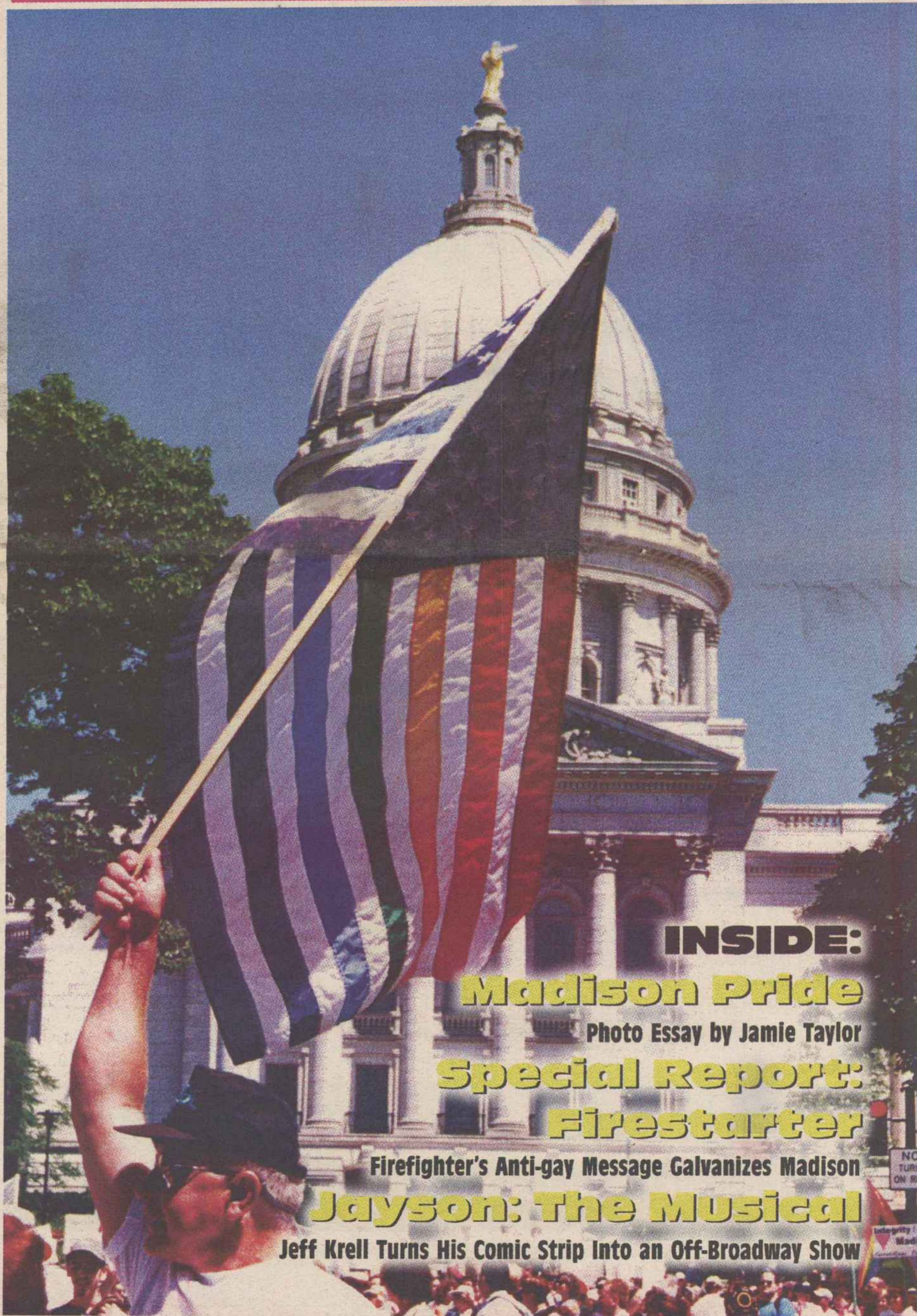


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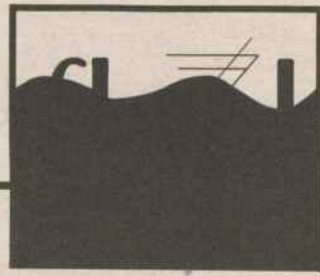
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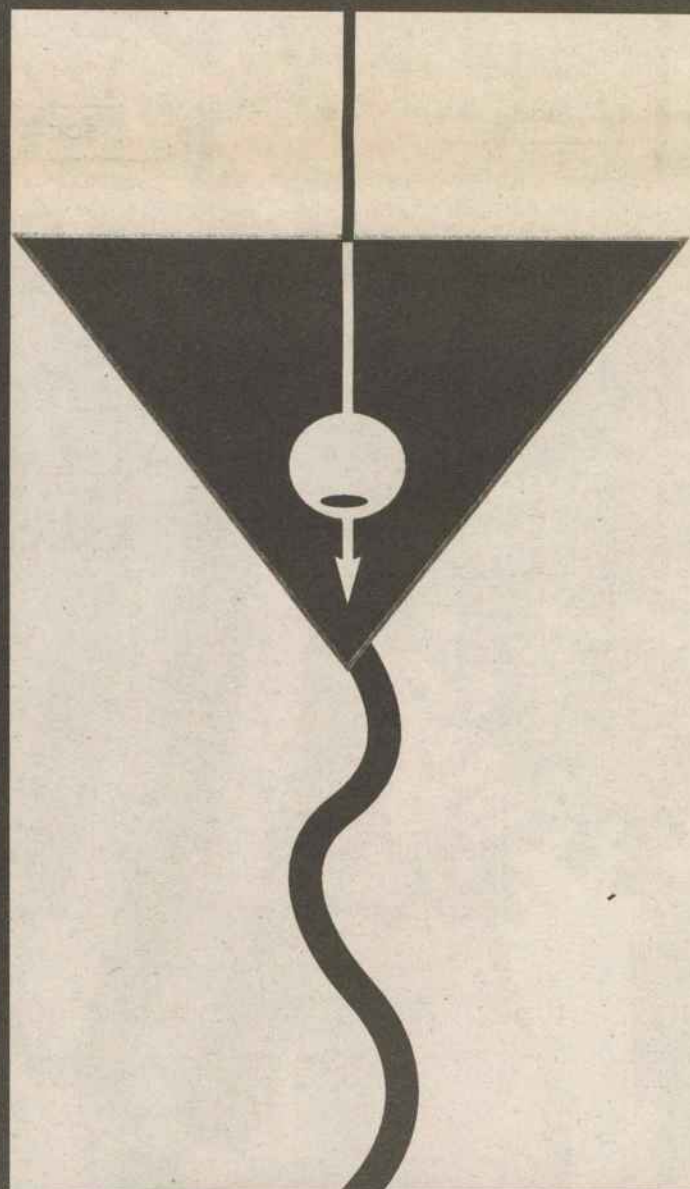
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Battle of the Ads

Far-Right Newspaper Ads Rankle Rights Groups

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Washington, D.C. — Rights advocates say they're outraged about ads running in several major U.S. newspapers by far-right organizations claiming a virtual monopoly on "truth," calling on gays and lesbians to change their sexual orientation to heterosexuality, and charging the gay rights movement with a litany of bullying tactics ranging from "threats" to "blackmail."

The ads, which ran in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post* and *USA Today*, cost the groups at least \$200,000 and spotlight recent anti-gay remarks by Green Bay Packers star Reggie White, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, and gospel singers Angie and Debbie Winans. Under the headline "In defense of free speech," the ads, sponsored by the Christian Coalition, the Family Research Council, and 13 other far-right groups, say the recent anti-gay remarks "have brought a tidal wave of harsh language from homosexual activists, media pundits, and even a White House spokesman. They have branded Christian minister and pro-football player Reggie White as 'ignorant,' 'stupid,' and 'backward'."

The full-page ad that ran in *USA Today* featured White decked in his Packers uniform and quoting the defensive end as saying "I've been called homophobic. I've been called stupid. I've been called unintelligent, and I've been called a nigger by so-called gay activists."

The ads urged homosexuals to contact Exodus International, a Seattle-based religious organization that claims gays and lesbians can be "changed" to heterosexuality through what it calls "reparative therapy" and prayer. In some early editions of papers carrying the ads, however, instead of listing the Exodus phone number, they carried the number of an electrical contractor in Alabama.

Misprints or not, gay rights advocates say they're countering with an ad campaign of their own, calling the anti-gay ads damaging and part of election-year politics.

Winnie Stafelberg of the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) said the organization was "joined by a dozen organizations [and] will issue an ad in *USA Today* and the *New York Times* to tell the real story about gays and lesbians."

Stafelberg said, "The fact that these organizations say you can be changed is really quite a tragic message to be sending to people."

Elizabeth Birch, executive director of HRC, said respected medical and mental health organizations agree that homosexuality isn't a result of any personal choice and that last year the American Psychological Association overwhelmingly adopted a resolution saying that there was no sound scientific evidence that reparative therapy like that used by Exodus actually worked.

Instead, Birch said the ads were part of efforts by far-right organizations to push their social agenda to the forefront of the Republican Party in upcoming elections.

"They are using these very manipulative ads to throw red meat to the firebrand, extreme-right, grassroots wing of the Republican Party," Birch said. "It's nothing more than a crass political move in an election year."

The Christian Coalition, whose leader Pat Robertson sought the GOP presidential nomination in 1988, and the Family Research Council, whose chairman Gary Bauer is considered a prospective Republican presidential contender in 2000, both denied that the campaign was aimed at supporting any election campaign.

"It's a non-partisan message based on the mainstream concern about the decline of morality in America," said Arne Owens of the Christian Coalition. Owens said, however, that the ads would continue through "most of the remainder of the year" but declined to give any further details.

'No Fags'

Mayoral Candidate Wows Christian Coalition in Arkansas

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Springdale, Ark. — During a trip to his home state in mid-July, President Clinton attended Sunday services at the Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock, Ark., where he heard a sermon about "leaving a legacy of being devoted to God."

But earlier in the week, in the northwest corner of the state, a group of Springdale mayoral candidates were espousing their own ideas about what a "Christian nation" means to them - and it doesn't mean allowing homosexual in the city limits at all. At times the candidates sounded more like they were addressing a "citizens militia" meeting rather than church-going Christians.

The five Springdale mayoral hopefuls - former Councilman Ray Dotson, Timothy Hill, state Rep. Louis McJunkin, Eddie Thomas and Alderman Wayne Vanhook - all told a forum sponsored by the local chapter of the Christian Coalition that they opposed any extension of the city's human rights laws to offer anti-bias protections based on sexual orientation.

In nearby Fayetteville, the city council there recently passed a resolution barring anti-gay discrimination that was vetoed by the mayor and which the council then overrode - only to find the question forced to a vote in November's election.

But all five Springdale candidates, with varying degrees of fierceness, said they were opposed to such a civil rights measure for their town.

Thomas was perhaps the least savage in opposing an anti-bias measure, saying that it wouldn't be "fair" to protect the civil rights of homosexuals without also protecting the rights of smokers or alcoholics. Adding a new class of protected individuals, Thomas said, "could have a snowball effect."

Hill was hands down the most rabid in not just his

opposition to gay rights and homosexuals generally, but the most vehement in a number of his responses to other, unrelated questions as well. He also was the only candidate to repeatedly draw applause from the local Christian Coalition foot-soldiers.

"Homosexuals are perverts," Hill began his remarks by saying. "This is a Christian nation. To put up with perversion like that, you're willing to put up with anything. They've spread their disease worldwide, and I'll do everything I can to keep them out of Springdale."

Hill said he would "enforce the sodomy law" as part of his efforts to make gays and lesbians unwelcome in the city and that he would put up two signs along the roads into town, one reading "Welcome to Springdale: Home of God-fearing, armed Christian citizens" and the other reading "No fags in Springdale."

His remarks drew standing applause from the audience at the forum.

In fact, Hill's responses to nearly every issue raised was usually not only the most extreme voiced, but it also typically elicited spontaneous applause from the audience.

He denounced all forms of taxation and equated it with communism, saying that "we need to start relying on ourselves" instead of government to solve community problems. He said he didn't think Springdale, with a population of some 25,000 people, needed 87 firefighters and they he would cut the number in half if elected. He had, he said, never even seen a fire in Springdale.

Sounding more like a militia survivalist ready to "head for the Ozark mountains," Hill also said the city could cut the police department staff in half by encouraging citizens of the town to arm themselves. In fact one of Hill's campaign promises of "100 goals" for Springdale calls for creating a "voluntary citizens' militia."

In comparison with Hill, the other candidates' calls for citizens "to elect good Christian people" to run the town seemed almost like far-left liberalism, but there was no question based on the audience's repeated applause, that Hill was their favorite.

Thousands Enjoy Sunny Pride Weekend In Madison



Madison — Picture perfect weather helped bring out record numbers of people to the 25th annual MAGIC Picnic and 7th GALVANIZE Rights March in Madison on July 17-19.

Several thousand people attended the MAGIC Picnic on Saturday, July 18, raising thousands of dollars for AIDS service organizations and other LesBiGay community groups. People browsed through merchandise and

information at over 30 vendor and organizational booths which ranged from The Log Cabin Club of Wisconsin to Designing Men.

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Too Gay?

University, Churches and Daily Paper Web Sites Being Blocked Suit Charges

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Alexandria, VA — It may be fit to print in Connecticut or California, but the board of the Loudoun County, Virginia, public library insists it has the right to use blocking software to prevent library patrons from using its computers to access a whole range of materials it considers harmful to young people under Virginia law — especially if the Internet sites contain words like "gay" or "lesbian" or a number of other words that trigger the software's filtering flags.

The library board installed X-Stop, an Internet blocking program that's intended to keep users from getting access to pornographic materials that are increasingly common on the WorldWide Web and elsewhere on the Internet.

The problem is that software like X-Stop, the creation of the Log-On Data Corp. of Anaheim, Calif., not only blocks sexually explicit materials, it also often ends up, as in this case, blocking web sites with material ranging from safer sex information to daily newspapers to church organizations to university departments.

So the American Civil Liberties Union is representing a Virginia group, Mainstream Loudoun, in a federal lawsuit against the library system's trustees, charging the use of the blocking program violates constitutionally guaranteed free speech protections.

Staffers at the Loudoun County Library say they're uncomfortable with the Internet blocking software, in part because it denies access of library patrons to material which is exactly the opposite of what librarians are intended to do, and partly because it makes library users "second-class citizens" unless they have access to the Internet at home.

But Richard Black, a state legislator and member of the library board who supports the use of the blocking software, insists that "99.9 percent" of the sites being restricted from the library computers are pornography. "Even if the software blocked some sites that didn't need to be blocked," Black said, "the fact is there is no other solution." He also said the library board had had "very few complaints" about the blocking software.

But now the library board will have to defend itself in federal court against the legal complaint filed for Mainstream Loudoun by the ACLU — and a slew of others who have joined the suit against the trustees.

Rob Morse, a columnist with the *San Francisco Examiner* has joined the lawsuit because the newspaper he writes for as well as the city's other daily, the *San Francisco Chronicle* are blocked by the X-Stop software.

Also joining the suit against the trustees are Jonathan Troyer, who runs a "Safer Sex Page" aimed at advising gay and bisexual teens on how to avoid HIV infection; John Ockerbloom, who runs a site highlighting books that have been the target of cen-

sorship; the Maryland chapter of the American Association of University Women, whose web site promotes education and pay equity for women; Jeremy Myers, an 18-year-old who operates a web page with advice and reference materials for gay and lesbian teens dealing with their sexual orientation; Sergio Arau, a Mexican artist whose paintings are displayed on the Internet; the Renaissance Transgender Association, which runs a support web site for people dealing with gender identity issues; and Jonathan Wallace, who puts out an online publication called "The Ethical Spectacle" about Internet censorship.

Although they have not joined in the lawsuit, other web sites that X-Stop blocks at the Loudoun County Library include the anti-war religious group, the Society of Friends (Quakers), the Zero Population Growth web site, parts of the Mormon Church web pages, and Yale University Biology Department's web page.

Morse, a wry, well-liked *Examiner* columnist, said of the case recently, "It hurts to be told I'm purveying 'material deemed harmful to children' as Loudoun County put it. It's hard enough to get adults to read this stuff." Morse added that as far as he knows "this may be the first time that major newspapers have been banned from libraries."

Ann Beeson, the lead ACLU attorney in the suit, says there have been similar conflicts with library filtering software in the past — including libraries in Boston and Kern County, Calif. — but that they've been resolved fairly simply by the libraries giving patrons the option of using the filtering program or not. Loudoun County officials have refused to accept that solution, however.

Beeson says a basic problem is that public officials want to rely on technology to solve problems that it's not able to because "the technology is stupid."

She says blocking programs like X-Stop and others simply can't distinguish between a web site that discusses, for example, safer sex or masturbation and a pornographic story using more or less the same language.

"A professional librarian can make those distinctions," said Beeson. "Blocking software never could do that."

Beeson also said she was fairly sure the high level of news coverage of gay and lesbian issues by the *Examiner* and the *Chronicle* triggered the X-Stop warning flags that have ended up blocking access to the dailies.

Again, she says it's because the technology can't evaluate the nature of content, just what words are at the web site and how often they occur. So, Beeson says, the *Examiner* and the *Chronicle* and the Mormon Church and the Quakers and safer sex web sites all get blocked because the blocking software finds too many instances of certain "trigger words" at the sites and decides they're pornographic.

"If Supreme Court justices can't define pornography with any certainty or clarity," Beeson says, "how can some programmers in Anaheim do it? The answer is they can't."

NEWS WIRE

Anti-Violence Groups Launch Abused Lesbian Ad Campaign

SAN FRANCISCO — Four San Francisco agencies — Community United Against Violence (CUAV), the Asian Women's Shelter, San Francisco Women Against Rape and WOMAN Inc. — have launched what they say is the first public service ad campaign aimed to reaching lesbians and other women who are being sexually abused by their female partners to find help.

Last year, a coalition of gay and lesbian anti-violence organizations released the first study of same-sex domestic violence, concluding that about a third of gay and lesbian couples experience some sort of abuse by one partner or the other. Earlier this year, a San Francisco supervisor proposed city funds to help shelter gay men trying to escape for abusive male partners.

But anti-violence advocates say same-sex partner abuse is "one of the last taboo subjects" in the gay and lesbian community, and something that many people — including men and women involved in such abusive relationships — don't want to admit.

The ads, which appear in public transit subway cars and buses and appear in English, Spanish and Mandarin, are anything but subtle. One shows two women kissing with a bold headline reading, "Does she hit you?" Another ad says simply, "I never thought a woman could rape another woman."

Dawn Rudd of CUAV said, "The question was, should we air our dirty laundry? Do we want to put this out for all the straight folks to see or use to feed into people's homophobic attitudes? I say we have to, to move on. It is silence that kills us. It's the things that we don't say that ultimately map our demise."

Versace Killing Eyewitness Statement Released

MIAMI — Police have release a statement by the only eyewitness to the 1997 killing of fashion icon Gianni Versace.

The statement by Mersilha Colakovic says she was only about three yards away on July 15, 1997, when a man armed with a pistol approached Versace as he was about to enter his South Beach mansion, and fired two shots, killing the designer.

The woman had actually given police another statement under an fake name, saying she feared the shooting had been related to the Mafia. While police summarized her statements last year in material the released, they had never released the actual statement until now.

Colakovic described a younger-looking white male, dressed in a tank-top, shorts and a black baseball cap as the man who shot Versace. But ironically she was not able to later identify from a photo lineup Andrew Cunanan, who police say killed Versace and at least four other men in a killing spree.

