1 off. Buckets of Miller Lite shorties 6 for \$5. 8 p.m. to close bottles of Rolling Rock \$2. DJ & dancing at 10 p.m.
 Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Mid-night. Free Continental Breakfast Sunday Morning.
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 Station 2 (Milwaukee): Hot Sex \$1 a shot.
 The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 80¢ tap beers, \$2 Bloody Marys, Screws, Greyhounds. All until 6 p.m.
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ's Jerry & Jess One!

Bar Events:

Thursday, February 5

The Cell Block - World Premier Video (Chicago, IL): Brush Creek Media will premier "Leather Buddies" in the Holding Cell at 10 p.m. Look for Brian-Mark (or at least his jewelry).
 La Cage - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Friday, February 6

The Cell Block - Fetish Night (Chicago, IL): "Bitchy Bottom" contest 11 p.m. hosted by Brian-Mark Conover & Ron Volante.

Saturday, February 7

Boot Camp Saloon - Firebird Club Night (Milwaukee): The Firebirds meet the first Saturday of the month at 10 p.m. FMI call (414) 299-9707
 Woody's - Grand Opening Party (Milwaukee): The party runs from 4 p.m. to closing with Mega Prizes, food & great times.

Sunday, February 8

Milwaukee Eagle - Premier Club Night (Milwaukee): The Golden Shaft Club of the Milwaukee Eagle has its first club night from 4 to 8 p.m. Come sign up for membership (\$15 yearly, payable that night). Pool & dart Leagues, Community Outreach, Club Activities Social Planning Event & The Newsletter staff. Wear your best Eagle attire and you could be Mr. Eagle for February.
 Milwaukee Eagle - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 4 until 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Wednesday, February 11

Mama Roux - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 9 until 12 midnight. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Friday, February 13

Just Us - (Milwaukee): Valentine's Dinner Special, Surf & Turf for two.

Saturday, February 14

Boot Camp Saloon - Red Plaid Shirt Night (Milwaukee): This is the annual night to wear a red plaid shirt and come see all your old friends.
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Valentine's Day Party!

Wednesday, February 18

The Cell Block - No Hair Club (Chicago, IL): The Widow Butler will be there to clip off all that holiday fuzz with Free Buzz Cuts!

Book Clubs, Classes and Readings:

Saturday, February 7

Woodland Pattern - Workshop (Milwaukee): Writing short fiction & prose poetry with Debra Kay Vest. 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. FMI & fee call (414) 263-5001.

Monday, February 9

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Mequon): Rabbi Joy R. Brickman will share selections from "Reflections on a Lily Pond" at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 241-6220.

Wednesday, February 11

Woodland Pattern - Writer's Workout (Milwaukee): Writing practice FROM 6:30 TO 8:15 P.M. on ongoing Wednesdays for all experience levels with Peggy Hong. FMI call (414) 263-5001.

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Brookfield): Anna Quindlen will read from her new novel "Black and Blue" at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

Thursday, February 12

Gerber/Hart Library - G/L Discussion Group (Chicago, IL): "Beyond Queer: Challenging Gay Left Orthodoxy" by Bruce Bower will be discussed 7:30 p.m. Call (773) 278-5119 to make reservations.

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Shorewood): Alex Lotowicz will talk about "The Other Side of the River," his powerful look at race relations at 7 p.m. FMI Call (414) 963-3111.

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Shaw Festival (Downer Ave.): A sneak preview of Shaw's "Too Good To Be True" at 7 p.m.

Friday, February 13

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (E. Webster Place): Green Bay's Kyoko Mori will discuss her latest book "Polite Lies," a sometimes painful, and at times hilarious series of essays about the lives of Japanese and American women at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

Sunday, February 15

Woodland Pattern - Reader's Group (Milwaukee): Join Karen Howland to discuss Native American Writer Marmorn Silko's "Ceremony" from 1 to 3 p.m. FMI & fee call (414) 263-5001.

Community Meetings and Events:

Thursday, February 5

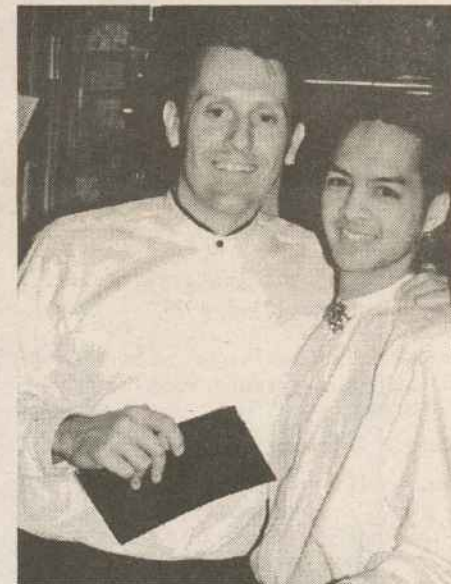
CAIR Research Conference (Milwaukee): "Antiretroviral Therapies & HIV Prevention: Some Cost Effective Considerations." 3 to 4:15 p.m. at 1249 N. Franklin in the CAIR conference room. FMI call (414) 456-7731.

Friday, February 6

SAGE/Dane - Men (Madison): High Tea & talk at Monty's Blue Plate Diner on Atwood Ave. across from the Barrymore Theater at 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 7

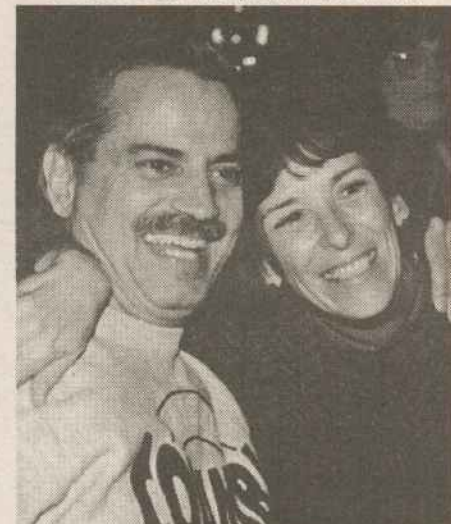
Bi Definition - Social/Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This bisexual



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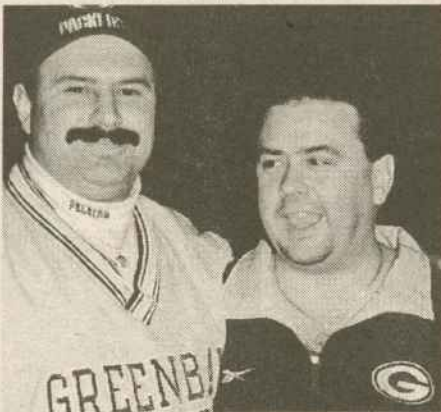
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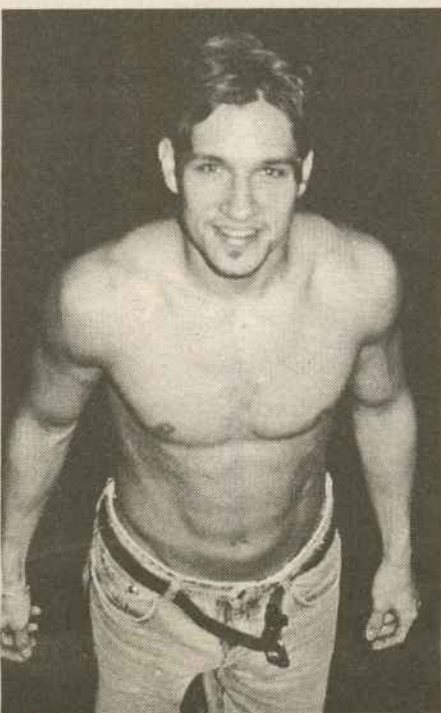
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group meets at BESTD Clinic at 7 p.m. Discussion Topic: Relationships with Non-Bisexuals. Same topic also discussed on 2/17 at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 483-5046.

