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Madison LGBT Town Meeting Plans For Action

by Mike Leon

Madison — Focusing on creating a state of readiness, some 60 students and community activists gathered here to lay a foundation for action for the LGBT community last Sunday.

The forum, billed as a "town hall meeting to coordinate action, not reaction" among the LGBT community, comes as Madison has become a nexus for LGBT political activity.

With the election of Mark Pocan five days before the meeting as the Democratic nominee for the 78th Assembly District, Madison is virtually assured of continuing its designation as possessing the state's only open LGBT state representative.

Sunday's meeting also came as Tammy Baldwin, Pocan's predecessor, was elected

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as the Democratic nominee to become the first open lesbian member of Congress in the history of the nation.

"This summer has seen a lot of action by the forces of hate. But the unintended consequence has been better organization by our community," said Pocan Monday. "The forces of love and acceptance will conquer hate and bigotry. Simply put, we'll win."

The meeting generated six specific areas for preparing readiness for action. These areas were educational reform, coalition building, politics, media, the internal community, and general organization.

"This was a large and diverse group pulling together, looking for ways to effectively work together. I thought the meeting as a whole was a great success as we outlined the basic desires of the group," said Joann Elder, a Madison School Board member.

Among the most discussed area was educational reform and teacher training.

Some in a focus group said the UW-Madison School of Education should train future teachers on LGBT issues. The group also called for increased LGBT participation in local Madison schools to end discrimination.

"We need to mainstream gay and lesbian issues into the history lessons. And there certainly is needed a zero tolerance policy for words like 'faggot' in our schools," said Elder.

The Madison School Board is generally viewed as progressive and receptive to LGBT issues.

"I think the current School Board would be open to concerns expressed by the LGBT community. The last few school board elections have seen a rejection of the religious right," said Rex Loehe, a Madison Democratic political operative.

The meeting also heard numerous calls for the media to interview real-breathing people when speaking about LGBT issues.

Another group on coalition building called for voter registration and the election of Tammy Baldwin to Congress.

Baldwin Aces Democratic Primary

November Election Next Stop for Baldwin and Pocan

by Christopher Ott
of the IN Step Staff

Madison — Tammy Baldwin, the openly lesbian member of the Wisconsin Assembly from Madison, won the Democratic primary on Tuesday, Sept. 8, in her



Tammy Baldwin.

race to fill the seat left open by outgoing Congressman Scott Klug. Openly gay Madison businessman Mark Pocan also won in his race to fill the Assembly seat that Baldwin has left open.

Baldwin won the Democratic primary in Wisconsin's 2nd Congressional District. She garnered 37% of the Democratic vote in a four-way race that included former Dane County Executive Rick Phelps, who got 35% of the vote, State Senator Joe Wineke, who got 27% of the vote, and house husband Patrick O'Brien, who won 2% of the vote.

Baldwin has emphasized health care in her campaign, especially universal health coverage. "I am very interested in renewing a debate on universal coverage, and everywhere I travel in this congressional district I hear people cheering me on in that effort," she said. "In particular, some of the folks struggling with this are farmers, people in jobs without benefits, university students, on and on. I think that the hope for change in this regard resonated everywhere in the district."

Baldwin attributed her victory in part to the votes of people who had either never voted before or usually stayed away from the polls. "It's pretty clear to me that our margin of victory came from people newly energized to get involved. The gay and lesbian community and university students, many of whom were voting for the first time, combined to give this cam-

paigned incredible strength," Baldwin told *IN Step*.

"I think a lot of voters, regardless of sexual orientation, have been looking for a new type of leadership and candidates who they could really have faith in. It has surprised me in the last few days since the primary how many people have approached me and said, 'I voted for the first time because I really believe in what we can do together,'" Baldwin said.

Asked if she thought that being a lesbian would give her an extra challenge in winning the November election, Baldwin said, "I believe the voters of this district are fair-minded and looking for honest, principled leadership on the issues that matter most in their daily lives, and I believe that they're going to find that I'm that candidate."

Baldwin appealed for volunteers to help with her campaign. "In order to win in November, we are going to need an incredible amount of volunteer effort and activism, and everyone who wants to get involved should call (608) 258-9800," she said. "This will be an historic race, and we need everyone's help."

Baldwin's Republican opponent in the general election will likely be Josephine Musser, who served as State Insurance Commissioner from 1993-1998. Musser has also emphasized health care in her campaign, but could not be reached for comment for this article. She reportedly advocates reform of the current health-care system, without extension of universal coverage.

Musser narrowly defeated former Madison firefighter Ron Greer, who campaigned on a strongly anti-gay platform and received endorsement from James Dobson, founder of the Focus on the Family radio ministry based in Colorado Springs, Colo. Musser received 21% of the vote to Greer's 20% in a six-way race. The results of a recount requested by Greer were not yet available at press time, but Musser is widely expected to be the Republican candidate.

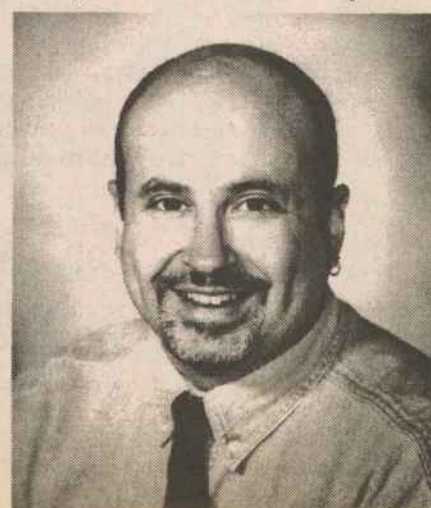
Pocan Victory

Also victorious in the Sept. 8 primary was Mark Pocan, who won 53% of the vote in a three-way Democratic primary to replace Tammy Baldwin as the representative in the state Assembly for the 78th District.

Pocan is a Madison businessman who has also served on the Dane County Board of Supervisors, and on the boards

of organizations such as the United, the Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center, the Lesbian/Gay/Bi Business Alliance, and Rodney Scheel House, which provides care for people with AIDS. Pocan will start a two-year term in January and will represent approximately 50,000 constituents. Pocan will face an independent challenger on the November ballot, but is expected to win without difficulty.

"Essentially I plan on working on some other races to help get back the Democratic majority and to help with Tammy Baldwin's campaign," Pocan said of his immediate plans. He also said that once in the Assembly, he hoped to get actively involved in shaping the Democratic agenda. He stressed the importance



Mark Pocan.

to gay voters of returning the Assembly to Democratic control.

"The single most important thing right now is making sure we have a Democratic majority in the Assembly," Pocan said, pointing out that Assembly minority leader Shirley Krug would be in a position to stop anti-gay legislation -- like last year's anti-same-sex marriage bill -- if she becomes majority leader. "Rather than going through that entire painful, humiliating debate ... a Democratic majority would help ensure that foolish things like that won't surface," Pocan said.

Pocan added that he hopes that voters statewide will help to defeat members of the Assembly whom he said have taken strong anti-gay positions, like Lorraine Seratti of Florence, and Stephen Nass of Whitewater. Pocan urged volunteers to get involved in the campaigns to defeat these two lawmakers. "A little sweat equity is always helpful," he said.

Next Development in Lesbian, Gay Families: Grandparents

by Keith Clark
of the IN Step Staff

San Francisco — Just when many people were getting used to the "gay" baby boom as more gay and lesbian couples helped redefine what a family is, the country now may have to start preparing itself for another evolutionary twist as older gays and lesbians who missed out on having their own children become grandparents.

So far with two years under their belt, the Alternative Family Project (AFP) here in conjunction with the Gay and Lesbian Outreach to Elders (GLOE) program have helped match up

some 30 gay and lesbian parents with grandparent wannabes.

Dotty Fowler, 70, and her companion Sarah Davis, 74, more or less became the lesbian poster grandmoms in 1997 when they simply put an ad in a local gay paper looking for a lesbian expectant mother whose child they could serve as grandparents to. The couple got eight responses — probably extraordinary considering how unusual it was at the time, and still is to some degree.

But the program quickly took off as more gay and lesbian parents found real reasons for having extended families. The program organizers say that many of the would-be grandparents are gay and lesbian couples who themselves missed out on the gayby boom in part because of their age, but who still want to share in many of the aspects of "bringing up baby" as grandparents.

The program doesn't involve any legalities, but the new grandparents are generally about as doting as any you could expect to find, AFP and GLOE organizers agree.

Those involved in the grandparenting program say there are a variety of reasons gay and lesbian couples setting up their own families want the added grandparents. Some simply have lost their own parents, or live long distances from home. Others have parents who cannot cope with their homosexuality and wouldn't be comfortable as grandparents.

OUT Front:
Chastity Bono, photo: Barry King

Wisconsin Research Center Helps Keep Track of the Religious Right

Susan Matulis Researches the Stealth Activities of Ralph Ovadal and Friends

by Dorothy Austin
of the IN Step

Milwaukee — Susan Matulis, a former librarian who now heads the Wisconsin Research Center, warned her audience: "You will be scared, and you should be scared, and you need to be angry."

Then she told them, in her seminar on "Stopping the Religious Right," just how large, diverse and effective the religious right can be, and later offered ideas on how it can be stopped. She had a booth at Pridefest and led a seminar on the religious right in the Stonewall Tent sponsored by *IN Step* during PrideFest on August 29.

Ms. Matulis listed the chief organizations of the religious right: Wisconsin Christians United, directed by Ralph Ovadal; the Christian Coalition, headed until recently by Pat Robertson; Concerned Women for America, the largest group of women in the United States; Citizens for Excellence in Education, which promotes education at home or in Christian schools; Focus on the Family, the least known but largest and most influential group in the country.

All the above groups and their allies are opposed to gay rights, and have succeeded in introducing anti-gay bills in eight states and are also working to rescind

office is in West Bend, and it has representatives in all congressional districts and liaisons with many churches. Each church has 49 women members and a leader for political action.

Citizens for Excellence in Education opposes public education as ungodly and maintains that education should be imparted at home or in Christian schools. It has 20 chapters in the state and most



Susan Matulis. Photo by Dorothy Austin

chapters have one member who is also a member of the school board. The members often use an organizational name other than the "citizens for excellence" designation.

Focus on the Family considers itself the Christian response to a homosexual radical social agenda which they believe endangers the family. It is the least known but largest organization of the religious right.

"It is the most influential. It has the Republicans scared. When James Dobson, the founder, gives the word, they (the members) can shut down their switchboard," Ms. Matulis said.

The Wisconsin Research Center was formed to contend with a "stealth strategy" some candidates have used. It is a strategy in which candidates hide or deny their controversial views until after winning public office. This strategy has been effective in other states, and the research center hopes to contribute to full disclosure of a candidate's views so that "stealth" candidacies cannot succeed in Wisconsin.

One quote from Ralph Reed, former executive director of the Christian Coalition, illustrates a similar attitude: "I want to be invisible. I do guerilla warfare. I paint my face and travel by night. You don't know it's over until you're in a body bag. You don't know until election night."

Some public figures also may express one view to a small audience or a special interest group, and the opposite view to the general public.

The Wisconsin Research Center is nonpartisan. Its volunteers — about 200 in the state — collect news articles on public policy issues, campaign literature, magazine articles, newsletters and promotional flyers, and send them to the Wisconsin Research Center, P.O. Box 92041, Milwaukee WI., 53202.

The materials are entered into a database, and catalogued so that they may be accessed by subject, location, organization, and so on. The information is available to interested persons and the media by written request. The research center is governed by a board of directors, which includes civic leaders from business, labor, public affairs, religion and community organizations.

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NEWS WIRE

Texas Lawmaker Wants to Ban Adoption, Foster Care by Gays

AUSTIN, TX — Rep. Warren Chisum, a Pampa, Texas, Republican, is drafting legislation that would bar adoptive or foster care kids from being placed in the homes of gay or lesbian couples.

The draft legislation, which Chisum expects to introduce next year, would prohibit state child care officials from placing any child in a home if officials determine that any Texas laws are occurring or are reasonably likely to occur in the home.

Sodomy is still against the law in Texas, even though a number of state courts have declared the state statute unconstitutional.

State child placement officials say they're opposed to Chisum's proposed measure because it unnecessarily restricts the number of homes available for foster care and adoption in the state.

S.F.-United Airline Domestic Partner Battle Continues

OAKLAND, CA — United Airlines has asked the U.S. District Court to bar the city of San Francisco from pulling its leases at the city's airport because the airline refuses to abide by a new city domestic partner benefits measure.

The year-old law requires firms that do business with the city under contract, including lease contracts like those at San Francisco International Airport, to offer its workers domestic partner benefits equivalent to the benefits it extends to the spouses of married employees.

The airline and city have already been through one court case earlier this year about the new law, but both sides claimed the ruling was a victory for them.

District Court Judge Claudia Wilken set a hearing date of Oct. 2 for the case. Until then, the airline can continue using the airport facilities.

Anti-Gay GOP Candidates Prompt Kansas Democrats to Drop Gay Rights

TOPEKA, KS — While homosexuality has become an increasingly common rallying point for Republicans to attack, Kansas Democrats have taken the unusual step of simply abandoning any "official" view on gay rights.

After conservative Republicans declared homosexual relationships "very unnatural," Rita Cline, the Democratic candidate for state treasurer objected to plans for the state Democratic Party to add a plank supporting gay rights, as it has in the past, and instead simply put in vague language declaring its commitment to "simple human dignity" rather than make any reference to gay rights at all.

Lawsuit Charges Bias at McDonald's

PALMDALE, CA — Matt Rosenberg has filed a lawsuit against a local McDonald's restaurant, charging a cashier at the fast-food eatery violated his civil rights by insulting him and refusing service to him because he is gay.

Rosenberg, 30, said he was in line at the restaurant with his mother and niece when an unidentified cashier began pointing at him and making "limp wrist" gestures. His suit claims that when he got to the head of line, the cashier walked away and when she finally returned told him to get in another line.

Rosenberg claims in his suit that he asked another cashier to call the manager, but that the manager never appeared. The suit also claims the first cashier made a number of "obscene comments" to him during their encounter.

REA Green Enterprises, which owns a number of area McDonald's restaurants including the one involved in the alleged incident, denied Rosenberg's version and said interviews with employees and customer indicated his "charges were found to be groundless."

Alaska Judge OKs Anti-Marriage Ballot Measure

ANCHORAGE — Alaska Superior Court Judge Sen Tan has ruled that a state ballot initiative, Measure 2, that would amend the state constitution to outlaw same-sex marriages doesn't violate freedom of religious expression

Ten Ways to Cope with the Religious Right

The best ways to cope with the religious right, Ms. Matulis said, are simple:

1. Stay informed on the issues.
2. Find out who the religious right is.
3. Vote in every election.
4. Write letters to the editor.
5. Write to your elected officials at the state and local level.
6. Speak your mind when you hear homophobic, racist, sexist comments.
7. Help get good candidates elected to public office.
8. Join organizations which stand up to the religious right, such as People for the American Way, or Americans United for the Separation of Church and State.
9. Support those organizations which agree with your views with time and money.
10. Send materials on the religious right to the Wisconsin Research Center.

the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. Several have been successful in raising millions of dollars and in extending their memberships and influence.

"Ralph owns the Assembly," remarked one Madisonian in the audience. "I've seen him stand in the door and watch as the votes are being counted."

Ms. Matulis reported briefly on each group.

Wisconsin Christians United, she said, would like to force gays back into the closet. Ovadal has led a group on "truth tours" around the state and has received extensive press coverage on his organization's anti-gay billboards in Madison.

In Mukwanago, however, he was outmaneuvered. He was met with cordial opposition which won the day with the press coverage. In response to angry speeches, a group of tolerant liberals offered them kind words and soft drinks.

"Never yell at the other side," counseled Ms. Matulis. "It makes you look bad."

Pat Robertson of the Christian Coalition, warned that Orlando probably would be hit by a serious hurricane or terrorist bomb because of its accepting attitude toward gays.

Concerned Women of America contends that homosexuals have a hidden agenda to force acceptance of their lifestyle and also aim to destroy the Judeo-Christian heritage. The organization's state

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A First for the Home Team

Oberlin Names Gay Man to Head Athletics Department

by Keith Clark
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Oberlin, OH — As hundreds of thousands of college students in the U.S. return to school, the collegiate sports world has taken another breakthrough step with Michael Muska, the former track-and-field coach at Auburn and Northwestern Universities formally taking over as athletics director at the private Oberlin College.

The school's decision to hire Muska to head up its student sports department was made earlier this year, of course, but drew little attention at the time. His appointment marks the first time any U.S. institution of higher education has named an openly gay person to head its athletics department.

Muska, who until the Oberlin appointment had been the head coach for the track team at the Milton Academy in Massachusetts, said he raised his sexual orientation when the college's search committee first contacted him because he didn't want it later to become a matter of "a lot of whispering and innuendo."

He said, "There are only a handful of schools at which I would have felt comfortable applying for a position like this, and, obviously, Oberlin was one of them. I think this took a lot of courage for Oberlin." He said he didn't think the search committee considered important to making its decision.

Alan Moran, who heads public relations at Oberlin, agreed that Muska's sexual orientation was irrelevant in deciding to hire Muska. "His sexual orientation had nothing to do with his hiring and never came into play. It would have been my job to think about that, and I haven't given it a second thought."

At Oberlin, Muska will be responsible for all phases of the school's athletics and physical education program, including intercollegiate athletics, intramurals, club sports and health.

But Muska, who has held assistant coaching posts at Brown, Northwestern, Auburn, Cornell and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, said, "even at Oberlin" there was some concern about hiring him. He said one school coach had wondered if hiring an openly gay athletics director might hurt the college in recruiting heterosexual males in the school's athletics department.

But, Muska's received a surprising amount of support from his new department's staffers. James Sullinger, head coach of the school's men's basketball team, said, "If the fact that he is gay is the only reason that a young man would not come to Oberlin to play basketball, then he is probably not the kind of young man that I want to be with two hours a day, six days a week."

Oberlin College, with about 3,000 students, has long been one of the most progressive schools in the country. It was the nation's first coeducational college and one of the first in the U.S. to racially integrate. The school has a significant gay and lesbian student body and a number of openly gay faculty and staff members as well.

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Study: Lesbians at Higher Risk for Breast Cancer

Chicago, IL (AP) — Lesbians are more likely to have risk factors associated with breast cancer than are non-lesbian women, according to a study presented last week by Drs. Stephanie Roberts and Suzanne Dibble at the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association annual meeting.

In the first study to compare risk factors between lesbians and heterosexuals and breast cancer rates, the researchers analyzed data from the medical charts of 1,019 low-income women receiving medical care at a California urban women's clinic. They found that the 433 lesbian woman in the study had a higher overall risk for breast cancer because they "had fewer pregnancies, more breast biopsies, and greater body mass indices" than their heterosexual counterparts, Dibble told meeting attendees. All three of these characteristics have previously been identified as risk factors for breast cancer, Roberts noted.

One unhealthy lifestyle, smoking, was more common among heterosexual women but the link between smoking and breast cancer is debatable, Dibble said.

The study, funded by the California Breast Cancer Research Program, was a review of the charts of women aged 35 or older treated at the Lyon-Martin Women's Health Clinic in San Francisco from 1995 through 1997. The mean age of the 586 heterosexual women was 43.8 years while the mean age of lesbian women was 41.8 — a difference "that was statistically significant since the risk for breast cancer increases for all women with age," Roberts said.

The actual cases of breast cancer among both groups was low: five cases among the lesbian cohort and three among the heterosexual women.

Although this study confirms

findings of an earlier study that suggested lesbians have a higher risk for breast cancer, Roberts said, "We are holding off on making any recommendations about increased use of mammography because our findings are limited by the retrospective nature of the study and by the fact that we studied only one socioeconomic class."

Other studies have linked higher socioeconomic status with increased risk for breast cancer, Dibble noted. She said virtually all the women studied had incomes "below 200% of the federal poverty level, or \$15,780, an especially low-income for the Bay area where living costs are among the highest in the country."

Roberts and Dibble are currently enrolling 5,000 lesbian and heterosexual women in a prospective 3 year, observational study. Roberts said she hopes that the study will confirm the findings of the initial study. "At that point we could make some recommendations ... about prevention strategies," she said.

HIV Virus Triggers "Suicide" of Uninfected Cells

London (AP) — The AIDS virus may be capable of causing uninfected cells to "commit suicide" by mimicking signals emitted by substances naturally present in the body, according to US research detailed in the latest number of *Nature* magazine.

The magazine said the work could help scientists understand why HIV-positive patients often showed no symptoms for years then suddenly their condition would deteriorate rapidly leading to death.

The research was conducted

by Eric Verdin, MD of the Gladstone Institute of Virology and Immunology and professor of medicine at the University of California San Francisco and Georges Herbein, of the Picower Institute for Medical Research and North Shore University Hospital in New York. Their report said research had shown that as well as causing a decline in the CD4 immune or "helper T-cells" whose numbers began to fall soon after infection, the HIV virus also indirectly attacked another type of cell called CD8 T-cells, also known as "killer T-cells" which were the body's main infection-fighting weapon.

In HIV-positive patients, the number of CD8 cells often remained high for several years before it inexplicably started to drop, the researchers said.

New research suggested that certain strains of the HIV virus were capable of triggering a "mass suicide of CD8 cells" using a mechanism of the immune system as an "accomplice" to promote this self-inflicted death.

"Once patients lose their CD8 T-cells, growth of the virus in CD4 helper cells is probably boosted and more cells will be killed," said Herbein, the leading author of the study.

"So you will have an accelerated decline in overall immune function, until the immune system is exhausted," he added.

Scientists already knew that CD8 cells of HIV-infected patients had a higher-than-normal turnover rate, meaning they died more quickly than normal, the report said. It was also known that AIDS patients who carried a certain type of virus strain called SI (syncytium inducing) succumbed more quickly to AIDS.

In vitro experiments showed that the increase in CD8 cell death occurred only in the presence of macrophage cells whose normal role is to eliminate dead cells. The implication was that the HIV needed the macrophages to instigate the CD8 cell suicide, the researchers said.

and can appear on the November ballot.

Opponents of the proposed initiative argued that at least a few religious groups, such as some Reform Judaism branches, the Metropolitan Community Church, and the Society of Friends (Quakers), already perform same-sex unions and that Measure 2 would infringe on their religious freedoms.