Lott All But Kills Hormel Ambassadorial Nomination Vote

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott has finally said what everyone already knew — that he "would not support" the confirmation of openly gay philanthropist Jim Hormel to be the country's ambassador to the tiny nation of Luxembourg.

Lott has refused to schedule a confirmation vote on President Clinton's nomination of the San Francisco businessman and longtime Democrat Party supporter even though a Senate committee unanimously approved his nomination.

Lott in June said that his reading of the Bible convinced him that homosexuality is a sin, but one that can be "treated," like alcoholism or kleptomania.

Police Charge S.C. Lesbian with False Report in Hate Crime

LANCASTER, S.C. — Police say that Regan Wolf, a South Carolina lesbian who reported she had twice been attacked, tied up and brutally beaten because of her sexual orientation is being charged with two counts of given police false information and that the attacks were staged.

In a sensational case that outraged rights advocates around the country, Wolf reported that a man had come to her home trailer last December and knocked her unconscious. The police report said Wolf's mother found the woman tied spread-eagle to the porch with a number of beating marks across her back. The steps leading to the

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Ovadal's Surprise Fizzles

"Sin Plane" Buzzes Madison Pride March

Madison (AP) — The banner that fluttered behind the small airplane clearly was meant as a rebuke to the roughly 2,500 people at last Sunday's Gay and Lesbian Visibility rally.

But when they saw the words "Homosexuality is sin" circling the bright sky above them, only a few people booed. Most just shook their heads. Others chuckled.

"That must be Ralph's surprise," one woman told her baffled neighbor.

The name of Ralph Ovadal, director of Wisconsin Christians United, was on the lips of many at the annual gay pride rally at the State Capitol steps on Sunday. Ovadal ended a controversial anti-homosexual billboard campaign last week — but not before promising a "surprise" at Sunday's rally.

As it turned out, however, Ovadal's challenge only brought Madison's LGBT community and its supporters together.

As Geoff Gyrisco, a member of the church group Integrity/Dignity Madison, explained: "This controversy gave me the push to show up — we can't let the radical right own the Christian faith."

Spirituality was a theme at this year's rally. Dozens of Christian groups attended with signs affirming their support for homosexuals, as did representatives of several area Jewish organizations.

"This year, with everything that's been going on, we made an effort to get a lot of people out — both straight and gay," said Mimi Goldberg, of the Shaarei Shamayim Jewish Reconstructionist Community.

Individuals in the crowd echoed the theme on bright placards reading "My family values are love, honesty, respect, hard work and compassion" and "God lovingly created me gay."

The rally — one of the largest in recent years — also was well-attended by

local politicians. Mayor Sue Bauman and County Executive Kathleen Falk addressed the crowd, as did congressional candidate Tammy Baldwin and state Assembly candidate Mark Pocan. Others waved signs urging the crowd to remember liberal candidates Ed Garvey and Rick Phelps in the fall elections.

"Ralph, you've done more to organize lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transsexuals and their straight allies than anyone I know, and I thank you."

"This is Madison, Wisconsin, a city of tolerance," Bauman told the crowd. "We love you, and we're glad you're here." Before the crowd marched down State Street and headed toward Brittingham Park, where a picnic awaited, Pocan jokingly expressed his appreciation for Ovadal's recent actions.

"Ralph, you've done more to organize lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transsexuals and their straight allies than anyone I know, and I thank you."

Others in the crowd, however, said the billboards and other offensives against homosexuals in recent months are something the community could have done without.

"This wastes energy that could be used to address people's needs, their hurts and fears, poverty ..." said Ken Scott. "I think we are forced to respond. But I think that's a pity."



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AIDS Doctor Bernstein to Leave Medical College

Milwaukee — Dr. Barry Bernstein, a leading Wisconsin physician specializing in the treatment of persons with HIV/AIDS is leaving his position at the Medical College of Wisconsin in early August.

Bernstein leaves his post at Froedert Memorial Hospital as head of the Division of Infectious Diseases to take research position at Abbott Laboratories in Gurnee Mills, IL where he will do AIDS research and drug development.

Bernstein first began seeing persons with HIV in the mid-eighties when very little could be offered except for diagnosis and supportive care. Since that time, Bernstein became well-respected in the AIDS community for his work with persons with HIV/AIDS with his case load estimated at over 400 persons.

Gay Youth More Likely To Be Threatened, Abuse Drugs

Winston-Salem (AP) — Teen-age boys who have had multiple homosexual partners are more likely than other teens to be threatened at school and to abuse drugs, says a study out of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

Male students with five or more male sexual partners in the study were significantly more likely to receive threats or be the victims of physical violence than those with five or more female partners, said study team leader Robert H. DuRant.

As a result, those young men will be more likely to be absent from school out of fear or carry weapons both in and out of school, the study said.

The survey also indicated that substance abuse was higher among gay male students with multiple partners than others surveyed.

A team of pediatricians from Brenner's Children's Hospital at Baptist Medical Center analyzed the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, which was conducted in Vermont at 79 randomly selected public and private schools.

The analysis of the survey focused on the 3,886 boys who said they were sexually active. Of these, 8.7 percent reported one or more male sexual partners.

The researchers said a possible explanation for the study results was that male students with multiple same-sex partners are more likely to be identified as having a homosexual lifestyle.

The study can make clinicians aware that gay teens with multiple partners may be involved in more than one form of high-risk behavior, the researchers said.

Gender Identity May Be Malleable

by Martha Irvine

Chicago, IL — A Canadian boy who was raised as a girl after his penis was irreparably damaged during circumcision continues to live as a woman, suggesting gender identity develops after birth, researchers say.

The case is only the second documented case of a boy being "assigned" a new gender after his genitals were mutilated during circumcision.

The study, released in the July issue of the journal *Pediatrics*, contradicts the findings in the first case, in which the boy returned to life as a male.

The Canadian who is living as a woman describes herself as bisexual. As of last summer, she was in a relationship with a woman.

To researchers, that suggests that sexual orientation may be determined in the womb, by genetics and prenatal hormones, but that gender identity may be determined months after birth.

"When you think about the fact that this person was an entirely normal biological male prior to the circumcision accident, this case may shed some insight of how malleable someone's gender identity is," said Kenneth Zucker, one of the study's authors and a researcher with the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry in Toronto.

"The outcome of our case — at least with regard to gender identity — suggests that it is pliable after all."

In both cases, the testicles and remainder of the penis were removed and a vagina created. The patients also were given female hormones,

which enabled them to develop breasts and other female traits.

The operation in the first case was done at 21 months, vs. seven months in the second case. Researchers say that may mean there's a "window" of time after birth — some say up to age 18 months — in which babies identify as neither boys nor girls.

"It suggests that, if you reassign a child early enough and tell them that they are whatever sex, then they probably believe you and tend to accept themselves," said Michael Bailey, a professor of psychology at Northwestern University who studies gender identity and sexual orientation.

In both cases, the patients studied had "tomboyish" characteristics. In the first case — initially studied in 1973 at Johns Hopkins University — the patient rejected dolls, tried to urinate standing up and decided to return to life as a boy at age 14, after learning about the operation. He also reported exclusive attraction to women and has since married a woman.

The Canadian patient has adjusted to life as a woman. She was not identified by researchers and did not respond to a request for an interview sent through her doctor.

She works in a blue-collar job almost always performed by men, Zucker said. When interviewed by researchers last year at age 26, she said she has had relationships with men but was in a relationship with a woman.

John Bancroft, director of the Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction at Indiana University, said the studies show "we are very much in the dark" when it comes to how gender identity and sexual orientation develop.

porch had been spray-painted with the sentence, "Jesus weren't born for you, faggot." In May, the 40-year-old Wolf told police her girlfriend found her again tied up and apparently beaten on the back with a whip.

But Lancaster County sheriff's officials said an unnamed male acquaintance of Wolf's had admitted to them that he was paid \$50 by Wolf and promised \$300 more to tie her up and inflict the beating. Police said they gave the man a lie detector test that he passed and that they had issued warrants for Wolf's arrest.

Sheriff's officials also said forensic evidence indicated that some of her injuries weren't consistent with her story of how she received them.

Police said the unnamed informant had told them "she said she wanted to get a hate crime reported."

The South Carolina ACLU, however, charged that police had not investigated Wolf's case fairly because she is a lesbian. "We are deeply concerned that law enforcement does not appear to have taken the attacks on Regan Wolf seriously," said Steven Bates of the state ACLU chapter.

Wolf's attorney, Joe McCulloch, said the woman stands by the report she filed with police.

Court Rules Against State in 'HIV POS' License Plate Case

SAN FRANCISCO — U.S. District Court Judge Susan Illston said the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) was wrong to refuse to give Kevin Dimmick, who is infected with HIV, a vanity license plate reading "HIV POS."

But Judge Illston also rejected Dimmick's \$5 million lawsuit claims against the state's motor licensing agency even if the department had discriminated against him, saying the agency had not purposefully inflicted any emotional distress on him.

The DMV had refused his request for the plate, saying some Californians might be offended by it.

Dimmick, 41, is the founder of a group known as Positive Support, which helps heterosexuals infected with HIV, said he is unsure if he will appeal the ruling or not.

"My original intent was to show people it was OK to be HIV-positive," Dimmick said. "Two years later, I've achieved a court ruling saying it's OK to say I'm positive - however, they've done nothing against the discriminatory acts that have been done to me."

Former Top French Officials to Stand Trial in AIDS Scandal

PARIS — Former French Prime Minister Laurent Fabius and two former health ministers will face manslaughter charges for allowing HIV-contaminated blood to be used in transfusions for hemophiliacs in the mid-1980s.

Along with Fabius, who is the current speaker of the French National Assembly, Georgina Dufoix, former minister of social affairs, and Edmond Herve, the former secretary of state for health, will be charged with "manslaughter and causing accidental injury." Some 1,300 people, most of them hemophiliacs, contracted HIV as a result of such transfusions, and at least 500 of them have since died of AIDS-related illnesses.

Fabius's Socialist administration, in office in 1984-85, is accused of allowing the use of HIV-tainted blood products while delaying the introduction of a U.S. test for screening donors' blood in favor of one then being developed by France's Pasteur Institute.

French officials also said there was also evidence of a decision in the government chain of command to use up old blood stocks, even if they may have been contaminated.

Some 30 French health and blood-bank officials have already been tried and sentenced in the country's scandal over apparent attempts to allow Pasteur to produce a screening test to rival that of U.S. drug company Abbott.

NY Gov. Signs HIV Notification Bill into Law

ALBANY, N.Y. — New York Gov. George E. Pataki has signed legislation mandating that people infected with HIV report the names of their sexual partners or drug needle sharers to physicians, who are then required to notify public health officials.

The law, sponsored by Assemblywoman Nettie Mayer-son, makes New York the 30th state to require partner notification of HIV-infected individuals.

Gov. Pataki said that the law would provide at-risk people with needed information. But many AIDS advocacy groups remain opposed to the measure and say it will simply discourage people from being tested.

group notes

Duluth-Superior Pride Celebration Set

Duluth/Superior — The Duluth Superior Pride Celebration will take place on September 5, 1998 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Billings Park in Superior, Wisconsin. The site has been reserved for picnics, a full day of entertainment, information booths, food vendors, crafts, businesses, political groups and other vendors.

The Pride Committee is inviting gay-friendly organizations and businesses to join them for the day by sharing their information or products. The Pride Committee has come up with a great idea, and if you are unable to join them but would like to help out, they are setting up a periodicals and publications booth. All materials that have been donated will be given away to various support centers after the day is over.

Curve Magazine has donated 200 copies of their publication to the Pride Celebration at a value of \$790. They would appreciate any support in matching this donation. For further information regarding donations, please call Steve Rose at (218) 727-0750 or write to him care of the Duluth/Superior LGBT Pride Committee, PO Box 3198, Duluth, MN 55803.

Five Ways to Get in Free to PrideFest

Milwaukee — The daily admission to PrideFest is \$5, but there are five different ways visitors can get in for free.

Visitors who bring four or more items of nonperishable food to the front gates on Friday, 5 to 9 PM and Saturday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. will get to walk right through the turn-styles without having to make a stop at the ticket booth. Volunteers from PrideFest and the Hunger Task Force will gladly accept your food donation to be contributed to Milwaukee area food pantries.

All volunteers get into the festival for free on the day(s) they are assigned to work. Volunteers need to be registered by August 15 in order to get their passes. Inter-

ested persons should pick up a volunteer brochure at area businesses, sign up through the PrideFest web site, or call the PrideFest office.

Buy a pre-festival PrideFest button for \$2, wear it to the festival and get in for free on Saturday and Sunday from 11 AM to 1:30 PM each day. Pre-festival buttons are available at AfterWords Bookstore and Espresso Bar, Designing Men and This Is It. Quantities are limited.

Proud Crowd sponsors just need to show their Pride Cards at the gate, any day, at any time for free admission. Not only do the Pride Cards get you in for free, they can also be used at area businesses for additional savings. For more information, visit the PrideFest website or call the office.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Press Card holders can get into PrideFest for free on Sunday between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. by displaying their cards at the gate.

Artist Creates Pride Items

Milwaukee — You see them all the time at Pride Festivals and gay-friendly gift shops: rainbow hoop ring necklaces and earrings, pink triangle bumper stickers and the list goes on and on. Tami Friday, a Milwaukee-area native, has seen them as well, but she was looking for something out of the ordinary to demonstrate her pride in the community.

Friday says, "I started creating sculptures in polymer clay as a hobby. Whenever I would visit festivals and shops that sold pride items, I started getting all sorts of ideas for new things to create." Tami found that polymer clay, a colorful and durable plastic, turned out to be a well-suited material to make pride-themed jewelry and sculptures.

Originally, Tami created these items for herself and some of her friends. She has decided to offer her items to the community and recently founded "Friday Creations." As Tami views it, "The more ways we have to demonstrate pride in ourselves, the better."

You will be able to check out her pieces at Milwaukee's PrideFest in August, or you can send a stamped-self-addressed-envelope to her for a free catalog to: Friday Creations, PO Box 333P, Elm Grove, WI 53122-0333 or you can visit Friday Creations on the Internet at <<http://members.aol.com/Fridaycre8/>>.

Brady East STD Clinic Receives Donations

Milwaukee — Several gifts resulting from fund-raisers were recently presented to BESTD Clinic on Wednesday, July 8. The This Is It Softball Team presented BESTD volunteers Ross Walker and Erv Uecker with a check for \$501. The money was raised at a special fundraiser held at This Is It and generously supported by owner Joe Brehm on June 6. Brehm and Team Manager Stu Feider offered their words and dollars of support for BESTD and its work in the community.

The G/L Community Center Trust Fund also held a special fund-raising dinner last December, a portion of funds raised were designated for HIV/AIDS services. At the Annual Meeting of the Board of the Trust Fund on June 12, this portion was designated for, and presented to, BESTD to be used for HIV direct services. Board Chair Si Smits made the announcement of the gift.

The Student Social Work Organization (SSWO) of Concordia University, Mequon, held a "Grab bag" fundraiser at the University as a part of their community service work. The proceeds of this event were designated for BESTD. Shelly Frederick, student president of SSWO and Department Chair Joel Ambelang made the presentation of \$177.

Ross Walker, president of BESTD, offered the deep appreciation of the BESTD volunteers, and especially the clients who will be served by all of the unsolicited support for the work of BESTD Clinic.

Monday Bowling League to Kick Off Season

Milwaukee — Dust off your shoes and get those big balls ready. That's right, it's time for the 1998-1999 Monday Night Irregular's bowling season to begin.

The season will kick off with an organizational meeting on Monday, August 31, 1998 at 7pm to be held at Landmark Lanes (2220 N. Farwell Avenue, Milwaukee,

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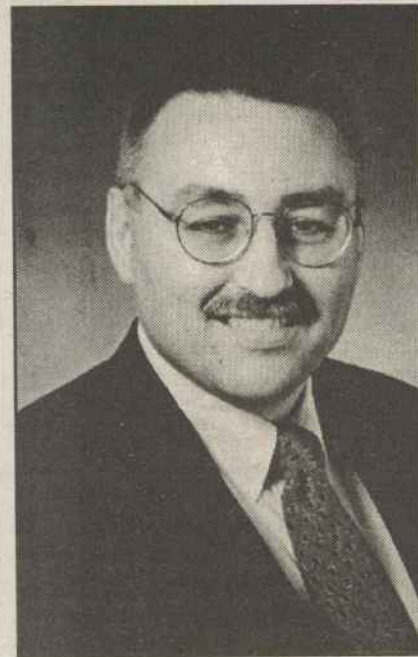
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WI, (414) 278-8770). The meeting will go over league rules and policies; following the meeting you are invited to free bowling on Landmark's newly replaced bowling alleys.

This year teams will be comprised of a six person roster, with a four people bowling at any one time. The season begins on Monday, September 14, 1998 — and runs through Monday, April 19, 1999 (32 weeks of bowling).

Anyone is invited to attend this organizational meeting. Teams that placed a reservation fee at last season's banquet need to have at least one team representative at the meeting to guarantee their reservation space or it will be lost. There are a limited amount of unreserved team spaces available, so we encourage you to attend this meeting so as to allow your team space on the bowling league.

If you have any questions about the meeting or about the bowling league, please contact league secretary, Doug Cleveland at (414) 291-0636.

Marshfield Groups Schedule Meetings

Marshfield — The Marshfield Gay Lesbian Organization (MGLO) and The Marshfield Gay Lesbian Political Organization (MGLPO) have announced two August events.

On August 10 at 7 p.m. MGLO will hold a social gathering at 130 S. Central Ave., #3. The meeting will be open to the LGBT community of Central Wisconsin. Guests are invited to bring a dish to pass and the movie *Wigstock* will be screened.

On August 17 at 7 p.m. MGLPO will hold a meeting with the topic of "How to Education People with Homophobia Without Violence." Also, political updates from AIDS Action Wisconsin and Action Wisconsin will be heard.

Additionally, information about AIDS

Walk Wisconsin will be presented. For more information on the groups or meetings call Vic at (715) 387-2068.

PrideFest Moves to Reduce Underage Drinking

Milwaukee — Many festivals and fairs have experienced a growing problem with underage drinkers. PrideFest, in its attempt to reduce the likelihood of this problem and to reduce the constant hassle of carding people of legal drinking age, is doing what many other special events are doing - ID bracelets.