Sunday, February 8

Interweave - GLBT Conference (Madison): Sponsored by the Unitarian/Universalist Church. The conference will be held at the Frank Lloyd Wright Church off University Bay Drive, west of the Emergency Room of University Hospitals. It all starts at 4 p.m.

Integrity/Dignity - Religious (Madison): Eucharist and Social hour. Tonight's collection will be donated to Integrity. FMI call (608) 836-8886.

Tuesday, February 10

Boyz Nite - ARCW - (Milwaukee): 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, February 11

SAGE/Dane - Women's Chat (Madison): A Room of One's Own Coffee Shop at 10 a.m. meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday. FMI call (608) 835-8971.

Friday, February 13

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group (Madison): Dinner before the 10% Dance at Saz on lower State Street at 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 14

Gemini Gender Group - Meeting (Milwaukee): Meets at the First Unitarian Church in Brookfield at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 297-9328.

Mode Theater - Falling in Love With Waterloo (Waterloo, WI): The evening's Cabaret entertainment includes jazz, vocalists, dancing and magic by Waterloo residents. A \$15+ donation is suggested and includes food and drink. The place will be dripping with hand-blown glass balls by artist and glass blower, Brent Cox. \$50 gets you the glass ball of your choice. This Open House is to raise funds towards town revitalization. FMI call (920) 478-2304.

Sunday, February 15

PFLAG - (Madison): This group meets the 3rd Sunday of the month at the Quaker's homestead, 1704 Roberts Court, a block north of Monroe St. behind the bank.

Silver Space - Women's Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This group for older lesbians meets every third Sunday at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett from 6 to 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

Milwaukee County War Memorial - Commitment Ceremony (Milwaukee) New Thought Community will conduct a commitment ceremony

for you and your significant other at 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$25. The ceremony will be followed by a Valentine's Potluck Brunch, open to anyone who wishes to attend. FMI call the Church Office at (414) 273-1970.

Monday, February 16

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Rap Session (Madison): This discussion group meets at The United, 14 West Mifflin Street at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 17

GLSTN - Meeting (Madison): The Gay, Lesbian, Straight Teachers Network meets at the Madison Public Library, 201 West Mifflin at 6:45 p.m. The topic is video resources.

UWM Health Fair - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be at the Grand Concourse from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Film, TV, Video and Radio:

Friday, February 6

Landmark Downer Theater - Film Openings (Milwaukee): "Afterglow" and "Oscar & Lucinda" open. FMI call (414) 964-2720.

Oriental Theater - Film Opening (Milwaukee): "The Apostle" with Robert Duvall opens. FMI call 276-8711.

Sunday, February 8

Oriental Institute - Free Sunday Film Series (Chicago): "Ancient Egypt Goes to Hollywood," a film festival in Breasted Hall, 1155 E. 58th St., features classic Hollywood portrayals of ancient Egypt. 2/8: Valley of the Kings; 2/15: Land of the Pharaohs; 2/22: Mummies Made in Egypt. All screenings at 2 p.m.

Monday, February 9

Dyke TV - WYUO (Madison): Cable 4. A 30-minute show produced in New York City.

Wednesday, February 11

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.

Monday, February 16

Landmark Oriental Theater - Show Festival (Milwaukee) A superb 1938 version of Shaw's classic play "Pygmalion" will be presented at 6:45 p.m. FMI call (414) 276-8711 or (414) 291-7800.

Tuesday, February 17

Boyz Nite - ARCW - Movie Night (Milwaukee): Movies are shown on the first Tuesday of the month & later there is a discussion. All ages welcome. FMI call Chris (414) 225-1556 or Andy (414) 225-1502.

Galleries and Museums:

Thursday, February 5

UWM Union Art Gallery - Current Show (Milwaukee): "Transcending Ourselves: Other Work by Women Artists" runs through March 6. FMI call (414) 229-6310.

Friday, February 6

Madison Art Center - Free Gallery Talk (Madison): Douglas Rosenberg, Asst. Professor of the UW Dept of Dance gives the final Gallery Talk for the exhibition "Commotion: Martin Kersels". In addition Rosenberg will examine will examine audience response to Kersel's combination of movement, sound, film & video. FMI call (608) 257-0158.

Milwaukee Art Museum - First Friday Music (Milwaukee): Join the Yell Leaders for an evening of high-energy music. 5 to 8 p.m. in the Vogel/Helfaer Galleries - East entrance. Free appetizers & cash bar. Docent led tours of 1998 Scholastic Art Exhibition. \$5 MAM members, \$7 non members. College students are free with a valid college ID.

Thursday, February 12

Smart Museum of Art - British Art Nouveau (Chicago): Liberty of London Designer & Master of Art Nouveau, Archibald Knox (1864-1933) exhibit of silver, pewter, jewelry, ceramics & textiles will be on display through 4/19 at the museum, 5550 S. Greenwood Ave. FMI call (773) 702-0200.

Theater Arts:

Thursday, February 5

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra - Concert (Milwaukee) The MSO will perform an all Brahms concert in Uihlein Hall. Also on 2/6 & 2/7. FMI & tickets call (414) 291-7605

UWM Symphony Orchestra - Concert (Milwaukee): The UWM Symphony performs on the Grand Concourse at 12:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Friday, February 6

Boulevard Ensemble - Opening Night (Milwaukee): Edward Albee's Pulitzer Prize-winning play "A Delicate Balance" will open at the Boulevard Theater at 8 p.m., followed by a champagne reception. FMI & tickets call (414) 672-6019.

The Rave - Concert (Milwaukee): Menthol - The Smoking Popes - Triple Fast Action. At the Milwaukee Eagles Club, 2401 W. Wisconsin Ave. FMI & tickets call (414) 342-RAVE.

Wind-Up Dolls Theater - Food Pantry Benefit (Milwaukee): Three short plays will be premiered at 8 p.m. at the CoffeeHouse, 631 N 19th St. Admission is \$2.50 and two non-perishable food items for Milwaukee food pantries. FMI call Ruth at (414) 224-0625.

Saturday, February 7

Early Music Now - Motets, Madrigals & Masses (Milwaukee): The Dutch a capella group, "Quink" will perform at 5 p.m. at Wisconsin Lutheran College. There is a pre-concert lecture at 2 p.m. and the Chocolate Reception and Auction at 3 p.m. FMI & tickets call (414) 225-3113.