Foes of the anti-marriage initiative say they will appeal Judge Tan's ruling to the state supreme court.

French Researchers Identify New Strain of HIV

PARIS — French scientists say they have identified a new and previously unknown strain of HIV. The researchers said the rare virus was discovered following the 1995 death of a Cameroon woman of AIDS. It has, they said, subsequently been connected with the deaths of three other people in the central African nation.

The researchers said the new virus, a form of HIV-1, is so unlike other known strains that it escapes routine detection by standard HIV screening tests. The researchers said the new strain appears to be related to both the common strain of HIV that strikes humans and to the simian virus found in chimpanzees, although it's significantly different from both. They believe it may have developed initially in animals and been transferred to humans only recently.

The scientists said the discovery of the new strain underscores how difficult fighting the virus continues to be because new strains continue to evolve in new mutations even while research goes on against known strains. The only cases of the new strain have all been found in Cameroon so far.

The researchers, from the Bichat Hospital in Paris, published their report on the new strain in the journal *Nature Medicine*.

Man with HIV Gets 5 Year Prison Sentence for Unsafe Sex

COLUMBUS, MS — Phillip Carter has been found guilty of not informing his sexual partner he is infected with HIV and was sentenced to five years in prison.

Carter had been under a state health department quarantine that required him to disclose his HIV status to prospective sex partners and to use condoms and a spermicide when having sex with anyone.

Carter had been accused of having sex with a man in 1993 without disclosing his HIV status, and earlier of having unprotected sex with his former wife in 1992, leading to the health department quarantine, disclosure order, and safer sex requirement for the 45-year-old man.

Leading AIDS Scientists Killed in Swissair Crash

NEW YORK — AIDS activists, United Nations officials and international human rights advocates throughout the world have been struggling to cope with the deaths of two prominent, highly respected and deeply admired scientists, Dr. Jonathan Mann and his wife Dr. Mary-Lou Clements-Mann.

The couple, who married in 1996, were among the victims who died in the crash of Swissair flight 111 near Nova Scotia from New York to Geneva.

Jonathan Mann was the founding director of the World Health Organization's international AIDS program. Mary-Lou Clements-Mann was a professor at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore was a member of the UNAIDS Vaccine Advisory Committee and was conducting research on AIDS vaccines. Both were recognized for their global view in fighting the epidemic and were traveling to a series of WHO and UNAIDS meetings in Geneva when their plane crashed, killing a number of other U.N. and WHO health officials.

In New York, U.N. flags at the agency's world headquarters were ordered flown at half-mast. In Geneva, UNAIDS program officials expressed "deep shock" at the deaths of the couple they described as "visionary global leaders" in fighting AIDS.

Barnes & Noble Stores Don't Like Condoms in Magazine

NEW YORK — Bookstore chain Barnes & Noble says it ordered fewer copies of the September issue of POZ, an AIDS education magazine, and that some of its chain stores won't carry the issue at all because its "back to school" issue includes three condoms.

The magazine included the condoms, which are included in the special shrink-wrapped issue, to encourage students to practice safer sex as they head back to campuses across the country.

But Barnes & Noble says some of its stores objected to carrying the magazine with the free condoms inside and so it had cut back on the number of copies ordered.

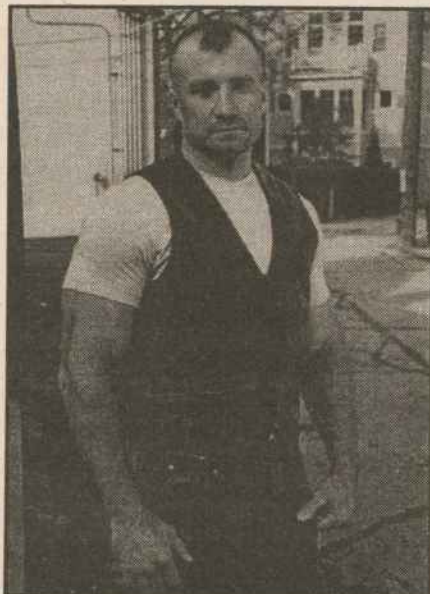


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AIDS Walk Wisconsin Steps Off on September 20

Milwaukee — Constant entertainment for families and people of all ages will energize those participating in the ninth AIDS Walk Wisconsin, to be held Sunday, September 20, along Milwaukee's lakefront. The 10K (6.2 mile) fundraising walk, produced by the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, supports vital AIDS care, prevention, advocacy and research programs in Wisconsin. To register for AIDS Walk Wisconsin, call 800-348-WALK.

The day begins with the AIDS Walk Breakfast sponsored by DuPont Pharmaceuticals at the Italian Community Center at 9:00 a.m. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling 414-225-1517. Entertainment will be provided by the Fest City Singers. Carole Meekins of Milwaukee's WTMJ Channel 4 will be the emcee, and Honorary Chair Chastity Bono, activist, author and daughter of superstar Cher and recently deceased U.S. Rep. Sonny Bono, will be the keynote speaker.

The pre-Walk celebrations at the Henry W. Maier Festival Park (the Summerfest grounds) will open at 10:30 a.m. At the Summerfest Main Stage, "The Yell Leaders," Milwaukee's premier pop/soul combo, will energize walkers as the pre-Walk celebrations get into full-swing.

"As walkers enter the Summerfest grounds, they will be greeted by clowns, jugglers, mimes, strolling musicians and a chalk artist," said Marge Beil, director of special events for ARCW.

Bono will officially start the Walk during a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 12:30 p.m., and will then cheer on walkers as they leave the Summerfest grounds.

The entertainment continues along the rest of the 10K route at the six rest stops. "The Glad Rags," self-described as a "powerpunkbubblegum machine," will fill the air at Rest Stop One. Continuing along the route "Accompany of Kids," "Four Below," "The Grinders," "Delusions of Grandeur," and "Chardonay" will entertain walkers as they stop at the rest stops.

The Closing Ceremonies will begin at approximately 3:45 p.m. with an announcement of funds raised for AIDS Walk Wisconsin. Post-Walk festivities will include live band "Uptown Sounds," playing dance music from Motown to Retro to music of the 90's.

Thousands have already registered to participate in this year's Walk, which will benefit 19 AIDS education and service providers throughout the state. The past eight AIDS Walks have raised over \$4.8 million for Wisconsin AIDS services.

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Shoreline Makes Donation to Camp Heartland

Milwaukee — Shoreline, Milwaukee's LesBiGay country western dance club, donated \$500.00 to both Camp Heartland and the Milwaukee Breast Cancer Awareness Project as the result of a dance gala held August 29 in conjunction with ILGRA's Windy City Rodeo '98.

Over 300 rodeo contestants and dancers from throughout the Midwest attended this high energy event. Entertainment included the Rainbow Cloggers from Minneapolis-St. Paul and 18 dancers from Shoreline performing their "Best of Shoreline" suite. Four Shoreline women, dressed in black leather and swinging whips, showed a few redneck men the meaning of "Respect" in a late-night routine by the same name.

Camp Heartland provides camping and outdoor recreation for children affected by the AIDS crisis. The Milwaukee Health Department's highly successful Breast

Cancer Awareness Project provides low income women with education, mammographs, and follow-ups in the fight against breast cancer.

Other charitable activities of Shoreline include the creation of an original quilt for the NAMES Project ("AIDS Quilt"), a cash donation to the NAMES Project, a contribution to the Susan G. Komen Foundation for breast cancer research, two performance for the 1997 Wisconsin AIDS Walk, production of four fund raisers for the Gay and Lesbian Support Program of the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, and a recent \$500.00 donation to the LGBT Community Center.

If you would like Shoreline to perform or teach country dancing a your LGBT fund raiser or social event call Bruce Townsend, Shoreline President at (414) 962-9822. Shoreline invites you to join them every Friday night from 8:00 p.m. to Midnight at LaCage for socializing, lessons, and country dancing. A dance partner is not required.

OutReach Forms Coming-Out Groups

Madison — OutReach (formerly Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center and The United), Madison's LGBT social services agency, is forming men's and women's coming out support groups for the fall. OutReach's coming out support groups are peer-based groups led by trained facilitators. Both groups will run for 10 weeks, beginning in early October, and will meet at the OutReach office, 14 West Mifflin St. A full 10-week commitment is asked of all participants.

Also, OutReach is in need of volunteers for all of its services, including Out-Line (telephone and drop-in peer counseling, as well as information and referral), Support Group Facilitators and Speaker's Bureau. Training Sessions for volunteers are scheduled to begin again in the fall. For full information on the Coming Out Groups, or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Callen at (608) 255-4297.

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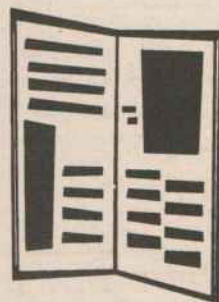
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Positive Voice To Hold "Gay Antique Road Show"

Green Bay — Positive Voice, Northeast Wisconsin's LGBT education, outreach, and social organization, has set Monday, September 21, 1998, as their fall kickoff meeting. "A Gay Antique Road Show" is the theme of this dinner (optional)/social occasion to be held at Bay Family Restaurant-West (1301 South Military at Ninth Street).

Attendees are encouraged to bring one or two collectibles with them and to share their stories with the group. Positive Voice recommends that you bring pictures of large items such as furniture, automobiles etc. Unlike the hugely successful PBS program on which this idea is based, actual appraisals will *not* be made. Professionals will be in attendance as resources.

Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. with the program to follow. A family-style dinner will also be offered at 6:30 p.m. for those wishing to eat with the group. Bring a friend. Meet a friend. Everyone is welcome to find out more about Positive Voice and its mission to the LGBT community. For more information about this event, please call (920) 435-4404 or e-mail pvnew4glbt@aol.com.

Civil Liberties Activist To Speak

Milwaukee — Rev. Barry W. Lynn, Executive Director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, will give a speech entitled *Religiously Right, Radically Wrong: the Erosion of Church-State Separation in America* on Wednesday, September 23, at 7 p.m. at Congregation Emanu-El B'Ne Jeshurun, 2419

East Kenwood Blvd. in Milwaukee. He will speak again on Thursday, September 24, at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Meeting House, 900 University Bay Drive in Madison.

Rev. Lynn, an attorney and ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, is a long-time activist in the civil liberties field. He has held the position of executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State since 1992. Previously, he was the legislative counsel for the Washington office of the American Civil Liberties Union, as well as legislative counsel for the United Church of Christ's Office of Church in Society.

Lynn writes frequently on First Amendment issues, and he has often appeared on television and radio broadcasts to debate and discuss separation of church and state. The two speaking engagements will be followed by a dessert reception. There is free admission and parking is available. For more information, please call the Wisconsin Research Center at (414) 272-9984.

Local AIDS Activist and Volunteer Dies

Milwaukee — A memorial service was held at the Raphael House Chapel on the St. Camillus Campus on Saturday, September 5, for George C. Yehling III, who died on Friday, August 14, at St. Camillus Health Care Center due to complications of AIDS. Yehling had been a long-time AIDS educator activist, volunteering his time at several agencies. Since learning of his HIV status 10 years ago, he devoted much of his time as an HIV testing counselor, helping others assess their risk for HIV infection and giving guidance in reducing those risks. His volunteer work was done through BESTD Clinic and STD Specialties Clinic, both of Milwaukee.

Yehling was also an expert in computer program design and maintenance,

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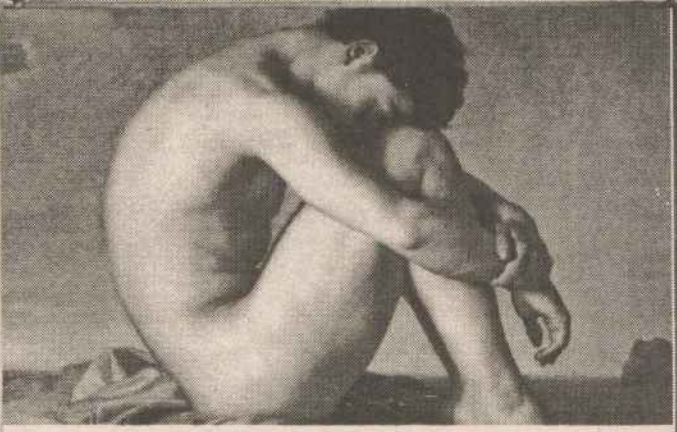
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and provided that expertise to both agencies to assist them in maintaining up-to-date data entry and processing. For many years he also facilitated a support group at BESTD Clinic for gay HIV+ men. For the past six years Yehling has sung in the Milwaukee Symphony Chorus, participating in many concerts in conjunction with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. He earned his Masters at Duke University, where he was a graduate. Yehling is survived by his mother, Elizabeth, of North Carolina; his brother, Victor, of Rockford, Ill.; and his sister, Ellen, of Florence, KY., in addition to two nephews and a niece.

Celebrating The Body Erotic

Chicago — *Celebrating the Body Erotic*, a workshop for men exploring the connections between touch, physical pleasure and spiritual awareness, will be held in Chicago October 24 and 25 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The workshop is conducted by the Oakland-based Body Electric School, which has been offering classes in massage and erotic spirituality since 1984.

Social conditioning has taught men to disconnect from their bodies, and most Western religions teach men to abstain from pleasure. Celebrating the Body Erotic uses rituals based on Taoist, Tantric, Sufi and Native American traditions to allow men to experience their erotic energy as playful, sacred, energizing and transformative. The cost of the two-day workshop is \$295. Scholarships are available for men living with HIV. For more information, call the Chicago coordinator at (312) 819-1524.

Gay Parenting Workshop

Chicago — Educators and experts from across the country will participate in a workshop on techniques for enhancing the interactions between gay and lesbian parents and schools. The one day work shop at National-Louis University in Evanston, Ill., will take place on Saturday, October 3. Seminars will address the needs and questions of parents and educators who are teaching increasing numbers of children from gay and lesbian households.

The keynote speaker, Dr. April Martin, is an expert in the field of gay and lesbian parenting and the author of *The Lesbian & Gay Parenting Handbook: Creating and Raising our Families.* Additional speakers include: Dr. Virginia Casper, Developmental Psychologist, Wallace Bachman, Executive Director of GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network), Pat Hulschebosch, Author of *Preparing Teachers to Work With Children of Gay & Lesbian Parents*, Dr. Daniel Ryan, Principal at Baker Demonstration School in Evanston, Ill., Aimee Gelnaw and Margie Brickley, educators and coauthors of *Opening Doors: Lesbian & Gay Parents & Schools*; Richard Cohen, Associate Director, Kohl's gay-and lesbian-headed households and GLPCI, an international gay and lesbian parents coalition.

The seminar costs \$20 dollars, which includes the keynote, workshops, discussion groups and panel presentations as well snacks and lunch. Scholarships are available. The deadline for registration is September 20 and space is limited. For more information, contact Rainbow Families at (630) 585-3920 or E-mail www.openconf@aol.com.

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'Year of the Lesbian'

Congressional Races Could Be Watershed

by Keith Clark
of the IN Step Staff

No one is exactly talking about a "Year of the Lesbian," but with the Sept. 8 Democratic Party primary win by Tammy Baldwin in her bid for Wisconsin's 2nd Congressional District seat, gay rights activists around the country wonder if 1998 may indeed be a watershed year in the struggle for political empowerment with the prospect of three lesbians running for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives this November, just at a time when anti-gay political rhetoric has been reaching a boiling point nationally.

Baldwin, Wisconsin's first openly gay state lawmaker and a respected politician, edged out her closest Democratic rival in the four-person primary by a 37-to-35 percent margin.

In California's June primary, Christine Kehoe, an open lesbian who serves on the San Diego city council, won the Democratic primary with 41 percent of the vote. She now faces Republican incumbent Brian Bilbray in San Diego's 49th Congressional District race this November.

And in mid-September, Washington state Democrats will decide if Grethe Cammermeyer, the highly decorated retired Army National Guard colonel who disclosed her sexual orientation and battled a discharge in one of the best known military cases in recent years, will be their party's candidate in a battle to unseat two-term Republican Rep. Jack Metcalf for Washington's 2nd Congressional District seat this November. Cammermeyer, 56, is generally considered the favorite to defeat Democratic rival Fran Einterz in the Sept. 15 primary.

The primary wins by Baldwin and Kehoe are already historic in the gay rights political fight in this country. While some members of Congress have acknowledged their homosexuality and later been reelected, no openly gay non-incumbent ever has been elected.

And it is this "double-glass ceiling" that all three women in fact hope to break through in the November elections. But all three still face uphill fights, each different in its own way.

Liberal Madison

Wisconsin is generally considered politically liberal — it was, after all, the first state in the U.S. to adopt a statewide anti-discrimination law that included sexual orientation. And Madison, which makes up much of the 2nd Congressional District's voters, shares that progressive reputation.

In the closely watched — and still somewhat unsettled Republican primary — the anti-gay attack dog in the race, Ron Greer, seemed to be narrowly losing in the Republican six-person primary — although he quickly said he would ask for a recount.

But Greer, an ex-firefighter who lost his job for making anti-gay remarks about his boss and whose major political endorsement came from loose cannon Green Bay Packer Reggie White, garnered only about 20 percent of his party's primary vote, and four other Republican contenders who split nearly 60 percent of the GOP vote among them, all positioned themselves as liberal-to-moderate Republicans, with Greer the only conservative. In fact, Baldwin garnered more votes in the Democratic primary than the top two Republicans did in their primary races.

Greer's loss — assuming a recount doesn't change the GOP primary outcome — could in fact be good news/bad news for Baldwin's November campaign. Without Greer in the election, it means Baldwin and her Republican rival, Jo Musser, would be able to campaign on issues they consider important, like education and health care. With Greer in the race, Baldwin would doubtless face a continual barrage of homophobic charges that she advocates a "homosexual agenda."

Ironically, Greer's froth-at-the-mouth anti-gay attacks would probably have made it easier for Baldwin to win since voters are generally uncomfortable with such personal nastiness in elections. But with Musser as her opponent, Baldwin could face a more difficult campaign although, as one campaign worker put it, "at least it would be a clean race about real issues, not some red herring."

Moderate San Diego

Even before San Diego's Christine Kehoe won the Democratic primary earlier this year, the ultra-conservative magazine *The American Spectator* labeled her elec-

tion bid "worrisome" and causing the "greatest concern" for Republican strategists — in large part because she is such an immensely popular local official.

Although Kehoe now faces a race with Republican incumbent Rep. Brian Bilbray for his seat in the nominally moderate Republican district, even the *Spectator* considered his seat "up for grabs" and described Bilbray as "somewhat bland." Kehoe has also raised a substantial campaign war chest that she has spent carefully.

Kehoe first won a seat on the city council in San Diego in 1993, and in 1996 she was reelected with a staggering 79.5 percent of the vote. She also serves in such agencies as the Small Business Advisory Board, the National League of Cities and the California Coastal Commission. Her council record is marked by her continuing efforts at fighting serious crime, supporting small business as the best way to create new jobs, and reforming the health care system. In fact, her credentials would make any Republican proud.

But Kehoe also has demonstrated firm commitments to environmental issues, civil rights and improving educational standards — and no one would ever confuse her for being a Republican.

"Christine Kehoe is a fantastic public servant, and she will make a fantastic member of the U.S. House of Representatives," says Winnie Stachelberg of the Human Rights Campaign. "Her record and commitment on a broad range of issues are superb."

With her well-rounded perspective and command of issues, Kehoe has so far largely left Bilbray without much in the way of issues — and so far the Republican incumbent has been smart enough to avoid making anti-gay attacks against her.

Conservative Rural Washington

Retired Army National Guard Col. Margarethe "Grethe" Cammermeyer of Washington state may be the most nationally recognizable of the three women running for a congressional seat. She is also the candidate the *Spectator* considered the "best suited" to win.

Cammermeyer's battle against being discharged, of course, gained a great deal of national attention, and when Glenn Close starred in a made-for-television film based on her fight, Cammermeyer became something of a national "don't ask, don't tell" poster child.

Although Cammermeyer's no-nonsense campaign has focused on her main issues of improving the nation's health care and education systems, her sexual orientation is never far from the surface as she pushes to break down another barrier in American politics.

While she is considered the favorite to win the Democratic primary in mid-September, she will then face two-term incumbent Republican Rep. Jack Metcalf in a largely rural district that runs from the remote North Cascade mountains to the outlying suburbs north of Seattle.

She has gotten a number of endorsements that would normally be a politician's dream, including the editorial nod from the *Seattle Times* and personal support from Close, mega-star Barbra Streisand, and political veteran Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.).

But what works in some places, can backfire elsewhere, and Metcalf has already branded Cammermeyer as a "spokesperson for the lesbian lifestyle" and denounced her support by "the ultra-liberal Barney Frank." She's also been criticized for her high-profile connections in a locale where Hollywood glitterati are usually viewed as "outsiders."

Even Frank, who has been reelected to Congress five times since he acknowledged being gay, says Cammermeyer and the other women face a political uphill fight to win election.

"It's not an accident that no openly gay or lesbian person has been yet elected," Frank said. "There is still prejudice out there."

And even though the 70-year-old Metcalf, who has already said this will be his last election campaign, is considered "vulnerable" by some political observers after winning his second term in 1996 by fewer than 2,000 votes, many still see him as the favorite in the November race — exactly because Cammermeyer's sexual orientation is an issue whether anyone mentions it or not.

"It's understandable why this [congressional race] tops the Democratic target list year after year," said political analyst Tim Hibbitts, a longtime Democratic pollster. "But I think in the long run her orientation will hurt her."

But Cammermeyer's strength, directness and plain-spoken approach could still be big assets in the rural district.

"You know I am a fighter, that I am honest," she says. "That is what got me into trouble many years ago to begin with. I know I will enjoy being a member of Congress because it is there where you can have a voice and make a change." ▼



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Support AIDS Walk Wisconsin

by Sen. Russ Feingold



On Saturday, September 20, more than 10,000 people will take to Milwaukee's streets in the fight against AIDS. The 9th annual AIDS Walk Wisconsin, which will begin at the Summerfest grounds and wind along the lakefront, will raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for 19 agencies that help Wisconsinites who are battling HIV or AIDS.

I will be proud to participate in the day's events at the AIDS Walk breakfast on Saturday morning. It's vital that Wisconsinites show their support for those suffering from HIV or AIDS, and that we show our determination to stop its spread through education and prevention.