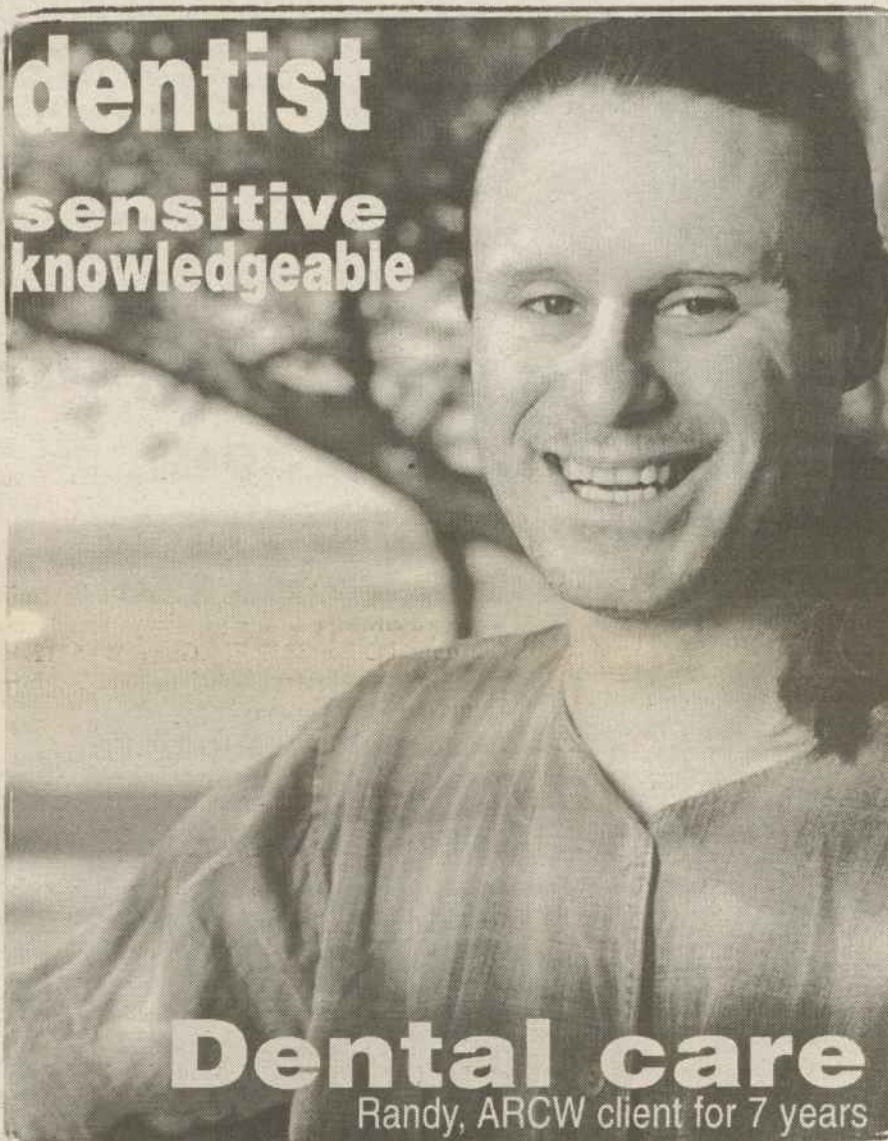
Festival-goers who plan to drink need only show their ID once and have a bracelet snapped on their wrists. The bracelets,

sponsored by ID Lube, will be available at the information area and all drink ticket booths. "ID Lube" banners will mark places where the bracelets are available.

"We take the issue of underage drinking very seriously," said Susan Cook, PrideFest Co-Director. "TV news coverage of this problem was featured last summer and the telecast showed how easy it is for under age people to obtain beer at nearly any festival or fair. We plan to make that as difficult as possible at PrideFest without hassling those visitors who are of legal drinking age."

Bracelets are required regardless of age and apparent wrinkles for anyone buying or consuming alcohol. Different colored bracelets will be provided each day of PrideFest. Patrons without a bracelet spotted with beer or wine by security personnel may be challenged to provide proof of age.

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Way-Gay Montreal

by Rex Wockner

Montreal is vibrant, multi-ethnic, civilized, cultured, cheap, and very gay. The streets pulsate, the food is delicious, a U.S. dollar gets you \$1.41 Canadian, and a mile-long stretch Rue Sainte-Catherine E. (The Gay Village) may be the gayest place in North America apart from 18th and Castro.

The gay scene is highly developed with shops, bars, dance clubs, restaurants, hotels, more than 10 bathhouses, scads of video arcades, and a couple of gay mega-complexes that contain most of the above under one roof.

I like bears so I hung out at The Stud, La Track and the Black Eagle (Aigle Noir). These bars and scores of others on Rue Sainte-Catherine E. were packed on Saturday night, packed on Sunday night and busy on Monday night. Bars close at 3:00 a.m.

The Black Eagle is cruisiest, The Stud has a small dance floor and a karaoke machine, La Track is huge with a large dance area in the basement. Other clubs up and down Sainte-Catherine offer drag shows, dancing, strippers, live music, gym boys and any other gay subgroup that comes to mind. You really don't need a guidebook. Just start walking east at the UQAM Metro stop and soon you're in the thick of it. The Village continues all the way to the Papineau Metro stop.

The guys I chatted up were friendly and talkative. Most spoke English ranging from passable to very good. In general in Montreal, most folks address you in French first. About 90 percent of the time, they switch to English once you speak English. About 10 percent of the time, in my experience, you need to call upon whatever French you have. In my case, knowing Spanish combined with one six-month course of French 13 years ago got me out of both written and spoken French-only jams. But if I return for

a longer stay, the polite thing to do will be to study French in the preceding months.

This visit was a journalistic junket sponsored by Idem Tours (a Montreal gay vacations company; 1-888-273-IDEM), Departures Canada (a San Francisco-based company specializing in tours to Montreal; 1-800-546-1793), Tourisme Montreal and Tourisme Quebec. We stayed downtown at the very pleasant and upscale Hotel du Fort (1-800-565-6333). Another option, where I stayed on my own after the junket ended, is Hotel Gouverneur at the west end of the Village.

Using the U.S. "Entertainment Card" program, I paid \$70 Canadian (\$49 U.S.) for first-class accommodations (1-514-842-4881). There are plenty of other hotels around the west end of the Village ranging from \$25 to \$70 Canadian a night. The cheapest ones

were a tad scary but others I visited seemed just fine, including Hotel St. Denis (1-800-363-3364) and Hotel Taj Mahal (1-800-613-3383).

Some of the junket excursions were superb — with the gay restaurant La Rose

Rouge and the Sucrierie de la Montagne as standouts. Located 45 minutes from the city, the Sucrierie (1-514-451-5204) is a traditional maple grove (trees are tapped for maple syrup the old-fashioned way) combined with a wood-fired bakery and a rustic restaurant (in restored barns) serving up a traditional Quebecois feast and folkloric music. The fixed menu featured pea soup, country potatoes, maple-smoked bacon, country sausages, traditional Quebecois tourtiere, meatballs, maple-glazed smoked

ham, wood-fired baked beans, soufflé omelette, Canadian salted back bacon, and sugar pie. I passed out in the tour bus afterward.

When the junket ended I stayed on to explore Montreal a bit more on my own. Two of my favorite parts of town were the Quartier Latin along Rue Saint-Denis north of UQAM (the University of Quebec at Montreal). This is a great area for strolling and street life, and if you keep on walking north of beautiful Square Saint-Louis, you enter the equally engaging stomping ground of the city's Francophone intellectual set.

Another great walking street is Boul. Saint-Laurent north of Rue Sherbrooke, a trendy (but not too trendy) jumble of ethnicities, street life and good, cheap food. Saint-Denis and Saint-Laurent are connected by the Rue Prince-Arthur pedestrian street, a perfect place for reasonably priced, good-quality restaurants and Euro-style sidewalk life.

If I had stayed longer, I have no doubt I would have discovered many more of Montreal's charms. I'm talking to my husband about the possibility of going back for a month in September. How's that for a recommendation?



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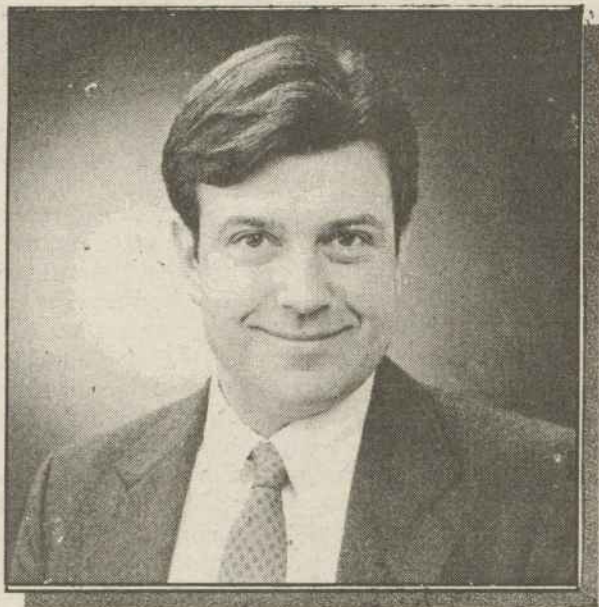
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Op Ed

Even Infrastructure Requires Cost Management

by Ciff Heise, Secretary CCF Board of Directors

In Step recently published an opinion piece from Ralph Navarro regarding his concerns about the Gay Information Services (GIS) phone line not being funded through community-based groups, the Cream City Foundation (CCF) being one of the groups mentioned. Mr. Navarro contended that every community needs an infrastructure in order to grow and maintain itself. Examples of infrastructure can be freeways, a water supply or telephone service. From the perspective of the GLBT community, infrastructure can be community groups and organizations (such as CCF or the LGBT Community Center), social services, medical care, and sources of information.

In replying to Mr. Navarro, allow me to continue his infrastructure analogy. As infrastructure is planned, developed and maintained, an essential requirement is that there be a budget, a record of expenses and an accounting. While these tend to be "behind the scenes" items, they are expected by the people that fund the infrastructure. As taxpayers and consumers, we would be very skeptical of anyone that asks for funds without a plan to spend them. We would likely be even more skeptical of a vendor or a municipality that presented a total bill and asked for partial or full reimbursement without very detailed records to show how the expenses were incurred.

The Cream City Foundation recognizes and is proud of its role in supporting the infrastructure of the GLBT community. CCF has provided funds to a diverse range of groups and functions that have benefited the community including PrideFest, PFLAG, Gay Youth Milwaukee Hotline, and many more. Also, the focus of CCF is to fund groups and services that primarily benefit southeastern Wisconsin, thus the recognition that funds should be invested in the region where the residents provide the funding.

CCF appreciates the trust that its donors place in it by virtue of donating money. CCF also accepts the fiduciary responsibility to carefully review grant requests and allocate money. A thorough grant application and review process is in place to accomplish this including a requester submitting a grant application, providing thorough documentation of the program or service and planned expenses, review by a Grants Committee, and final recommendation and action by the full CCF Board of Directors. Once the funds are allocated, the recipient is expected to submit a follow-up report and documentation to demonstrate the funds were spent as requested.

This process is paper based; the forms, budgets and financial reports are provided in writing for committee and Board review. If additional information or clarification is needed, the

Grants Committee will contact the person submitting the request by phone or by mail and explain what is needed. Failure to submit the requested information results in the request being put on hold because it is incomplete.

Complete written information provides required documentation for a request as well as the auditors, maintains objectivity, avoids the "politics" that can occur with personal presentations or appeals, and respects the time commitment of the volunteers, both from CCF and the requesting organization. In addition, in any financial transaction, personal meetings or discussion cannot substitute for the effectiveness of complete written materials.

While it is CCF's policy to not discuss any individual grant request, it must be noted that the above described process has consistently been followed with all requests. If sufficient documentation is not provided to support expenses (particularly in the case where the activity or service has already occurred) the Grants Committee and the CCF Board cannot justify providing funding. CCF feels that this position is in line with its fiduciary commitment to its donors.

Infrastructure is important in all walks of our lives, including the GLBT community. This infrastructure requires funding — few things these days occur for free. However, budgets, records and complete financial documentation of incurred expenses should be part of any program. These records are especially important when funds from an external source are being requested, be it CCF, the new GLBT Community Center or others.

Letters

Marching Orders

Dear Editor:

Thank you Paul Varnell for your opinion piece, "A March to Nowhere." Rarely has an article been as honest!

How about an article concerning "Where Does All That Money Go?" It's a subject matter that many bar owners "clam-up" about when the subject comes up for discussion.

One thing is for sure, a lot of money which should go to

help the victims of AIDS, marches into pockets it shouldn't.

Wally Pate
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Execute Newt!

by Paul Harris

Unless you have been living inside the Arctic Circle for the past year or so with no contact with the outside world you will have been aware that our friends on the Far Religious Right have been preaching to us about how sick and evil we are.

They have regularly referred to the *Book of Leviticus* (compiled in the middle of the seventh century B.C.) to show that by being gay we were going against God's teachings.

We have had Rush Limbaugh (married three times) talking about Family Values. Then, of course, Mr. Jerry Falwell — who has apparently not been visiting any of his favorite motel haunts for quite a while now — has also offered us the benefits of his opinions. And then again, that nice Mr. Robertson who had to marry his wife all those years ago because she was pregnant with their eldest child, has been telling all his wonderful "700 Club" viewers what terrible, immoral people we are — that is when he isn't playing meteorologist and prophesying that Orlando is going to face hurricanes and terrorist bombings for showing a few rainbow colored flags.

Recently, I decided to reacquaint myself with the *Book of Leviticus*. Wow, it was quite an education. In Chapter 20 I read that when adultery occurs both parties shall be put to death. A little later in the same chapter, I read that any man going in for bestiality will be put to death — as well as the animal involved. Poor cow!

Just to show that Leviticus isn't sexist, the next verse tells us that if any woman pursues sexual relations with an animal both she and the animal must be killed. Poor horse!

A little earlier in the previous chapter God told Moses that fields should only be sown with one type of seed and that no one should wear clothing made of two different types of fibre. Men are also prohibited from trimming their beards. (Sell your Gillette stock now!!!!)

My point in relating all this to you, is to tell you that in these pages in one verse there is an invocation against male homosexuality (Incidentally, there is no mention here of lesbianism).

Perhaps the writers of *Leviticus* just like dear old Queen Victoria over two thousand years later didn't believe that

such relationships were possible....???)

I would have a little more respect for the people on the Religious Right if they preached the entirety of Leviticus, then at least one could say they were being consistent. But of course they don't. They pick and choose what they want us to hear.

I think the answer is obvious. We, the villified gays and lesbians, should campaign for the execution of all heterosexuals who commit adultery. Thinking about it, many of those on the right who support the death penalty argue that one of its main advantages is that it dissuades others from committing crimes.

Bearing that in mind and given that public execution was the favored method in Old Testament times we should insist

on them being carried out either on The Mall in D.C. or in Times Square in New York City. Perhaps we could even televise them live on pay-per-view or get them sponsored as set-piece events by Broadway shows set in Revolutionary France like "Les Miserables" or "The Scarlet Pimpernel" as a means of making sure that not only is Right seen to be done — but that it pays too!

If the nuts on the Right succeed in abolishing the National Endowment for the Arts perhaps we could use the proceeds from the pay-per-view executions to fund the underfinanced regional theater and dance companies.

I checked to try to find out the names of some people we could get the guillotine warmed up on. The last Republican presidential candidate, hopeless old Bob Dole, divorced his first wife... perhaps we could start with him.

Next, how about dear old Strom Thurmond? He has divorced three women so far in his ninety-seven years. I wonder if his adultery was ever the cause? If so he could be next — although he is so close to being totally gaga he might not even notice.

How about that great intellectual, Bob Barr from Georgia? Barr was the lead sponsor of The Defence Of Marriage Act in the House. He is currently on his third marriage.

Another Georgian Newt Gingrich is high on my personal list. Allegedly he asked his first wife for a divorce when she was in hospital about to undergo a serious operation to try to cure her of cancer. Sorry Newt, but I am sure you understand, old chap... Family Values and all that. It just has to be done...



OUT RIGHT

by Scott Evertz

Stop the Lying

I guess it was to be expected. The recent billboard campaign sponsored by Wisconsin Christian's United caused the "we're just like everyone else" crowd to come out in force at a recent hearing in Madison during which the city council was considering formally naming Madison a city of tolerance. As when the State Assembly considered the anti-same-sex marriage bill and a bill which would have denied funds to

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municipalities providing domestic partnership benefits, they performed what they thought to be their civic duty and testified to their "normalness."

Indeed, many were quite eloquent and their statements, I'm sure, were heartfelt. They were also dishonest. The assertion that we — particularly gay men — are just like everyone else perpetuates a myth that is downright untrue and this myth perpetuation will ironically prevent us from ever really being just like everyone else. If we continue to testify not only to branches of government, but to our family, friends and colleagues that our lives are no different from straight people's lives while knowing full well that no straight people we know have been to bathhouses, had sex in parks, and compulsively surfed the net for third parties for sex, we participate in a dishonest conspiracy of silence which enables its participants to maintain one thing while doing another.

Until there is some sort of collective intervention, not unlike that kind which occurs in a family dealing with alcoholism or drug abuse, nothing will change. Until a loud chorus of gay people sings out "stop the lying," we will have to continue to watch men who cheat on their partners incessantly, cruise parks and other public places for sex, obtain third parties for sex, and host parties which inevitable turn into orgies maintain in public testimony that they are committed to their partners and have a "family" just like everyone else. And these will be the "values" and norms which will be passed on to our young people.

At a speech I gave to the Madison Rotary, I was asked why I thought there was so much promiscuity in the gay community and do you want to know what I did? I answered the question. I didn't deflect it by saying that there's no difference between you (straight question asker) and me. I didn't point out to the audience that I have been in a monogamous relationship for five years, own a home, pay taxes and help raise a child. I gave them some insights into why I thought it was the case that gay men are more promiscuous. And do you want to know what happened then? My audience and I moved into a dialogue which was highly respectful and insightful.

Contrary to what some "leaders" of the gay/lesbian community must think, we don't have to hide what those "leaders" must have concluded is the seamier side of our community from straight people for them to believe we are deserving of equal rights. And we shouldn't continue to pretend this seamier side doesn't exist if we truly want the community to mature into one which is truly "just like everyone else's."

Finally, a word to the unapologetic, Sex Panic types who might be reading this column. While I don't endorse your advocacy of unsafe sex, I applaud you for your honesty. At least I won't have to watch one of you telling members of the State Legislature that you are just like everyone else because you revel in the fact you are not.

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Lord Gallery Celebrates 20th Anniversary



Detail: Blond Vivienne (filled-in), 1985/95 by Tom Wesselmann.

Milwaukee — To kick off the Twentieth Anniversary celebration of dealing fine art in Milwaukee, the Michael H. Lord Gallery, 420 E. Wisconsin Avenue in the historic Pfister Hotel, will open the fall gallery season with a special exhibition of paintings, collages, and laser-cut steel drawings by Pop artist Tom Wesselmann. The exhibition *Wesselmann: From the 1960s to the Present* will open on Gallery night July 24 and run through September 18th.

The gallery will feature works spanning 35 years of art-making by one of the leading American Pop artists. From the early 1960s, Wesselmann has created some of the most provocative images in American art. This exhibition will feature the two bodies of work that have been his main focus during his career: the nude and the still-life.

A large selection of work, never before exhibited in Milwaukee, will be available. Along with paintings and collage work, the gallery will exhibit Wesselmann's metal cut-outs. Created through hand and laser-cut metal, these three-dimensional paintings capture the feeling and gesture of the artist's drawings and doodles. Many of the works include depictions of other artist's works drawn

from famous contemporary paintings. Wesselmann not only gives a nod of his head to arts history, but pays homage to his Pop art peers.

The gallery, in conjunction with the opening of the Mid-West Express Convention Center, will also feature a selection of work by Wisconsin artist Jill Sebastian. Ms. Sebastian, in collaboration with Woodland Pattern Book Center, has created sculptural designs for 43 portals and a 150-foot wall incorporating writings by 50 Wisconsin writers for the new convention center.

Ms. Sebastian's works may be viewed from Gallery Night, Friday, July 24 through Friday, September 18. Jill Sebastian is head of the sculpture department at MAID. For more information, please call (414) 272-1007.

Oshkosh Grand Opera House Announces '98-'99 Touring Artist Season

Oshkosh, WI — The Oshkosh Grand Opera House Foundation, a non-profit arts organization which manages the Grand Opera House, has announced its 1998-'99 Touring Artist Series. Featuring another diverse lineup, the season offers more than 23 artists in 30 performances, which are certain to provide something for everyone. The series begins on Sunday, September 27, 1998 and runs through Saturday, June 5, 1999.

This year's season includes The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra, The Nutcracker, The World Champion Trinity Irish Dancers, and Mr. Jack Daniel's Original Silver Coronet Band. Dance aficionados can enjoy the beauty and symmetry of the Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble; a capella music lovers have two exciting opportunities with Ulali and Hot Mouth. Theater enthusiasts can enjoy the award-winning Aquila Theater Company of London when they present Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors*.