Milwaukee Chamber Theater - 16th Annual Show Festival Opening (Milwaukee) This year's Show Festival opens with a hearty German brunch to celebrate the First Annual International Arts Festival, followed by a staged reading of Shaw's "Jitta's Atonement" at the Cabot The-

ater. \$20 for reading & brunch, \$10 for reading only. Other featured plays are Shaw's "Too Good To Be True" (2/21 at the Cabot theater) and Samuel Beckett's "Waiting For Godot" (2/28 at the Cabot Theater) Also see Film and Book listings for more activities. FMI & tickets call (414) 291-7800.

The Rave - Concert (Milwaukee): The Mighty Blue Kings - Slimmer. At the Milwaukee Eagles Club, 2401 W. Wisconsin Ave. FMI & tickets call (414) 342-RAVE.

UWM Symphony Orchestra - Concert (Milwaukee): the UWM Symphony Honors Orchestra Festival at 7:30 p.m. in the UWM Union. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Sunday, February 8

Chicago Symphony - Piano Series (Chicago, IL): Daniel Barenboim's annual keyboard recital at 3 p.m. in Orchestra Hall features Debussy and Beethoven. FMI call Phone Charge at (312) 294-3000.

Symphony Center - Jazz (Chicago, IL): The Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, conducted by trumpeter Wynton Marsalis will perform at Orchestra Hall at 8 p.m. FMI & tickets call PhoneCharge at (312) 294-3000.

UWM Vocal Arts - Florentine Singers (Milwaukee): A celebration of German Art Song with singers from The Florentine Opera's production of Mozart's "The Abduction from the Seraglio. Jeffrey Peterson, piano. At 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Thursday, February 12

Historical Keyboard Society of Wisconsin - American Bach Project (Milwaukee): Duo Geminani: "Bach & His North German Influences" at 7:30 p.m. at All Saints Cathedral, 818 E. Juneau Ave. FMI call (414) 226-BACH (2224).

Milwaukee Ballet - Carmina Burana (Milwaukee): An exciting new version of the celebrated ballet, paired with "Les Nuits D'Ete" is part of Milwaukee's International Arts Festival, celebrating the city's German/Austrian heritage. The event will be held in Uihlein Hall. FMI & tickets call (414) 643-7677.

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra - Classical Conversations (Milwaukee): Neal Gittleman focuses on the life, times and music of Leonard Bernstein at the Pabst Theater at 7:30 p.m. FMI & tickets call (414) 291-7605 or 800-291-7605.

Friday, February 13

Alverno Presents - Kiltartan Road (Milwaukee): A performance of "In The Deep Heart's Core" by the Chicago ensemble, featuring Irish Music, singing and dancing to the poetry of William Yeats. Performance at 8 p.m. in Wehr Hall. Also on 2/14. FMI & tickets call (414) 382-6044.

Chicago Symphony - Concert (Chicago, IL): After a three year absence, The Royal Copernicgaw Orchestra performs Berg & Mahler at 8 p.m. in Orchestra Hall. FMI call PhoneCharge at (312) 294-3000.

Historical Keyboard Society of Wisconsin - Bach Concert (Milwaukee): Ensemble Musical Offering: From Buxtehude to Bach at 7:30 p.m. at All Saints Cathedral, 818 E. Juneau Ave. FMI call (414) 226-BACH (2224).

University of Chicago Professional Concert Series (Chicago, IL): American virtuoso Garrick Ohlsson will perform an all-Chopin piano recital at 8 p.m. in Mandell Hall, 1131 E. 57th St. FMI & tickets call (773) 702-8068.

Saturday, February 14

Historical Keyboard Society of Wisconsin - Bach Concert (Milwaukee): Smithsonian Chamber Players: "The Continental Bach" at 7:30 p.m. at the Pabst Theater. FMI call (414) 226-BACH (2224).

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The Rave - Concert (Milwaukee): The Promise Ring - Joan of Arch. At the Milwaukee Eagles Club, 2401 W. Wisconsin Ave. FMI & tickets call (414) 342-0300.

Sunday, February 15

Historical Keyboard Society of Wisconsin - Bach Concert (Milwaukee): Kim Heindel: The Big Bach Blow-Out Organ Recital at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Cathedral, 803 N. Jackson St. FMI call (414) 226-BACH (2224).

The Rave - Concert (Milwaukee): Electric Hellfire Club. At the Milwaukee Eagles Club, 2401 W. Wisconsin Ave. FMI & tickets call (414) 342-0300.

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Chicago Symphony - Tango Music (Chicago, IL): Juan Jose Maslani & his Grande Orchestro De Tango perform the tango equivalent of the big band at 8 p.m. in Orchestra Hall. FMI call (312) 294-3000.

UWM Choirs - Festival Concert (Milwaukee): In the Wisconsin Room of the UWM Union at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Wednesday, February 18

Theater X/Wild Space Dance Co - Theater Piece (Milwaukee): Berthold Brecht & Kurt Weill's "Seven Deadly Sins" will be presented through March 18 at the Broadway Theater Center. FMI & tickets call (414) 278-0555.

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OUT OF THE STARS

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)

Your financial prospects are excellent this week, especially if you join up with another to pool both your know-how and resources. It's advantageous to your monetary goals to be flexible and roll with the punches. You yearn to travel — so start planning.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Now's the best time to start a new partnership, whether in business or romance, the results will definitely be very positive. Keep your physical energy high. Money dealings will intensify in the next few months, be very careful about the details.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

Your mind may be totally on pleasure and free time during the week, it's time to think about improving your financial and job situation. Be cautious and heed others' business suggestions. You've the capabilities to tackle any challenges thrown your way, and win.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

There's a new chapter in your love life ready to be written — be patient, all the details will unfold in due time. Romance will continue to be dominant for the next several months, so enjoy it. Even if you are tempted, refrain from making any hasty decisions.

LEO: (July 24 - August 23)

The thought of work doesn't do much for you, but it will be surprising just how much you will accomplish if you just put your nose to the grindstone. Keep in mind in the future that you will benefit from a more intellectual approach to moneymaking ideas and finances.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

Hard work is the key throughout this week. There is friction on the job which can be avoided with diplomacy. The chance to enhance your working skills is good, look for opportunities, however small they may seem. The solution to a nagging problem is evident.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

This week will be a lot more active and rewarding than the past couple of weeks. Real estate could be a profitable area now. Your financial bandwagon rolls along, producing profits which will be more evident in the next few weeks. Concentrate on doing things yourself.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

Try to look at things with a fresh perspective. If you go about accomplishing things differently, you may be amazed at how much you'll get done. The next few weeks will favor financial planning, so work closely with someone who knows the business well.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

The prevailing theme is tranquility. Evenings may be filled with enjoyable social events and romantic interludes. You have attracted the attention of a VIP at work, someone who can help you advance your career and personal goals. Keep your attitude upbeat.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Your friends are very supportive, and if you are working on a personal goal, they will be able to give some good advice. A lucky opportunity may enable you to climb up a few additional rungs on the ladder of success. Trim down your expectations to parallel with reality.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

You will meet a whole new circle of people who can be stimulating on an intellectual level. These new friends will help clarify any important objectives which have been fuzzy. Steer clear of any known troublemakers in the workplace, they may hamper your progress.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

Distant friends or family will dominate your thoughts and actions. Start working on that special project which may have to do with a home matter. Beware of being overly optimistic concerning finances — remember to not count your chickens before they're hatched.



KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

It was a warm, humid July night in 1982 with not a cloud in the sky. I had just been to a straight bar (now torn down) that a friend of mine managed on Beecher and KK. I had spent \$8 of the \$10 I had in my pocket. At that time, I did not have a car, so the only way for me to get around was either the bus or my feet. Like I said, it was a warm night, so I opted for my feet to get me home which was on 25th and Michigan. My usual route was First Street up to Michigan and all the way up to 25th. Probably not the safest way home, but I was young and naive. On this particular night, I made a small, but very profound detour, instead of taking First Street, I decided on 2nd Street. I got up to the 200 block of South 2nd and walked past 3 bars. Those 3 bars were Phoenix, C'est La Vie and Club 219. I walked up a couple of blocks and then turned around. I kinda knew that those three bars were gay bars, but just turning 18, I had never been in one before.

C'est La Vie's door was propped open, so I wandered in. I went right to the bar and ordered a can of Pabst, hoping they were only \$1 so I could have two. The bartender gave me 90 cents back, oh well I guess I'm only staying for one. Then I turned around, and took in the crowd. Holy shit, all these guys are gay??? Looking around at the very crowded bar, I saw mostly young, very attractive boys. There were a couple of girls (fag hags as I later learned was the term), and a few older guys but mostly the guys were between the ages 17-25.

I could not believe my eyes, here I was surrounded by people like me. I thought

for sure that I was one of maybe 50 other gay people in Milwaukee, not that I had met any before, but I was sure that there had to have been at least 50. But, there I was, right in the middle of at least 80 gay guys in one bar, and I knew there had to be more in the other two bars that I knew were gay.

I was standing there, sipping my beer when this older guy wearing glasses, shined his flashlight at my crotch. He must have seen my staring at another guy because he came up to me and said, "go talk to him, his name is Herbie."

The only thing I could do was stand there and blush with my heart pounding so bad I thought I was going to pass out. All I could do was stand there shyly and nod my head no. It took me about 45 minutes to finish my beer, and I didn't have enough money for another so, I headed out the door. At the door was that older guy with the flashlight again, shining it at my crotch as I walked down the front steps. He looked over the top of his glasses and asked me what my name was. He said his name was John, and asked me if I was looking for work. I said sure (thinking to myself as long as I don't have to sleep with this guy).

Just as John was telling me to stop by the next day around noon, this car pulled up with that Herbie guy in the passenger seat. John turned to Herbie and said "take Jamie home with you, he thinks your cute." Once again I felt the blood rush to my face which must have looked pretty funny 'cause my hair was long and very blond at the time. I smiled and said "no thanks, I have to get home". I told John

that I would stop by the next day and started walking north on 2nd Street.

As I was walking I notice this very cute (curly brown hair, dark eyes) young guy, maybe 18, walking slowly towards me. As he got closer he said "if your headed downtown you'll have to take another route, the bridge is out". I asked him how to get around to Michigan Ave. and he



Cuties of the Week. Photo by Jamie at Walker's Point Cafe.

said follow me. Without saying a word we walked back to that walkway that goes under the railroad tracks by the Ball Game. We got to the bottom of the stairs when he turned to me, putting his arm around me squeezing my ass as his other hand found my crotch. Before I knew it I was standing there with my pants down to my ankles with this really cute guy doing what gay guys do when they are on their knees. After the "event" I pulled my jeans up and said thanks. He said "No, thank you" and told me how to get to Michigan Ave. He went one way and I the other.

So, there it was, my first night at a gay bar, way back in 1982. (Actually my first gay bar was the Phoenix, but I didn't know it was gay until after I had left, you see the guy that was managing that bar on Beecher and KK was gay, and knew that I was and had taken me to the Phoenix the week before.) Anyway, I started working at the C'est La Vie doing construction and eventually bartended there. No, I never had to sleep with John, but did have to put up with that damn flashlight. Here it is, years later and I can't help but wonder where I would be if I hadn't taken that little detour but I'm sure that eventually I would have found the handle to the closet door and opened it.

It finally happened. The football season is over to the disappointment of all of those Packer fans, ending with the Denver over Green Bay victory. As I said in the last column I headed over to the **Ball Game** for an early seat in what was to be a very

"packed" bar. I stayed until around half time (when it looked like the Packers might have pulled if off) and then headed over to **In Between**. As usual, In Between was filled with "frozen tundra" fans, cheering the Packers on. After the game, I meandered over to **Triangle** but by that time the crowd had gone home in tears. Rumor has it that the **Eagle** had a nice crowd as well.

The **LGBT Community Center** has chosen the board of directors at a meeting in the banquet room above **M&M**, Saturday January 24th. I was there shooting photographs and wrote all the names of the new board members on a piece of paper but have since lost that list and can't get a hold of anyone that has it. Check the article in the front of *In Step* for more information.

That same day was the Grand Re-Opening party at **Walker's Point Cafe** and if you were lucky enough, you were given an invitation prior to the event. About 20 people came in to celebrate the new look, the new menu and the breath of fresh air that has blown through the place.

Hey, it's a big leather swap over at **Woody's**. Yup if your into that leather thing you were probably at Woody's on January 31st for the big leather swap. Sources tell me that there was a pretty good turnout. Speaking of Woody's, stop in February 7th for their Grand Opening Party. I will be there with camera in hand and ready for a party.

Have you been to **La Cage** on Tuesday nights lately? It's prize night and every 3 months **George** sends someone on a great vacation. I don't know about you, but I could use a trip out of this nasty cold weather.

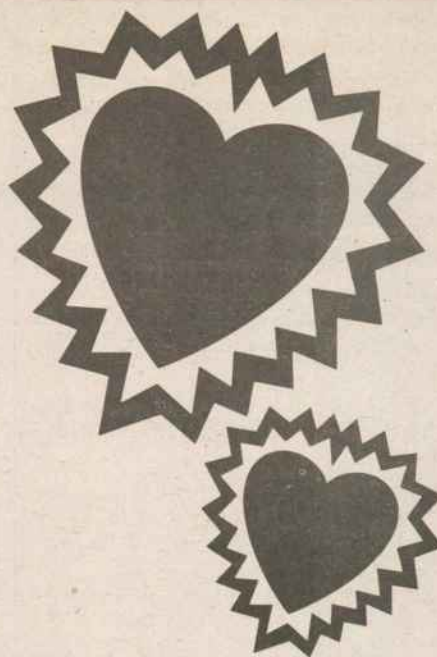
Up in Green Bay, **Napalese** threw a big beach party, January 17th. Beach balls and summer cocktails made for a very festive "summer-esque" party. That same night over at **Sass**, there was the 2nd annual Birthday Bash for **Brenda** and **Dawn**. As you know, **Sally** and **Sue** (owners of Sass) are at the top of my Favorite Lesbian List. Hi Girls!!!!!!!