In Wisconsin, we are lucky to have a well-organized network of health care and social service providers who are equipped to assist people with HIV or AIDS. In addition to medical care, this network provides housing assistance, legal assistance, case management, and transportation assistance. It is the organizations in this vital network that AIDS Walk Wisconsin will directly benefit.

While community-based organizations are doing a great deal in the fight against HIV and AIDS, they need support at the federal level. Since coming to the U.S. Senate in 1993, I have worked to pass legislation that would support the fight against the HIV/AIDS epidemic through research, social ser-

I encourage everyone to participate in AIDS Walk Wisconsin to show your support for people living with HIV and AIDS

vices and education. During consideration of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act in 1994, I voted against legislation to restrict local school boards' ability to provide counseling or supportive programs to students. In the 103rd Congress, I voted to establish an Office of AIDS Research as part of the reauthorization of the National Institutes of Health, and I was an original co-sponsor of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act reauthorization.

While federally funded research has enabled a great deal of progress to be made in AIDS treatment, prevention and research, there is still much more work to be done. According to the Federal Centers for Disease Control (CDC), there

were approximately 250 AIDS cases in Wisconsin, and some local estimates put HIV infections in Wisconsin well into the thousands.

As those of us in the federal government work to make sure that federal assistance in the fight against HIV and AIDS continues, we also need to pull together in our communities to make sure that we continue to have a strong infrastructure available to care for those living with HIV or AIDS. I encourage everyone to participate in AIDS Walk Wisconsin to show your support for people living with HIV and AIDS, and your determination to stop the spread of this disease through education and prevention.

Letters

Dear Editor—

The conservative moralists are crawling out of the woodwork, and, at least until the November election, we can expect to hear from them a constant stream of preaching about the decay of morality in the White House and the danger that the brimstone of Sodom and Gomorrah will rain down upon our heads as a result of that decay.

It's true that there has been a great change in the concept of morality in the White House, but it isn't the work of President Bill Clinton. Nor is it the work of Democrats, left-wingers, or "liberals."

Morality in the White House suffered its deathblow not from Bill Clinton, but from Ronald Reagan; not under Democrats, but under Republicans; not because of "liberals," but because of conservatives — and religious conservatives at that.

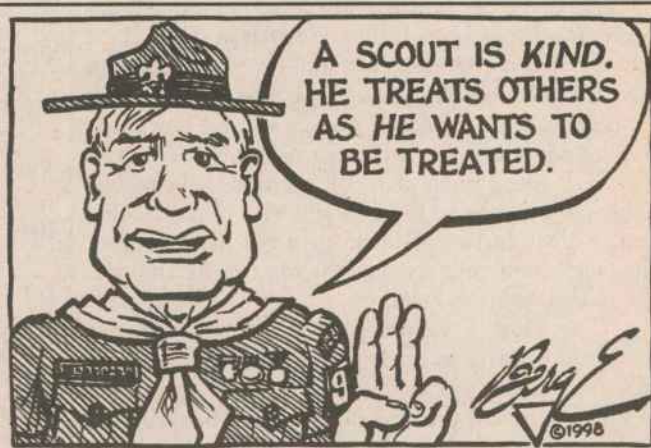
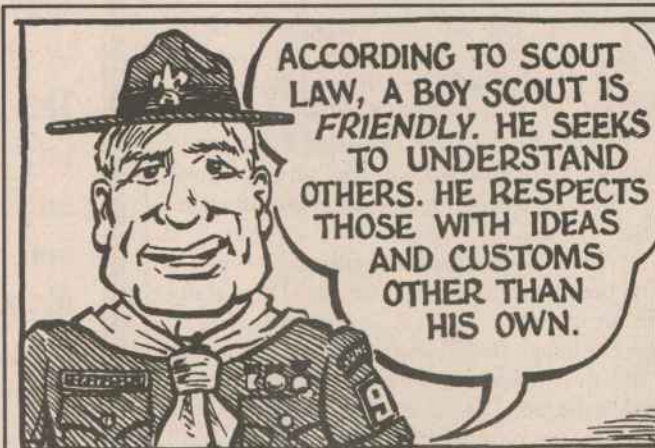
Republicans and religious conservatives changed traditional morality forever when they elected Ronald Reagan to the White House. Not only did they ignore the fact that Mr. Reagan violated traditional morality by being divorced, they also swept under the rug the fact that he had remarried. For

2,000 years, traditional morality held that remarriage after divorce from a valid marriage is absolutely forbidden. Even in 1998 the Roman Catholic Church follows the teaching of St. Paul on this matter and excludes such immoral people from communion. Yet the Reagans were accepted with open arms by the same Republican religious conservatives who today attack Bill Clinton.

The real story here is not that morality at the top has changed. The real story is that it was changed by religious conservatives. The ease with which they abandoned their traditional moral position when they had the chance to put their man in the White House shows how bankrupt their morality is. They have no status to sit as judges of President Clinton.

When religious leaders repudiate the very code of morality itself that they've claimed to adhere to for 2,000 years, then raised eyebrows are in order.

Al Geiersbach
 Milwaukee



Q&A with Chastity Bono



Interview by William Attewell
of the IN Step Staff

Chastity Bono is daughter of superstar Cher and the late Congressman Sonny Bono. Many remember the blond toddler Bono from her many appearances on the old Sonny & Cher Show.

After a public coming out in the *Advocate*, Bono has recorded stints as a spokesperson with the Human Rights Campaign and GLADD. She has penned stories for the *Advocate*, and now has a new book, *Family Outing*, on — what else — coming out.

Outspoken and sometimes controversial, Bono will also serve as Honorary Chair of this year's AIDS Walk Wisconsin. Following in the footsteps of such notables as Greg Louganis, Magic Johnson and Bette Midler; I recently spoke with Bono about her book, politics and unfinished business with her late father.

William Attewell: When is your book coming out?

Chastity Bono: Well, it got shipped today actually, so it'll start appearing in bookstores in different parts of the country within the next week or so.

WA: How did you find the writing process?

CB: I've written for the *Advocate* for two years, so it was just kind of an extension of that. I had thought of how the book would work and the structure of it for kind of a long, long time.

I went into writing it knowing very much what I wanted to achieve and how I wanted the book to work.

WA: What is the message you want to get across in the book?

CB: I wanted to write a book that would look at the coming out process from a family perspective. I had found that many of the books that I had read either dealt with coming out for gay and lesbian people or [were] stories about their parents' perspectives. There wasn't one that really looked at the whole process from both angles. That was really the first objective. I also wanted to write something that would be an enjoyable read and have an easy concept where people could gain the strength to either continue their coming out process or for parents to continue their accepting process through reading other people's stories, as opposed to the kind of psycho-babble [we hear all about these days].

WA: Did you talk about your story?

CB: I talked about my story and we interviewed a good dozen or a dozen-and-a-half families around the country. I wanted a really diverse group of people so that anybody picking up this book would be able to find somebody [in it] that they

could identify with. We have people with all different kinds of religious backgrounds from different parts of the country, different economic backgrounds, and [they are] racially [diverse].

WA: Was there one story that touched you more than others?

CB: There are different ones throughout the book that touch me in different ways. The first part is geared toward gay people and it's their story. I tried to break down the coming out process into chapters.

The second part of the book mirrors the first part, but it's from the parents' perspective. I really enjoy looking at the parents part — it's really interesting to watch these people process this information and [see] how they end up coming around to their children. For some people it was instantaneous, and for other people it took years and years and a second child coming out for them to finally get it.

WA: How was the coming out process for you?

CB: Well, I think in some ways it was ... I can't sum it up in a sentence. Parts of it were really difficult and very typical and other things were a little bit easier for me growing up, at least, with a lot of gay and lesbian people around me who were accepted as close friends or working associates of my parents. I think this thing that people [are] come[ing] away from this book with a lot, is how similar all these stories are.

WA: You have been fairly outspoken about Ellen, saying that her show was "too gay." I'm sure you're still getting asked about that. You later clarified your quote by saying that it wasn't too gay for you, personally, but it may have been too gay for other people. Do you still get reaction on that original statement?

CB: Yeah, I do. Much more so with the gay press than with the straight press.

WA: Why do you think that is?

CB: Because it was controversial and it made good copy. I don't try to get myself in trouble. I just think that a lot of people — including gay and lesbian people — felt that the show was becoming too gay specific and repetitive. I know a lot of people who kind of tuned out to it, and I was simply talking about that. I did not set out to attack Ellen or attack the show at all — I did a lot of work for the show and personally enjoyed it. I was asked to analyze the different reasons why the ratings went down.

I gave a bunch of reasons—one of them being that perhaps the content had become too gay for middle-America. [After all,] this was an ABC primetime sitcom, and you wanted to target as many people as possible. I think that for a lot of straight people, they just felt the show wasn't for them anymore.

WA: You used to be a spokes[person] for Human Rights Campaign (HRC), and you recently worked with GLADD. Are you still with GLADD?

CB: Nope. I had gone down to part-time at GLADD to finish my book and work on some other projects. They made the decision that they wanted a full-time person.

WA: Since then you've been basically working on your book?

CB: I've been working on press for my book and starting a second book and just doing speaking engagements and stuff.

WA: You're also honorary chair for this year's AIDS Walk Wisconsin. How did you feel about being

asked to do that?

CB: I feel great about it. I think it's an important thing, and I've never been to Milwaukee before. I'm looking forward to that. I learned so much, especially when I was working for HRC and travelling to different parts of the country. I think that if you grow up on the West and East coasts primarily, you kind of get a distorted version of how the middle of the country is. I really enjoy going to different cities and seeing how the gay and lesbian communities work there. I'm always pleasantly surprised.

WA: I've heard some people say that they thought you were an interesting choice for the Chair of the AIDS Walk. I was wondering what you think you bring to the table, or what your experience has been with AIDS issues?

CB: I think that my experience probably is limited compared to many gay men — I've lost a lot of friends to AIDS just like everybody else. Working within the community you can't help but get your hands involved in certain issues relating to AIDS. I don't know as much about it as other people in this community, like a Greg Louganis for example. I'm not going to pretend that I do, and if people are not happy with me as the choice...

WA: I don't think they were unhappy. They just said it was interesting...

CB: Well, it wasn't my choice. I was invited, and I'm glad to do it.

WA: Do you have a partner?

CB: I do have a partner.

WA: Does she travel with you?

CB: No, she doesn't.

WA: How does she handle all your travelling?

CB: Really, pretty good. We've been seeing each other for about nine months. We don't live together; we have our own lives. She's good with that. She's an independent person.

WA: How is your relationship with your mother?

CB: Very good.

WA: Do you have contact with your father's widow, Mary Bono?

CB: Yes. I was just out there a couple of weeks ago. I spent two days with her and the kids.

WA: How does she like being a member of Congress?

CB: I think she likes it a lot. I think it's a big change, but she's certainly busy and very excited by everything. I think she's enjoying it.

WA: As you look at her job, is that something that you might be interested in doing in the future?

CB: Yes. It's something that I've definitely thought about. But that would be more in the distant future. I don't see it in the immediate future—it's such a huge sacrifice of time. It's a really big commitment. I'm not quite at that point yet.

WA: How will you know when you're ready?

CB: For me it's really about the time commitment and constraints and still wanting to have a little more living to do, I think. It's something that takes a lot of time. It's not that I'm not busy at this time—I certainly am—but I have a little bit more picking and choosing that I can do. The big bulk of what I do is writing, and that I can do at home ... and spend time with my animals and my girlfriend.

WA: You've worked with two pretty prominent gay and lesbian lobbying groups. How would you describe your experience? How political are they?

CB: HRC is definitely political—it's the largest gay and lesbian political organiza-

tion — so it pretty much was what I was expecting it to be. I think GLADD is a lot smaller, as far as staffing and offices, than people realize. That was the thing that was kind of a surprise to me. That, and being with them for almost two years. I always marvelled at the amount of work we, as a staff, could get done with such limited resources. Compared to HRC, there was no budget. HRC's is probably five or 10 times [that] of GLADD and has a staff of 50 or 60 people. When I left GLADD, the staff was at seventeen — and that's split up around the country.

WA: As you look at other lesbians in public life, is there anybody you look up to or somebody you see that others could use as a role model?

CB: I look at a few people like that. I think Elizabeth Birch is absolutely a wonderful woman and [she has] taught me so much about activism in this country. The other person I look at as a mentor is Judy Weider, who is the editor in chief of the *Advocate*. She really took me under her wing and helped me to come out on the cover of her magazine and then taught me how to write; she was really there for me. Those are really my two mentors.

WA: Are you still working for the Advocate?

CB: No.

WA: What happened with that?

CB: When I went to GLADD—when I was entertainment director, they looked at it as a conflict of interest, because of the stuff I was covering at the *Advocate* was entertainment-based. I couldn't be working behind the scenes on different projects and objectively writing about it.

WA: Do you miss that?

CB: No, not really, because [as] you know, I wrote this book and I'm writing another book, so I certainly do get the chance to write.

WA: What's your next book about?

CB: It's going to be a memoir where I look at a specific portion of my life and the relationships that I had with another woman who died of cancer.

WA: When your father died, did you feel you had unfinished business with him?

CB: Yes, I had tons of it.

WA: Have you been able to work through that at all?

CB: I have.

WA: Were you able to work through that on your own, or were there lots of people around you who helped you deal with that?

CB: I think probably both. After Joan's death I got into therapy and I've kinda been in that off and on since then when different stuff comes up. I definitely did a lot of work through that. It took me a little while, but at this point I'm feeling much more at peace with the unfinished business that [my father and I] had. It changed *Family Outing* quite drastically. The epilogue is all in relation to his death and my relationship with him. It looked at things that really didn't exist beforehand in the book.

WA: I can't imagine having two parents who are so famous and what that must have been like for you. Is there really anyway to relate that experience?

CB: No, I can't because it's complete normalcy for me. ▼

Chastity Bono kicks off AIDS Walk Wisconsin with a ribbon cutting ceremony at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 20 at the Henry W. Maier Festival Grounds.

Congressional Race Is Still Baldwin's To Lose

Opinion by Scott Evertz

The results are in. Wisconsin will send its first woman to Congress in January. The only question remaining is whether it will be Tammy Baldwin or Josephine Musser, her Republican opponent. As during the final weeks of the primary, the general election is Tammy's to lose.

The Second Congressional District, which includes the City of Madison and its suburbs as well as the rest of Dane County and some or part of Columbia, Dodge, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Lafayette, Richland and Sauk Counties; is a Democratic district which was grabbed by retiring Republican Congressman Scott Klug because of his high name recognition (he was a TV anchor) and the fact that the Dems were asleep at the wheel. Now that the seat is open and two moderate to liberal women are vying for it, it will be much more difficult for the Republicans to hold onto this seat.

And now that the primary is over, die-hard conservative Republicans may conclude that there is no reason to vote for the anointed GOP candidate in the Second District. Unable to elect a conservative, pro-life candidate in the primary, many will go to the polls, vote to re-elect Governor Thompson, vote to replace Russ Feingold in the U.S. Senate with Mark Neumann, and simply not vote for (or write in) a Congressional candidate. Such voter behavior would bode extremely well for Baldwin's chances to become the first woman to be elected to Congress from Wisconsin.

Further, Baldwin's supporters are rabidly loyal to her and, as has been said by many pundits, will get to the polls even in the middle of a tornado, famine or nuclear war. Even though Jo Musser won the primary, the same can not be said of her supporters. In my estimation, their prime motivation in getting to the polls was to ensure that anti-gay, ultra-conservative former fireman Ron Greer did not become the Republican nominee. They bought into the "we've-got-to-elect-a-moderate-candidate-to-hold-onto-the-Klug-seat" philosophy. But we Republicans are *not* the majority in the Second District and it will be a difficult task indeed for Musser to hold onto the Republican base vote. Much of this base is fairly conservative, rural and pro-life and the Musser campaign will hold little appeal for such voters.

Consider for a moment the fact the Ralph Ovadal, the anti-gay director of Wisconsin Christian United, is a Second Congressional District resident. He and others like him are not going to vote for Baldwin or Musser. They're both too liberal. Baldwin can afford to lose his vote. Musser cannot. The only real chance Musser has to win is if she can convince moderate Democrats that Baldwin's voting record and state positions on the issues are simply too liberal and that they must hold their noses and vote Republican. She must clearly articulate that Baldwin's positions place her out of sync with a fair amount of Democrats in the district. And quite frankly, Musser must be able to convince voters she is nice.

Klug was able to do this-first in ousting long-time Congressman Robert Kastenmeier and then in defeating a host of Democratic opponents. It will be much harder for Musser to do this. She does not have Klug's name ID and positive image and she will have a tough time appearing nicer than Baldwin. Everybody likes Tammy, don't they?

The good news for the gay and lesbian community is that we are facing a no lose proposition with race. Regardless of who wins, we can count on our newly elected Congresswoman to be an opponent of discrimination against gays and lesbians, and hopefully, we will be able to look to the Congresswoman from the 2nd to take proactive positions on issues of concern to our community. Let the battle of the liberal women begin.

by Christopher Ott

Q: Don't gay people already have all the rights they need?



One of my favorite anti-gay arguments (because it's easy to turn against the people who make it) is that gay people don't need or deserve civil-rights protection. The argument goes that anti-discrimination laws only protect people because of characteristics which can't be changed, like race.

It's true that forms of discrimination based on race, sex, age or disability all have something in common. For the most part, these characteristics are unchangeable, and they are usually so obvious that all that's needed for someone to start holding your identity against you is a glance. But this isn't a complete description of what anti-discrimination laws cover.

They also cover religion. The law routinely prohibits discrimination because of a person's religious faith, which in most cases is not an obvious characteristic. Unless someone tells you about his or her religion or wears some kind of identifying symbol or clothes, it's usually impossible to know their faith. Does this mean that there should be no laws against religious discrimination? Of course not.

Anti-gay activists also say that homosexuality is simply a behavior — a behavior which can change. This probably isn't true, but even if it were, the argument doesn't hold up. Religious faith is essentially a behavior too. Some people accept a faith they were born into, but many others choose a new one. The argument that only permanent, inborn characteristics should be covered by anti-discrimination laws ought to worry any person of faith.

The real point of anti-discrimination laws is to ensure that people are not discriminated against because of characteristics that have nothing to do with their ability to do a job, fulfill a lease, pay back a loan or fulfill some other kind of obligation. Homosexuality clearly fits this definition, yet gay people are routinely discriminated against all the time.

It's ironic that some of the strongest opponents of gay rights are members of conservative churches. Their own arguments undermine the protection for freedom of worship which they take for granted.

Shouldn't employers be able to decide not to hire a gay person?

A conservative reader recently wrote and asked me if I would be willing to hire a white supremacist. I said no, I probably wouldn't. She then asked if I wasn't basing this decision on my own morals, and said that someone who finds homosexuality immoral ought to have the right to refuse to hire someone gay too. She said that if an employer believes that an employee is immoral, then it is only natural to expect that the same employee will do other things that are immoral, like stealing from the till.

It's not so simple. The difference is in the definitions.

I would not refuse to hire a white supremacist just because I thought he was immoral — I would not hire him because the possibility that he would mistreat non-white customers or colleagues is part of the definition of what it means to be a white supremacist. Maybe this imaginary employee would be able to check his beliefs at the door and behave professionally with everyone, but I would be justified in worrying. The problem lies in what he says he is — someone who believes in discrimination against others — and not what I think of it.

This is very different from hiring a gay person. If someone applies for a job and says "I am gay," there is nothing in the definition of homosexuality to suggest that they will behave inappropriately. Sexual orientation is only a tendency to be attracted to a particular type of person. It says nothing about whether you're likely to do a good job.

Of course, anti-gay bosses worry anyway. They worry that gay employees will be irresponsible, dishonest or indecent. Any of these things could turn out to be true about a gay employee, but they could with any other employee too.

The point is that these suspicions are unwarranted, just like the suspicion that someone of a different color or religion will be incompetent or dishonest. If someone applied for a job and said, "I'm gay, and I'm an uncontrollable sex fiend," then an employer would have a right to worry. But there is nothing about the statement "I'm gay" that gives any clue to a person's moral character. People who say they are only upholding their own morals by distrusting a whole category of people are simply trying to put a sugar coating on bigotry and fear.

Straight Answers is a monthly column devoted to answering questions about gay life and to help change anti-gay attitudes. If you have a question to suggest, please write to Chris Ott via e-mail at so@sipu.com or in care of IN Step.

IN QUIPS & QUOTES



Greg and Steve, Sittin' in a Tree...

"You can put in there if you want that I'm still on the market. We're just dating."

—E! News Daily anchorman Steve Kmetko on his relationship with Olympic gold-medal diver Greg Louganis, in a recent interview with this column. A recent *People* magazine report suggested Kmetko and Louganis were more serious.

The Queer Non-Issue

"I think it's so important for young gay people to see a band that's made up of people who are like they are, and to see that being openly gay is not an issue any more. It's not an issue for us. In our individual, personal lives it may have

been at one point, but it's not at all for either of us now."

—Heather Grody of the band The Murmurs to Michigan's *Between The Lines*.

Peace, Love and Understanding

"We must rid the world of the destructive notion that tragedy awaits unless we rigidly control sexuality with harsh, arbitrary rules; instead, we must demand that sexuality be governed by love and responsibility. This is gay liberation's enduring message."

—Editorial in the Boston-based gay magazine *The Guide*, September issue.

Yuk-Yuk

"I've been seriously offended by the lack of decent jokes on the subject, and believe me, if there were any more out there, I would have heard them."

—Singer George Michael on his April 7 arrest in a Beverly Hills "tea room," in an online chat on the Microsoft Network.

Lenin's Revenge

"For some time I have suggested that the worst thing to happen to the gay movement was the collapse of Communism. It doesn't take a Ph.D. in either history or political science to recognize the direct correlation between the fall of Communism and the increased attacks on America's gay men

and lesbians. The political right argues that the attacks are in response to our increased visibility, our activism, and, of course, our agenda! But we need to understand that the attacks are based on their essential and desperate need for an opponent."

—Openly gay former Wisconsin Congressman Steve Gunderson, writing in the *Advocate*.

L.E.S.B.I.A.N.