With new subscriber discounts, the 1998-'99 Touring Artist Series becomes even more enticing. Subscribers are offered a 15% discount when they purchase tickets to five

or more events, regardless of the number of seats purchased to each performance. After the initial order, subscribers can purchase additional tickets or extra events at 10% discount. Gift certificates can also be purchased at a 10% discount.

Season tickets go on sale on July 27 to new subscribers. Tickets will go on sale for individual shows on August 17. For more information or to be put on the mailing list to receive publications, please call The Grand's Box Office at (920) 424-2350.

Ballet Wisconsin Performs at Washington Park

Milwaukee — Ballet Wisconsin is scheduled to perform at Washington Park on Saturday, July 25 at 8 p.m. The performance, in collaboration with the Festival City Orchestra, will consist of Yves de Bouvillier's creation of the *Summer* concerto of Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*, with costumes created by Jackie B.; *Peter and the Wolf*, also choreographed by Mr. do Bouvillier in the fall of 1997 will also be presented.

The program will be completed by a musical program to be announced by the Festival City Orchestra. The program, free of charge, is presented by Milwaukee County (CAMPAC). For further information, please call Ballet Wisconsin at (414) 964-6700.

Boulevard Ensemble Schedules Auditions

Milwaukee — The Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theater, Milwaukee's only storefront theater, announces auditions for an exciting and eclectic roster of plays for its 1998-'99 season. Directors will be auditioning actors for the following shows: John Guare's *Six Degrees of Separation*, Thornton Wilder's one-act plays *The Long Christmas Dinner* and *The Happy Journey To Trenton and Camden*, and Willy Russell's *Shirley Valentine*.

The ensemble is looking for a wide range of ages and types for all shows. *Six Degrees* opens in mid-October and contains roles for men and women ages 16 to 60 and

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"In the Life" Unveils It's Latest Installment

New York — For its August/September episode *In the Life* take its third annual look at films from around the world which highlight and explore the gay and lesbian experience.

From documentaries to experimental works, and from industry features to independent films, gay men and lesbians as well as straight directors are producing works about gay life that are vastly different in scope and style. Each diverse project provides insight about same-sex love that is unprecedented in contrast to just a decade ago.

Twenty years ago San Francisco introduced a new concept — develop a film festival which would promote and showcase the work of gay men and lesbians. Today there are nearly 100 gay and lesbian film festivals around the globe, from Bologna to Budapest and from Nashville to New York! This segment explores how gay and lesbian film festivals have grown, and more importantly, how they've sustained and encouraged the work of gay film artists who are challenging and often changing the face of independent and mainstream film.

Generations highlights three different documentaries which examine the gay experience through the perspective of age and gender. The first, *Beauty Before Age* reveals the complexities of growing

older in a culture that increasingly objectifies young people and rejects its elders. Men ages 19 to 77 discuss the pressure to conform to an idealized body type, the impact of HIV, and their fears about being old and alone.

The second documentary, *Some Ground to Stand On*, tells the life story of Blue Lunden, a working-class lesbian activist whose personal transformation parallels women's changing roles over the past 40 years. The film illustrates a strong intergenerational relationship that exists among many lesbians.

Lastly, *Rules of the Game* presents portraits of four young men and women and their views on the gay community and of growing up queer at the end of the millennium.

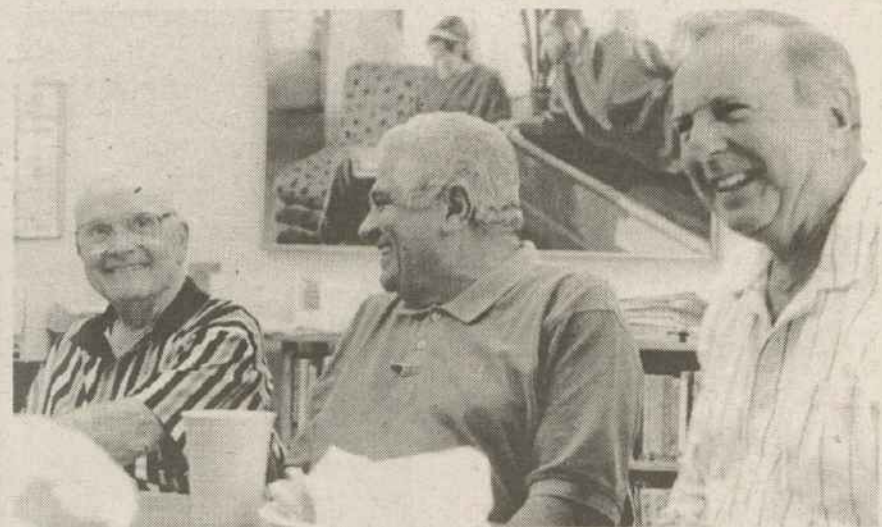
It's *Elementary* in honor of this episode's film and video theme, *In the Life* turns the focus of this regularly featured segment from the day in the life of one person to the life span of one controversial film. *It's Elementary*, the award-winning documentary about teaching gay issues in grade schools, has caused a firestorm of controversy in numerous communities across the country.

International Film looks at the tentative but notable steps for gay visibility being made in four different parts of the world as reflected in the work of film-

makers. Through films from Mainland China, Hong Kong, India, and West Africa this segment shows how directors use the medium of film to explore issues of gay and lesbian identity, a subject that in many countries has just begun to be

around the world submit their works of under ten minutes in length on gay and lesbian subjects.

And the winner is ... *Love and Dinner* by director Sean Simmons, based on a poem by Lewellyn L. Berry of the same



Scene from "Beauty Before Age" directed by Johnny Symons which looks at aging and appearances in gay culture.

discussed. Featured in this story are the films *East Palace*, *West Palace* by Mainland Chinese director Zhang Yuan; *Happy Together* by Hong Director Wong Kar-Wai; *Fire* from India by Deepa Mehta; *Dakan* or *Destiny* from Guinea, West Africa by director Mohamed Camara; and also from West Africa, *Woubi Dahling*, a documentary from the Ivory Coast by Laurent Bocahut.

Third Annual *In the Life* Short Film and Video Contest! Each year *In the Life* holds its annual Short Film and Video Competition where directors from

title, depicts a young lesbian couple's mutual anticipation toward seeing one another at the end of a work day. The beauty of *Love and Dinner*, a four-minute black and white short, lies in its simplicity and its ability to create a moment that is genuine, sweet, and thoroughly engaging.

In the Life will air on Wednesday August 5 at 11 p.m. in Milwaukee on Channel 10, WWVS, and on many other PBS stations throughout the state. Call your local affiliate for showtimes.

specifically features a prominent role for an African-American Male. The Wilder one-acts open late October and require open casting. *Valentine* opens mid-February and calls for an experienced actress from mid-thirties to mid-fifties.

Auditions are on Saturday, August 15 and Sunday, August 16 from 1 to 5:30 p.m. at the Boulevard Theater and are by appointment only. Those auditioning should prepare a contemporary monologue not to exceed two minutes in length. Minorities are strongly encouraged to audition. The Ensemble, entering its Thirteenth season is located at 2252 South Kinnickinnic Avenue (one-half block north of Lincoln Avenue and Kinnickinnic).

For more information concerning these auditions or the Ensemble's upcoming season, please call Artistic Director Mark Bucher at (414) 672-6019.

MSO Chorus to Hold Auditions

Milwaukee — Imagine being on stage in Uihlein Hall, standing in the sweep of orchestral and choral sound, surrounded by hundreds of musicians. Imagine the thrill of a live concert performance of Puccini's *Turandot* or Mendelssohn's *Elijah*. Now imagine being a part of the experience, adding your own voice to the glorious sound of a 200 voice chorus.

This might sound like a fantasy, but for hundreds of dedicated volunteer musicians, its a regular occurrence. Members of the MSO Chorus routinely join the MSO and Music Director Andreas Delfs in thrilling performances of orchestral and choral music. Auditions for the 1998-'99 season began on July 22 through 24 and will continue on Wednesday and Thursday and Friday (July 29 through 31) from 4 to 9 p.m. Auditions take place at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts in Milwaukee. To schedule an audition, call (414) 967-1905 today.

The MSO Chorus provides the choral forces for the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. The Chorus membership is made up of volunteer singers who have such diverse backgrounds as teachers, doctors, lawyers, dentists computer programmers, accountants and students (to name just a few), who share a strong enthusiasm for choral singing. A core of 24 paid singers, selected by special audition, enhances the Chorus. Membership in the MSO Chorus is open by audition to anyone who loves to sing. If selected, a singer is afforded a rare opportunity to learn a wide variety of great music and work with many internationally recognized musicians and conductors.

Each season Chorus Director Lee Erickson masterfully prepares the 200

voice MSO Chorus for exhilarating performances with the MSO in record numbers of sell-out concerts. Mr. Erickson has a special gift for conducting chorus rehearsals that are exciting, challenging and musically rewarding. Singers are quickly inspired by his contagious enthusiasm and passion for both orchestra and chorus and a capella choral music. Rehearsals also provide a great opportunity to meet and network with people who share common interests.

The Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Chorus, founded in 1976, joins with the MSO in celebrating the orchestra's 40th Anniversary Season with many exciting concerts that are sure to be sell-outs. In addition to *Turandot* and *Elijah* the Chorus will perform Richard Einhorn's *Voices of Light*, a contemporary work inspired by the film "The Passion of Joan of Arc." The Chorus will also perform Mozart's *Requiem*, Schoenberg's *Survivor from Warsaw* (gentlemen of the chorus) Janacek's *Glagolitic Mass* and Handel's *Messiah*.

In April of 1999, the paid singers of the Chorus will present a special concert including major works of Palestrina and Britten in the historic St. Joseph Chapel in Milwaukee. The Chorus performs with the orchestra in the acoustically renovated Uihlein Hall of the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts as well as other Milwaukee architectural landmarks including St. Josephat Basilica and the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist.

Piano Gallery Shows Works of John Ernst

Milwaukee — The Piano Gallery, located in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward, is pleased to announce a new exhibit of paintings by Milwaukee artist John Ernst entitled "Faces, Places and Spaces: The Art of John Ernst."

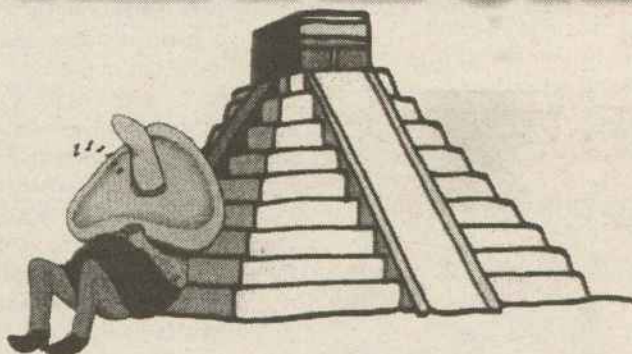
The exhibit will highlight Ernst's evocative portraits, his renderings of whimsical characters, and his powerful abstract works. Ernst also plans to premiere a new venture in wire sculpture, as well as a first-time offering of greeting cards. The scope of the exhibit will range from vibrant to bold to fanciful and carefree.

The public is invited to meet the artist at an opening reception from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Gallery Night, Friday, July 24. The exhibit will run through Friday, October 9. The Piano Gallery is located at 219 North Milwaukee Street and Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. For further information call (414) 276-3525 or (414) 352-5555.

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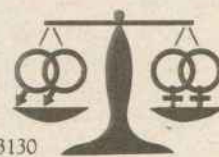


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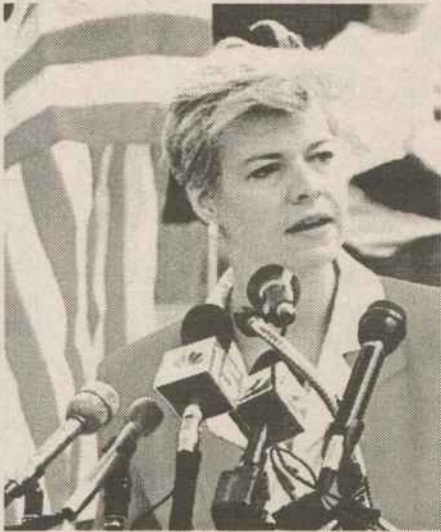
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Republican Ron Greer's latest anti-gay attack on Democratic opponent Tammy Baldwin has put a nationwide focus on the campaign for Scott Klug's House seat. And while Greer's fund-raising letter attacking Baldwin has drawn sharp criticism from both Democrats and Republicans, ABC's *World News Tonight* recently profiled Greer in what some have termed "flattering and misguided" segment.

"1988 could be the first time in American history that a left-wing lesbian is



Tammy Baldwin. Photo: Jorge Cabal

elected to Congress!" Greer wrote in the letter, blasting Baldwin for her stances on gay marriage, affirmative action, taxes, "partial birth" abortion and welfare.

A Republican insider told the *Capitol Times* that Greer's appeal could bring in as much as \$125,000 if sent to the right mailing list. Greer also has the endorsement of James Dobson, leader of Focus on the Family, a national conservative Christian organization. The Greer campaign could afford to buy perhaps 50,000 names of contributors from the national Focus on the Family database, the source said.

The Greer letter also could help Baldwin in her fund-raising efforts. It has already generated numerous assurances of support since news of the attack broke, according to Baldwin campaigner Paul Devlin.

Feminists are likely to be energized by the campaign letter, which names the National Organization for Women among the "left-wing political allies" and "radical homosexual groups" who are backing Baldwin.

Baldwin tried to steer clear of direct engagement with Greer. However, in a recent three-way televised discussion with other Democratic candidates Baldwin said it would be a mistake to "stoop" to the level of Greer's rhetoric. Two of Baldwin's Democratic opponents, Rick Phelps and Joe Wineke, both blasted Greer's attack during the debate.

"Certainly there is a segment that's putting up billboards and believes in things like intolerance," Republican analyst Bill Kraus said. "I have no idea how big it is or how rich it is."

This recent Greer episode is just the latest in a series which has alienated Madison's lesbian community, against whom he's been singularly outspoken. "If I was in a car accident or my house was on fire, would Ronnie Greer treat me like any other citizen?" wonders Michael Verveer, a gay alderman who lives near Greer's firehouse. "I'm not confident he would, and that's a widespread feeling in the gay community."

Ronnie Greer "came to God" while a marine in 1976. He'd been court-martialed for assaulting a credit union officer and was serving an 18-month sentence in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He left the

marines (with a bad-conduct discharge) and became a fire cadet in Madison.

In the summer of 1995 Greer caught word that Madison's Board of Police and Fire Commissioners was considering hiring Debra Amesqua, the fire-training chief in Tallahassee, Florida, to head the city's 280-person department. Amesqua, who's of Hispanic and Native American descent, would become Wisconsin's first female fire chief. "Everybody was upset," stated Greer. "She was an up-and-coming affirmative action star, and there was concern that she wasn't qualified. And the rumor was that she was homosexual."

Amesqua does not discuss her sexuality, and when Greer confronted her at a station meeting in December 1995, Amesqua said her private life was her business.

Greer, on the other hand, had a lot to say about Amesqua and her sexuality inside the firehouse, where he distributed a pamphlet called *Homosexuality: The Truth*, written by the Ralph Ovadal, direc-

"Ronnie Greer is a chronic malcontent. He hasn't changed from the day he hit that guy in the marines. Oh, he's found God, but that old part of him is alive and burning."

tor president Conway says the case against Greer, especially as it concerns handing out the pamphlet, goes against the nature of the firehouse.

Madison has had a gay rights ordinance on the books since the mid-1970s. A fair number of Madison's elected officials, including Verveer, are open about their sexuality. The Hotel Washington, an old railroad hotel was converted by Greg and Rodney Scheel into Madison's main gay gathering place. It housed a 24-hour cafe, a leather bar, a live-music club, and a combination

over his head. In April he'd faxed out a "news release" that accused Amesqua of too lightly disciplining her training chief for the alleged abuse of a cadet. The reason, Greer suggested, was that both women are lesbians. In response, Amesqua told Greer, "Your public distribution of the scurrilous document entitled 'news release' is the equivalent of spitting in the department's face." She charged him with harassment and with showing disrespect for a senior officer.

"As an African-American, he's been fighting discrimination his whole life, and you'd think he'd be a little more sensitive," says Verveer. Greer replies that homosexuality is a choice, while "being black is

Fire Starter

Firefighter's Anti-Gay Messages Galvanize Madison

tor of Wisconsin Christians United. The same right-wing religious group which recently erected anti-gay billboards in Dane County.

The pamphlet asserts that "the bulk of all enteric [intestinal] disease in America is carried by homosexuals," that gays "account for at least one third of all child sexual molestation," and that "the top six mass murderers in America's history were all homosexual." The fire department's personnel director, ordered Greer to stop handing out the pamphlet, but he did so at least once more, in a firehouse parking lot.

Amesqua, who took office in February 1996, and other city officials maintained that distributing the pamphlet on fire department property violated workplace rules forbidding harassment based on sexual orientation. That March, when Greer called in sick and yet was able to attend an antigay speech the same night, his superiors asked him for a doctor's note.

Greer did not comply and Amesqua cited him for insubordination, adding these charges to others relating to the pamphlet, and asked the firefighter to submit to discipline — a three-month suspension coupled with diversity training. Greer refused and Amesqua forwarded the matter to the police and fire board.

The firefighters' union has supported Greer, helping to pay his legal bills. Union

hair salon and ersatz speakeasy entered through a secret door and was generally considered Madison's unofficial gay-and-lesbian community center.

On February 7, 1996, the Hotel Washington was destroyed by fire. That afternoon a Methodist minister held an impromptu memorial service, and as it was breaking up Greer came by with his three young sons. "It's a tragic loss of a historical building," Greer commented to the press, "but I'm glad to see certain establishments in the place are gone. If it means the end to certain types of business, I don't have a problem with that."

Verveer, who'd been at the fire scene since 6 a.m., heard what Greer said. "It was amazing that he had the nerve to say that, and with a big-ass grin on his face," says Verveer. "People were totally appalled."

In March, Greer went by the house he was building in Fitchburg, a southwest suburb, and found it decorated. A rainbow flag had been strung across the two-car garage, pink-and-black triangles on sticks had been stuck in the ground, and stickers had been slapped on windows announcing "Born Again Bigot" and "Wisconsin Lesbians Against Greer."

"I personally would draw the line at defacing private property," says De Ette Tomlinson, the executive director of the Outreach (formerly The United), Madison's umbrella gay and lesbian organization. "But the methods used were nonviolent and expressive of some of the outrage felt against Ronnie Greer by the community."

After four months of hearings, in June 1997 the police and fire board suspended Greer for two months for showing "disregard, disrespect, and disdain" for his bosses. By then he had other charges hanging



Madison Fire Chief Debra Amesqua. Photo: Theo Kramer

immutable to a person." Assistant city attorney Rick Petri is harsher than Verveer. "Ronnie Greer is a chronic malcontent. He hasn't changed from the day he hit that guy in the marines. Oh, he's found God, but that old part of him is alive and burning."

Greer's struggles have turned him into a martyr in the eyes of right-wing Christians. According to Greer a Virginia-based conservative group he won't name who helped his wife Rosalyn, a school guidance counselor, craft a fund-raising letter. "Militant homosexuals are using the city government, with its unlimited funds and resources, to get at my husband," says the letter. "He can't possibly defend himself without your help." The dollars that have come back run well into six figures, according to Greer.

The firefighters local is now challenging Amesqua's training procedures, and a spokesman for the chief says she's in the process of revamping them.