As if there wasn't enough to do in Green Bay that night, the **Miss Gay Green Bay America Pageant** was held over at **Za's**. **Kelly Jo Klien** took home the title. "Dry Night" (otherwise known as teen night) has been "a phenomenal success". This is the only place in the state of Wisconsin where people of all ages can get together in a nice dance club to party. Next time I am in Green Bay I'm gonna check it out.

That about all I know about the "state" of Wisconsin these past couple of weeks, so until next issue, remember that spring is only 3 months away and as always, slower traffic keep right.

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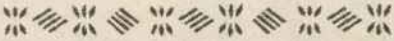
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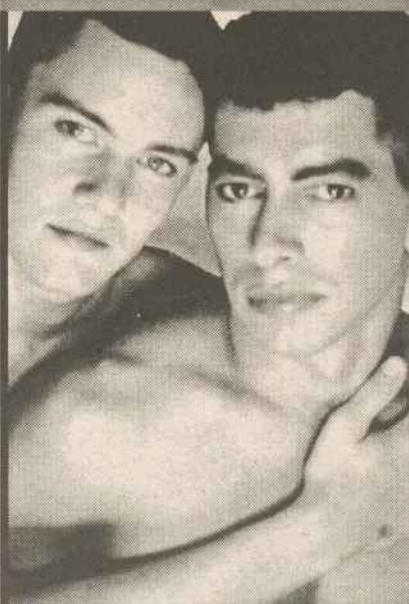
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203 West 5th Street, Shawano 54166 (715) 526-2805
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PO Box 1961, Green Bay, 54301 (414) 433-9821
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<http://www.qvoice.com>, qvoice@aol.com
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- Top HAT Productions**
(Continental System) (414) 671-6711
- Wisconsin AIDS Library** (414) 225-1539
arcwlib@execpc.com (800) 359-9272
- Wisconsin AIDSline** (free/anonymous) (414) 273-AIDS
..... (800) 334-AIDS
- WI Conference of Churches**
(AIDS Caring Community) (608) 244-0894
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P.O. Box 94, Francis Creek, 54214
E mail Boot4Sale@aol.com
- Wisconsin Light** (bi-weekly G/L newsletter)
1843 N. Palmer, Milwaukee 53212 (414) 372-2773
- WI. Legislative Hotline** (800) 362-WISC

- PFLAG Fox Cities**
Box 75, Little Chute, 54140 749-1629
- Fond Du Lac Friends United** (Bi/Gay/Lesbian Support-Social)
Bill 924-9106
- G.L.E.E.D.A.**
P.O. Box 102 Appleton, WI 54912-0102 830-2065

Green Bay Area (920)

BARS

- 3 Brandys II** (Mw, L/L)
1126 Main Street 54301 1-800-311-3197
- 1 Napolese Lounge** (MW, DJ)
515 S. Broadway 54303 432-9646
- 2 Javas** (MW, V)
1106 Main 54301 435-5476
- 2 Zas** (MW, DJ, V)
1106 Main 54301 435-5476
- 4 Sass** (WM)
840 S. Broadway 54304 437-7277

ORGANIZATIONS

- AA Hotline** (for gay meeting referrals) 731-4331
- AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin**
824 S. Broadway, Green Bay 54304
..... 920-437-7400
..... 800-675-9400

- Angel of Hope** (MCC Church)
3607 Libal Street, 54301 432-0830
- Argonauts of Wisconsin** (L/L Social Club)
PO Box 22096, Green Bay 54305
- Bay City Chorus**
PO Box 1901, Green Bay 54305 497-8882
- Fond Du Lac Bi/Gay/Lesbian Support & Social**
Bill 924-9106
Stacey 923-3403
- Gay/Lesbian Support at UW-GB**
G/L Guide to N.E. Wisconsin
P.O. Box 1381, Green Bay 54305
- Men's HIV+ Support**
Green Bay 437-7400
- Women's HIV+ Support**
Green Bay 437-7400
- Northern Womyn, Inc.** (Lesbian Support/Social Group)
Box 10102, Green Bay 54307-0102

- Parents & Friends of G/L Green Bay** 499-7080
- Positive Voice** (Gay and Lesbian Support)
P. O. Box 1381, Green Bay 54305 499-5533
- Mens HIV Support Group**
Sturgeon Bay 733-2068

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Chanticleer Guest House**
4072 Cherry Rd Sturgeon Bay, 54234 746-0334
- BlackSmith Inn** (Bed & Breakfast)
Box 220, Baileys Harbor, 54202 839-9222

Madison (608)

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Prairie Garden B&B**
W13172 Hwy 188, Lodi, 53555 800/380-8427

MEDICAL

- AIDS Network**
HIV/AIDS Service Organization
600 Williamson St, 53701 252-6540
FAX 252-6559
- Blue Bus STD Clinic** (Monday, Thursday)
1552 University Avenue 53705 262-7330

BARS

- 2 Manoeuvres** (MW)
150 S. Blair, 53703 258-9918
- 3 Shamrock** (GS, MW, F, D)
117 W. Main St. 53703 255-5029
- 5 Geraldines/The Men's Room** (MW,DJ)
3052 E Washington, 53704 241-9335
- Greenbush** (G/S, M/W, F)
914 Regent, 53715 257-BUSH
- 3 Kirby's Klub** (MW)
121 West Main St., 53703 251-1030

ORGANIZATIONS

- AASPIN Foundation** (Goal or Wish Assistance for PWAs)
2828 Marshall Ct, Ste 210, 53705 273-4501
- Apple Island** (Womens Cultural Center/Hall Rental)
849 E Washington 258-9777
- Bi? Shy? Why?**