"Tammy [Wynette] taught me how to sing. The voice you hear today on stage singing rock 'n' roll came from Tammy Wynette — 'Your Good Girl's Gonna Go Bad' and 'D.I.V.O.R.C.E.' — it came from that. After I heard her, I never sang softly ever again."

—Lesbian rocker Melissa Etheridge to AP, Sept. 3.

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Wisconsin's Link to the Stonewall Riots

John Paul Ranieri Sets the Record Straight on the Stonewall Riots

by Dorothy Austin
of the IN Step Staff

One survivor of the Stonewall Riot of thirty years ago would like to set everything straight about that incident, which many people believe launched the gay rights movement.

"It's a case of myth versus reality," said John Paul Ranieri, 53 said in a recent talk at *IN Step's* Stonewall tent at Pridefest.

"Bars were raided every week in New York, that's nothing new."

He described his recollections for a mostly young audience, many of whom were not born 30 years ago.

At the time, he said, the Stonewall bar, a gay bar in the Village, paid protection money regularly to undercover police who would then refrain from raiding the bar. That Friday, protection money, perhaps about \$1,500 was paid by a grandson of the Gambino mafia family.

Part of the myth, according to Ranieri was that it was a drag queen bar. Not true. Marcia and Sylvia were effeminate. They wore makeup, but not the drag queen attire. Some drag queens did come in from the theater clubs. At the time, the gay bars were segregated, lesbians, drag clubs, leathers and others.

Ranieri was not in the bar, but standing west of it, on the steps of a brownstone, watching the scene as a small crowd gathered. Undercover cops had returned to the bar, demanding more money, and saying that the envelope picked up earlier was short. They also demanded sex from Sylvia and Marcia, who decided they wanted nothing to do with that.

The cops now realized they were surrounded by a number of people from The Village, and apparently decided to leave without incident. But once outdoors, they ordered Ranieri, who was then a young male prostitute, down from the top step.

He recalled that he had wrapped his belt around his hand just in case.

"A cop came up and tried to drag me down by the hair, and I hit him with my fist, wrapped in the belt buckle."

Ranieri was hit with a flashlight and thrown into a squad car. He and others were arrested, taken to the sixth precinct, and later released. Charges were not filed, he said, because it was a case of civil disobedience. Street people did not carry ID's at that point. So, although Ranieri wound up with a few stitches in his head at St. Vincent's hospital, there was little violence that first night.

But by the second night, the crowd had changed. It was a 95% straight crowd, Ranieri said. The issue was then and now a civil rights issue, and there were about twenty-five hundred people involved in peaceful protest on two streets. There were civil rights activists, Huey Newton and the Black Panthers, war resisters, village people, "lipstick lesbians" from NYU, weekend hippies from Long Island.

"Our own people turned against us on the second day. They said we were dangerous, and if we got out of hand the gay rights issue would be lost. They called Mayor John Lindsay's office and said that if he didn't do something to stop this all hell would break lose. The bar door were left wide open."

So, when police came from the sixth precinct the protesters pushed them back into the bar. The police called for reinforcements from the fifth precinct, and

when they arrived they were outnumbered and also boxed in by the crowd.

Another call went out, and this time the tactical riot police came, with night sticks, dogs and tear gas.

They made a three block sweep. Then things got nasty, Ranieri said. Police swung their sticks as if their main object was to maim or kill. The crowd turned over cars and set fires. Others fled in panic. Ranieri and a few others ran down the subway steps across from the Stonewall bar to try to get on a train and get away.

"Cops followed us down and beat us into submission. I got a fractured skull and a concussion and lost the hearing in one ear. They dragged me face down up the concrete steps, and threw me into the paddy wagon. We went for six hours without medical attention."

And since his recovery, he does not remember all the details. But he does suffer, he believes, from post traumatic stress syndrome.

After he and his colleagues were released, it was Marcia and Sylvia who put them up in a flop house hotel for four days and hustled for money to get them medical attention and food.

"They said my face looked like eggplant."

Ranieri draws a blank for several days after that. A few years ago, he and Sylvia tried to piece things together, but he has learned that for a time things got worse. In one instance, 118 were arrested, and two jumped out of a second floor window. One died, impaled on a steel fence, and the other survived.

But, he contends that it was on a Sunday following the civil rights riot that a gay support group was formed. He also maintains that one book on the Stonewall affair is "mostly fiction," and that another, due next year will probably be nearer the truth.

Ranieri now lives in Milwaukee with his partner of 27 years. He is amazed that gays have come this far in 30 years, that they can safely enjoy a community festival.

"And I am also frightened," he added.

He is afraid that gays could lose all that they have gained, that their rights could be eroded.

"We're not accepted. We're tolerated as long as it's feasible," he said. "We've become so used to accepting everything we have gained as safely belonging to us. But we could lose it all. We've got to be concerned about our civil rights every day. They can easily be lost."

He believes all minority groups ought to work together for civil rights, instead of working separately for their own kind.

"And even our own community is fractured." He noted that there are black gay groups, hispanic gay clubs, Jewish gay organizations, leathers and drag queens.

Ranieri said that gay on gay bashing has increased. It seems to him that gay yuppies, or guppies as he calls them, are considered the norm, and anybody that doesn't look like them, or "doesn't have a head like an eraser," is not accepted.

Ranieri has not changed his style. He still wears a long beard and long hair.

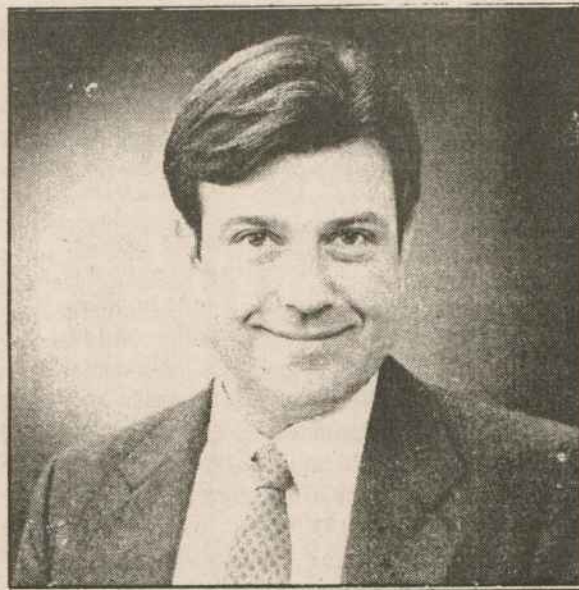
"And I don't jump on the band wagon for gay rights. I jump on the band wagon for civil rights, and I don't want to see them slowly eroded away."

He added that he does not like the way many people are treated these days. He and his partner of 27 years do what they can for the poor and homeless in their neighborhood. In his way, he is still a civil rights activist. ▼

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Manchester Mardi Gras Discourages Non-Gays

Mardi Gras organizers in Manchester, England's Gay Village executed a plan last weekend to keep out heterosexuals.

Revelers were unable to receive service in area pubs and clubs unless they were wearing a wristband that cost five pounds, half of which was donated to gay charities.

The organizers said that in recent years the festival was overrun by drunken hordes of straight youth in search of a good time.

"As the success of the event has increased, so has the criticism from the lesbian and gay community regarding the number of straight people coming into the village to enjoy the Mardi Gras at their expense," said Coordinator Ian Wilmott. "We hope this scheme is a way of helping to ensure that Mardi Gras will not only remain a lesbian and gay event but will be safe, friendly and secure."

The "PledgeBand" was approved by bar owners, the police, licensing authorities and the City Council, according to The Times.

Mardi Gras ran from Aug. 28-31 and was expected to attract around 150,000 people.

Sri Lankan Gays Demand Sodomy-law Repeal

The Sri Lankan gay group Companions on a Journey has issued a public plea for repeal of the nation's sodomy ban.

Under the 130-year-old law, gay sex is punishable by up to 12 years in prison.

"This is primarily a human-rights and health issue," Director Sherman de Rose told reporters. "Most of the AIDS patients are homosexuals but they are reluctant to get medical advice because of the social stigma attached to homosexuality."

Companions has 490 members, mostly men, Rose said.

Nepalese Lesbians Marry

Two women got married in Nepal's southwestern Nawalparasi district last month, the Gorkhapatra newspaper reported.

Textile workers Sita Malla, 24, and Rupa Shrestha, 16, tied the knot at their home in front of hundreds of friends and relatives.

Prior to the wedding, the couple had been arrested when their parents complained to police about the relationship, but they were let go after telling the cops they loved each other and were having a wedding.

Nepal has no law banning same-sex marriage.

Venezuelan Army Ordered To Treat HIV+ Soldiers

Venezuela's Supreme Court has ordered the Defense Ministry to provide antiviral drugs to soldiers with HIV.

The case was brought by four HIV-infected soldiers who said their medical care was substandard.

South African Gay Youth Go To Camp

About 150 gay and lesbian teens are expected at South Africa's first-ever gay-youth camp this month.

The 10-day outing, run by the National Coalition for Gay and Lesbian Equality, will include hiking, partying and poetry reading. Participants will discuss religion and sexuality, discrimination by teachers, the history of homosexuality, and how to come out to parents.

"Youth are not self-sufficient, they are dependent on their parents and guardians," organizer Paddy Nhlapo told the Sunday Times. "If they are discovered to be gay at school they are often sent to psychologists as if they had a disease. You find many of them on the streets, or they commit suicide. These kids are citizens of South Africa, but they still don't enjoy freedom of sexual orientation."

NCGLE is also pushing for the introduction of gay subject matter in school curriculums and for a reduction in the age of consent for gay sex from 19 to 16, which is the legal age for heterosexual sex.

—Rex Wockner

Home Ownership

by Christopher Krimmer

Whether you are moving into your partner's home or purchasing a new home together, here are some very important legal aspects you should know about owning a residence in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin goes to great lengths to protect the property interests of both spouses in a marriage. Under Wisconsin's marital property law, a married couple owns their home equally, regardless of whether one or both spouse's names is on the deed. Upon the death of either spouse, the surviving spouse assumes the deceased's spouse's interest in the home by operation of the law. This form of ownership is known as survivorship marital property.

Unlike married couples, gay and lesbian couples must take some additional steps to safeguard each partner's interest in their home. When a gay or lesbian couple resides together, they do not have the "luxury" of the survivorship marital property presumption. Thus, whichever partner's name is on the deed of the home, that partner is unequivocally the owner of the residence. Often this leaves the other partner vulnerable to losing any contributions he or she might have made to the couple's home throughout their relationship.

The answer seems to be rather simple, just add the other partner's name to the deed. However, this is where a gay and lesbian couple must not only understand the consequences of adding both names on the deed but also the nuisances of property law.

There are two ways a gay, and lesbian couple can own a home together in Wisconsin. Overwhelmingly, most gay and lesbian couples own their homes as tenants in common. If the deed to the home simply reads "John Doe and Bill Smith" and nothing more, the law considers both John and Bill as tenants in common. This means that each partner owns the home equally and once one partner dies, that partner's interest will pass by probate. The problem, however, is that if the deceased partner does not have a will designating the other partner as the beneficiary of the home, the surviving partner may suddenly own the home with a member of the deceased partner's family or a beneficiary under the deceased partner's will.

For example, imagine John had a long term relationship with George, a previous boyfriend. John and George had wills drawn up, each giving the other partner his entire estate. John and George break up and John meets Bill several years later. John and Bill become serious and buy a home together with a deed that reads "John Doe and Bill Smith." The couple lives happily thereafter for many years until John passes away from a heart attack. Unfortunately for Bill, John never changed his will and Bill now owns his home with John's ex-boyfriend, George!

Most gay and lesbian couples own their homes together as tenants in common because lawyers are generally not hired for simple real estate closings. Given that real estate agents do not want to practice law without a license, the gay and lesbian couple may never learn of the different forms of property

ownership. The closing professionals simply put both of the partners' names on the deed since both names are on the mortgage note and as a result. The couple owns the home as tenants in common.

The second way a gay and lesbian couple may own a home together is by joint tenancy. Under joint tenancy, each partner would presumptively own an equal interest in the home - very much like owning the property as tenants in common. The important distinction is that under joint tenancy, once a partner dies, his interest in the house automatically transfers to the surviving partner. This is true regardless of whether the deceased partner has a will or not because property owned in joint tenancy remains outside of the probate estate.

If a couple want to change ownership of their home from tenancy in common to joint tenancy, this can be done rather easily and inexpensively, with a quit claim deed. A quit claim deed can also be utilized for those situations where one partner moves into another partner's home and that partner wants to add the new partner's name to the deed.

It is important to understand, however, that there are some immediate consequences of adding your partner's name to the deed. First, once the other partner's name is on

the deed, you both own the real estate equally. Thus, if you had purchased the home by yourself and made a significant contribution towards the equity of the home by a large down payment and continued timely payments, you are in effect giving half of that to your partner by adding his name to the deed. Second, always remember that if the two of you do not refinance together on the home, you will be solely liable on the mortgage note even though your partner not only owns a share of the home but must consent to the sale of the home. Finally, if the two of you should break up, the partner's whose name had been added still retains ownership and cannot be forced out of the home. Ultimately, if a compromise cannot be reached, litigation would need to be commenced where one partner may be ordered to buy out the other partner's interest in the real estate, or in some extreme cases, the court may order the sale of the home so that the proceeds can be divided between the partners.

If any of the above situations applies to you or if you are planning on purchasing a home with your partner and the contribution towards the home and its upkeep is going to be significantly unequal, you may want to enter into a contractual agreement. Similar to a "prenuptial agreement," this agreement can clearly lay out what should happen to the home in the event that there is a break up. This will hopefully prevent the costly litigation of a partition action and help ease the difficulties of owning property together at the demise of the relationship.

If you would like more information on how to protect you and your partner's interest in your home or if you are planning to purchase a home together, contact your local attorney.



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Naughty Coloring Book

For months, conservatives have tried to sink the nomination of gay rights activist and San Francisco meatpacking heir **Jim Hormel**, whose nomination as U.S. envoy to Luxembourg is stalled in the Senate.

Now, Traditional Values Coalition fired another shot, sending all 100 senators copies of a graphic coloring book of female genitalia along with crayons for lawmakers who are feeling artistic. The original is in the Hormel-funded gay and lesbian reading center of San Francisco's main public library, said **Andrea Sheldon**, the coalition's executive director.

She called the center "wall-to-wall bizarre filth. If **Newt Gingrich** or **Trent Lott** or **Ronald Reagan** had their name on this library, they would have been run out of town."

In a letter to Sen. **Orrin Hatch** (R-Utah), a Hormel supporter, Sheldon admitted having "second and third thoughts" about distributing the book, but hoped "it angers and shocks you enough to block any consideration" of the nomination.

Three Socio-Math Problems for New UWM Students

School's back in session and here's some new politically correct problems we found on the Internet.

1). **Zelda** and **Jane** were given a rottweiler at their commitment ceremony. If their dog needs to be walked two miles a day and they walk at a rate of 3/4 mile per hour, how much time will they spend discussing their relationship in public?

2). **Michael** has two abusive stepfathers and an alcoholic mother. If his self-esteem is reduced by 20% per dysfunctional parent, but **Michael** feels 3% better for every person he denigrates, how long will it take before he's ready to go home if one person walks by **Brewed Awakenings** every two minutes?

3). **Sanjeev** has 7 piercings. If the likelihood of getting cellulitis on a given day is 10% per piercing, what

is the likelihood **Sanjeev** will need to renew his erythromycin prescription during the next week?

'MilkShake' CD to Benefit Gay Educational Institute

A new compact disc music compilation is on sale to help benefit the **Harvey Milk Institute**, named for the openly gay San Francisco supervisor who was assassinat-



Pansy Division

ed in 1978 along with Mayor **George Moscone**. The new CD, "MilkShake," features 15 tunes by 15 different bands, including **Pansy Division**, **Phranc** and **British rockers Chumbawamba**.

The **Harvey Milk Institute** is a non-profit educational center that offers courses promoting diversity. All proceeds from the CD will go directly to the institute. For information about the CD, telephone (415) 885-0750 or check the WorldWide Web at: <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Heights>.

RFK Bonked Nureyev?

Robert Kennedy had sexual relationships with **Jackie Kennedy**, the widow of his brother President **John F. Kennedy**, **Rudolf Nureyev**, the ballet dancer, and a number of young campaign workers,

according to a new biography of the assassinated U.S. attorney-general.

If the allegations are to be believed, then President **Clinton**, a great admirer of the Kennedys, is a sexual innocent by comparison. The author of *RFK: A Candid Biography*, **C. David Heymann**, also alleges that **Bobby Kennedy** was the real lover of **Mary Jo Kopechne**, the woman who died in **Teddy Kennedy's** car when he drove off the bridge at **Chappaquiddick**.

Among **RFK's** other lovers, according to **Heymann**, were **Candice Bergen**, **Kim Novak**, **Jayne Mansfield** and, of course, **Marilyn Monroe**. **Janet Vilella**, a ballerina, provided the story about finding **Bobby Kennedy** and **Rudolf Nureyev** locked in an embrace in a telephone box. **Heymann** says: "Besides that, **Gore Vidal** said that **Rudi** and **Bobby** had [shared a sexual relationship with] a sailor."

Attention Vince Condella!

The *Scientific American's* **Steve Mirsky** has weighed in with a piece on television evangelist and sometime presidential candidate **Pat Robertson's** recent foray into the wonderful world of weather forecasting. If you remember, **Robertson** took to the airwaves to warn residents of **Orlando, Fla.**, about wicked weather possibly headed in their direction as a result of the city's decision to allow gay organizations to fly rainbow flags in a local celebration called **Gay Days**.

According to **Mirsky**, **Robertson** the scientist might be expected to be "an expert on hot air masses. But he's not going out on a limb long enough to snap off in a 100-mile-per-hour wind by prophesying hurricanes in Florida. This just in: **Buffalo** gets snow in **January!** (And Florida weather is even easier than most. I lived in **Miami** one summer, and I can give a fairly decent forecast for any day in **July** or **August** without looking at a single satellite map: temperature in the **90s** with high humidity, good chance of an afternoon thunderstorm. Rinse, Repeat.)"

Amen.

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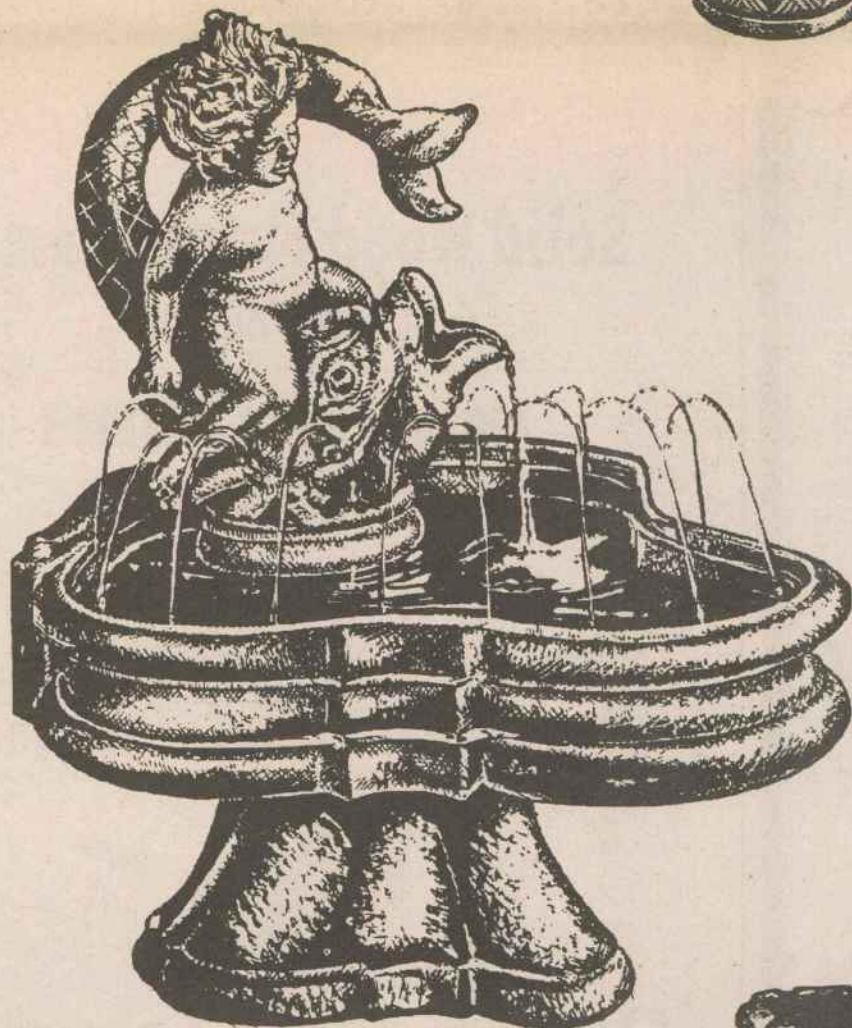
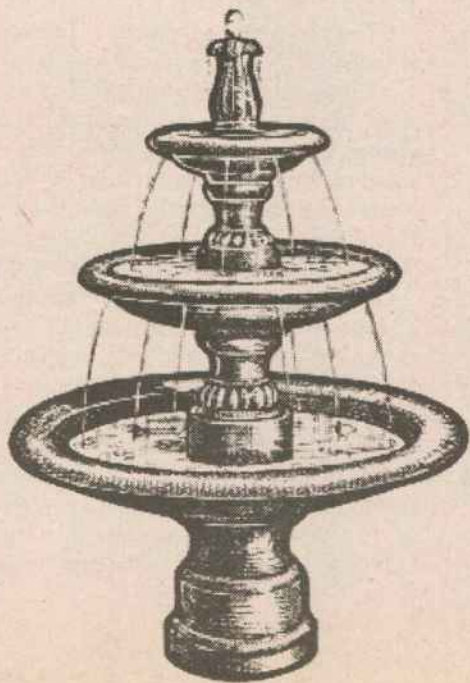
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ARTS BRIEFS

New Lesbian Erotica Anthology Seeks Stories

Northampton — Pillow Talk II: More Lesbian Stories Between the Covers, an anthology of erotic lesbian short stories edited by Lesléa Newman to be published by Alyson Publications, seeks sexy, breathtaking, HOT stories written by women who identify as lesbian or bisexual.