Greer has been suspended for a year with pay from his \$45,000-a-year job as the five-member police and fire board weighs the outcome of his news-release case.

"It's pretty hard to ignore that gauntlet," says Rick Petri. "If he'd have gotten away with that press release, there's nothing a municipal employee can't get away with. It may be old-fashioned, but you have to show some respect for your boss."

Greer's lawyer, Michael Dean, says that even though Amesqua couldn't point to anyone who'd been harmed by the document, he and Greer assume that the board will rule against him; in that event, Greer promises to take his case to federal court.

Greer can't find a new job, he says, because he's notorious. And now he's running for Congress. In tinderbox atmosphere where politicians now feel free to openly criticize gays and lesbians, Ronnie Greer has no regrets about lighting a few matches.

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Jeff Krell

Interview by Jeffrey L. Newman

Jeff Krell is a bit nervous. With only 24-hours to go before the first preview of his new Off-Broadway musical "Jayson," based on the popular gay comic strip character, he's facing a writer's worst nightmare — adding a new song the day before opening.

The song, written by popular gay duo Ron Romanovsky and Paul Phillips, who scored the show, is a love song of sorts — though not sexual — between gay Jayson and his "fag hag" best friend, who realize they'd rather be together as friends than apart.

"The message is that friendships out last lovers, so cherish your friends because they'll be there long after the break," says the author.

"It's the 11 o'clock number of the show, when Jayson and his former roommate (a woman) have a fallout and decide whatever the problem is, they're going to face it together. It's the VH-1, ready for love, theme," says the 39-year old Krell, on whose comic character the musical is based. "But it adds to the excitement of opening night, that's for sure."

"Jayson," which opened July 10 Off-Broadway in New York, centers on Jayson Callowhill, a wide-eyed bushy tailed boy from Farmville, U.S.A., who comes to the big city to find a man and the job of his

dreams. But when he gets there, what he finds is disillusionment. Things don't go as planned and he finds himself on a self-realizing journey, on which he find out a lot more about himself.

And along the way he meets Mr. Robyn Ricketts, a flamboyant pre-Stonewall cross-dressing pornographic filmmaker and Miss Arena Stage, a self-described Jewish fag hag. He also bumps into a wide variety of colorful characters including wacky employers, dysfunctional family members and comically miserable dates.

"These people are these larger-than-life characters, who amuse him and provide a window to the world on this new urban gay character," says Krell, who quickly snaps back and asks, "Have I mentioned, it's also a very funny show too?"

And funny it is. The early buzz on the show is that audiences can't get enough of these delicious and over-the-top characters, who by the end of the musical, endear themselves to you and pull on your heart strings and your musical chords.

Krell believed so much in the viability of the show that he is backing it with his own money, rather than try to find outside investors — a price tag that likely is in the mid-to-high five figure range. "By doing it myself, I'm not accountable to any outside investors," says the playwright, who sold his coop apartment and cashed in his 401K to finance the show.

"I'm rolling the dice on this one. But I wouldn't do it if I didn't believe in the show," he adds. "I have every indication and evidence that this show works for people and can succeed. Whether it does we'll have to see but you get what you get when you go for it, as my idol Barry

Manilow says."

Krell is very much like Jayson. Born and raised in smalltown, U.S.A. — he will not say which city, out of concern for his folks, who still live in the homophobic confines of the town — he did not come out until he was ready to go to college.

"One student was out in high school. He wrote a love note to another man and the other man beat him up in men's room and received no punishment for it. The young gay man was taken out of school. I decided then I was going to stay in the closet until after high school," says Krell.

"My parents are not very happy with what I'm doing or how I chose to broadcast my sexual orientation. I don't want someone to torch their house," he adds. "People there are still small minded. Just because I'm out there making a name for myself and calling attention to those people, doesn't mean they have to suffer for it."

He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in international marketing. (He was the first in his family to graduate from college.) And spent a year in Germany, studying.

In 1982, when he 23 year old, Krell went home to visit his folks for Christmas.

Things were not going particularly well for him at the time. He had just broken up with a boyfriend and his career was not taking off as he had hoped. After a rough Christmas day, Krell retreated to the basement and started to draw.

"All my life I had drawn and written. It was my retreat from reality," says Krell, who was a big fan of the Archie comic book series. That night he created Jayson, who like him, was someone who was intelligent, well educated and wanted to live in an urban setting away from Farmville. "I did a bunch of these drawings, and thought they were funny. I was putting on paper the kind of comic strip I wanted to read but never saw anywhere."

He soon approached the *Philadelphia Gay News*, which agreed to run the comic. But after a year, Krell longer wanted to draw a four to six panel strip, he wanted to expand it and tell complete stories in one sitting. So he bundled the series together and sent it off to the publisher of *Gay Comix*, who saw potential in Jayson as a comic book.

Since then, Jayson has lived on in syndication, comic books and now a paper book collection of the series called, "Jayson: A New Collection," on Ignite! Entertainment publishing.

In 1990, after earning an MBA in

marketing in finance and marketing, Krell moved to New York City where he worked for a marketing company. But in the mid-90s, he resigned to write full-time and work as an outside consultant, which he still does today.

"I wrote the cartoon on a lark. It was something I enjoyed, but not something I got paid for," Krell says. "When I came here (to New York), I found people actually pursuing their dreams, especially in the creative realms, and it inspired me to try it myself."

In 1995, he came up with the idea for "Jayson: The Musical," and began the process.

"I've always been searching for another medium for Jayson. When I wrote it, I structured it as a sitcom. But I didn't have



Brian Cooper (L) and Mark Haen star in Jayson. Photo by Dixie Sheridan.

the money or wherewithal or connections. A musical seemed like the ideal outlet," says the playwright.

"The New York theatre scene is ready for Jayson," he adds. "It's nice that gay theatre can thrive. But it's either some AIDS dramas or something catering to gay men where everyone takes off their clothes, which makes me uncomfortable. It's commerce, but not art. Certainly you can make money at it, but I want to entertain in a more cerebral way. We have sexy performers, but no one takes their clothes off."

While Krell is aware people may assume that because the musical is based on a comic character it is kitschy or animated and not substantive. But he says that's far from the case.

"People may conclude that if they don't see it. The easiest thing to do is create look of the comic on stage. The hardest is to make people care, and I won't settle until I do. These are characters with heart. You're not human if you're not in tears in second act. I choke up every time I think about it," Krell says. "I hope a lot of people can relate to it. I think they will. People will be richly entertained and taken on a journey they can relate to. It's uplifting and ironic, and it's good."

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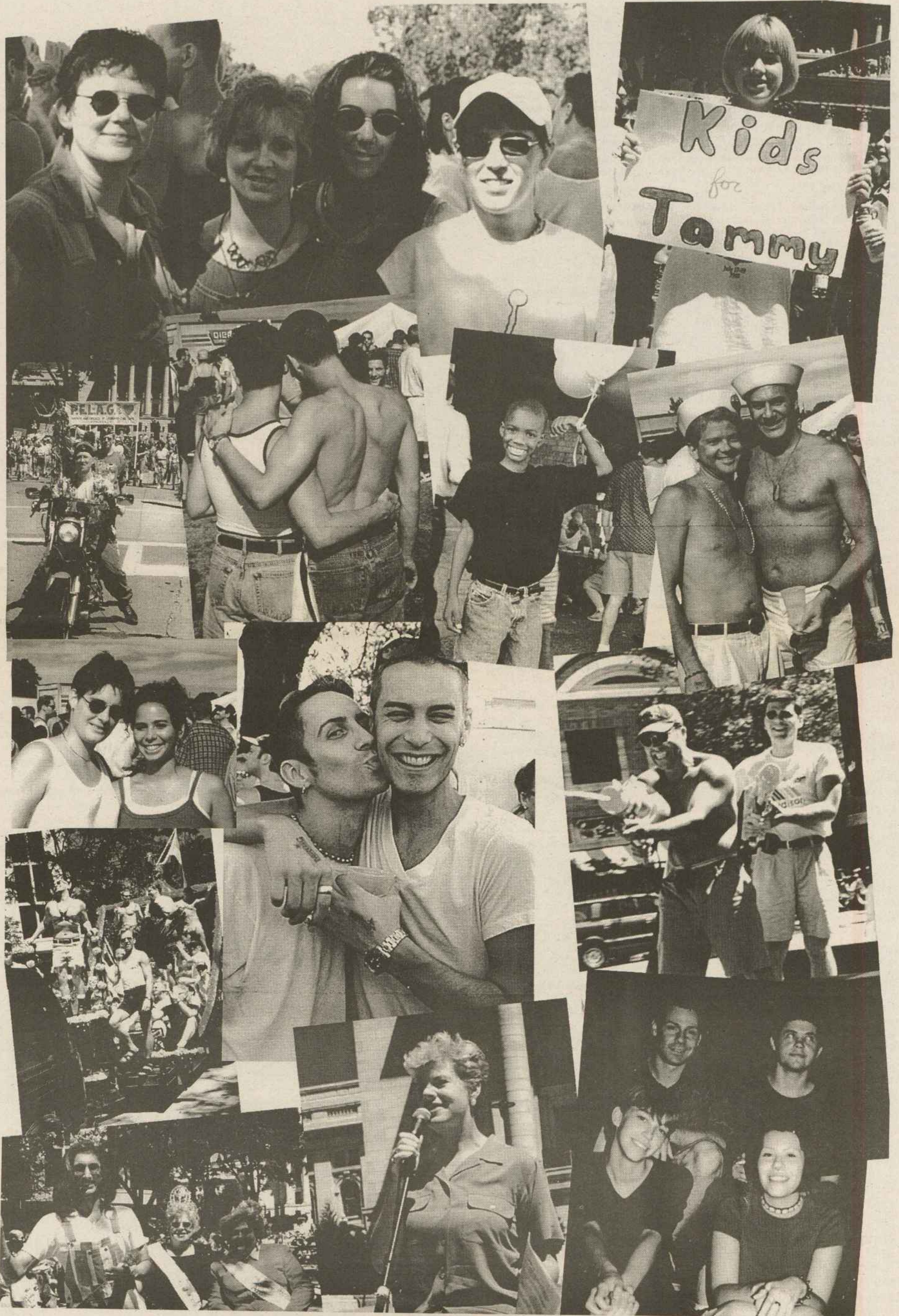
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Activities, Festivals:

Friday, July 24

Gamma - Camping & Biking (Door County): Join Gamma at Potowatomi State Park for some outdoor fun. FMI call Jim at (414) 352-0486.

German Fest (Milwaukee): Everything from Schnitzel to Spanferkel will tempt you at this German celebration. Polkas, German crafts and more. Runs through July 26. FMI call (414) 464-9444.

Saturday, July 25

Dairyland C&C - Retro Dance (Madison): This special event will cost \$5 if you are in costume, \$8 if you're not. It will be held at the Sapphire Ballroom, in Northgate Mall, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. This is a smoke-free environment. Alcoholic beverages & sodas are served. FMI call Richard or Ron at (608) 255-9131.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group Hiking Trip (Madison): Hike through Governor Nelson State Park at 1 p.m. Outing may be canceled if no interest is shown. FMI call Jim at (608) 588-3073.

FrontRunners LGBT Running Group (Madison): Meets at 9:10 a.m. every Saturday. FMI & meeting place call (608) 238-7882.

Gamma/Front Runners - Run/Walk (Milwaukee): Meet at the water tower at the east end of North Avenue at 9 a.m. every Saturday for 45 minute run/walk. I.A.M.M. joins in on this one too. FMI call Brian at (414) 332-1527.

Gamma - Tennis (Milwaukee): Meet at 10 a.m. every Saturday and play tennis for enjoyment. There is tennis for players at all levels of ability. No records are kept. FMI call Brian at (414) 332-1527.

Friday, July 31

Gamma - Brewers' Baseball (Milwaukee): Join them for the Brewers-Arizona Diamondback game at County Stadium at 7:05 p.m. First there is a fish fry at Gorman's Grill. FMI call Tom & Paul at (414) 327-4152.

African World Festival (Milwaukee): The music will cover everything from Rhythm & Blues to jazz and Motown. There will be traditional ceremonies, cultural exhibits, market places, succulent cuisine and opulent costumes. Runs through August 2. FMI call (414) 372-4567.

Saturday, August 1

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Historic Tour (Madison/Mineral Point): Meet in Madison and car-pool to this historic Welsh mining town at 10:30 a.m. There are antiques, wonderful houses and good eats. FMI & directions from Madison, call Brian at (608) 588-1090.

Sunday, August 2

GAMMA - Noah's Ark Trip (WI Dells): Hope you got your all-day unlimited passes for this outing. FMI call Tom & Paul at (414) 327-5142.

Bar Specials:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Sunday afternoon bottle beer special from 3 to 7 p.m.

Cell Block (Chicago): Beer Busts hosted each week by various groups. Check your monthly planner. \$4.25 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): \$4 Beer/Soda/Wine. \$1.50 Rail, Mixed Drinks. Plus the 219 GIRLS! Showtime @ 11:30 p.m..

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Rotating Events!

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Karaoke with Duane from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. \$1.50 Bloody Marys.

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.

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

Mad Bar (Madison): Open at 10 p.m. All domestic bottled beer \$2. Any shot \$3 or more is \$2.50.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust from 3 to 8 p.m. Bloody Marys are \$2 all night.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Beer & Soda Bash \$5 from 3 to 8 p.m., all the Miller Lite or Soda you care to drink. From 8 p.m. to close all taps are 50¢ off. DJ Tony Ritchard spins at 10 p.m.

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

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): \$5 Beer Bash! 6 to 10 p.m.

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): Shirtless Sundays. Half price tap & rail if your shirt is off. 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

The Office (Rockford, IL): Game Show Mania every Sunday at 8:30 p.m. \$1 Bloody Marys!

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.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Closed.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Closed at this time.

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): Free pool! No Cover!

Fluid (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.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. Shots of Hot Sex \$1.50.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 2/4/1 drinks 5 to 7 p.m. Grill hours 4 to 10 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. with the Happy Hour Wheel. You get a spin of the wheel with every regular drink purchased & you can win another drink, shots, beer bash & more. From 8 p.m. to close: all rails, domestic bottled beer & taps of Lite are \$2. Shots of Hot Sex \$1.50. DJ John K spins 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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. 2-4-1.

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 7 p.m. Pull tabs 9 p.m. to close. 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): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$4 pitchers of beer. Melrose Place Mondays.

Woody's (Milwaukee): \$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.

Cell Block (Chicago): SMUT Tuesdays! XXX Videos. Cheap Drinks. Free Games.

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!

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cocktail Hour 1/2 Price Drinks. Starlight Revue no cover.

Dish (Milwaukee): Closed

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

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Tuesday Night Dance Party! \$2 rail/well drinks.

Fluid (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m.

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.

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

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

Mad Bar (Madison): Open at 10 p.m. Bottles of Lite \$2. Shots of Hot Sex \$1.50.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Taco Tuesday! 2/4/1 drinks 5 to 7 p.m. Grill open from 4 to 10 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. with the Happy Hour Wheel. You get a spin of the wheel with every regular drink pur-

chased & you can win another drink, shots, beer bash & more. From 8 p.m. to close: all top beers are 75¢ off. DJ John K spins 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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Free Karaoke from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 7 p.m.

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): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks!

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

Wednesdays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. It's Leather Night! Prizes throughout the night.

Cell Block (Chicago): Open Shawn's Treasure Chest for Great Prizes! Check your planner for more. \$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): 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cocktail Hour 1/2 Price Drinks. Male Strippers. No cover.

Dish (Milwaukee): It's Point Night! There are pints of Point for \$1. 2-4-1 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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

Fluid (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m.

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): Open at 10 p.m. All rail drinks \$2. Shots of Cuervo \$2.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 2/4/1 drinks from 3 p.m. until closing. Grill hours are 4 to 10 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. with the Happy Hour Wheel. You get a spin of the wheel with every regular drink purchased & you can win another drink, shots, beer bash & more. From 8 p.m. to close: 16oz taps of Lite \$1.50. All rails \$2. Shots of Cuervo \$2. DJ Tony Ritchard spins 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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. 2-4-1 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Tappers \$1. Captain Morgans \$1.50.

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

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

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! South Park Wednesdays. \$5 All-U-Can-Drink Superbust (beer, wine & soda).

Woody's (Milwaukee): Happy-Happy Hour 4 to 5 p.m. (50¢ off tappers & \$1 off rail drinks). \$1 off drinks from 5 to 9 p.m. Dart Tournament!

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

Thursdays:

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

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cocktail Hour 1/2 Price Drinks. Alternate Thursdays: Talent Night or Academy Awards Night. No cover.

Dish (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Groove with Amy! Amy entertains!

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): \$100 Pool Tournament. Live DJ/band at 9 p.m. Free & Anonymous HIV Testing from 8 to 10 p.m. \$1.75 MGD Lite bottle.

Fluid (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m.

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

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): 2/4/1 drinks 5 to 7 p.m. Special appetizers by Stan.

Mad Bar (Madison): Open at 10 p.m. Jim Beam drinks \$2. Ex & Ex Lite \$2. Shots of Doctor \$2.

Manoeuvres (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. with the Happy Hour Wheel. You get a spin of the wheel with every regular drink purchased & you can win another drink, shots, beer bash & more. From 8 p.m. to close: Jim Beam drinks \$2. Ex & Ex Lite \$2. Shots of Doctors \$2. DJ John K spins at 10 p.m.

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

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. \$2 Export & Corona beer 9 p.m. to close.

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. 75¢ taps from 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Beer, wine & rail 2-4-1 all night!

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): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$6 All-U-Can Drink Rail Bust!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Happy-Happy Hour 4 to 5 p.m. (50¢ off tappers & \$1 off rail drinks). \$1 off 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.

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.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cocktail Hour 1/2 Price Drinks. Male Strippers.

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

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! No Cover before 9 p.m. Live DJ at 9 p.m.

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Review by Kevin John

"In my heart I created *The Hanging Garden* to put out the message to unhappy people that no matter how much you hate your life and yourself in the current moment, it is possible to become the person you want to be, so hang in there," says writer/director Thom Fitzgerald of his feature film debut. Sounds like a well-intentioned modus operandi. Or a twisted sense of a word



Troy Veinotte (L) and Joel S. Keller

play. Like all things *Hanging Garden*, the meaning of a particular idea can spin out into several divergent directions.

Hang in there, eh? That's exactly what 350-pound, closeted teen Sweet William (an embarrassingly brave performance by newcomer Troy Veinotte) does to end his so-called life in a rural Nova Scotian town. But then, poof, like (queer) magic (realism), William is able to return to his hideously dysfunctional family as a lithe, sexy, openly gay man (Chris Leavins). The rotund body continues to sway au jardin in the mature present while the characters react to this poetic conceit as naturally as Marlon Brando at a Lee Strasberg acting class. It's clear that the corpse represents William's attempt to kill off his former self for a mentally and physically healthier lease on life.

Or is that so clear? Mature William reacts to his dead body along with everyone else and at one point he cuts it down to bury it. So maybe the hanging self represents the fact that William's painful past still weighs him down and that his adult homecoming is needed to help him bury it, i.e. reconcile with his family.

Not that William's family is an easy bunch to reconcile with. In fact, *The Hanging Garden* is like an artier *Stuart Saves His Family* (the grossly ignored feature film expansion on *Saturday Night Live's* Stuart Smalley skits) which matches William's grisly family portrait. There's Mac, the abusive father who tends to his garden more affectionately than his family and presides over an ensemble of women on the verge whom Fitzgerald sprinkles with symbolically

significant flower names (complete with unnatural color coding) like a mad Ophelia: the foul-mouthed sister Rosemary who marries William's teen love, Fletcher; the senile grandmother Grace who tragically witnesses William's first encounter with Fletcher; the teeth-gritting mother Iris who tries to set William straight by paying for him to have sex with an older woman; the equally foul-mouthed, er, sister, Violet. Not exactly the snowbirds and shadows in the moonlight of Nova Scotian Anne Murray's songs.