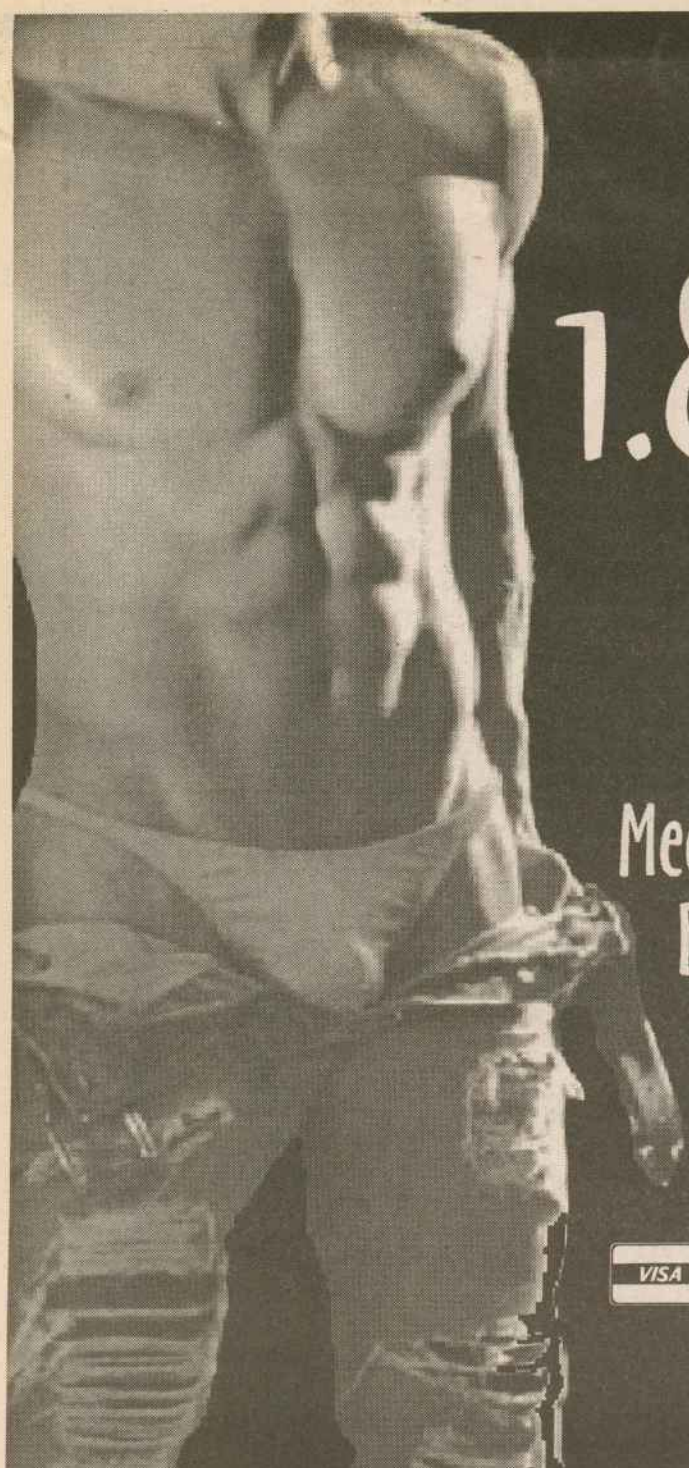
Appleton Area (920)

BARS

- Diversions** (MW, F)
1413 Green Valley Road, Neenah, 54911 725-3374
- Rascals Bar & Grill** (MW, F)
702 E. Wisconsin, Appleton 54911 954-9262

ORGANIZATIONS

- AA Hotline** (for gay meeting referrals) 731-4331
- AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin**
120 N Morrison, #201, Appleton 54911 733-2068
..... (800) 773-2068
- Angel of Hope** (MCC Church)
110 S. Locust Street, 54914 991-0128
- Men's HIV+ Support Group** Appleton 733-2068
- Family HIV Support Group** Appleton 733-2068



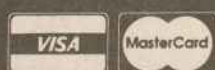
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I'm a very good looking, White male, 5'9, 135lbs, with Blond hair, Blue eyes, and a swimmer's build. Unfortunately, I'm very inexperienced and need someone to teach me. I hope you're between 18 and early 20's, with a fit body. (Antigo) #8922

VIDEO VENGEANCE

This good looking, White male, 39, 5'11, 180lbs, with Brown hair, Blue eyes, and a mustache, is totally into videos and having good sex, at least once a week. Let's have a blast. (Baraboo) #8229

SOCIAL SCENE

I'm searching for friendship and fun times with other men in the area. I'm a Gay, White male, in my 50's, 5'8, 165lbs, who enjoys talking, socializing, movies, dinners, and more. (Columbia County) #12674

GOT TO GET YOU INTO MY LIFE

Good looking, slim, 27 year old, Gay, White male, with dark hair, seeks a very masculine, well built, Gay, White male, 30 to 40, who's interested in a special relationship. (Eau Claire) #12236

WINTER SPORTSMAN

Very well built, good looking, masculine, White male, 28, 5'8, 170lbs, with Brown hair and eyes, seeks buddies for good times. I like working out, the outdoors, 4-wheeling, jetskiing, snowmobiling, hiking, and many sports. (Ironwood) #9488

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

ATTENTION SENIORS!

This nice looking, fit, Bi, White male, 26, gets into giving oral pleasure, and erotic, full body massages, to well endowed, senior males, in their 60's, 70's, and 80's. If you're interested in a discreet get together with a clean, safe, horny guy, who wants to give you pleasure, give me a call. I can travel throughout south central Wisconsin. (Janesville) #9607

HEAVY METAL MEN

Bi, White male, 40, and a Bi, White male, 22, seek other Bi and Gay males, under 26, for fun times. We like heavy metal music and concerts, not bars. We're social drinkers but we prefer to do it at my home. (Kenosha) #11979

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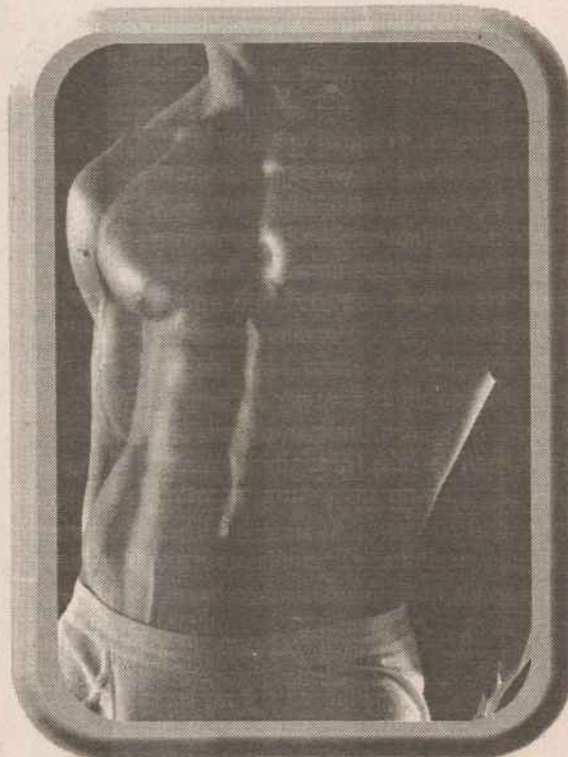
MADISON Muscular, very solid, professional, White male, 30, 5'10, 180lbs, seeks similar friends, 21 to 35, who are also muscular and big. I prefer guys around 200lbs who lift weights and work out. Hairy bodies are a plus. You should like to go out and have fun without smoking, drinking, drugs, and sleeping around. (Madison) #12638

GOOD OL' COLLEGE

TRY This good looking, horny, college student, 23, seeks someone into a little bit of kink. I'm submissive and will try anything. (Madison) #10844

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SCHOLARSHIP Hot, built, Black college jock, 18, 5'8, 155lbs, with a worked out body, seeks other good looking studs, under 25, for discreet times. (Madison) #10470



MADISON MEETING

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

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

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

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

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

SOMETHING'S GROWING

This Gay couple wants to meet, and get together, with other couples and singles for friendship, fun, and more. We like gardening, walks, cooking, football games, and quiet times in front of the fire. I'm 6'2, 170lbs, and a former marathon runner. He's 5'10, 165lbs, with a hairy chest. Let's talk. (Milwaukee) #12243