All serious, funny, tender, angry, lusty stories about sexual encounters (or near encounters) will be considered. Editor is looking for well-written stories complete with plot, fully developed characters and emotional content, as well as body parts. Deadline: January 31, 1999 (earlier submissions would be greatly appreciated). Please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for complete guidelines to Lesléa Newman, PO Box 815, Northampton, MA 01061, before submitting any stories.

Alverno Annual Fine Arts Festival

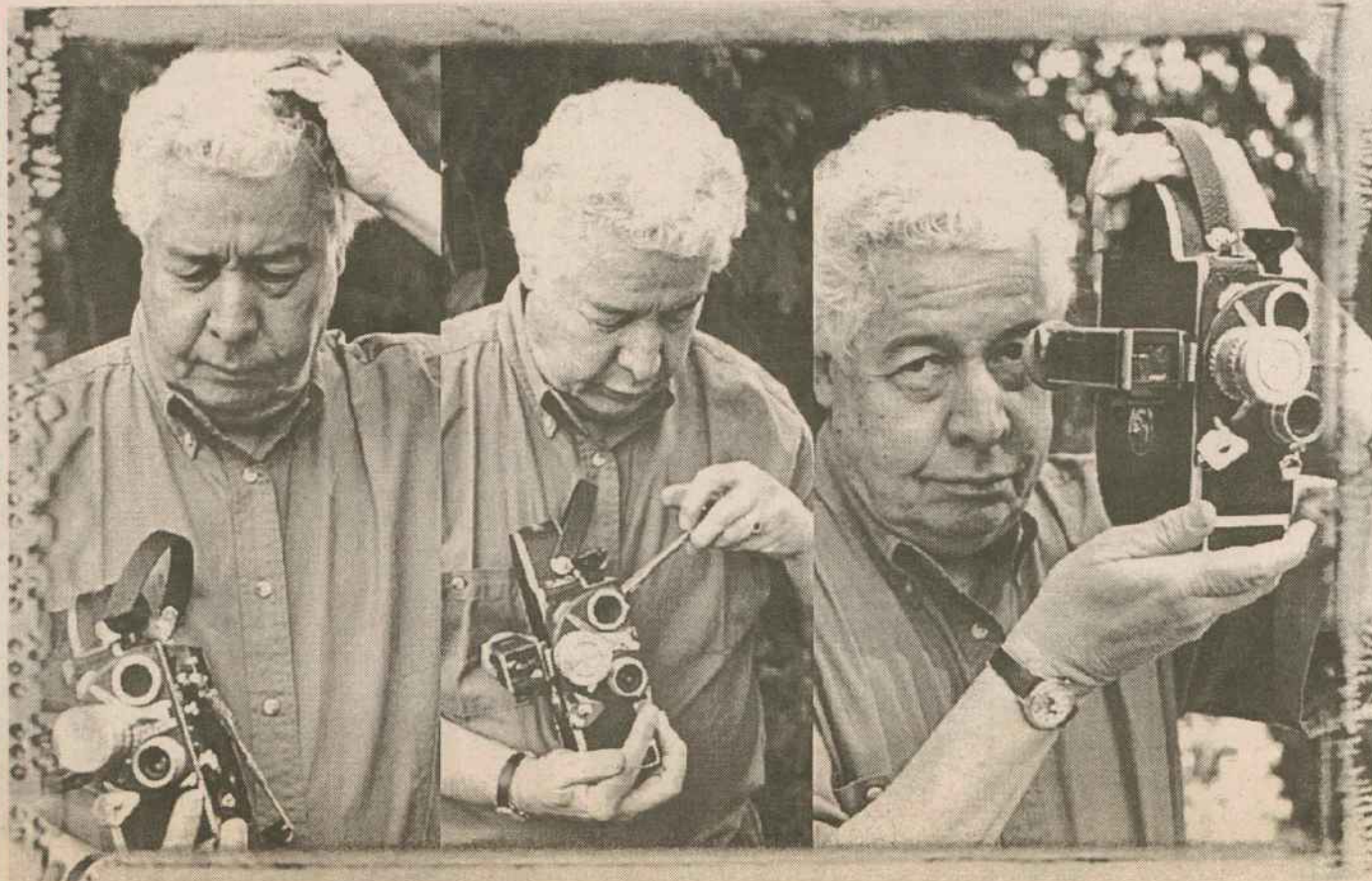
Milwaukee — The Alverno College Alumnae Association is sponsoring a Fine Arts Festival on Saturday, October 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The festival will be held at the Alverno College Gymnasium, 3401 S. 39th St. in Milwaukee. More than 50 artists will sell paintings, sculptures, textiles, jewelry and other fine art works created by juried Alverno alumnae and community artists.

Student art will also be for sale, live music will be featured, and food will be available. Proceeds from the sale of silent auction art contributed by exhibitors will benefit the Alverno College Scholarship Fund. Admission to the Art Festival is \$2 and there is ample free parking on campus. For more information, call (414) 382-6090.

Cream City Chorus Seeks New Members for Fall Season

Milwaukee — The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus invites interested persons to join their performing group as they prepare for their 1998-99 season with rehearsals for their Christmas Concert.

Rehearsals begin September 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Unitarian Church on the corner of Ogden and Astor Streets in Milwaukee. No experience required. For more information call (414) 344-9222.



The Critic As FILMMAKER

Story and photo by Waswo

James Auer is more than just the venerable art critic of the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. He is a diligent documentary filmmaker. Working both independently and with others, he has helped capture the artistic energies of Aaron Bohrod, Patrick Farrell and Mrs. Frank Lloyd Wright.

On a recent Wednesday evening I was fortunate enough to be invited to the world premiere of *Etched in Acid*, Auer's recent collaboration that documents African-American printmaker Warrington Colescott. The next day James Auer and I lunched at one of his favorite downtown eateries: Toy's Chinese Restaurant. Over bowls of egg drop soup we had the following conversation.

Waswo: I think everybody knows you as the art critic of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. Some people might also know that you are an avid photographer. But, I think few people are aware that you are involved in documentary filmmaking. Can you tell me a little about that interest? How did it develop and how have you pursued it?

James Auer: I have always been fascinated by movies. Even as a child I did set-ups in the backyard of airplane crashes and so forth. I made little scenarios in still pictures. Then, when I was in my late teens, my friends and I made the obligatory satirical serial.

We made a movie called "The Vultures Vengeance." It was about a strange character who poisoned the water supply of Neenah-Menasha, WI. Of course, poisoning of the water supply has turned out to be prescient, because people periodically

really do try to poison the water supply in various locations. So I feel that our little film was ahead of its time.

After I became an art critic and began writing about artists I realized there was a kind of confluence between my film interests and the artists I wrote about. There was a dearth of film documentation of artists with Wisconsin ties.

My first film was with Mr. Patrick Farrell. It was shot in 16mm and was to be about the birth of a painting. We got the poor fellow all mechanically strapped so that the camera was locked down, the lights were locked down, and he had a foot treadle with which he could activate the camera from time to time. This way we got a slow-motion record of the creation of a painting. He had to make a brush stroke, click the foot treadle, make a brush stroke, click the foot treadle and so on. He did that for several days, and the result was a twenty-minute documentary called *The Magic World of Patrick Farrell*.

W: Has that film ever aired?

J.A.: It was aired on channel 10 in the 1970's. I released it on video, and it's gone to the Milwaukee Art Museum and some of the collections around. . .but it's never been widely available.

W: What did you do next?

J.A.: Next was my "Gone with the Wind" of cinematic artist's stories. That was the Aaron Bohrod documentary *The Bohrod Touch*. Since he lived in Madison it was a little bit more difficult. Often, I'd film him starting a painting, and then, when I managed to return to Madison a few days later that busy, prodigious man had already finished the painting. But, I finally got enough footage to trace the creation of a painting from beginning to end.

I did that by getting on a bus in the middle of a blizzard at Christmas time. I

took my lights and gear and everything on the bus, and then took a cab to the Bohrod's home on Lake Monona. Mrs. Bohrod got a ladder, we rigged up the lights and I took the picture. We got the complete creation of a painting called *Triad*. Making this film took several years. We always called it my *Gone with the Wind*.

W: I recently saw a little Aaron Bohrod watercolor and I couldn't help but remember your film. It did a lot to influence my appreciation of Bohrod. Is it difficult to keep a hard documentary edge, or do you consciously try to hold back and keep it as objective as possible?

J.A.: I try to keep it objective. I had always admired Mr. Bohrod. I think he was almost my first love among artists.

One of the secrets of this... you see there is a fine edge... is that on the one hand you want to make the character as accessible to audiences as you can, so there will be a certain empathy that people will grasp. I would never make a documentary about someone with whom I didn't emphasize. Without that it becomes a very mechanical thing.

With Bohrod I don't think I eulogized so much as I brought out his rather dry wit and his ability to work incredible long hours. Bohrod would check in with the brush at quarter to eight in the morning and work until three-thirty in the afternoon, just like anybody with a factory job.

Yes, there's always the risk that the filmmaker might be perceived as eulogizing someone. But it's always been my thought that to make art accessible it must be tied in with a personality and a persona.

W: I think my favorite film that you've done is the documentary on Olgivanna Lloyd Wright, A Partner to Genius.

J.A.: I first met Mrs. Wright in Scottsdale, not Wisconsin. I was at a convention of

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art REVIEW

Dancing with the Ganja God

It's amazing to see restaurant art that actually challenges the viewer and makes them think. It takes a real commitment, and a bit of balls, for an establishment to display work that deviates from plebeian pastel norms. In a world where timid still-lives and oh-so-pretty abstractions lend safe blandness to the average eatery, a restaurant that's gutsy enough to display drawings that contain penises and vomit deserves more than a little credit.

Dancing Ganesha has pushed a few boundaries in bringing us the work of Heather Shinn. And the result is surprisingly delightful. Who would expect the creations of a "punker" Riverwest artist to merge so perfectly with upscale ambiance? Shinn's work has the same intricacies that Indian paintings and sculpture have. It is as if Shinn's inspiration stems from the same ganja a traveller finds redolent in Rajasthan.

This is an artist who draws from the vast worlds of comic strips and tattoos. It is the melding of these two forms that engenders Shinn's art. She straddles two traditions, developing work which is at once humorous and sinister.

In one acrylic painting (Shinn does not title her work) a purple, red-eyed, wasp-woman waves a number of sinuous arms. The abnormal number of appendages that creep into much of Shinn's work seems a direct reference to the multi-armed Shiva, the Hindu god of creation and destruction. In this painting, the wasp-woman seems to have acquiesced to an assault of strange flowers that are hell-bent on force-feeding her pollen. The painting makes a dark comedy out of a cross-sexuality implicit in plant and insect pollinations.

Another of Shinn's works shows a flower vomiting an unknown substance into a waiting funnel. With a twisting hose, the funnel connects to a pop-eyed youth. The youth seems to be lying in a dream-state, eagerly sucking the vomited substance into his/her body. This drawing does more than hint a reference to hallucinogens and addictives. There is a posted sign in the flower patch: "Freak X ing." But is Shinn revelling in psychedelia? Or warning us?

Yet, another drawing depicts a multi-tentacled woman who apparently is being accosted by a horde of worm-like, mushroom-headed men. Or are they penises? Does the recurring imagery of multiple hands and arms express the frustrations of an individual trying to do everything at once? Are the overweight boots that seem omnipresent in Shinn's work a reference to the plodding reality of day-to-day existence?

Shinn enshrines all these little enigmas in frames whose dark wood and ornamentation provide a very sincere presentation. The effect of Shinn's drawing, in black ink on white paper, is similar to that of elegant woodcuts. But, one wonders why an artist whose work is obviously time-consuming and meticulous does not use more durable paper. It would seem that the effort invested in this work would warrant a more substantial substrate.

Regardless, Shinn's work makes for fascinating viewing. With luck her talents will grow. We can only hope that Shinn will provide us with fresh glimpses into her bizarre world...the comic book garden of earthly delight.

—Waswo

The works of Heather Shinn are currently on view at Dancing Ganesha 1692 N. Van Buren St.

Skylight Opera Kicks Off Season with "Pirates Of Penzance"

Milwaukee — Skylight Opera Theater kicks off its 40th anniversary season with Gilbert and Sullivan's witty and satirical British operetta *The Pirates of Penzance*. This entertaining classic will be directed by Roger Bean, who directed the 1996 production of "My Fair Lady." Richard L. Carsey will be the music director. Opening night is Friday, September 25 at 7:30 p.m. The production will take place in the Cabot Theater of the Broadway Theater Center through October 11, 1998.

When Frederic was a little boy, his nurse, Ruth, was told to apprentice him to become a pilot. Mistakenly, she apprenticed him to a band of roving pirates, a trade he loathes, but is dutifully bound. About to come of age, Frederic's indentures are almost complete. He consents to take Ruth as his wife, having seen no other woman to compare her promised beauty.

Just then, the very model of a Modern Major General and his daughters happen upon the scene, where the girls are seized by the pirates and threatened with immediate marriage. Frederic renounces Ruth after seeing the young girls' beauty and Ruth's plainness. His sights are now set on beautiful Mable, daughter of Major General Stanley. The melodious merry-go-round of moral dilemmas continues as Frederic's nonsensical sense of duty prevails until the lawless pirates are acclaimed to be "noblemen who have gone wrong" and allowed to marry the Major General's daughters.

Tickets range in price from \$11 to \$48 (tax included). Discounts are available for seniors, students and groups of 10 or more. Tickets are

available in person Monday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. at the Broadway Theater Center Box Office or by calling (414) 291-7800.

Kohler Arts Center's Footlight Series Set

Sheboygan, WI — The John Michael Kohler Arts Center opens its Footlights Performing Arts Series for 1998-'99 with an evening of heart-rending drumming and ecstatic dancing by two renowned traditional Cuban and Puerto Rican music and dance groups who comprise *Dos Alas/Two Wings* on Wednesday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the JMKAC Theater, 608 New York Ave. in Sheboygan.

For over a hundred years, Lola Rodriguez's poem "Cuba y Puerto Rico" which proclaims that "Cuba and Puerto Rico are two wings of one bird," has been a call for unity and freedom as well as a haunting reminder of the islands' shared West African heritage. This incredible event features individual performances by Puerto Rico's first family of the *bomba* — Los Hermanos Cepeda — and Cuba's premiere *rumba* ensemble — Grupo AfroCuba de Matanzas.

On Tuesday, October 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., esteemed Wisconsin musicians from both His-

panic and African music traditions will "jam" with the members of *Dos Alas-Two Wings* in a celebratory *rumba-bomba* party. Remaining Footlight performances include Doug Varone+Dancers; Nrityagram Dance Ensemble of India; and Jerry Gonzales and the Fort Apache Band. For information on season or individual tickets, please call (920) 458-6144.

Madison Area Tech's 1998-'99 Arts Season

Madison — Madison Area Technical College (MATC) Performing Arts has announced its season for the 1998-'99 school year. The two plays of the season include Bertold Brecht's *The Life of Gallileo* and *Evita*, created by the team of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice. Both plays represent a visit to another time in history and to the lives of two historic personalities.

Many consider *Gallileo* to be Brecht's greatest play. Presented on the 100th anniversary of his birth, it is a tense drama concerning the need to establish the truth at all costs. *Evita*, based on the life of Evita Peron, is an opera created by the team of Webber and Rice. It is the story of a small, poor, illegitimate girl and her rise to become the most powerful woman in her country.

Gallileo runs November 6, 7, 13, and 14, 1998, in the MATC Studio Theater. *Evita* will be presented on March 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21, 1999, in the Mitby Theater. Both theaters are located on the MATC Truax campus at 3550 Anderson St. in Madison. Tickets for both productions are available from the Mitby Theater Box Office or by calling (608) 243-4000.



Robert Hirchi, Marilyn White and David Flores

Gutzman Mounts "The Kiss Of The Spider Woman"

Milwaukee — Dale Gutzman Productions launches its 1998-'99 season with the Wisconsin premiere of the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical hit, *The Kiss of the Spider Woman*. The Kander and Ebb musical, with a book by Terrence McNally, is based on the novel of the same name by Manuel Puig.

Set in a prison in Latin America, and concerning the friendship between two prisoners — one incarcerated for a political crime, the other for being gay — the powerful story might seem to be an unusual subject matter for a musical, but the production sparkles with vibrant song, dance and charming wit as the gay prisoner teaches the political rebel how to cope with torture and pain through using his imagination to remember old musical films. Each man gains new respect for the other and in the end the courage of each of them is tested to the limit.

Dale Gutzman has hired two of the finest musical

directors in town for this ambitious production. Jack Wilson and Ernest Brusubardis will ensure top-notch musical sounds. In an impressive cast, David Flores will play Molina, the gay prisoner, and Robert Hirchi plays his political friend. As the movie star, Aurora, who visits them in their imaginations, Marilyn White will play a demanding singing and dancing role. Also appearing is Sarah Sokolovic (Marta), Lawrence Lukasavage (the Warden), James Skibba and David Caldwell (Guards) and a full company of singers and dancers.

The Kiss of the Spider Woman will play at Centennial Hall of the Milwaukee Public Library for three performances only, Friday and Saturday, September 18 and 19, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, September 20, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 (senior and student discounts are available) and may be reserved by calling (414) 327-3552.

James Earl Hardy

Author Beats the Odds And Opens Publisher's Eyes to a New Market

by Dorothy Austin
of the IN Step Staff

The gay black author knew he had the right to speak and write bluntly and so he did. He had earned it, and enjoyed it.

His books, *B-Boy Blues* and *2nd Time Around*, became best sellers, somewhat to the surprise of the publisher and almost everyone else, including James Earl Hardy. They tell the love story of two black gays.

Compact and sturdy, with bright dark eyes and curly black hair which he twisted around his finger now and then, Hardy spoke to a fascinated audience in the Stonewall tent at Pridefest on August 29.

He wrote *B-Boy Blues* in three months and *2nd Time Around* in 6 months.

"Yes, they are based in reality. Now they are available in a single book, a back to back anthology," Hardy stated. "They are based on the existence of people, places and things I have seen."

They were offered to every publisher in New York, and every publisher in New York, including some who had openly gay editors, turned them down. Finally, *B-Boy Blues* was published by a Los Angeles publisher and sold 3,000 copies in the first two weeks.

"And they say blacks don't read," he commented with a wry smile.

He was an established journalist and freelance writer for years, and the only thing that stood in the way of his becoming a novelist earlier, he said, was that he didn't think he could do it.

He maintains now that anyone can do it.

"Everyone has at least one book in him," Hardy said.

He succeeded without an agent, he added, because no agent would take him on.

Some were shocked because *B-Boy Blues* is explicit, and some turned away because the book did not fall into a category they could recognize.

Some said, "White people will not read this book."

Others made suggestions as to how the script could be changed so that it would be more acceptable. One of the characters could be white, or could be a girlfriend instead of a boyfriend. Hardy waved aside such suggestions.

Getting published is somewhat easier



James Earl Hardy. Photo by Dorothy Austin

now that he has four novels to his credit, but is still a struggle, he said, because publishers think they know the market. They think they know what people want to read, and they don't.

And it's hard for them to admit that there's something they don't know. Sometimes it's a matter of finding an audience, he said, and he now believes that he has.

One person in the audience was looking for advice, saying that he was also a writer, "What have you written? Nothing? Then you are not a writer," Hardy said.

That's where it has to start, he suggested. Some people say they have this great idea for a book, and that if they had an agent who would take it on, it would rake in \$6 million dollars. That might happen sometimes, but to people who are black it happens almost none of the time, the writer stated.

However, he pointed out, once writing begins, confidence builds. Getting published is probably always going to be difficult. Nine out of 10 times your manuscript will come back to you with the message, "Sorry this is not what we are looking for just now."

But that doesn't mean you have to give up.

One alternative is reasonable. You can publish your own work. Then, the next time, you will have something you can point to.

"You will have to be your own publicity person I am," Hardy said with a smile. Then his time was up.

And then many in the audience of both colors and genders came forward to stand in line and buy a book, which the writer signed with a flourish.

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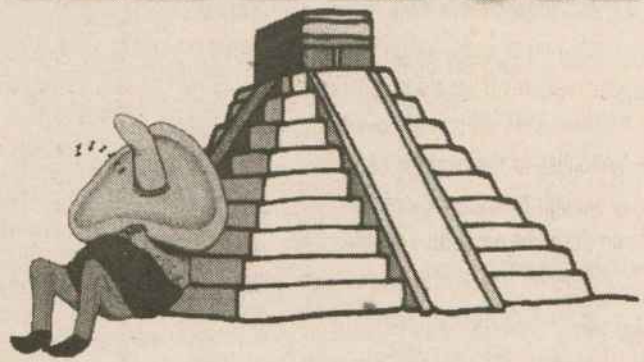
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VANCOUVER Pretty, Witty and Gay

by Rex Wockner

Canada's third-largest city is stunningly beautiful, impressively cosmopolitan and multicultural, and sufficiently gay for a happy homo visit.

Vancouver has often been called one of the prettiest cities in the world and it's no exaggeration. The mountains, water and high-rises come together to form a gripping visual symphony.

The key sectors of the city — downtown and the West End — abut each other and are very pedestrian-friendly. In the summer — Vancouver's dry season — downtown's Robson Street and the West End's Denman Street pulsate with life well into the night. Gay street life is centered

on Denman and Davie Streets, which intersect at the southwest corner of the West End.

Happening gay bars include The Royal Hotel pub (especially Fridays after work; bear-friendly), the Dufferin Hotel pub (very mixed crowd with dancing, strippers and drag shows), three bars within the Heritage House Hotel (neighborhood-type; bearish and leathery on weekends) and Numbers, a multi-level cruise and dance bar in the middle of the Davie scene. All are within walking distance of each other except the Heritage House, which is east of downtown in an unsavory neighborhood. (It's about the only unsavory neighborhood in Vancouver, which is otherwise quite tidy.)

Other gay options include four bathhouses and two very cruisy parks: beautiful Stanley Park (specifically, Lee's Trail) and Central Park in suburban Burnaby. Lots of locals love gay, nude Wreck Beach, near the University of British Columbia

(ask a local for detailed directions), but being from San Diego, where we have a real gay nude beach, I was unimpressed. There's no actual beach to speak of, the water is not swimmable, and the views are among the least interesting in the city. It is, however, a perfect place for virtually unlimited casual "public" sex.