I won't get into the correlations between each flower and character. Let the film equivalent of Cliff Notes expound on that. What I adore about *The Hanging Garden* is how tastefully, how subtly Fitzgerald handles what has to be the most hokily symbolic artifact I've encountered since dissecting *A Separate Peace* back in high school — a return to knights who play chess with death and flowery Tennessee Williamsesque motifs (a garden figures quite prominently in my fave Williams play, *Suddenly Last Summer*). Perhaps because the characters treat the hanging body as matter-of-factly as Pop's petunias, the



Fletcher (Keller) and Rosemary (Kerry Fox) tie the knot in not so holy matrimony.

symbology never overwhelms. Instead, it makes for a self-consciously artsy aesthetic that screams gay, gay, gay and *The Hanging Garden* is the yummiest for it.

But the film is even richer than that because maybe the death isn't so symbolic after all. Maybe it's very real. Maybe the adult years are a fantasy of confrontation; a fantasy of a happy ending. Seen in this light, *The Hanging Garden's* happy ending isn't happy at all simply because it doesn't exist.

If you can except such fluidity in your movie-going, you can except Iris' unexplained disappearance or Rosemary's bewildering marriage to Fletcher. That's because you know (like Fitzgerald knows so well) that as plastic an art as filmmaking is, nothing truly exists in a film. A great film like *The Hanging Garden* demonstrates how plasticity can lie. Or how it can just hang there.

Local "Go-Go Boys" Get Down with B-52s



Jim B., Ty King, Troy and Peter from Fluid won In Step's contest to dance live, on-stage at the recent B-52s concert held on July 14 at the Marcus Amphether. In Step extends special thanks to the B-52s, Cellar Door Productions and everyone who entered the contest. Pictured above: The B-52's, photo by Jorge Cabal.

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Fluid (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 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): Open 9 p.m. Visit Madison's Premiere Back Room Men's Bar! Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Fish Fry 4 to 10 p.m. Open menu specials.

Manoeuvres (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. with the Happy Hour Wheel. You get a spin of the wheel with every regular drink purchased & you can win another drink, shots, beer bash & more. DJ Tony Ritchard spins 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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Fish Fry \$6.95 for all you can eat! Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Butch Nite at the Back Bar only! 50¢ off all drinks for those in leather.

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

South Water Street Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 7 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Dr. McGillicuddy \$1.50. Pumpkin Pie \$1.

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

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks!

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

Saturdays:

Cell Block (Chicago): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Night Riot 'til 3 a.m. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m. Freddie Bane DJ.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Drawings for Eagle Leather all night. Pit open. Club 94 (Kenosha): DJ Jim's party 9 p.m. to close.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cocktail Hour 1/2 Price Drinks. Male Strippers.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Dance Party! No Cover before 9 p.m. Live DJ at 9 p.m.

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

Mad Bar (Madison): Open at 9 p.m. Levi/leather uniform night! 50¢ discount for appropriate LL/Uniform attire.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Bar opens at 3 p.m. Early Bird Specials 3 to 6 p.m. Grill hours from 4 to 10 p.m.

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

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): DJ Tyrone. Buy your first drink & get your second one FREE at the Back Bar only!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): All chilled shots only \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m. DJ

& dancing starting at 11 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Hot Sex \$1.

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:

Friday, July 24

Grand Opening Party at Fluid (Milwaukee): Celebrate Bill and Jim's Grand Opening! Nightly drink specials, new martinis and wine list.

Magnolia's Grill at the Douglas Dunes - Christmas in July (Douglas, WI): This event runs through Saturday, 7/25. They are located at 333 Blue Star Highway. Strippers every Friday. The Pool Bar is open seven days a week. T-Dances every Sunday from 5 p.m. until ????? Anyone in underwear gets half-price drinks. Burgers, Drinks & Hot Music. FMI call (616) 857-1401.

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

Saturday, July 25

Boot Camp Saloon - Club Night (Milwaukee): The Brew City Bears will be holding club night starting at 10 p.m. FMI call (414) 299-0401 or go to their web site at www.darke.net/BCB/

Grand Opening Party at Fluid (Milwaukee): Celebrate Bill and Jim's Grand Opening! Nightly drink specials, new martinis and wine list.

A Night of Jaz (Kenosha): Come help Jazzmine Roberts kick off her benefit tour at Club 94. Showtime 10:30 p.m., \$3 donation.

Cell Block - 1998 Mr. Drummer Contest (Chicago, IL): The contest begins at 9 p.m. with Cell Block Leatherman '98, Wayne Hussey as emcee. The winner goes on to the Mr. Great Lakes Drummer contest in Columbus, Ohio the weekend of 8/28. From there the winner of that contest goes to the International Mr. Drummer contest in San Francisco in September. FMI call David or Patti at (773) 665-8064.

Just Us - Retirement Party (Milwaukee): Join Just Us for their Retirement Party from 8 p.m. to closing. All beverages will be 2-4-1 until it's done! Special guest performances, dancing & door prizes. They will be closed on 7/24 to prepare for this special event.

Sunday, July 26

Grand Opening Party at Fluid (Milwaukee): Celebrate Bill and Jim's Grand Opening! Hor d'oeuvres, drink specials and Live Entertainment.

Manoeuvres - Stars of Minneapolis (Madison): This show features some of the Twin Cities best performers. Showtime is 10 p.m. See Miss Western Wisconsin Tonya Lee Randolph, Jacquelyn Avant Garde, Blance Cassidine & Ilene D'Over. Madison Favorites Simply Devine and Wisconsin Entertainer of the Year Cass Marie Domino are also scheduled to appear.

Friday, July 31

Triangle - 10 Year Anniversary Weekend (Milwaukee): Come help Triangle celebrate 10 years through Sunday. The festivities start at 8 p.m. every night. There will be a Bar-B-Que and a balloon drops. Prizes include a Hot Air Balloon Ride, Brewer's Tickets and Six Flags tickets.

Saturday, August 1

SWS Docks - Summer Carnival Extravaganza (Milwaukee): A fun-filled event, including games, food, raffles & prizes will be held in the SWS Docks parking lot from 1 to 9 p.m. Part of the proceeds will go to fund

the SWS Docks 1998 AIDS Walk Team. Then, from 10 p.m. to mid-night, join Aqua Marie & Topaz for a Possum Queen Benefit Show.

MAD Bar - Unicorn Club Night (Madison): Club night starts at 10 p.m. Levi/Leather/Uniform dress-code is enforced. This will be the last Club Night before Manoeuvres relocates to its new location at 5 Applegate Court. Make sure to come and say Goodbye to MAD Bar!

Book Readings, Classes, Clubs:

Thursday, July 23

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Shorewood.): Rod Chernow will talk about & sign copies of Titan: The Life of John D. Rockefeller, Sr. at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

Woodland Pattern - African American Artist's Books (Milwaukee): This current Sesquicentennial Exhibition called Cliches, Stereotypes, Errors, will run through 8/30. No Admission charge. FMI call 263-5001.

Tuesday, July 28

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Mequon): Anne Johnson will read from & sign copies of, Return to the Sea: Reflections on Anne Morrow Lindbergh's Gift from the Sea, at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 241-6220.

Wednesday, July 29

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Brookfield): Frederick Reiken will read from, The Odd Sea, at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

Community Meetings & Events:

Thursday, July 23

Diversity G/L Resource Center (Rockford, IL): Located at 610 E State St. Open from 4 to 9 p.m. Teen Drop-in Hours. FMI call (815) 964-2639.

Gay AA/Gay Al-anon - 12-Step Meetings (Kenosha): These recovery groups meet every Thursday at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 5810 8th Ave, at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Bill or Art at (414) 694-0115

Gay/Lesbian AA Closed Meeting (Madison): Meets at 8 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 1609 University Ave. FMI call (608) 222-8989.

South Madison Health & Family Ctr. (Madison): Free, anonymous walk-in HIV testing fro 5 to 7:45 p.m. Located at 2202 South Park St. FMI call (608) 261-9270.

Women's Consciousness Raising Group (Madison): Meets at 5:30 p.m. at 122 State St. Suite 403. FMI call (608) 250-6775.

UU Church - Lesbian Support/Discussion Group (Rockford, IL): The group meets from 7 to 8 p.m. at 4848 Turner Rd. FMI call (815) 636-7298.

Friday, July 24

G/L/B/T Youth Group - Meeting (Kenosha): This group meets the first & third Fridays of the month from 7 to 10 p.m. at the ARCW Offices, 1212 57th St. FMI call 800-924-6601.

High Tea & Talk - Senior Men's Group (Madison): High Tea & Talk is an organization-free (no long associated with SAGE/Dane) opportunity for

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senior men and their friends who enjoy the company of other men to gather on Friday afternoons. The group meets at Monty's Blue Plate Diner, 2089 Atwood Ave, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and is wheel chair accessible.

LGB Campus Center - Speak French (Madison): There's a fabulous French Table. Bring your lunch. All levels of French speakers welcome. Located at 406 W. Gilman St. from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Weekly HIV/AIDS Social Group (Duluth, MN): The group meets from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave East, Temple opera Block, Suite 309. This is an opportunity for all men with HIV/AIDS to socialize and find support. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

SAGE/Milwaukee - Men's Discussion Group (Milwaukee): A topic discussion group for mature men that meets every other week for the balance of the summer from 6 to 8 p.m. in the SAGE Room of Lake Park Lutheran Church. Socialize after the meeting. FMI call (414) 271-0378.

Saturday, July 25

AIDS Network - HIV/AIDS Support Group (Madison): This group meets from 10 a.m. to noon at UW Hospital, 600 Highland Ave. in K6/Rm. 280, 2nd floor. FMI call (608) 252-6540 or 1-800-486-6276.

Cathedral Square Park - Farm Market (Milwaukee) Home-grown fruits and veggies, plants, herbs, baked goods and music every Saturday through 10/7. It all starts at 7:30 a.m. and runs through 12:30 p.m.

GLB AA - Open Meeting (Madison): This meeting takes place every Saturday at 6 p.m. at The United, 14 W. Mifflin, Suite 103. FMI call (608) 255-8582.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Social Night (Duluth, MN): Meets every Saturday. Activities include games, videos and other social events from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave East, Temple opera Block, Suite 309. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

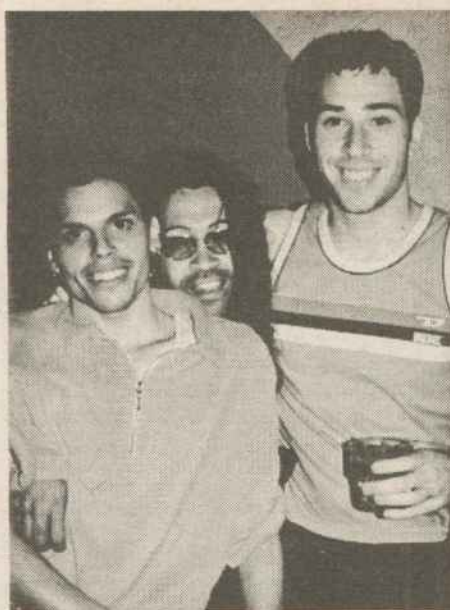
Sunday, July 26

Gay Men's Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This group meets at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. topic: Gay Parenting. A \$3 donation is requested. FMI call Bill Hanel at (414) 276-7626.

James Reeb UU Church - Worship Service (Madison): The service is from 10 to 11 a.m. at 2146 E. Johnson St. FMI call (608) 242-8887.

Perfect Harmony Chorus - Rehearsal (Madison): Meet and sing every Sunday at Grace Episcopal Church on Capital Square from 7 to 9 p.m. Enter from the West Washington side of the court yard. FMI (608) 232-0528.

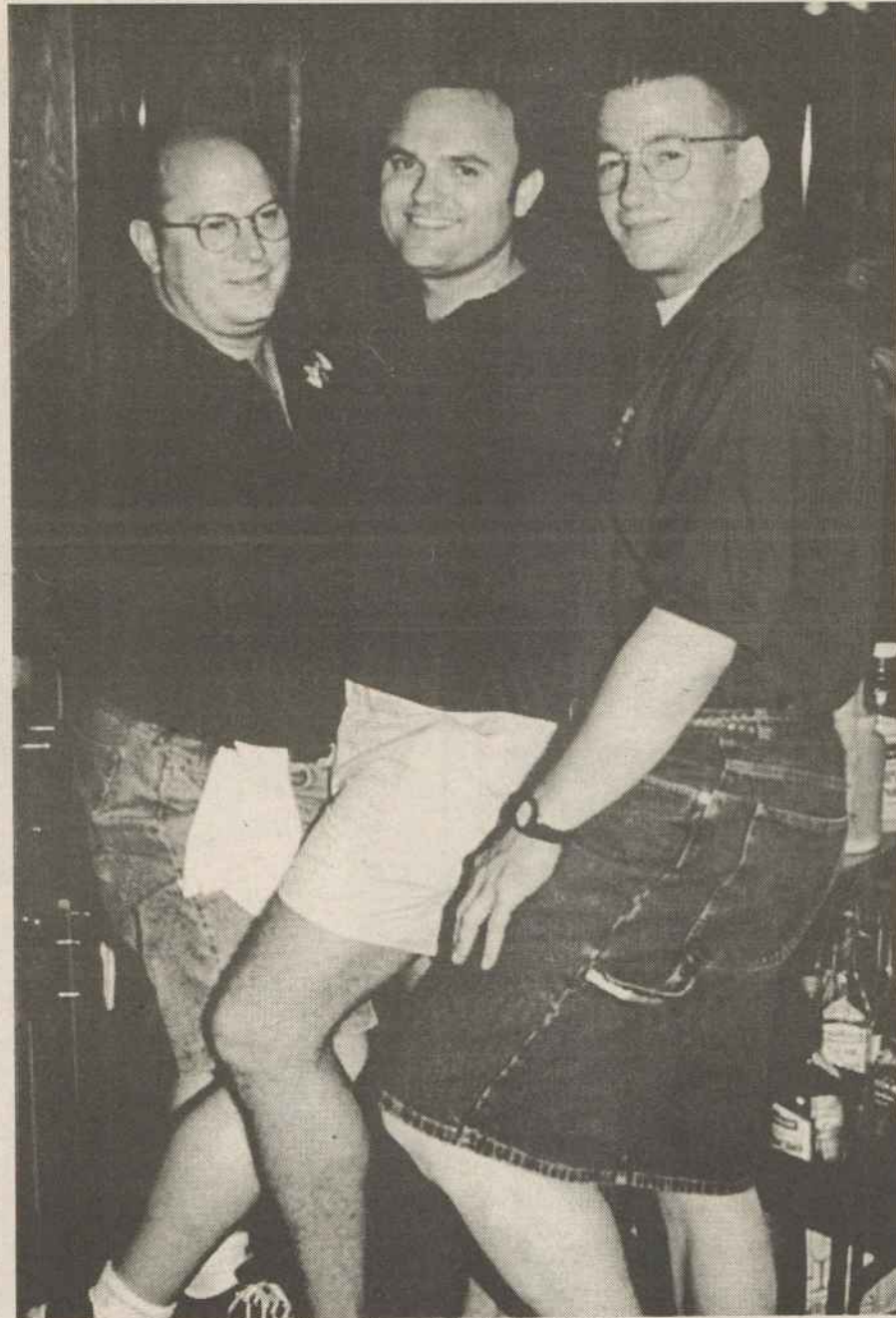
Seeking Sobriety - Non-Religious Recovery Group (Milwaukee) This recovery group meets at 6 p.m. every Sunday at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. (use side door). FMI call Danny at (414) 540-0961 or Richard at (414) 442-1132.



Peek-a-boo. Photo by Jamie @ Fluid



BIG smiles. Photo by Jamie.



Nair totin' mamas! Photo by Jamie @ M&M



Joined at the hip. Photo by Jamie @ In Between



Blinded by her glamour! by Jamie.

University Congregational Church - Worship Service (Madison): Service is at 10 a.m. at 1127 University Ave. FMI call (608) 256-2353.

Monday, July 27

Gay AA/Gay Al-anon - 12-Step Meetings (Racine): These recovery groups meet every Monday at 625 College Ave. at 8 p.m. FMI call Art at (414) 694-0115.

Gay/Bi Men's AA - Closed Meeting (Madison): The group meets at 8 p.m. at the University United Methodist Church, 1127 University Ave. FMI call (608) 222-8989.

WISH - Generic AA 12-Step Meeting (Madison): The group meets at 6 p.m. at the Atwood Community Ctr, 2425 Atwood Ave. FMI call (608) 249-5096.

Tuesday, July 28

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. Movie night is on the first Tuesday of each month. All ages welcome. FMI call Chris (414) 225-1556 or Andy (414) 225-1502.

LGB Campus Center - Boy-Oh-Boy Men's Social Group (Madison): This social group for ages 18 to 25 meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 406 W. Gilman St. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

Madison Community Health Ctr - HIV Testing (Madison): Free, anonymous, walk-in HIV testing fro 3 to 5:45 p.m. at 1133 Williamson St. FMI call (608) 255-0704.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Open Discussion Group (Duluth, MN): The group meets weekly from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave East, Temple opera Block, Suite 309. Topics include coming out issues, support & resources. No age limits. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

UHS Counseling & Consultation Services - Sex Out Loud (Madison):

This discussion group for Gay/Bi students meets in the Memorial Union at 12 p.m. every Tuesday. FMI call (608) 265-4901.

Womansong - Rehearsal (Madison) The group meets at Beth Israel Ctr at 7 p.m. FMI call (608) 222-2987.

Wednesday, July 29

Gay/Bi Men's Alanon Group (Madison): Meets at the University United Methodist Church, 1127 University Ave. every Wednesday at 6 p.m. FMI call (608) 256-4107 or (608) 846-2860.

Diversity GL Resource Ctr - Coming Out Support Group (Rockford, IL): The group meets every Wednesday at 610 E. State St. from 7 to 8 p.m. FMI call (815) 964-2639.

LGB Campus Center - Queer Chicks Social Group (Madison): This social group meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at 219 N. Hamilton St. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

Madison Vet Center - GLB Veterans Meeting (Madison): The group meets every Wednesday at 147 S Butler at 5 p.m. FMI call (608) 262-7084 or (608) 264-5342.

Women's Self-Defense - Free Ongoing Workshop (Dane County): New students are welcome to start the workshop from 7 to 8:30 p.m. any Tuesday throughout the year. Located at N6883 Hwy. N (1 mile north of Sun Prairie) at the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints gym. Church not affiliated with the class. FMI call (608) 837-9514.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Concerts in the Square (Madison): Meet with other members at 7 p.m. Relax with friends & listen to the music. FMI call Dave (608) 241-2500.

Friday, July 31

The Party of the Decade at Triangle (Milwaukee): Open Bar from midnight to 1 a.m. 1/2 Price Drinks from 1 a.m. to 2 a.m. Balloon Drop with over \$1,000 in cash and prizes. BBQ on the Patio.

Saturday, August 1

Bi Definition - Meeting (Milwaukee): This group meets at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady Street at 7 p.m. Topic: To Be Announced. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

The Party of the Decade at Triangle (Milwaukee): Open Bar from midnight to 1 a.m. 1/2 Price Drinks from 1 a.m. to 2 a.m. Balloon Drop with over \$1,000 in cash and prizes. BBQ on the Patio.

Sunday, August 2

The Party of the Decade at Triangle (Milwaukee): BBQ on the Patio.