START OF SOMETHING GOOD

I'm a good looking, 18 year old, White male, 6'4, with Brown hair and eyes. I'd like a relationship with someone, 21 to 27, who will love me. I'm a unique, caring, humorous guy, with lots of good qualities. I have good self esteem and feel that I'm a pretty nice catch. I hope you'll agree. (Milwaukee) #11895

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

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

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

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

ROOKIE WRANGLER

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

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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

FOOT PATROL

This masculine, White male, has a strong, pronounced foot fetish. I love servicing and being serviced by other men who share this interest. I'm also into footgear, especially boots. (Milwaukee)

☎9501

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

HAIRY, BLOND SOUP

Sexy, hairy, Blond bottom, 38, 190lbs, in southwestern Wisconsin, seeks other hot guys for fun times. (Milwaukee)

☎6299

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

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



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

OUTGOING

HOMEBODY 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

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

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)

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

YOUTHFUL

YEARNING I wanna hook up with another young guy, 18 to 25, for hot times and friendship. This good looking, 25 year old, Gay, White male, 6ft, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, likes to do it all. (River Falls)

☎5452

FEEL THE

TINGLING Nice looking, White male, 27, 6ft, with Blond hair and Blue eyes, seeks other attractive men, around my age, for good times. Let's hook up and see what happens. (Superior)

☎5572

NATURAL WONDER

Nice looking, stable, Gay, White male, 5'7, with Brown hair, Green eyes, and a trimmed beard and mustache, seeks a romantic guy, 21 to 50, who knows what he wants out of life. I enjoy fishing, camping, nature walks, star gazing, movies, travel, quiet evenings in front of the fire, and more. (Milwaukee)

☎12562

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. (Milwaukee)

☎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. (Milwaukee)

☎9481

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. (Milwaukee)

☎5531

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. (Milwaukee)

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 Box 513, Mem. Union, 800 Langdon, Madison 53706

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18-21 Yr Old Social Group256-2667

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Gay/Lesbian Resource Center
 PO Box 1722, 5370

Gay Fathers c/o United255-8582

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 PO Box 1403, 53701256-4289

GLBT Phone Line (United's Out-line)255-4297

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 PO Box 6091, 53716

Lavender (Lesbian Domestic Violence Support Group)255-7447

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 Dean of Students Office,
 75 Bascom Hall, Madison 53706263-5700

LesBiGay Campus Center (Office, Lounge, Resource Center) UW Union265-3344

LesBiGay Teen Support Group251-1126
 (Brianpatch & Picada) or246-7606

Lesbian, Gay and Bi Law Student Union
 UW Law School, Bascom Mall, Madison 53706

Lesbian Parents Network
 PO Box 572, 53701255-8582

Madison Volleyball Group (Jeff)251-8716

Madison Wrestling Club
 PO Box 8234, 53708244-8675

MAGIC Picnic Committee

c/o The United255-8582

Mens Alanon255-8582

New Harvest Foundation (G/L Foundation)
 PO Box 1786, 53701

Nothing to Hide (gay cable)241-2500

Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
 PO Box 1722, 53701

Rainbow Community Collective (L/G/B/T Social Org)
 Wit-Mar Neighborhood Ctr. 2nd & 4th Thursdays
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Shake It Up! (L/G/B/T Social Org)
 http://www.mailbag.com/users/dkr/shake.html
 4701 Judy Lane, 53704-1723241-2500

10% Society (student organization)
 Box 614, UW Mem. Union,
 800 Langdon, 53706262-7365

Unicorns of Madison (L/L club)
 PO Box 536, 53701

The United (Education, Counseling, Advocacy)
 14 W. Mifflin St., Ste 103, 53703255-8582

UW LesBiGay Alumni Council (Russell Betts)262-2551

Womansong (Woman's Choral Group)246-2681

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Milwaukee (414)

ORGANIZATIONS

AIDS Awareness Group
 (Sue Hall, Carroll College)524-7764

Alcoholics Anonymous
 (regular. Gay meetings)771-9119

Beer Town Badgers
 PO Box 840, 53201

Bi Definition (Bisexual Community Events)
 PO Box 07541, 53207

Carol562-4058

Steve483-5046

BiNet USA (Bisexual Political Activism) Steve483-5046
 or PO Box 07541, 53207 Carol562-4058

Black Gay Consciousness Raising933-2136

Castaways M.C. (Levi/Leather club)
 PO Box 1697, 53202-1697

Community Elections Coalition
 P.O. Box 92722, 53202

Counseling Center (LesBiGay support & discussion Groups)
 2038 N. Bartlett, 53202271-2565

Cream City Chorus
 P. O. Box 1488, 53201344-9222

Cream City Foundation (CCF)
 2821 N. 4th St. #210, or,
 Box 204, 53201265-0880

Cream City Squares
 (G/L Square Dancing Club)445-8080

DAMES (Dykes Against Minority Erotic Suppression)
 PO Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201

Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
 PO Box 413, Union Box 51, 53201229-4054

Different Drummer Theatre Alliance (G/L Theatre Co)
 PO Box 92756, 53202347-0673

Fest City Singers (Gay choral group)
 PO Box 11428, 53211263-SING

Firebirds (L/L group)
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Front Runners (Running Group)332-1527
 http://execpc.com/~blackjon/frontrun.html

Galano Club (chemical free recovery club)

2408 N. Farwell276-6936

GAMMA (sports/outdoors/recreation/social)
 P.O. Box 1900, 53201365-3453

Membership Information264-9180
 http://www.execpc.com/~milic/gamma

Gay Father's Group
 1240 E. Brady St., 53204372-8008

Gay/Lesbian/Bi Community at UW-M
 Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201229-6555

Gay Lesbian Education Employees of Metro Milw.
 (GLEEMM), Larry462-8404

Gay/Lesbian Studies UWM229-6402

Gay & Lesbian Tavern Guild
 209 East National, 53204

Gay People's Union
 PO Box 208, 53201562-7010

Gay Youth Milwaukee (regular peer group meetings)
 PO Box 09441, 53209265-8500

Gay Men's Discussion/Support Group (Bill)276-7626

Gemini Gender Group (TV/TS/TG Support/Social)
 PO Box 44211, 53214 voice mail297-9328

Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee
 P. O. Box 862, 53201-0862