Of course, while there are plenty of spots for cruising, English-speaking Canadians tend to be relatively timid cruisers. Canadian politeness and reserve are wonderful for such things as no one ever cutting you off in traffic but it's a tad frustrating if you're trying to meet a man. My suggestions: Take the initiative. And persistence can pay off.

Another somewhat gay area is up-and-coming Commercial Drive — which I dubbed "The People's Republic of Commercial Drive." The strip between Parker and Broadway is a wonderful mix of socialists, lesbians, earthy-crunchy fags, slackers, new-agers; ethnic cuisine and much more. It's the heart of counter-cultural Vancouver which, like much of English-speaking Canada, is otherwise peopled by relative conformists — at least from an American perspective.

But don't get me wrong: I love Canada. I love the politeness, the order and competency, the exchange rate (the gringo dollar is worth \$1.53), the food (good and cheap), and ... well, the Canadians. Canada is more evolved than the U.S. I suppose it's easier to make progress with one-tenth the population and a less socialism-phobic history. British Columbia has one health-care system and thus drastically lower premiums (around \$26 a month) than we do in the U.S., one car-insurance company and thus lower rates than we do, etc. When you remove the profit motive from



Six Cool Things to Do on a Quickie Visit to Vancouver

1. Circumnavigate Stanley Park on Foot.
2. Eat dim sum in Chinatown.
3. Stroll Robson Street.
4. Go to The Royal Hotel pub Friday evening at 6:30.
5. Drive across the Lion's Gate Bridge.
6. Eat sushi on Denman Street.

certain necessary services, often they can be provided to more people for less cost than in a free-market environment. Oops, I'm preaching.

A good daytrip, summer or winter, is the drive to the foofy ski resort Whistler. While the pre-fab and annoyingly expensive town itself is completely soul-less, the series of chair lifts to the mountaintops are an awesome journey and the views from the summits are well worth the pricey lift ticket. I even saw two grazing black bears on the way up.

Victoria, the provincial capital on Victoria Island, is a second day-trip option (get an early start). While the city itself is way too touristified, the ferry journey from Tsawwassen to Swartz Bay is remarkable as the huge BC Ferries ship winds around scores of scenic islands. Day trips are also possible to various smaller islands.

All in all, Vancouver makes for a trouble-free, English-language, gastronomically delightful, aesthetically enchanting getaway. I liked it so much I stayed three weeks.

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feature editors. It must have been in the very late seventies. I was fascinated by her, but I had never heard of her. I didn't know she existed. I didn't know she was keeping the flame alive. She was very glamorous.

That evening she had her wonderful brindle mastiff named Fierra at her side. She and he were wearing the same jewelry. When she found out I was from Wisconsin, she said she'd invite me for dinner. And, by heaven, the invitation came! My wife and I would go back several times a year.

With Olgivanna it was very interesting. She could always pick up the conversation just where you left off, even if it was six months or a year ago that you last met. She had a computer mind. Toward the end of her active life I went over with my tape recorder, my nice Sony Pro, and my sound-on-film camera. Almost against her will we did a lot of recording on film and on tape. That was crucial in making the Wright documentary many years later. We had things on tape that nobody else had. We had things on film that nobody else had.

Channel 10 and I both had lists of things we wanted to do on Mrs. Wright, and the two converged.

W: At this point were you still producing the films totally by yourself?

J.A.: Actually, this was the break. I did the Farrell, the Bohrod, and a film on John Doyle all on my own: shooting, directing, and writing. I was a one man band. It took forever. Olgivanna Lloyd Wright was my first collaboration. That was with Claudia Looze, who directed and edited, and Bill Werner, who was the executive producer. I ended up writing it and doing the narration.

W: The new film, on Warrington Colescott, is just very impressive. What made you choose Colescott as a subject?

J.A.: We wanted to do a film about printmaking, because I feel that people do not know the work that goes into an original print. Our first thought was to show a lithograph done, an etching, and a monoprint. As we began to realize the constraints of the one hour format we thought it might be much better to concentrate on one artist.

The interesting thing about Colescott is that you can give a history of printmaking through his work. He's so knowledgeable. He's just a fountain of information about Hogarth and Goya and all of the others. Also, he does an incredibly difficult process of color etching. He uses only a few copper plates to get a lot. We thought that would be of interest.

Colescott is a Wisconsin printmaker

with an international reputation. He's in major collections throughout the world. In terms of credentials he's marvelous.

W: How long did the film take, from inception to end?

J.A.: Probably a year and a half. We didn't start shooting until last summer. But, we had been conceptualizing four to five months before we started.

W: Have any of your films seen national distribution?

J. A.: The one that is most available nationally is the one on Mrs. Frank Lloyd Wright. It's been boxed by PBS home video as a two cassette set, *Frank Lloyd Wright, Architect for the Ages* and you can order it through the PBS home catalogue. That has had enormous distribution because it was picked up to be aired nationally.


W: You have a reputation for being somewhat conservative, and a Republican. And yet, not only in your films but in your writings, you often profile artists who are rather left-leaning in their views. I noticed that Colescott is quite a leftist, judging from some of his prints. Do you find a discrepancy there? How do you control your political views when appreciating art?

J. A.: If I started eliminating artists who were believers in the Left I wouldn't be able to cover many artists. I think there are far more liberal and progressive artists than there are conservative artists. Warrington is an interesting mixture of personal conservatism and ideological liberalism.

I remember a little of the Roosevelt era, and Colescott calls himself the last of the Roosevelt liberals. You may not know it, but when I was in college I did a lot of study on groups such as the Socialist Labor Party. I've always been very interested in ideology.


Far be it from me to prevent Warrington from stating that he is critical of the Right. Because that is a part of his entire persona. He is a creature of that era, as much as I am a creature of growing up in the household of one of the few Republican working men in Neenah-Menasha.

I think it will surprise people that some glimmers of Colescott's left-wing sympathies come through in the film. If you're going to do something on his cartoons for *The Progressive* (which, by the way, turned out to be so progressive that he isn't with *The Progressive* anymore) it's simply a matter of documentation. Also, I am much fetched by his sense of humor. I enjoy cartoons, I collect cartoons, and I know many cartoonists. And most cartoonists are far further to the left than I am. ▼



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ACTIVITIES, FESTIVALS:

Thursday, September 17

GAMMA - Sheephead (Milwaukee): Play this typically Milwaukee card game. FMI call Bill at (414) 442-2268

Friday, September 18

Arabian Fest - (Milwaukee): Join this newest festival of Arab culture at the Summerfest Grounds for entertainment, cuisine, and cultural showcases through 9/19. Twenty-one Arab countries will be represented. FMI call (414)342-1120.

Saturday, September 19

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

Gamma - FrontRunners - 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. LAMM 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.

Madison Gay Wrestling Club - Kick-Off Season Party (Madison): New members are welcomed. The event starts at 8 p.m. FMI call (608) 244-8675 (evenings).

Silver Space - 10th Anniversary Celebration (Milwaukee): A 10th anniversary party for this older lesbian group will be held at Falk Park Pavilion (I-94 at Rawson). The party will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. and will feature live music, a meal and prizes (please bring side dishes & snacks). There is no admission for this event. Silver Space meets at the Counseling Center on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

Sunday, September 20

AIDS Walk Wisconsin - 10K Walk (Milwaukee): Join Wisconsin's largest AIDS Fund-Raising Event. This Walk benefits AIDS Agencies in Wisconsin. The action starts at the Summerfest Grounds at 10:30 a.m. with sign-in and activities. Opening Ceremonies are at noon, and the AIDS Walk begins at 12:30 p.m. Afterwards enjoy entertainment and a Grand Celebration at the Summerfest Grounds starting at 3:30 p.m.

Friday, September 25

GAMMA - Camping/Biking (Sparta-Eloy Trail) The group will go on a three-day camping/biking excursion along this scenic trail. FMI and reservations, call Tod before September 18 (414) 961-2341.

WCGN - Autumn Nude Weekend (Southwest Michigan): To celebrate the Autumnal Equinox, the Windy City Gay Naturists have planned a weekend at Trilogy House in Southwestern Michigan. Fee includes housing, food, toga party, dancing and a no-talent talent show. FMI call WCGN at (847) 451-1138 or (771) 281-8619.

Saturday, September 26

Briggs & Stratton Al's Run/Walk (Milwaukee): This run/walk benefits Children's Hospital. Finishing Line Celebration features a Health & Fitness Fair, entertainment and treats. FMI call (414)266-6320.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Old World Wisconsin Trip (Madison): Celebrate African-American heritage in Wisconsin at the Pleasant Ridge Grand Opening exhibit. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Dutch Mill Park & Ride or at 10 a.m. at Old World Wisconsin in Eagle. Admission is \$10 reserved, otherwise \$15.50, which includes a picnic lunch. FMI call Jim at (608) 588-3073 or Bob at (608) 244-3351.

RDA Fall Frolic - Lesbian Picnic (Mt. Horeb, WI): Come frolic and play volleyball, croquet, sing around the campfire and dance in the barn with the dykes you adore. Games begin at 4 p.m. and there is a potluck at 6 p.m. Bring your lawn chair. FMI & directions call (608) 437-3637.

Shake It Up! - Apple Festival (Gays Mills, WI): Join the trek to Gays

Mills for the annual Apple Festival, giant flea market, apple pies, and apples. They plan to leave at 10 a.m. FMI: (608) 241-2500

Sunday, September 27

Cream City Squares - Free Social (Milwaukee): Meet the members of the club and "get your feet wet" with an introductory square dance lesson from 1 to 4 p.m. It all happens at Lake Park Lutheran Church, 2647 N. Stowell Ave., and you don't have to have a dance partner. Dance lessons will begin 10/4 from 1 to 3 p.m. FMI call James at (414) 643-5597.

Shake It Up! - Cranberry Festival (Tomah, WI): Their new adventure is to check out Tomah's Cranberry Festival. Leave at 10 a.m. FMI: (608) 241-2500

BAR SPECIALS:

Sundays:

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

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys \$2, Beer Bust \$1, Tap beer \$0¢.

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): Tea Dance 5 -m. to 8 p.m. 1/2 price bar/rail, \$1 tap Miller products, plus the 219 Girls. Showtime is at 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): \$1.50 Bloody Marys.

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

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

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

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

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 (tap 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.

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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): Open 30 minutes prior to Packer games of 4 p.m. Beer Bust to 8 p.m. Free shots for Packer scores.

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

Mondays:

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

Club 94 (Kenosha): Closed.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Closed.

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! Melrose Place 7 to 8 p.m. Ally McBeal 8 to 9 p.m.

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

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

The Kismet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. After 7 p.m. It's Guy's Night Out! \$1.75 well drinks, \$2.25 call drinks, \$1 Special Ex, and 50¢ Pabst on tap.

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. Grill hours 4 to 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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m.

Za's (Green Bay): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super Bust at Jova'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): Open at 5 p.m.

Dish (Milwaukee): Closed

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): A Request Dance Party with DJ Bange at 9 p.m. \$1.50 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.

The Kismet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. \$1 shots (Liquor or Schnaps) and 75¢ taps. Starting at 8 p.m. Karaoke with Pam!

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

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Taco Tuesday! 2/4/1 drinks 5 to 7 p.m. Grill open from 4 to 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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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! Cocktail Hour - 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.

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Dance Party with DJ Bange 99¢ Miller Lite bottles.

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

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

The Kismet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. \$5 Beer Bash! DJ spinning the hits starting at 9 p.m.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Super Bust!

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

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 2/4/1 drinks from 3 p.m. until closing. Grill hours are 4 to 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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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): Dart Night Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m.

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

Thursdays:

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

Cell Block (Chicago): Big Buck Thursdays! \$1 well, wine, domestic

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process consultations are available with the instructor from 3 to 5 p.m. for \$15 for 15 minutes, \$25 for 25 minutes and \$40 for 45 minutes. Please note length of time you desire on the Registration Form.

On Sunday, October 4, from 1 to 4 p.m. "Performance Poetry" with Karen Howland is a workshop that offers generative, stimulating feedback on how we communicate our art and connect with the audience. Voice technique, body rhythm and centering techniques will be shared. On Sunday, October 14 "Collage Stories" with Kathleen Lester will help you assemble the building blocks of stories from found sources: newspaper articles, bumper

stickers, billboards, television newscasts, etc. This includes using such nontraditional elements as illustration or poetry.

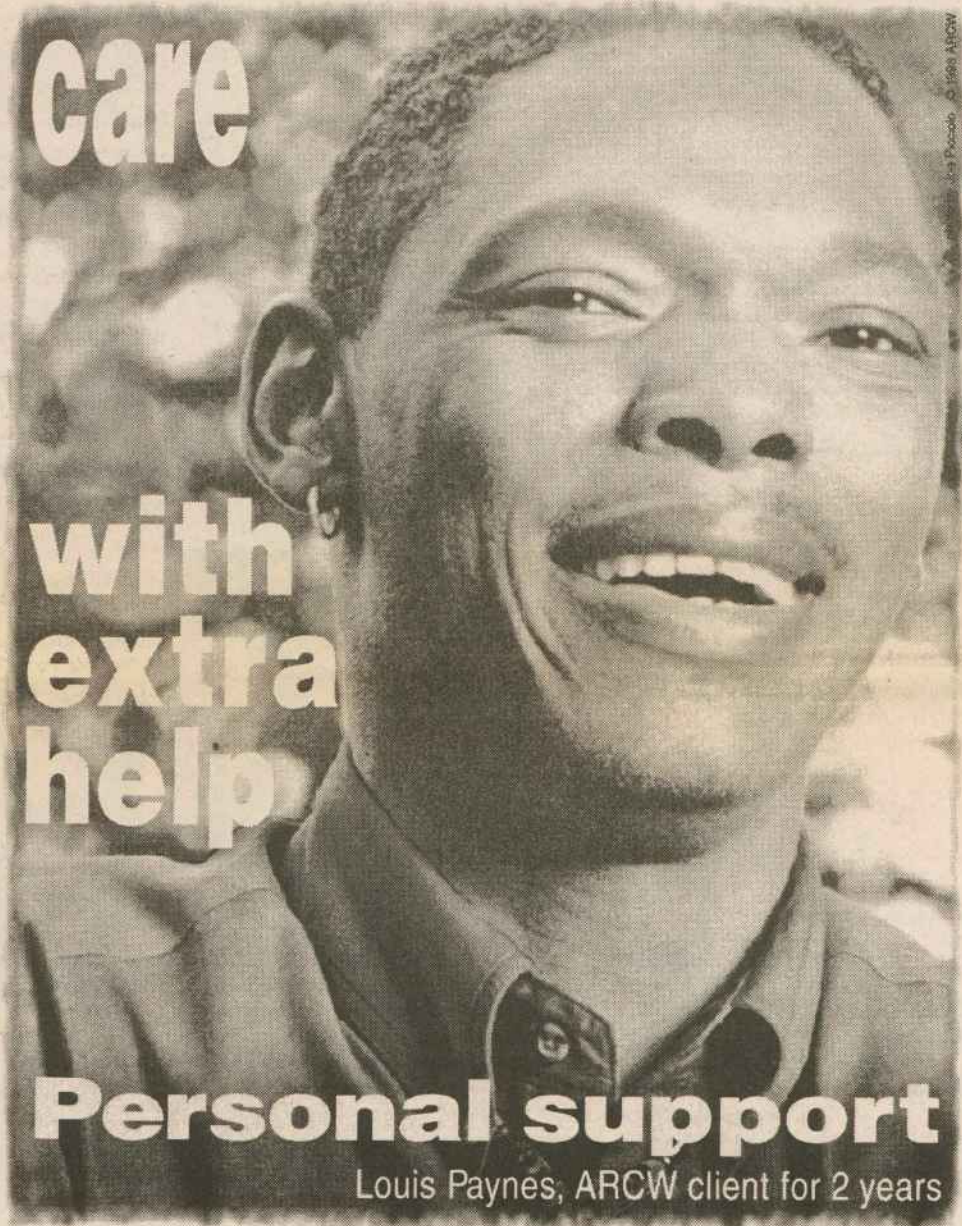
Sunday, October 18, brings a poetry workshop by Marilyn Taylor called "Gimme the Beat." This workshop runs from 1 to 4 p.m. and is a one-shot intensive for poets who want a better handle on poetic rhythm, whether you ordinarily write sonnets, prose poems or free verse. "Sculpting the Screenplay" follows on Sunday, October 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. and is led by Karen Howland. Explore the process of screenwriting. Highlighted areas include script analysis, creating unique characters, structural components and projecting your material.

On Sunday, November 8, from 12:30 to 4:40 p.m. "Shrines, Totems and Icons," led by Caren Heft, is a book art project using found books and found materials. You will build a shrine-like sculpture in homage to the arts. A materials fee and a list of suggested things to bring will be included in your registration confirma-

tion. The last workshop, "Songwriting," with Harvey Taylor, will be presented on Sunday, November 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. This introductory workshop will include an overview of approaches to song ranging from the ballad, verse/refrain, bridge, and one-offs. Participants are encouraged to bring a work in progress and lots of questions.

Woodland Pattern asks that you please register by September 11 or at least two weeks prior to the beginning of class. Woodland Pattern also has a series of weekly and bi-weekly classes beginning in September. For more information, membership or a registration form call (414) 263-5001.

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

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

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 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): In House Pool Tournament. \$100 in cash prizes. Double elimination. \$1.75 MGDL bottles. DJ Bange at 9 p.m. Free & Anonymous HIV Testing from 8 to 10 p.m.

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

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

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

The Klostet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. After 7 p.m. It's Ladies Night Out! \$3 pitchers, \$1.50 bottled beer and 75¢ taps.

LoCage (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.

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

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

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

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 top 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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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): Cocktail Hour - 4 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 dancin' & romancin'.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Friday Night Dance Party with DJ Bange. No cover before 9 p.m.

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

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

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Pull tabs! 5 to 7 p.m.

The Klostet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. DJ spinning the hits starting at 8 p.m. \$1.50 bottles and \$1 shots (Liquor and Schnapps).

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

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Fish Fry 4 to 10 p.m. Open menu specials.

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 Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

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

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

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 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 Bone 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. Tea Dance. Free Eats!

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

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Super Saturday Night Dance Party! DJ Bange No Cover before 9 p.m.

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

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.

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!

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

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 80¢ tap beers, \$2 Bloody Marys, Screws, Greyhounds. All until 6 p.m.

The Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 8 p.m. to close - Bartender's Special!

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ's Jerry & Jess One!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Badger Game Day. Free shots for Badger scores.

BAR EVENTS:

Friday, September 18

Cell Block - Fetish Night (Chicago, IL): Each Friday Cell Block affords you the opportunity to explore some of your favorite fetishes. And, each week there is a drawing for a \$100 Male Hide Gift Certificate. Check your Monthly Planner. Tonight: Water Sports.

Saloon Bar - Ms. Minnesota Leather 1999 Kick Off (Minneapolis, MN): The bar is located at 830 Hennepin Ave. This Leather Weekend for Women will start with the return of Bare As You Dare at 8 p.m. Meet & Greet starts at 6:30 p.m. Dancing until the bar closes. FMI call (612) 332-0835 or (612) 396-4033 for registration & tickets.

Saturday, September 19

Minnesota Bar & Grill - Ms. Minnesota Leather 1999 Dinner/Contest (Minneapolis, MN): The bar is located at 1501 S. 6th St. They will start assembling for pre-show cocktails and a full dinner at 5:30 p.m. There is ample parking and a shuttle will take people (7 p.m.) to the Ms. Minnesota Leather Contest, which is to be held at the Bell Museum Auditorium at 8 p.m. on the University of Minnesota Campus, 17th & University Ave. FMI call (612) 317-9800 or (612) 396-4033 for registration & tickets.

Sunday, September 20

The Tank - Ms. Minnesota Leather 1999 Survivors Brunch (Minneapolis, MN): Open to the first 50 people who register for the weekend package. You will get the location and details when you register. There will be an informal wind-down that night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. FMI call (612) 396-4033 for registration & tickets.

Woody's (Milwaukee): AIDS Walk Party. 4 p.m. to ??? Come and

relax. Special prices, great snacks.

Monday, September 21

Cell Block - WCGN Party (Chicago, IL): Windy City Gay Naturists are having a cocktail party at 8 p.m. in the Holding Cell. The cost is \$7. FMI call (312) 494-2645.

BOOK READINGS, CLASSES, CLUBS:

Friday, September 18

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Shorewood): Edwidge Danticat will read from The Farming of Bones at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

Saturday, September 19

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Shorewood): Harvey S. Wineberg will read from Thanks for Your Trust: Memories of an Untamed Accountant at 3 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

Tuesday, September 22

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Shorewood): Milwaukee native Kathleen Anne Barrett will read from her new mystery, Milwaukee Autumns Can Be Lethal at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

Wednesday, September 23

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (Webster Place): Madison's Larrie Moore will read from her new book of short fiction, Birds of America at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

Afterwords Bookstore - Lesbian Reading Group (Milwaukee): The group meets at the Bookstore at 7 p.m. to discuss Chasing the American Dyke Dream: homestretch, edited by Susan Fox Rogers.

Thursday, September 24

Milwaukee Art Museum - Reception & Book Signing (Milwaukee): Hector Feliciano will present his lecture Anatomy of a Pillage: Looting of Art by the Nazis at 6:15 p.m. There is a reception and book signing at 5:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

Milwaukee Public Museum - Book Signing (Milwaukee): Egyptologist and mystery writer Barbara Mertz will discuss her work and her latest book, The Ape Who Guards the Balance, at 7 p.m. in Centennial Hall, 733 N Eighth St. Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Admission is \$5 in advance (deadline 9/17), or \$6 at the door. Free to Museum members and students with IDs. A book signing will follow the talk. FMI call (414) 278-2700.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Thursday, September 17

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 weekly at 8 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 1609 University Ave. FMI call (608) 222-8989.

PFLAG - Benefit Concert (Milwaukee): Tim Clausen will repeat his benefit jazz concert for PFLAG on October 11 at Plymouth Church, 2717 E Hampshire. FMI call PFLAG at (414) 229-9198

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.

Third Thursdays - HIV Self-Help Group (Baraboo, WI): This group sponsored by persons living with HIV, Sauk Prairie Memorial Hospital & the AIDS Network meets every 3rd Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. in Baraboo. Refreshments are served & transportation assistance is available. FMI & location call (608) 643-7241 or (608) 643-7583.