Wednesday, August 5

Older Women's League (OWL) - Monthly Meeting (Milwaukee): The meeting will be held at the Washington Park Senior Center, 4420 W. Vliet St. starting at 12:30 p.m. This is OWL's annual picnic. Please bring a dish to share if you can. There will be a presentation by Dorothy Austin: The Life of Katherine Graham Has a Message For Us All. The general public is invited. FMI call Louise W. at (414) 963-4908.

Film, TV, Video & Radio:

Sunday, July 26

WORT Radio 89.9 FM - Her Turn (Madison): Women's news and information by and about women from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Followed by Her Infinite Variety: Women in Music from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. All genres and styles. Interviews, live guests and announcements for the womyn's community. FMI call (608) 256-2001.

Monday, July 27

WYOU-Cable 4 - Free Speech & Dyke TV (Madison): Free Speech TV produced in Denver followed by Dyke TV, a 30-minute show for lesbians that is produced in New York City. Shows 10:30 to 11 p.m.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Film Circle (Madison): A screening of World & Time Enough will be shown at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Dennis at (608) 839-4060.

Wednesday, July 29

WORT 89.9 FM - QUEERY (Madison): Your Queer FM radio station for local news and information for South-central Wisconsin plays every Wednesday from 7 to 8 p.m. Followed by øThis Way Outø an international LGBT newsmagazine from 7:30 to 8 p.m. To volunteer call Margo Robb at (608) 256-2001.

Museums & Galleries

Friday, July 24

Gallery Night (Milwaukee): This event runs from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at most galleries in the downtown area. Check out your favorites from Brady Street to the Milwaukee Art Museum to Downtown and on through the Historic Third Ward.

Michael H. Lord Gallery - 20th Anniversary Show (Milwaukee): this gallery located in the historic Pfister Hotel in downtown Milwaukee is showing Pop art by Tom Wesselmann and the work of Wisconsin artist Jill Sebastian, who is head of the sculpture Department at MIAD and has done works for the new Mid-West Convention Center. Both exhibitions will be up through 9/18. FMI call (414) 272-1007.

MIAD - Industrial Design (Milwaukee): The Future by Design, will be on view through March 27 in the Brooks Steven's Gallery of Industrial Design. There is an opening reception from 6 to 9 p.m. MIAD is located in the

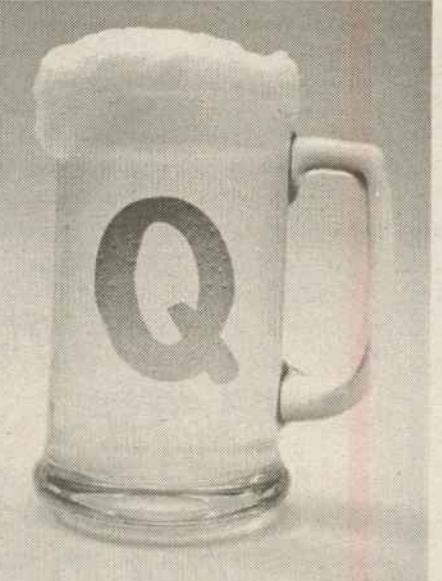
Queer Beer

Can You Brew a Beer Just for Gays?

San Francisco (AP) — Since there's already a king of beers, Phillip Feemster wants his beer to become the queen.

The ale, called Q, is produced by Feemster's Queer Brewing Co. and comes in six-color, muted rainbow packaging. So its orientation, if beers can have one, is clear. But is there really such a thing as a gay beer?

Feemster acknowledges there's nothing about the product — beyond its marketing — that is gay. But he



wants Q not only to be a beer by and for the gay community but also to be recognized for its own merits and accepted by non-gays as well.

"There's such a glut of microbrews on the market," explained the 39-year-old Feemster. "So for anyone to get into the beer category at this moment, it would be foolish unless you had a certain category."

Though not the first, Q is possibly the only gay-oriented beer on the market right now. It comes on the heels of such other ethnic or minority-targeted microbrews as HE'BREW, obviously aimed at Jewish consumers, and Oakland-based Brothers Brewing Co., maker of BBC beer and the only African American-owned microbrewery in the country.

The beer has started appearing in several outlets in California. Shop owners say the beer is selling, and customers seem to buy it as much for the taste as for the novelty or a show of community support.

Market owner Sami Bsisso said he went through about 15 cases of Q beer in the first two weeks, making it his second-best seller behind Sierra Nevada.

"If you don't like something, you won't buy it, even if it's coming from heaven," Bsisso said.

Reactions like that make Feemster slightly less nervous about quitting his \$165,000-a-year job as a marketing executive and putting \$30,000 of his own money into the one-man business. In a remarkably quick turnaround, Feemster left his job in January with little more than the idea and had the beer on the shelves in six months.

It will be a long time before Feemster breaks even, a goal made even more distant by his commitment to donate 10 percent of all sales, starting with the very first case, to charities. Retailers and bar owners designate the charities to receive this bounty. So far they have picked such groups as Visual Aid, which benefits artists with AIDS, and the STOP AIDS Project.

"Besides just being a good beer, it pulls into an emotional benefit as well as a tangible benefit," he said of his product. "The fact that it gives back to the gay community makes it come full circle as fully entrenched in the gay community."

Three other gay beer companies — in Atlanta, Austin and Denver — are all out of business. Feemster said he just hopes people who like good beer will like his.



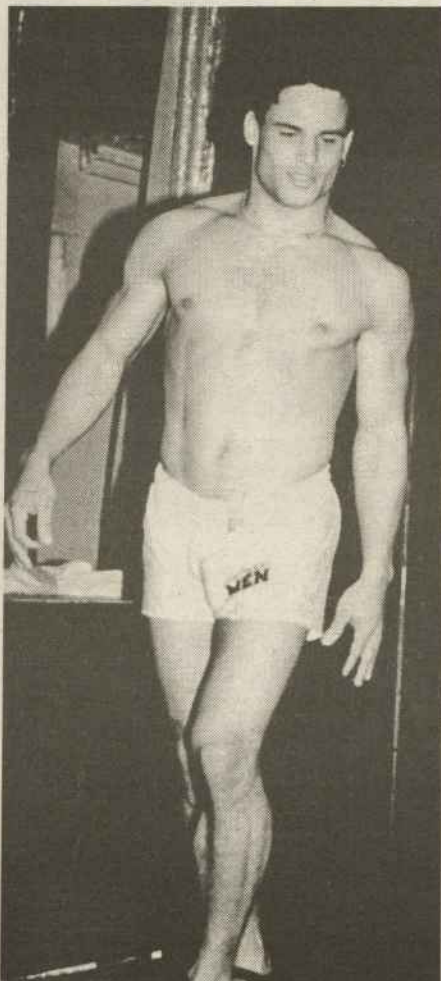
Just hanging out. Photo by Jamie.



I've got a great joke. Photo by Jamie @ Fluid.

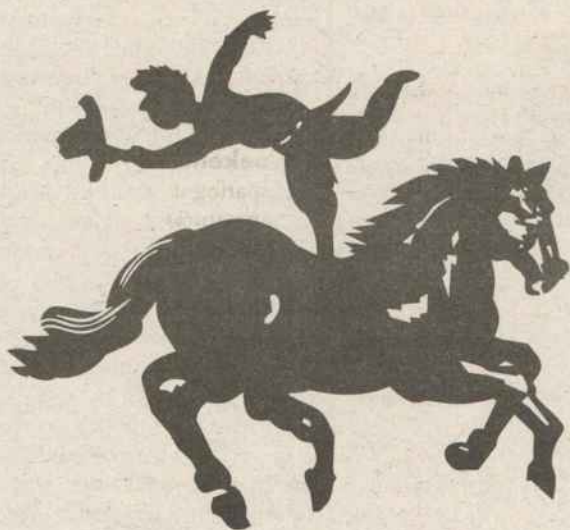


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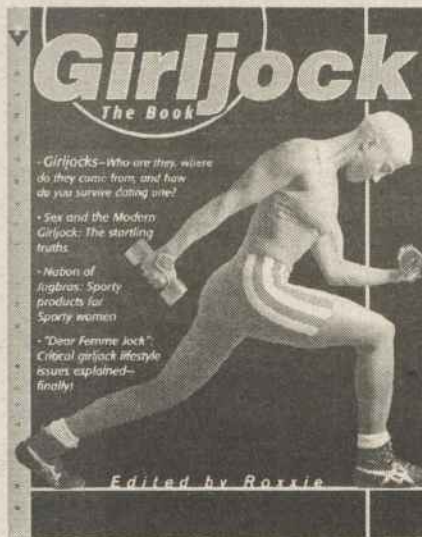
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IN STEP

books

Reviewed by Ed Grover



Girljock: The Book
edited by Roxxie

This is a hoot. Roxxie sure knows what *Funny* is! In her Introduction we learn that *Girljock Magazine* started after Roxxie had written her first sports article about a 51-year old female tennis player and "imagined a magazine that would discuss a mixture of questions about sports, questions about being a lesbian athlete, questions about being female in the masculine sporting universe, crushes on the field and more."

The initial publication (with a total run of 30), had a story by Roxxie written in 1990, called "To Go to the Gay Games or Not to Go?" This irreverent first issue was a small photocopied fanzine of drawings from all [her] cartooning women friends who accepted the challenge of making sports cartoons ... for a magazine for athletic lesbians with a political consciousness. I love their motto: "Fuck The Well of Loneliness. Goodbye to all that. We're here to have fun."

After producing photocopies for friends, and then putting them in a couple of local bookstores, it caught on and was a hit. Soon a large production company was knocking at her door and the rest is history. Now there is a web site (<http://www.girljock.com>) and a section of America On Line - Keyword: Girljock. Not bad for something that was dreamed up as a joke by a young woman who wasn't sure what she wanted to do with her life.

This book contains some of the best stories, interviews, cartoons and photographs for the earliest issues onward. The writers range from Roxxie (no last name—I guess she doesn't need one) to Heather Findaly, Paisley Braddock, and Lucy Jane Bledsoe who writes about "How to Pick Up a Cyclist, or ...If You Like Lycra." There is a sidebar with "The Cyclist's Vocabulary," as there are others on the subjects of Swimming, Martina, and Rugby. Some of the funny cartoons are by Joan Hilty.

There are interviews with Martina Navratilova and Susie Bright. There are pieces about rugby, surfgirls, rock climbing, boxing, wrestling, basketball, volleyball, golf, ice skating, hockey, roller blading and you name it—there's also a lot cussin' and swearin'! There are pieces called "Girl Jock Eats Food," a funny one on about "Softball Wives," and there's even one on "Long-Haired Lesbians." In the section called "Sex and the Modern Girljock" there are more than a few pieces of erotic writing (I guess lesbians don't use the word porn like us guys do).

This book will tell you what to do with your "Jogbras." "Notes for the Newly Single" will tell you, among other tid-bits of useful information, "Who Not to Date." Of the several question and answer columns, one called "Femme Jock Cor-

ner" is great fun to read. There is even an order form for the magazine. This entertaining book would look great on your coffee table, a bathroom shelf, or even on the dashboard of your pick-up truck so you can share it with that biker you learned how to pick up. Read this one and laugh a lot. (St. Martin's Press, ISBN: 0-312-15134-9, \$16.95 Softcover).

**Surpassing the
Love of Men**

by Lillian Faderman

Romantic *Friendship and Love Between Women from the Renaissance to the Present* is the lengthy subtitle for this study "illustrating the changing status of romantic friendship, the elusive link between female same-sex love and shifting theories of female sexuality, and the ways in which feminist values have always played a role in women's passions for one another and in men's reactions to them, from revulsion to ridicule to admiration."

The author has penned a new introduction in which she tells us that it has been twenty years since she published the five historical articles on love between women that eventually became the basis of this book. She says that "Queer Theory had not been formulated" when she wrote those articles in 1976 and '77. She adds: "she wanted, most of all, to present love between women as historically universal, and wished to argue against the false homo/hetero divide created by sexologists, which minimized such love."

This book starts with discussions of same-sex love in the 16th through 18th centuries. Transvestism, in which women adopted manish clothing and ceased to be feminine and men, whose fashions had become more feminized, ceased to be masculine, is explained. One interesting quote is: "If fairly minor shifts in appropriate male and female clothing caused such anxiety, one can imagine the horror that a full-fledged transvestite must have caused." I wonder what today's Drag Kings would say about all this.

In the late 19th century, with the feminist movement opening up new jobs for women, and allowing them independence, living situations which would have been impossible earlier, became likely and love between women could take on a new shape. In the very early 20th century, the difference between Freud and Kraft-Ebbing are discussed. Sigmund Freud maintained that *inversion* was caused by childhood trauma, while Kraft-Ebbing maintained that the true invert was born with his or her condition. It seems we've gone full circle. Lesbian writers are taken into consideration, as are romantic friendship and lesbian love in the later part of the 20th century. This very short section brings us up to the 1970s and the lesbian feminists who see their lifestyle not as just a personal choice, but also as a political choice which challenges sexism and heterosexism. (Quill Books/Wm. Morrow & Co., ISBN: 0-68-13330-4, \$13 Softcover).



KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

Yup, it's that time of the year again, yours truly turns yet another year older. For this column, I am going to use a column I wrote 2 years ago, *Why you ask?* Mostly it's a time issue, I just got back from the big Pride Weekend in Madison and it's getting too late for me to be creative, plus I thought that column was pretty cool.

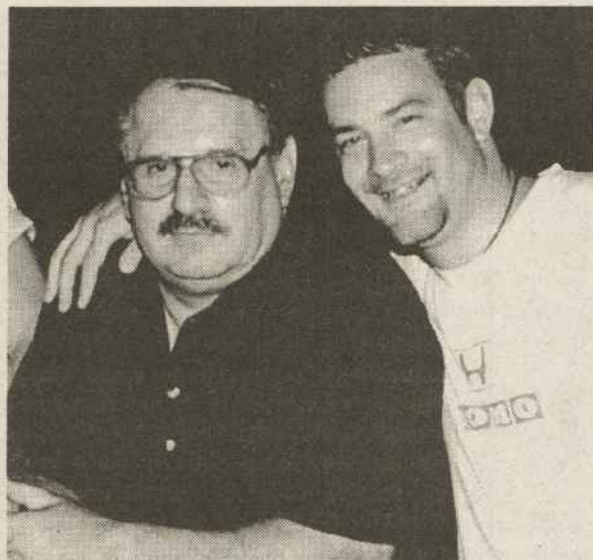
As a kid I couldn't wait to get older. I couldn't wait to be old enough to get my first bicycle. It was a 20-inch, dark metallic blue Schwinn with sissy bars, a banana seat and a big fat slick rear tire. My dad bought it (out of the blue) from the local hardware store for around 50 bucks. It was the best!

I couldn't wait to be old enough to learn how to swim on my own. I used to have to rely on my brothers to swim me out to the raft. They always said they would be back for me in a little while. Yea right! The first few times I had to yell back to shore for someone to come get me but that got old real quick. I had to learn how to doggy paddle in a hurry. After mastering that I learn the real way to swim and spent almost the entire summer at the beach.

Couldn't wait to be old enough to get my driver's license not to mention my first car. I passed my driver's test in my father's brand new Buick Estate wagon. The only thing I did wrong, was getting the front tire stuck on the curb while parallel parking on a hill — in front of my sister-in-law's house — with everybody sitting on the front porch watching. I was so embarrassed.

Old enough to get out of my parent's house. My first real apartment was above the old Finalé (a gay bar back in the early 80's). I will never forget the first night I stayed there. Just as I got home from a night on the town, there was a knock at the door, it was everyone from the Finalé. They wanted to throw me a house warming party so party we did. We grabbed a bunch of booze from the bar, sat on the floor (no furniture at that time) and partied till the sun came up.

Whoa, slow down, all of this happened so fast. In a couple of days I will be turning 34. Through that quick



Chuck from 219 and yours truly. Photo by ??? @ 219

flight through childhood to the present, I have since given up those days of hangin' out at the beach with 2 jobs. I no longer ride around in a little red wagon, now it's a little black Prelude. Instead of spending hours riding my bicycle around the neighborhood, I spend hours riding around the city on my motorcycle. Instead of keys to an apartment, I now have keys to a house. And, I have replaced the girlfriend with a boyfriend. Life is good!

What's the point of all of that? Lots of people freak out at the thought of getting older, even I did around the age of 26 and 27. But you know, it really isn't all that bad. So what if you have to use Just For Men to cover the gray hair taking over your sideburns. So what if you have to watch what you eat so you don't turn into Fat Albert (oops, dating myself again). Big deal if you can't go out every night to party all night long like you used to. Nope, I'm pretty happy with all of this. Yes, I still have a lot to

learn. I still make mistakes but as I go through life's journey, I will get wiser and therefore make fewer mistakes.

I may be getting older but I still get out there. The big news is the **Pride Weekend** in Madison. The weather co-operated this year, sparing us of the little bit of rain we had last year. The temperatures were a little on the high side but I ain't gonna complain about the weather being too hot.

The **Magic Picnic** was once again a blast. There were plenty of things to do this year. There were drag shows and races (the races were hilarious). There was also a dunk tank with lots of people volunteering to get dunked. Gee, could it have been the warm weather?

If you wanted to get your frustrations out on a car, there was one there that you could beat up with a big sledge hammer. If shopping is your deal there was plenty of that as well. I bought Josh a ring that at the time I thought was cool. Later I decided I didn't like that particular ring so I bought him a different one the next day.

That night the bars were packed. **Ray's** had drink specials and great events all weekend long. **Manoeuvres** and **Kirby's Klub** were the places to go out dancing. I was told both places were filled to capacity with Madison's hottest boys and girls.

The GALVANize LGBT Rights and Pride March also turned out to be a blast. There were lots of people showing support by either participating in the Parade or just watching it from the sidewalk. The Parade included many different organizations, too long of a list to mention. All of the Madison clubs also participated in the parade. My favorite float was **Kirby's Klub**. It was the most colorful and had lots of good lookin' guys on it.

The **Manoeuvres** contingent carried the huge Pride Flag this year and let me tell ya, it sure looked cool going down State street.