G/L Community Center Trust Fund
 P. O. Box 1686, 53201643-1652

Great Lakes Harley Riders
 PO Box 341611, 53234-1611

Human Rights League (HRL)
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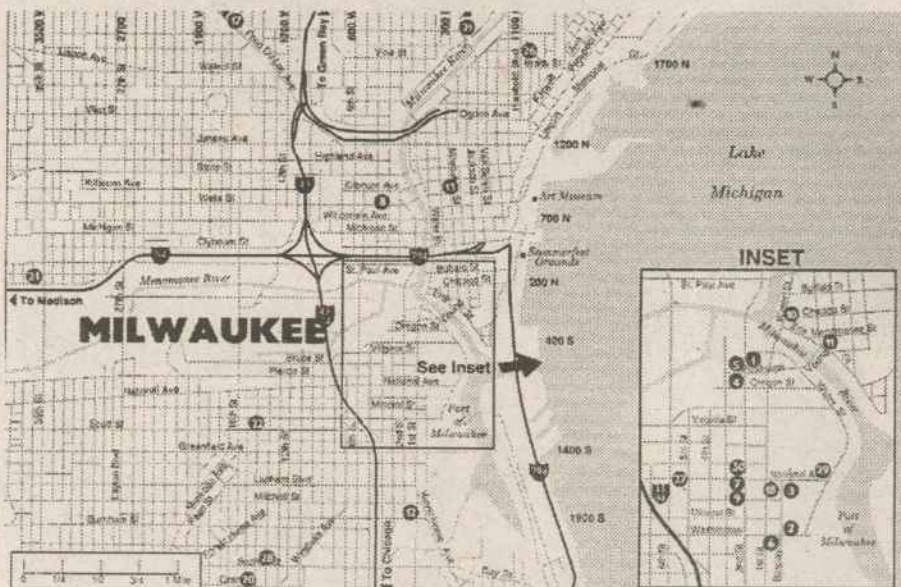
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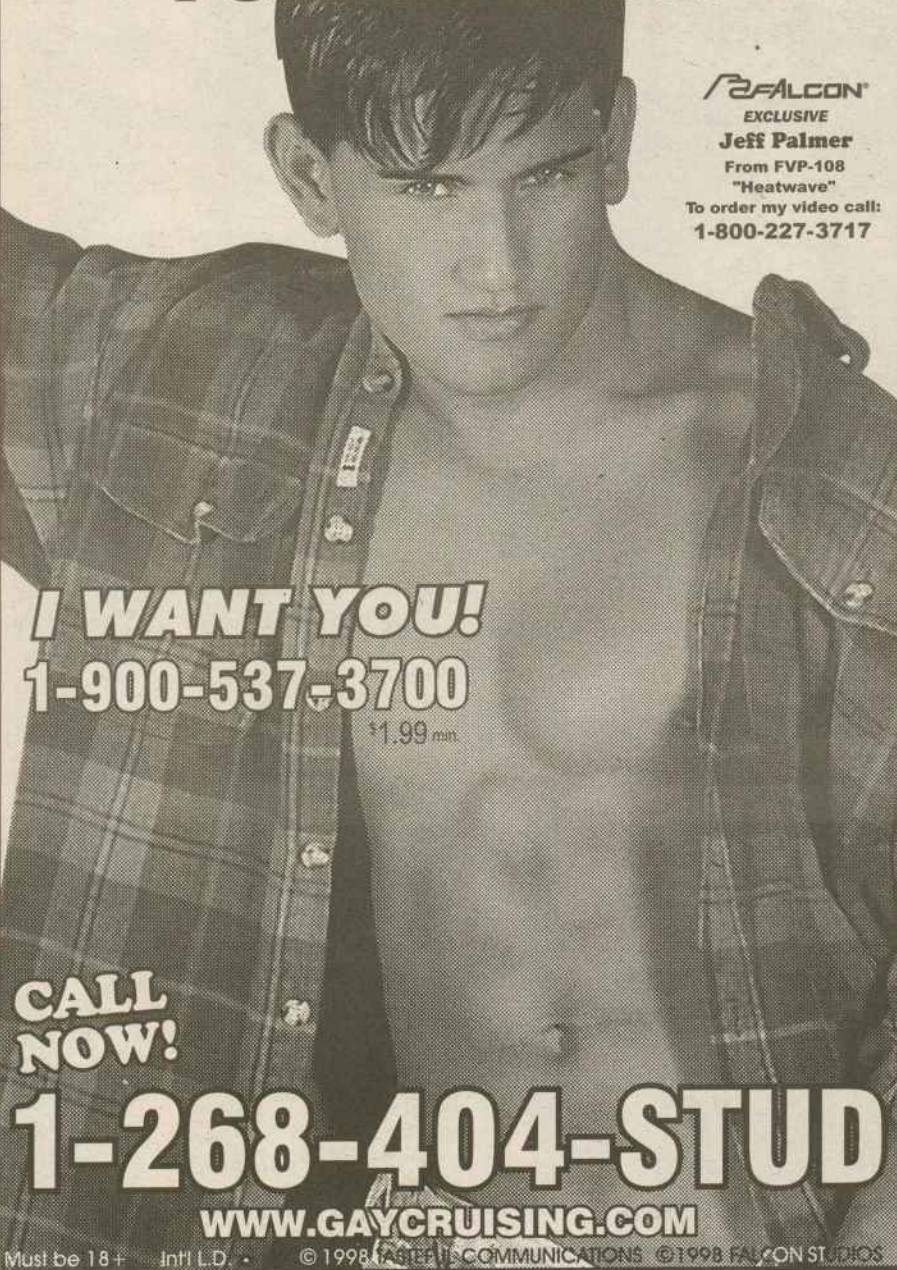
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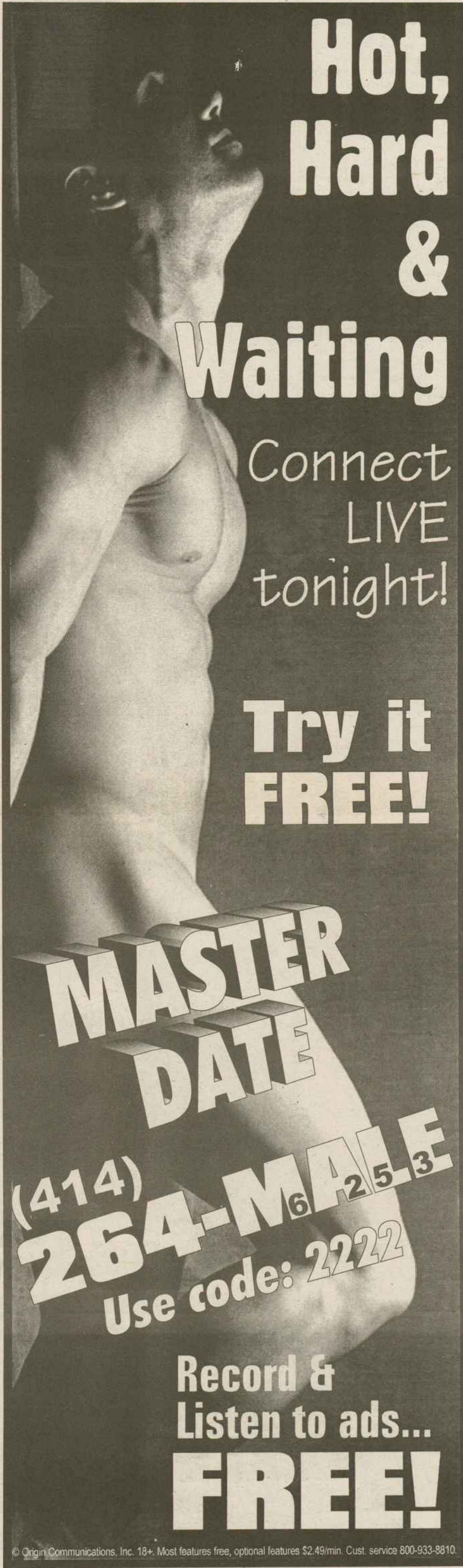


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