Women's Consciousness Raising Group (Madison): Meets weekly 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, September 18

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.

GAMMA - Dining Out (Milwaukee): The group is meeting at Jake's of Brookfield to dine together. FMI & time, call Patrick by 8/16 for reservations.

Incarnation Lutheran Church - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144

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.

Saturday, September 19

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. Catch the mother of all Farmer's Markets in West Allis at 65th and Greenfield from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Dane County Farmer's Market - (Madison): Every Saturday and Wednesday you will find fresh produce, plants, and other goodies at Capitol Square in Madison. Check it out!

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.



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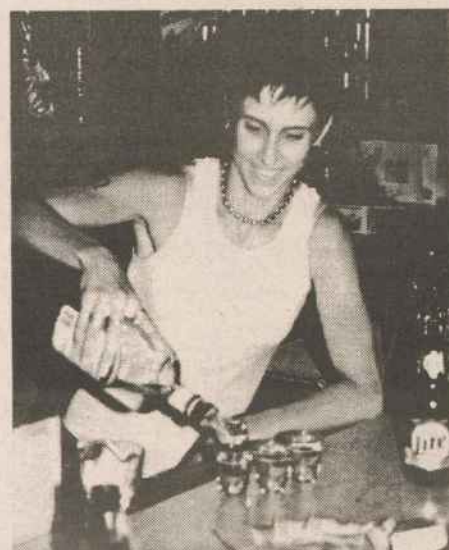
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Wouldn't be caught dead at Studio 54. Photo by Jamie @ Eagle

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, September 20

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.

Silver Space - Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This group for older lesbians meets every third Sunday at the Counseling Center, 2036 N. Bartlett Ave., from 6 to 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

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

Monday, September 21

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Rap Group (Madison): The group meets in The United meeting room at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 274-5959.

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.

MGLQ & MGLPO - Meeting (Marshfield, WI): The meeting is at 7 p.m. at 130 S. Central Ave. #3. Topic: How to cope with parents who don't believe in homosexuality being right. Political updates: AIDS Walk Wisconsin. Getting registered & getting donations from around Central Wisconsin. FMI call Jim at (715) 384-6731 or Vic at (715) 387-2068.

Positive Voice - Kick-Off Fall Meeting (Green Bay, WI): This fall kick-off social event will take place at the Bay Family Restaurant-West starting at 6:30 p.m. An optional family-style dinner is included before A Gay Antique Road Show. FMI call (920) 435-4404.

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, September 22

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 from 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, September 23

Bay View GAYS - Garden Club (Bay View, WI): The group meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month at the Baulah Brinton Community Center, 2555 S. Bay St. at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Dan at (414) 482-3796.

Community Thrift Store (Madison): The new nonprofit store is now open for business at 1814 South Park Street from Wednesday through Sunday - 11 am to 7 pm. Wheel chair access and donation entry are located in the rear. Volunteers are needed. Designate which GLBTQ or "straight" agency you wish the percentage of the sale to go to. Pick up a form to have your favorite agency become a recipient of the percentage of money due to donations.

Gay/Bi Men's Al-anon 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 Latter Day Saints gym. Church not affiliated with the class. FMI call (608) 837-9514.

Thursday, September 24

GayLesBi Conference - Higher Education (Oconomowoc, WI): Waukesha Tech & Madison Tech are sponsoring a conference on Thursday & Friday at Olympia Resort & Spa. For more information call Deborah Wallendal at (414) 691-5346.

Take Back the Night! - March & Candlelight Vigil (Milwaukee): Meet at the Peck Pavilion at the Performing Arts Center at 4:30 p.m. for a gathering and entertainment. There will be a rally at 5 p.m. and a 2-mile march through downtown Milwaukee at 6 p.m. This event honors the women survivors of violence. FMI call (414) 229-2852.

Friday, September 25

WCC Regional Gathering - Religious (Middleton, WI): The Wisconsin Council of Churches will sponsor a GLBT Members in God's Family event at the Benedict Center starting at 7:30 p.m. and continuing through 3 p.m. on Saturday. FMI call (608) 837-3108.

Saturday, September 26

The Counseling Center - Workshop (Milwaukee): A two-hour workshop, open to the general public on: Quieting The Nagging Voices of Self-Criticism Through Self-Acceptance, will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at 2038 N. Bartlett. Fee is \$10. FMI & to register, call (414) 962-2284 (ext. #1) and leave a message for Jerry Rousseau.

Sunday, September 27

Lake Edge Lutheran Church - LGBT Worship (Madison): Coming Out, Coming Together in worship. Service is at 7 p.m. Speaker: Rev. Bill Johnson - Sustaining the Gift of Faith. The church is located at 4032 Monona Drive.

FILM, TV, VIDEO & RADIO:

Friday, September 18

Landmark Oriental Theater - Film Opening (Milwaukee) Passion in the Desert & The Chambermaid open today. FMI call (414) 276-8711.

Sunday, September 20

Asian American Studies - Film (Madison): LGBT Asians & Asian-American students and community members are invited and encouraged to join in for a potluck dinner and some of the queer Asian-American videos from the Asian-American Studies Program video library. FMI on the dinner or the group, please contact: kkmash@students.wisc.edu or (608) 256-5415.

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, September 21

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.

Wednesday, September 23

WYOU-TV Cable Channel 4 - Nothing To Hide (Madison): The program airs from 9 to 11 p.m., and features the GALVANIZE Rally & Tammy Baldwin's announcement of her candidacy.

WORT 89.9 FM - QUEERY (Madison): QUEERY is south-central Wisconsin's only local GLBTQ radio show. It has been on the air in the Madison area for two years and is getting ready to change its format. In September it will implement a rotating schedule of people and organizations active in the queer community, which will allow for more discussion and access to current issues from more diverse perspectives. To help out and volunteer, call Margo Robb at (608) 256-2001

Thursday, September 24

UWM Union Theater - G/L Film & Video Festival (Milwaukee): This is Opening Night! Showing at 7 p.m.: Dear Jesse addresses homophobic senator Jesse Helms; shown with POM, a documentary of a whiskey-swilling, chain-smoking grunge dyke. Showing at 9 p.m.: The Sticky Fingers of Time, a black lesbian time-warp sci-fi thriller; shown with Roof, in which two women of different generations meet on a suburban Florida road. FMI call (414) 229-6015.

Friday, September 25

Charles Allis Art Library - Classic Movies (Milwaukee): My Wild Irish Rose, starring Dennis Morgan & Arlene Dahl, will be screened in the new Margaret Rahl Great Hall at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. \$3 general public, Free to members FMI call (414) 278-8295.

Landmark Oriental Theater - Film Opening (Milwaukee) Pecker opens today. FMI call (414) 276-8711.

UWM Union Theater - G/L Film & Video Festival (Milwaukee): Showing at 7 p.m.: The Brandon Teena Story: a tale of Teena Brandon, a woman who thinks she's a man and lives like one. Winner of the Teddy for the best documentary at the 1998 Berlin Film Festival. Showing at 9 p.m.: Uncut, a collage of narrative and documentary about circumcision activists; shown with Pony Glass, another uniquely dark and stunning cut-out animated piece from master collagist Lewis Klahr. FMI call (414) 229-6015.

Saturday, September 26

Madison Gay Video Club (Madison): A screening of Armistead Maupin's More Tales of the City, Red Alert, and Current Affairs. Starts at 8 p.m. FMI call (608) 244-8674 (evenings).

UWM Union Theater - G/L Film & Video Festival (Milwaukee): Showing at 7 p.m.: Troika, by Milwaukeean Jennifer Montgomery shows how the politics of personal relationships and the personal implications of political beliefs become impossible to imagine separately. Showing at 9 p.m.: Loss, Longing, Teenagers, Home Decorators and a Couple of Cows: A Bonanza of Boy's Shorts. FMI call (414) 229-6015.

Sunday, September 27

UWM Union Theater - G/L Film & Video Festival (Milwaukee): Showing at 7 p.m.: Nana, George & Me is a delightful round-a-bout work

of revelation & self-exploration as the filmmaker turns his camera on his elders - a 93-year old grandmother and a 73-year old gay writer, shown with Treyf (Yiddish for unkosher), a lively documentary on being a Jewish lesbian. Treyf attempts to find one's place within a heritage that might not act like it includes you, but to which you proudly belong! FMI call (414) 229-6015.

Wednesday, September 30

WYOU-TV Cable Channel 4 - Nothing To Hide (Madison): Gary Webb's new book on the Republican's Iran-Contra Scandal is getting rave reviews, and yes, Bush knew about it all along and LIED about it! ; A Matter of Fact: SSS in Politics, with Ed Garvey & In Our Own Words. The show airs from 9 to 11 p.m.

MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Thursday, September 17

ARTcentric & Valenti Design - Current Photography (Milwaukee): 217 North Broadway. Local photographers go to extremes in Flash to Trash. The exhibition will run through 10/10 and includes works by IN Step's Richard Waswo. FMI call (414) 220-9660.

Friday, September 18

Gallery H20 - Artists' Reception (Milwaukee): There will be a reception for artist Barbara Peterson's show titled Below the Surface from 6 to 10 p.m. Music will be supplied by the John Brill Trio. The show will be up through 10/2/98 FMI call (414) 271-8032.

Saturday, September 19

Milwaukee Art Museum - Quilting Demonstrations (Milwaukee): Milwaukee area quilting experts from the Wisconsin Quilt History Project will demonstrate quilting techniques between 11 a.m. and noon and from 2 to 3 p.m. There is a Gallery Talk about the exhibition at 1:30 p.m. on 9/22. Regular museum admission. Members free, FMI call (414) 224-3200.

Tuesday, September 22

Milwaukee Art Museum - Benefit Auction Preview & Lecture (Milwaukee): The 7th Benefit Art Auction will offer more than 125 museum-quality works of contemporary art. These artworks will be on preview until the actual auction is held on October 17. Tonight there is a lecture at 6:15 p.m. by Sotheby's Midwest representative Helmy D. Goldenberg on the current art market, bidding, art tips and behind-the-scenes at auctions. FMI call (414) 224-3815.

Friday, September 25 UWM Union Gallery - Hispanic Art (Milwaukee): Art by Hispanic artists living in Southeastern Wisconsin will be shown through October 31. There is an opening night reception from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Poetry and folkloric dancing are also scheduled. FMI call (414) 229-6310.

Sunday, September 27

Charles Allis Art Museum - Art & Decorative Art (Milwaukee): Treasures From the Vault, rarely viewed objects from the Allis collection will be on exhibit through 10/25. There will be music and refreshments from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2. FMI call (414) 278-8295.

THEATER ARTS:

Friday, September 18

Dale Gutzman Productions - Theater (Milwaukee): A production of Kiss of the Spider Woman will have a tree-day run at Milwaukee's Centennial Hall, located in the Milwaukee Public Library. Tickets are \$15. Senior & student discounts available. FMI call (414) 327-3552.

Danceworks - Concert (Milwaukee): Up Close & Personal is DPCs fall concert. Performances are at the Pitman Theater at Alverno College at 8 p.m. on 9/18 & 9/19. FMI & tickets call (414) 382-6044.

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra - Classics (Milwaukee): Andreas Deffs conducts Schoenberg, Barber and Beethoven's Eroica at 11:15 a.m. Also on 9/19 at 8 p.m. and 9/20 at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414)

UWM Fine Arts - Voice Recital (Milwaukee): The American songs of Copland, Rorem, Ives and Cumming will be sung by mezzo-soprano Cynthia Stiehl, accompanied by pianist Richard Cumming, at 12 noon

in the Fine Arts Recital Hall at UWM. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Sunday, September 24

UWM Fine Arts - Music (Milwaukee): Music From Almost Yesterday will be presented at 7:30 p.m. in the UWM Fine Arts Recital Hall. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Friday, September 25

Chicago Symphony Orchestra - 108th Season Opener (Chicago, IL): The festivities start at 5 p.m. with cocktails and dinner, followed by a concert featuring Cecilia Bartoli and the CSO at 8 p.m. A post performance celebration will be held afterward. FMI & Tickets call PhoneCharge at (312) 294-3000 or 1-800-233-7114.

Milwaukee Pops Orchestra - Season Opener (Milwaukee): Conductor Keith Brian brings his popular celebration of John Philip Sousa to the Uihlien Hall stage at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$15 to \$45. FMI & reservations, call (414) 273-7206.

Skylight Opera Theater - Musical Comedy (Milwaukee): The Pirates of Penzance will open at the Cabot Theater at 7:30 p.m. and run through 10/11. Tickets are \$11 to \$48. FMI call (414) 291-7800.

Sunday, September 27

The Grand Opera House - Rock Musical (Oshkosh, WI): Idols of the King, a new musical about you-know-who, will have its world premiere at 3 and 7 p.m. This Rock n' Roll musical tracks the lives of Elvis's ardent fans. Tickets are \$26, \$23 & \$21. FMI & tickets call (920) 424-2350.

Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum - Bayan Button Accordion Music (Milwaukee): Stas Venglevski plays Vivaldi, Mozart and Russian melodies at 3 p.m. in the Great Hall. \$10 public, \$8 Friends of Villa Terrace, \$3 children. FMI and to reserve seats, call (414) 271-3656.



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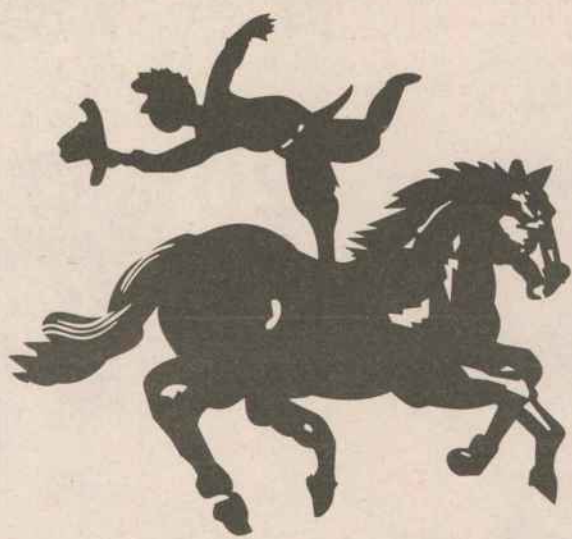
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Michel Tremblay
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Bambi and Me

by Michael Tremblay
Translated by Sheila Frischman

The author of this very funny book of remembrances is a French Canadian writer who describes how movies and theater shaped his life. Tremblay's tales from childhood abound with wit and charm and are certain to conjure up memories from your own childhood. Movies for Michael Tremblay are a sort of right of passage; where his experience of film helps him to become aware of his childhood and adolescent sensibilities.

The author says, "I was a little ashamed of the first real sexual fantasy I had at the movies ... I can laugh at it now because it all happened more than thirty-five years ago, but for a long time I was haunted by that summer afternoon when I discovered that I really wasn't like other people." We experience the magic of movies through his eyes as he pleads with his mother to take him on the streetcar (three streetcars, yet!) to the Outremont Theater, where *Cinderella* is showing in English.

As for the title film *Bambi*, the chapter is two lines long on one page and asks whether we cried as much as he did at the death of Bambi's mother! Onward we go to *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* — again at the Outremont. This time he talked his mother into letting him go on his own — he stayed to see the movie four times. Another time he arrived home late for Sunday supper to find his mother in hysterics while talking to the police on the phone. He tried to lie and minimize what he'd done and got an empty stomach and a fat cheek when his father smacked him for his efforts. The rest of the stories are just as amusing. (Talon Books, ISBN 0-88922-380-7, \$11.95, SC).

Acts of Disclosure: The Coming Out Process of Contemporary Gay Men

by Marc E. Vargo, MS

"This book uses research findings and first-hand accounts to help gay adolescents and men accept and embrace their sexual identity as an integral part of their being. *Acts of Disclosure* walks you step-by-step through the stages of coming out, the emotions involved, the pitfalls, and the kinds of receptions you may meet."

Marc Vargo points out both healthy and self-destructive coping strategies. He teaches you how to take responsibility for your sexuality. You will find the discussions straightforward, honest and direct as he approaches such subjects as coming out in American schools,

expressing your sexual identity on the job; why some parents adjust better than others to the fact that they have a gay child; and disclosing your sexual identity after the onset of AIDS, among many other topics.

One reviewer says this book "...is equally informative for heterosexual persons who want to better understand the experiences of their gay children, friends, relatives, neighbors, and co-workers." A rather extensive appendix references many coming-out resources, from teens to adult, legal and religious issues. (The Harrington Park Press, ISBN 1-56023-912-3, SC).

Boyhood: Growing Up Male

Edited by Franklin Abbot

The essays in this book are written by both gay and non-gay men of all races and circumstances. They allow us to look at their lives from a "...remembered boyhood and outward to its adult expression, a prism through which we can see how boys become men." This statement is from the new forward written by Michael S. Kimmel.

In the introduction, Franklin Abbot says, "Trying to free ourselves from prescribed learning and early gender roles has given rise to what is referred to as 'the men's movement'. Abbot goes on to explain that there are actually many men's movements and says that "in recent popular psychology there has been great emphasis on what is termed 'the inner child'. He says that the book's intent is not to portray boyhood in that light.

There are four sections; they range from "Getting Gendered" to "Being a Boy in the Family" to "Boyhood and the Soul." Each section is filled with essays — and more than a few poems — on each writer's boyhood experiences and how they affected his adulthood. These personal reflections on childhood are a wonder to read and range from loving families and loving grandparents to verbal, mental and physical abuse by drunken parents and much else that happens in many dysfunctional families.

In "Boyhood and the Soul" there is a wonderful statement about a boy's need for "an inner life, safe places and secret gardens, fields away from houses and basements, attics and trees where he goes to think and be." It's easy to go back to one's own childhood memories and pinpoint feelings and actions. I certainly can remember my own secret spots when I was growing up.

At the end of this volume is a description of how to use it "to better understand [your] own boyhood experiences. Some [men] may use it as an adjunct to psychotherapy or recovery, others as a stimulus for writing, journalizing or other forms of creative expression." Whatever your reason for rediscovering your 'boyhood self,' you will be pleased that you made the choice to read this book. (The University of Wisconsin Press, ISBN: 0-229-15754-7, SC).

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by Jamie Taylor

Unless you've been under a rock these past few days, I'm sure you've heard about or read Kenneth Starr's report. I've scanned the report and have a few thoughts.

Bill Clinton. This is a man that has done a pretty decent job as the leader of this country. The latest polls still indicate that two thirds of the country still support the President. However, this man is supposed to set a good example for the rest of the American public. Yes, there have been reports of 13 or so other presidents that have had affairs in the White House, but this is the age of information. Did he really think he could get away with it? Did he really think that the other one third was not going to leave one stone unturned? He should have learned that lesson during his first campaign for the Oval Office.

Didn't Gennifer Flowers and Paula Jones teach him anything? Hello? Is there anyone in there? That special attention he was getting in the Oval Office should have been given by his wife. Hey Bill, did you ever think about your wife's feelings?

Monica Lewinsky. Does this bimbo really understand what she has done? I know she knew what she was doing but does she understand what she has done? Does she understand how destructive she has been? She participated in sending this country into turmoil. Yes, being more mature, Bill should have never let this hap-

pen, but she told a college friend that she was going to the White House to get her presidential knee pads. When she got down on her knees; she knew she was blowing a married President. She should be punished for putting a married man's penis in her mouth. I have zero respect for her.

All of this makes me sick. Now I have to struggle with whether the president can effectively run this country. Are you and I ever going to be able to trust this man? What about fidelity? C'mon, sex with an intern at the White House? (As I get older, I understand how important fidelity is in a relationship. When two people really love and respect each other they won't mess around with other people. It may have taken some time for me to understand that, but I do. It's all about respect.) Even if he doesn't really love Hillary, he has a responsibility to put on a good front. That means no cheating! If I were Hillary, I would be putting Bill through some serious hell right now.

And is all of this really any of our business? Well it's too late, the powers that be, made it our business. In this day and age you really have to watch you're P's and Q's if you want to run for public office. I'm not talking about the skeletons from years past; I'm talkin' about now and the recent past. It'll be interesting how this all pans out.

I'm sure there have been some scandals here in our little world, but I don't gossip about the club scene in this column. I get to tell you about events. Let's start with **Woody's**.

I stopped in at **Woody's** last Friday to start some trouble. The place was packed with lots of the people that used to hang out at the old **Y.P.** We had a blast. They

were scarfing down pizza, drinkin' beer and laughin the whole time I was there.

Fluid threw a Miller Brewing Co. **Blind Date Party** September 4th, 5th & 6th. There were \$2 MGDs and MGD Lites all weekend long. They gave away a mountain bike, a 25-inch TV and a trip to London. Would've been so cool to win the trip but it wasn't in the cards for me this time. **Lizzie** and the staff at **Fluid** threw a surprise birthday party for co-owner **Billy**. There were balloons and party favors all over the place. I can tell you from experience, they know how to throw a birthday party at **Fluid**.

Speaking of birthday parties, the owner of **In Between**, **Curt Peck**, also had a birthday party. Yes, the nutty Packer fan has turned yet another year older. I remember **Curt** when he was just a kid.

In case you missed it, the Packer's season is under way. **Triangle** is the gayest place to watch all those big beefy guys running around with an oblong ball. Every Packer touchdown gets you a free shot with 75-cent tappers throughout the entire game. Stop in and check it out.

OK, the **Ballgame** is and has been the favorite place for lots of folks into sports for many years, with **Rick** always on hand to make you feel welcome. If you're going to the **Ballgame** for a Packer's game, better get there early.

The Milwaukee Eagle held a Team Eagle AIDS Walk fund-raiser this past Friday. I stopped in with the hopes of winning one of those every half-hour drawings, but no such luck for me that night.

219 and **Nova Devine** are having **The New Academy Awards Night**

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STEPPIN' OUT!

Saturday, September 19

As Time Drags On, a AIDS Walk Wisconsin Benefit Show at 1100 Club starts at 3 p.m. and features an all-star cast, food, beer and raffles. A \$5 requested donation at the door goes to AIDS Walk Wisconsin.

Sunday, September 20

AIDS Walk Wisconsin kicks off at Milwaukee's Lakefront Summerfest. Ribbon cutting and kick off at 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 20

Club 5 has signed up Portfolio Men for an evening of shaking and struttin'. Showtime is 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23

Miller Time at Milwaukee Eagle. \$1 taps/\$1.25 Bottles.