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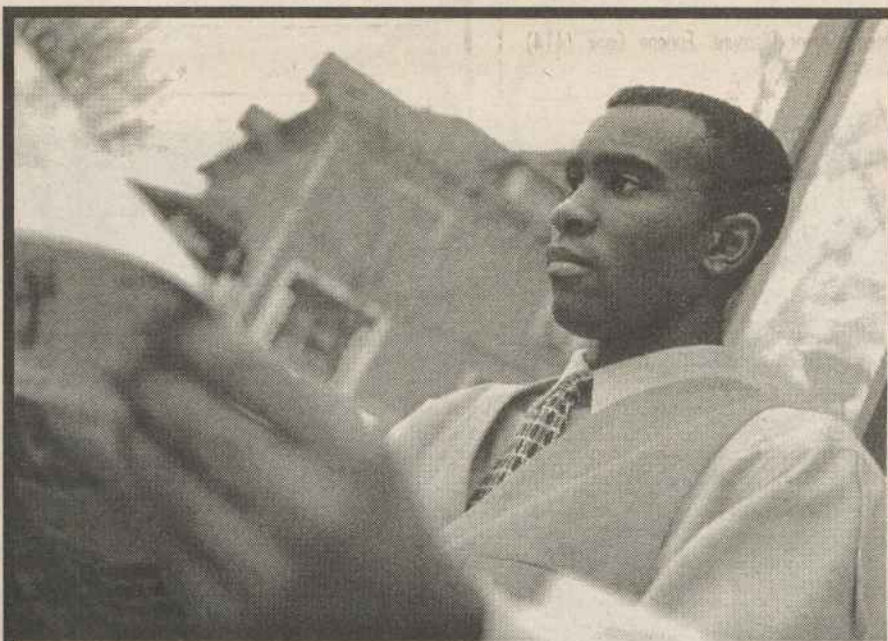
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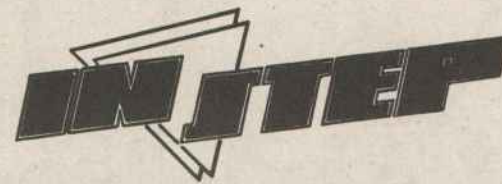
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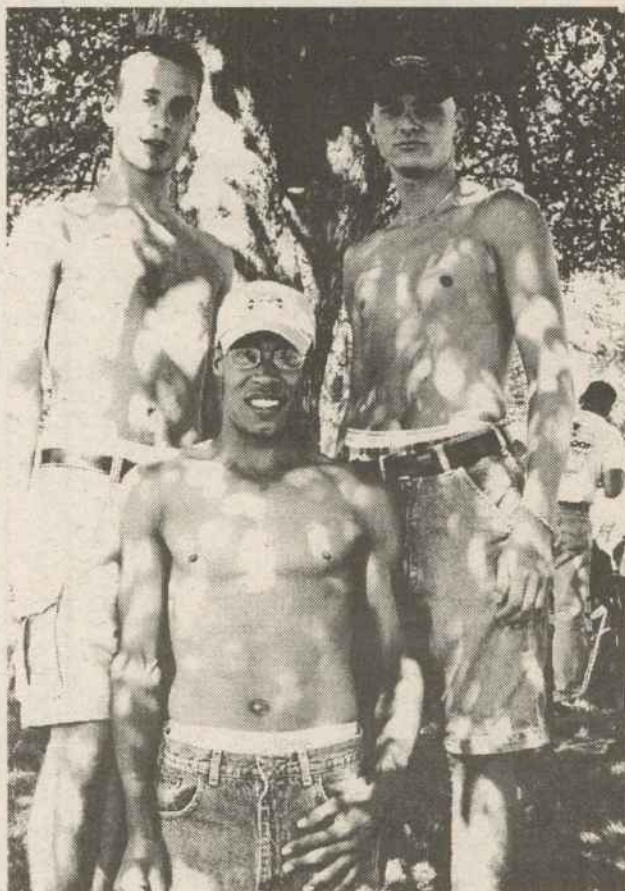
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In Milwaukee, 219 has a new look to it. They pulled out the old bar that was on



Cuties of the Week. Photo by Jamie @ Magic Picnic.

the south wall and put in a new oval bar in the center. Up on the dance floor there is a new bar as well. This one can be accessed from the patio that has also been cleaned up and ready for business.

Over at the **Eagle** there was a fundraiser night for the **Burma Refugee**

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The very gay friendly **B-52's** were in town last week with **The Pretenders.** I heard it was a great concert. **Jim, Ty, Troy** and **Peter** from **Fluid** won the drawing which allowed them to be "go-go boys" with the B-52s. It was a hot night and the four of them danced — in shifts — on raised platforms during most of the show! By the end, they were all exhausted. I heard they all did a great job, but **Ty** was standout, at one point dancing underneath the guitarist's legs! Afterwards, the "go-go boys" got to meet the B-52s backstage along with representatives from **Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center.** Pretty cool!

The **South Water Street Docks** threw a big softball team fundraiser, July 11th. There was lots of food, drinks specials, an auction and even a pie-throwing contest. Me? I don't care much for pie.

That's about it for now, it's getting late and I'm worn out from the weekend of parties. Until next issue, remember that getting older just gets better and as always, slower traffic keep right.

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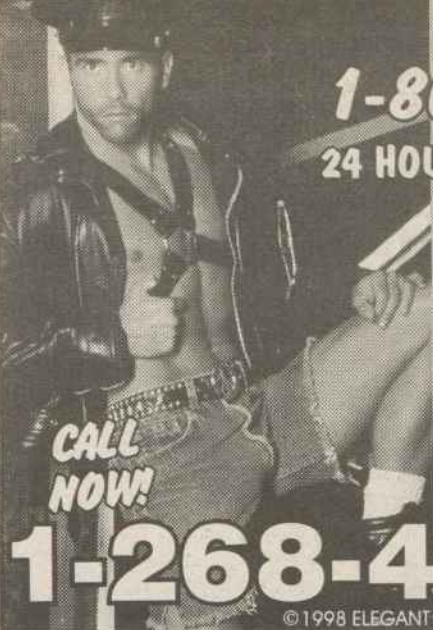
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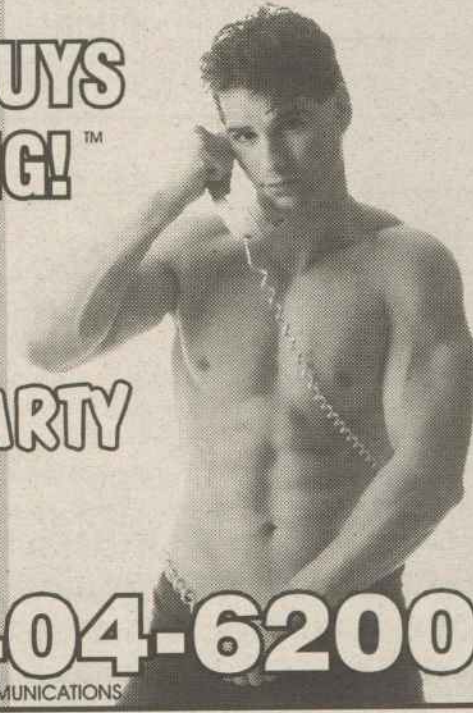
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SO MANY THINGS TO LIKE I like sports, people who are clean shaven and also Guys who are bottoms. If you fit the bill, please give me a call, I'd like to get to know you. (Madison) ☎18429

LET ME SUCK YOUR TOES This 30 year old, White Male is looking for younger Guys, 20-29 years of age, who are into foot fetish. I'm into white socks, tennis shoes, bare feet and I want to service you, so let's hook up. (Milwaukee) ☎18284

TAKE ME OUT I'm a 55 year old, 5'5", 140 lbs, Man who has brown hair, blue eyes and a little on the husky side. I'm a home body looking to go out with a Hispanic or Black Males, 18-30 years old, around my height. I don't drink, smoke or do drugs and I am interested in a monogamous relationship. (Milwaukee) ☎18501

ALL MAN Hey Guys. I'm a very good looking White Male, 6'3", 185 lbs, 45" chest, 32" waist, smooth, clean shaven and work out a lot. I'm looking for someone who is also very good looking, under 35 years of age and wanting to have fun, possibly starting a relationship. (Madison) ☎18287

REALLY GET INTO IT Hello out there. I'm a Black 42 year old Male, who is looking for a very submissive Guy, more submissive, the better. Call me if your interested. (Milwaukee) ☎18291

WANNA BE SMOOTH I'm a 44 year old Gentleman, 5'7", 178 lbs, who would like to hook up with other Guys who enjoy body shaving. If you would like to try something new, give me a call, any race and age is very acceptable. (Milwaukee) ☎18139

LET'S GO I'm looking for a Man with a beard, maybe a motorcycle, but you don't have to be a Hell's Angel or anything. I'm a Gay White Male, 5'2", 160 lbs, you should be loving and caring. (Spring Green) ☎17982

LET'S KICK IT Yo, what's up? I'm a 18 year old Gay Black Male who is looking for other Males between the ages of 18-30. I'm ready to kick it and have a really fun time. (Milwaukee) ☎18137

LICK MY TOES Hello. I'm a Black top Man in my 40's. I want someone who is very submissive and likes to worship feet. Let me know if that's you. (Milwaukee) ☎18056

SHOW ME A GOOD TIME I'm a 21 year old, very good looking Gay White Male, 6'1", with blonde hair and green eyes. I'm looking for other Gay White Males who are 20-24 years old and would like to meet and maybe do something later. (Madison) ☎18039

LET'S WORK OUT Hi Guys. I need an exercise partner who is around 180 lbs and in good shape. I like judo and wrestling, so if you want a really hot work-out, call me. (Milwaukee) ☎15592

LET'S COOL DOWN Yo, what's up? I'm a 20 year old, 5'11", 175 lbs Gay Black Male. I am really cool, down to earth, very discreet and I love to have fun. If you like the way this sounds, give me a call. (Milwaukee) ☎17842

BEAT ME, WHIP ME This Gay Male is into really hot, steamy phone talk. If you're into physical pleasure, please leave an evening message and I'll give you a call back. (Milwaukee) ☎18025

STICKY - STICKY This Gay White, 46 year old, 5'7", 145 lbs, in-shape Male is looking for other White Gay Men who are into nipples and jacking off. (Milwaukee) ☎17692

SNAPSHOT I'm a hot, passable Bi White Transvestite, 31 years old, 6'0", 175 lbs, clean shaven. I'm looking for generous Males to photograph me in my slutty leather vinyl outfits and sexy lingerie. Click! Click! (Milwaukee) ☎17676

I WANT TO STRIP FOR YOU I want you to be my French mate. I am a 30 year old submissive Single White Male. I want you to tell me what to do, humiliate me and do what ever you want me to do for or to you. (Milwaukee) ☎17484

SEASON TO TASTE This attractive Gay White Male, 25, 5'11", 180 lbs, seeks someone to hang out with. I like alternative music, techno, cooking, and going to farmer's markets. Let's get together. (Madison) ☎17401

THE HEAT IS ON I'm a Bi Married Male, 5'9", 180 lbs, with brown hair, blue eyes, and a good build. I enjoy the outdoors, beaches, hot weather, and massage. I'm looking for that special Guy, Black or White, for regular get-togethers. (Wisconsin Dells) ☎17154

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SOMETHING GOOD This 33-year-old Gay Black Male would like to meet another Gay Black or Latino Male who's interested in a long-term relationship. I'll show you something good. Peace. (Milwaukee) ☎16517

I LOVE LATINOS I'm a Bi White Male, 34, 6', with dark brown hair, blue eyes, a mustache, otherwise clean-shaven. I'm looking specifically for some nice-looking, in-shape Latinos or Hispanic Males, 21-35, to have a good time with, although I'll answer anyone who responds. I'm nice-looking and easygoing. Give me a call. (Madison) ☎16445

WHAT'S IN YOU HEAD? I'm a Bi Native American Male, 22, 6', 200 lbs., with dark brown hair and hazel eyes. I'm looking for intellectual Guys my age who want to have good conversations and good times. (Northeastern Wisconsin) ☎16118

ARE YOU BEING SERVED? This submissive Male, 40's, seeks an overweight White Male master into foot worship, humiliation, and oral servitude. Make me a slave. ☎15306

YOU ONLY I'm a very versatile Bi Male, 38, 5'7", 192 lbs., stocky and orally talented, with a beard, mustache, and a shaved head. I'm looking for you only. Race doesn't matter. ☎15525

HOW BI AM I? I'm a Married White Male, very, very, very Bi, looking for a Guy to get together with on a regular basis. I'm 48, 5'9", 180 lbs., with a good build. I enjoy the outdoors and watching videos, and thong underwear really turns me on. Let's meet. ☎25097

NEW TO ALL THIS I'm a 42-year-old Male, 6'3", 220 lbs., with graying brown hair and green eyes. I've been in the closet my whole life and am just coming out a little bit. I'm looking for understanding Gay Males to talk to. I'm trying to figure out just what it is that I want. (Milwaukee) ☎15863

ON MY KNEES I'm a submissive White Male, 40, with a foot fetish. I'm looking for dominant Males for master/slave games and to orally service. Heavy or chubby is a plus. I'll be on my knees waiting. (Milwaukee) ☎16005

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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

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

TIED UP TRUST 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) ☎27788

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

THIRD SHIFTER Attractive, White male, in my mid forties, 5'7, 170lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeks other guys to get together with in the mornings. I work third shift and have mornings to spare. Maybe we can have some coffee and if we hit it off, some good times. I'm a smoker. (Milwaukee) ☎14470

KNEEPADS ARE WORN Submissive, White male, in my forties, seeks a dominant, White male, preferably over 40, for humiliation, foot worship, and oral servitude. Heavy or chubby guys are welcome. I'm eager to serve and am waiting on my knees. (Milwaukee) ☎14170

EXPANDING MY CIRCLE You can't have too many friends, right? This Gay White Male, 33, 6'1", 180 lbs., with dark blonde hair and hazel eyes would like to locate new friends, Gay, Bi, or Straight, in the Madison area. My interests include gardening, biking, golf, UW sports, movies, art, dining out, and just talking. I have an overall great personality, according to my friends. You be the judge. (Madison) ☎15064

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HOUSEKEEPING! This Single White Male, 30, extremely submissive and petite, seeks a dominant master. I want you to humiliate me, totally control me, and make me serve you. I'll be your French maid, strip for you, or do whatever you want me to. (Milwaukee) ☎15914

I LOOK LIKE A BOY This very young looking, 21 year old, Bi, White male, wants to meet men, of any age and race, who will treat me like the submissive I am. I'm willing to travel and do anything for you. This is all pretty new to me and I can't wait to get started. (Eau Claire) ☎14380

SERVITUDE SLUT This handsome, very submissive, White male, 42, seeks a dominant master, preferably White, to use me. Overweight or chubby guys turn me on. I'm into foot worship, humiliation, and oral servitude. I'm very eager to serve. (Milwaukee) ☎13468

WAITING ON MY KNEES This masculine, but very submissive, White male, in my mid forties, seeks a dominant master into foot worship, humiliation, verbal abuse, and being orally serviced. I'm very obedient but need a master to train me. Chubby guys are a big plus. (Milwaukee) ☎13175

I DO ALL THE WORK This talented, White male, 55, 5'10, 165lbs, wants to orally please you, with no reciprocation. I prefer guys who don't sleep around very much. Call and let me know how you like it. (Milwaukee) ☎12740

SMALL BUT EFFECTIVE Submissive, petite, 30 year old, Single, White male, 5ft, 105lbs, likes dining out, music, and trying new things. I hope to meet a dominant guy with a taste for adventure. (Milwaukee) ☎13043

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PAPA INTO SIZE This macho, papa bear, seeks Married, Bi, or Gay guys, 20 to 50, who are versatile and experienced. Your inches are more important than your pounds or years. Get with me. (Milwaukee) ☎12906

PLEASURE WITH YOU This very versatile Black Male, 38, 5'7", 190 lbs., dark complected, with a shaved head, beard, and mustache, seeks a well-endowed Man of any race, preferably a top, for mutual pleasure. I'm stocky and very talented orally, and I'm waiting to meet you. (Milwaukee) ☎15624

THRILL SEEKER This attractive, masculine, well built, White male, 27, 6ft, 180lbs, with light, Brown hair and Blue eyes, is looking for friendship and hot fun, with other good looking, muscular guys, 21 to 35, who, like me, are well educated and adventurous. I enjoy working out, the outdoors, dining out, dancing, the beach, and road trips to Chicago, among many other things. (Milwaukee) ☎13032

FEELS GOOD ALL UNDER This attractive, Gay, Black male, 28, 5'11, 163lbs, with curly, Black hair, light, Brown eyes, a medium build and a goatee, seeks another masculine, Gay, Black males, over 30, for fun times and bodily pleasure. (Milwaukee) ☎13663

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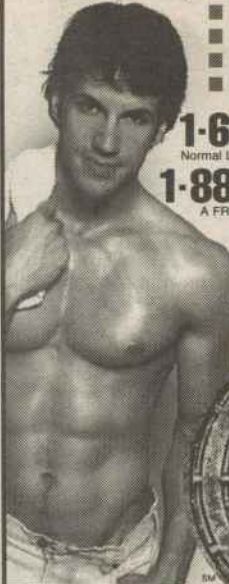
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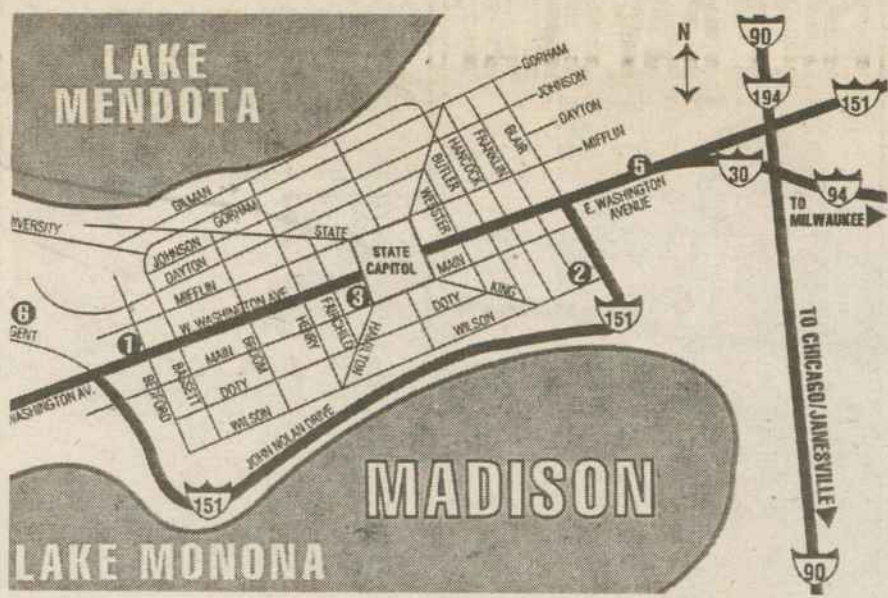
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LaCrosse Parents & Friends of Gays 782-6082

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OUT OF THE STARS

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)

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TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Stay calm and serene, for there may be news which could change your usual routine. Time at home will be at a premium, so enjoy your family when you can. Evenings will be pleasant and quite peaceful. A few around you will refuse to look at things positively.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

Hard work in the past may now be paying off in a financial reward. Communication will be very important, so say what you mean, and mean what you say. Try to bypass confrontations or arguments, for they are probably no win situations.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

You will have loads of self-confidence, and your usual shyness will fade as you promote your personal goals and agenda. Try to avoid scenes in the workplace where tempers are short, feelings are easily hurt, and logic flies out the window.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)

This will be an excellent time for communications of all kinds. Don't hesitate to display your skills, talents and creative ideas. Try to opt for some quiet time by yourself, since it may be difficult trying to deal with personal relationships and intense emotion.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

There may be tension in your working environment, so weigh the pros and cons of getting involved in any argument. It's not your time to shine in the limelight, so be content to perform any necessary functions without any fanfare or accolades.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

You can maneuver your way around almost any problem in the coming days. Be very wary of making a commitment that you can't possibly keep. It is definitely not the time to seek favors or ask a loved one for forgiveness. In fact, the less you do with friends the better.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

It looks like your previous efforts will be recognized by a higher up, and this will no doubt be beneficial to you. There is a relationship that may generate friction, and although this may be irritating, don't allow it to affect your performance.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

There are times when nothing proceeds as planned, and this may just be that time. Patience will be needed, as well as a sense of humor. Be very cautious and very realistic about news that may be coming from a distance. Romance is highlighted during the evenings.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Now is a good time for organizing your ideas and trying to balance your budget — everything should go smoothly. Don't expect those around you to be cooperative, for at best they will probably be looking for a quarrel. Let family plans take top priority.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

If emotions flare up around home, it's not time for discussions or momentous decisions. There may be one or two final outbursts with a loved one before any making up. Turn on your charm to succeed in social and romantic interests or workplace recognition.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

Money and financial managing will definitely take up a good part of your time. Try to focus on increasing your earnings and building up your resources. Make sure to keep away from speculation and other money risks. One of your secret goals is very close to fruition.

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