Thursday, September 24

Groooooove with Amy at Dish. Plus, enjoy enormous jugs of Honey Brown!

Sunday, September 27

Packer Sunday! Head to the Ballgame, Triangle, Woody's Mama Roux, Dish or wherever and watch the Packers tame the Panthers. Kick Off at 12 p.m.

Sunday, September 27

The Cream City Squares are having a free Square Dance Social from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lake Park Lutheran Church Hall at 2647 N. Stowell Ave.

Friday, September 25

Check out Mama Roux's Make-Over with a week-end of Drink Specials and parties. Friday night features the Tequila Rose Party, Saturday is the Bacardi Limon Crantini and Sunday the Hot Sex Party!

Sunday, September 27

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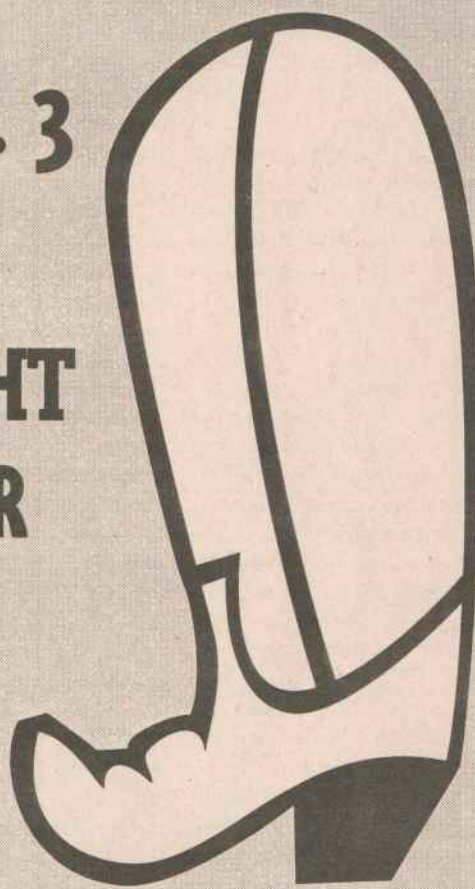
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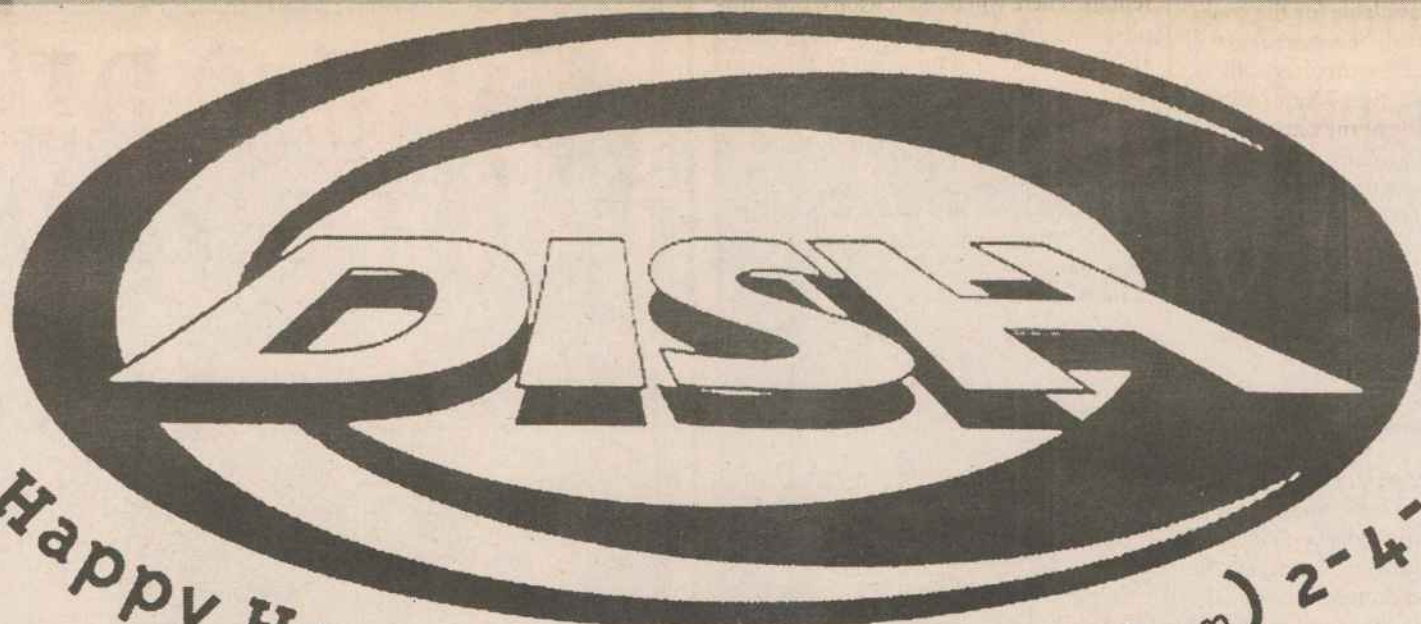
Uncut (Friday, September 25th, 9:00 p.m.) is another brilliant, complex work from John Greyson who brought us *Lilies* at last year's festival. Somehow, it manages to elegantly balance copyright law, circumcision, a preoccupation with Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and interviews with artists who have been censored (or could be) under copyright law in a narrative that will still please pleasure-seekers who couldn't care less about any of the above. Too bad interviewed composer John Oswald doesn't share a modicum of reverence for Michael Jackson that actress Linda Griffiths clearly displays for her object of cultural appropriation, Pierre Trudeau. When Oswald smugly claims that Jackson's "Bad" "needed some help," you begin to feel he deserved all the torment the copyright cops inflicted upon him. But that glitch detracts only slightly Greyson's innovative and entertaining vision.

Fans of *The Fifth Element* will probably not find anything very sci-fi about Hilary Brougher's *The Sticky Fingers of Time* (Thursday, September 24th, 9:00 p.m.), the \$250,000-minus budget of which probably wasn't even enough to cover the former film's costume costs. But Brougher manages to pull off a tale of time travel with a great deal of subtlety. This knack for playing it down doesn't extend to the labyrinthine story itself, which gets a bit too convoluted at points. Nonetheless, the theme of lesbians rewriting their own history comes

through creatively.

My two favorites are *Andy* (directed by Steve Reinke) and *Roof* (directed by Betsy Kalin). *Andy* (Saturday, September 26th, 9:00 p.m.) is a nine-minute video in which the soundtrack describes the detailed interior decorating changes a man has made to his living room while a man (the narrator?) jerks off to orgasm in the living room. It's an absolute laff-riot to watch as the man fingers his ass as the narrator explains how he created French doors or whatever. Not that there's any rhetorical correlation being made between the image and the soundtrack. It's just a hilariously rude piss taken on gay male snobbery, plasticity and materialism. *Roof* (shown after *The Sticky Fingers of Time*) has a twentysomething tough-willed girl meeting an equally tough-willed fortysomething woman on the roof of the latter's suburban Florida home. Why they're on the roof is never explained. The relationship between the two is a complete puzzle. And their motivations are practically non-existent, particularly when the young one goes into the house and licks the apples in the fridge and a picture in the living room a la Divine in *Pink Flamingos*. It's a nihilistic world up for grabs, a sort of suburban *Waiting for Godot*. But no film I've ever seen has captured so perfectly the itchiness that suburbs hold for anyone who feels forever out of place in them.

And you'd be a damned fool if you missed the Thursday, October 1 (9:00 p.m.) presentation of queer classics like Kenneth Anger's *Fireworks*, Chantal Akerman's *I'm Hungry I'm Cold*, and Jean Genet's *Un Chant D'Amour*, which contains the sexiest cigarette sequence in cinema history. —Kevin John



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The Villa Terrace Renaissance Garden Project is under way! After having coffee with Brenda Anguil, president of the newly forming Renaissance Garden Club (which I joined), I was taken to Villa Terrace to have a look at the work under progress in preparation for the restoration of the museum's once stunning Italian gardens. How fortunate Milwaukee is to have this energetic woman move into our midst. In the fall of 1997, a sub-committee of the Friends of Villa Terrace, a 501(c)(3) organization, was formed to develop a project plan, recruit volunteers, raise private funds to support the project and begin the work of clearing the two-plus acre site of 30 years of undergrowth.

This historic landmark, registered in 1974, was once the residence of Lloyd R. Smith (president of A.O. Smith Corporation), and was built in 1923 by architect David Adler. The Villa, originally known as *Sopra Mare* ("above the sea"), is one of the foremost examples in the Midwest of 16th century Italian building and landscape architecture.

This timeless Italian garden was originally designed by Rose Standish Nichols of Boston. Ms. Nichols, a direct descendant of American artist Winslow Homer, included the classic *Scaletta D'Agua*, a water system with a dramatic central stairway that ends in a *Vasca*, or fish pond, at its base. In Italy this pond kept the catch-of-the-day alive, while fresh herbs grown in containers, were available for the cooks.

The water stairs will be restored, as will the fish pond. These structures will be restricted from public use. A tram will be built on the north side of the bluff for universal access to the gardens, while a new stairway will be constructed on the south side leading to the "meadow" and the Lake Michigan shoreline. Brenda went over the garden plans with me and said that Italian gardens are frequently found on terraced hillsides, due to the need to keep flat land for growing produce. They are simpler than the baroque French styles and less floral than English gardens.

Italian gardens are appreciated for their bold simplicity, restraint and balance. They are, as a matter of course, mostly green with trimmed and clipped woody vegetation. Silver foliage is used to accentuate the greenery and one finds long vistas, statuary, flowering trees and culinary and medicinal herbs in decorative urns. With an emphasis on public education and dramatic design elements, the proposed garden restoration plans include botanical collections and garden layouts which will reflect the days of the Medicis. Lake views will be opened up and maintained.

Once restored, the gardens will attract many new visitors to what some feel is one of the most beautiful, but rather isolated and austere museums in our city. On days

when I have ridden my bike past this building, I always had the feeling that it was not accessible, that I would be intruding into some dowager's private domain if I dared to enter. That will all, hopefully, change.

Here's where the Renaissance Garden Club comes in: Volunteers are needed to help restore and eventually maintain this once elegant garden. Mrs. Anguil told me that *everyone* is needed. They want men and women; anyone, in fact, who loves to get involved with the earth. This is going to be *fun* and all hands are needed.

Currently, there are Garden Clean-Up days on the fourth Saturday of the month at Villa Terrace. They will continue until the snow flies. The next two working Saturdays are September 26 and October 24, from 8:30 a.m. until noon. If you're not into Italian gardens, there's the English garden that is being planned to complement the new construction of Villa Terrace's sister museum, the Charles Allis Art Museum, located at 1801 North Prospect Ave. The Garden Club will be overseeing that effort, too.

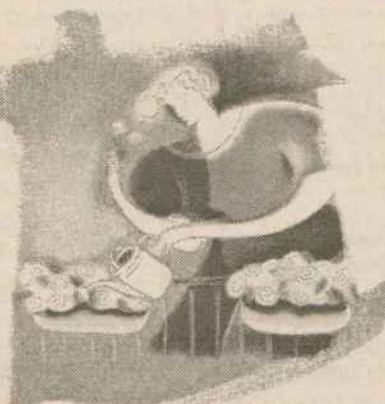
The Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum structure is currently owned and maintained by Milwaukee County. However, the garden restoration effort is under the guise of the Friends of Villa Terrace. The major benefit of membership in FOVT is the free admission to its ever-changing decorative arts exhibits. But with a \$2 general admission it's hardly out-of-reach for anyone who's interested.

Villa Terrace is a popular destination for out-of-town visitors. By the year 2000, the Museum and grounds will provide enhanced space for private and public rentals. There will be educational opportunities relative to the medium of landscape architecture as an expression of the decorative arts. Authentic holiday decorations in keeping with museum interiors and exteriors, gardening workshops, sales and talks are planned.

As I looked down at the undergrowth that is even now are being cleared from the bluff, I could almost imagine the view to the meadow on a clear summer day — the sky would be as blue as it was at this moment. There would be a lovely decorative tent, and music from the festivities happening below would echo upward on the lake breeze. *Bellissima!*

As the Renaissance Garden Club's invitation states: "It takes more than a handful of seeds to build a beautiful garden." They will need the help of all gardeners who want to be a part of this exciting effort. Please come — and bring a friend or two — to the informational meeting that will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23rd at Villa Terrace, 2200 North Terrace Ave. For more information, or to join the Garden Club, call Brenda Anguil at (414) 962-3716. Oh, and by the way, they are looking for donations of tools—any kind of tools. If you have any extras, bring them along. They will be put to good use. Look for me, I'll be the one in the big straw hat!

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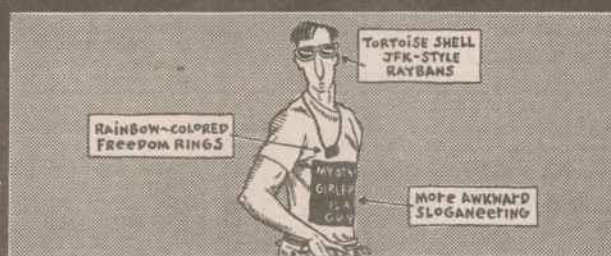
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On April 6th, 1998, country music's most beloved and cherished singer, Tammy Wynette, died unexpectedly of a blood clot in the lungs. Her death shocked and saddened not only country music fans and associates, but people all over the world. Wynette's memorial service held at the Ryman Auditorium was telecast live worldwide by CNN.

In announcing the release of "Tammy Wynette... Remembered," Asylum Records President, Evelyn Shriver, said: "I am extremely proud of this record. This project was done for all the right reasons and all the right people. Every artist and person involved in this project loved Tammy and she them."

Every artists featured on this project: Elton John; Trish Yearwood; Melissa Etheridge; Lorrie Morgan; Linda Ronstadt; Emmylou Harris; Anna and Kate McGarrigle; Faith Hill; Brian Wilson; and more, was a personal friend of Tammy's. Each artist was given a budget, and the freedom to do what they wanted to make each song selected their own personal trib-

ute. The result is a unique treasure, familiar songs made popular by Ms. Wynette with new arrangements and vocal style.

The opening song is Elton John's interpretation of Ms. Wynette's signature song "Stand By Your Man." Leave it to Elton to bring a new twist to a flawless and very familiar song.

"Til I get It Right," appeared on Trish Yearwood's 1995 album "Thinkin' About You," is the sexiest version I've heard yet—guaranteed to melt ice-cream in the freezer. Rosanne Cash does a splendid version of "D-I-V-O-R-C-E." Melissa Etheridge credits Wynette for her own singing style, pays a personal tribute to Tammy with a sultry-sad version of "Apartment #9."

"Woman to Woman," performed by Wynonna is a no-nonsense-straight-to-the-heart advise column set to music for women only. George Jones's version of "Take Me To Your World," is sincerely delivered. K.T. Oslin's version of "Your Good Girl's Gonna Go Bad" is naughty and nice.

Lorrie Morgan, whose voice is reminiscent of a young Wynette, delivers a heartfelt performance of "You And Me." Sara Evans's interpretation of "I Don't Wanna Play House," scores high. Emmylou Harris, Linda Ronstadt, Anna and Kate McGarrigle give a reverent performance of "Golden Ring." Their combined voices are pure platinum.

Faith Hill's version of "Til I Can Make It On My Own," brings a emotional depth to the song which I haven't heard before. And the finale, is the heart of this collection, the Beach Boys classic, "In My Room," exquisitely delivered by Brian Wilson and Tammy Wynette.

"Tammy Wynette... Remembered" is full of memories, heart, and timeless performances. It's A-W-E-S-O-M-E for the ears!

—Jorge Cabal

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every other Thursday night. At the end of the year they will throw a huge Awards Ceremony that should be lots of fun.

There are 2 new clubs to tell you about. Madison now has a huge, new gay entertainment place. It's been many years since Madison has had a large place to party but now there is. Stop in at **Club 5**. This place has something for everyone!

I heard their Grand Opening weekend was a such huge success with hundreds (thousands?) of persons jammed into the new club that they *neary* ran dry.

The reviews I've heard on the new place have been very positive, congratulations to **Ed** and the staff! The complex boasts **The Barracks** Men's Bar, **Planet Q** Video Dance Bar and **Q Gift Shop**. Can't wait for my next road trip to Madison.

Beloit also has a new place for gay partygoers. **The Kloset** opened it's doors for their Grand Opening Party, September 12th. I will be checking the place out soon and give you a full report.

That's about it for now. I have to jump



Squeeze play. Photo by Jamie @ Dish

in the shower so I can meet the "group" at M&M for brunch. So until next issue, keep working on those donations for **AIDS Walk Wisconsin** and as always, slower traffic keep right.

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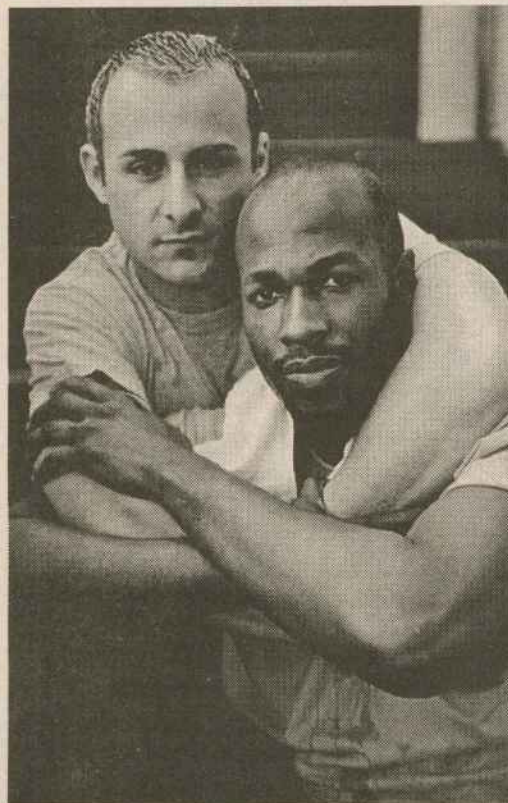
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MEET YOU THERE I'm looking for extremely hairy Men who want to have some fun out there. I like Men who are 35-60 years old, average looking, clean shaven and balding. I'm a handsome, 38 year old, bearded, 6'0", 185 lbs Man with a goatee and a hairy body. I am into sports for the butch side of me, so who knows, maybe we can hit it off, so give me a try. I want to meet Men in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. (Madison) ☎19914

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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

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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

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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

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ARE YOU THE ONE? I'm a very oral, submissive Man who is new to town and I'm looking for someone who knows how to be a total master. (Milwaukee) ☎19805

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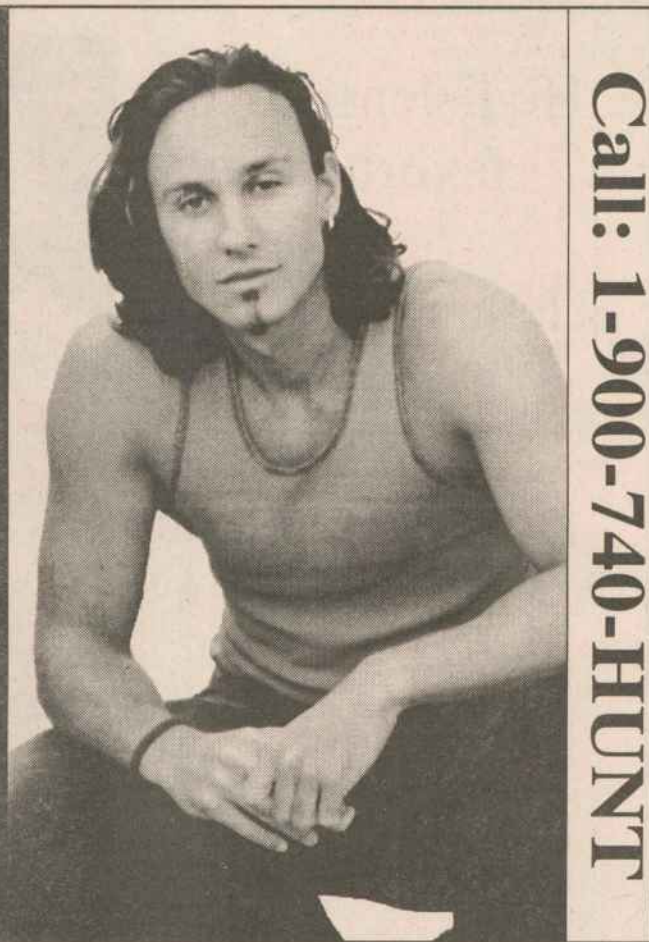
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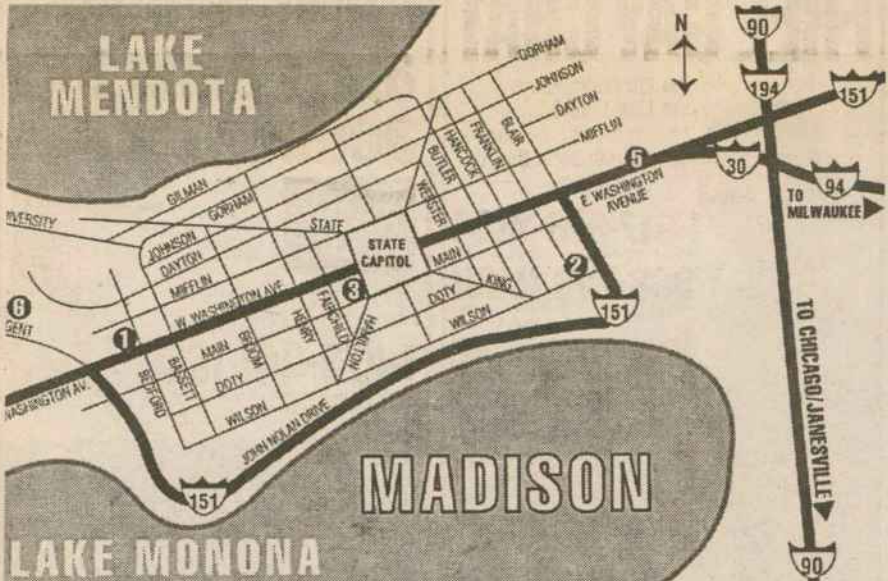
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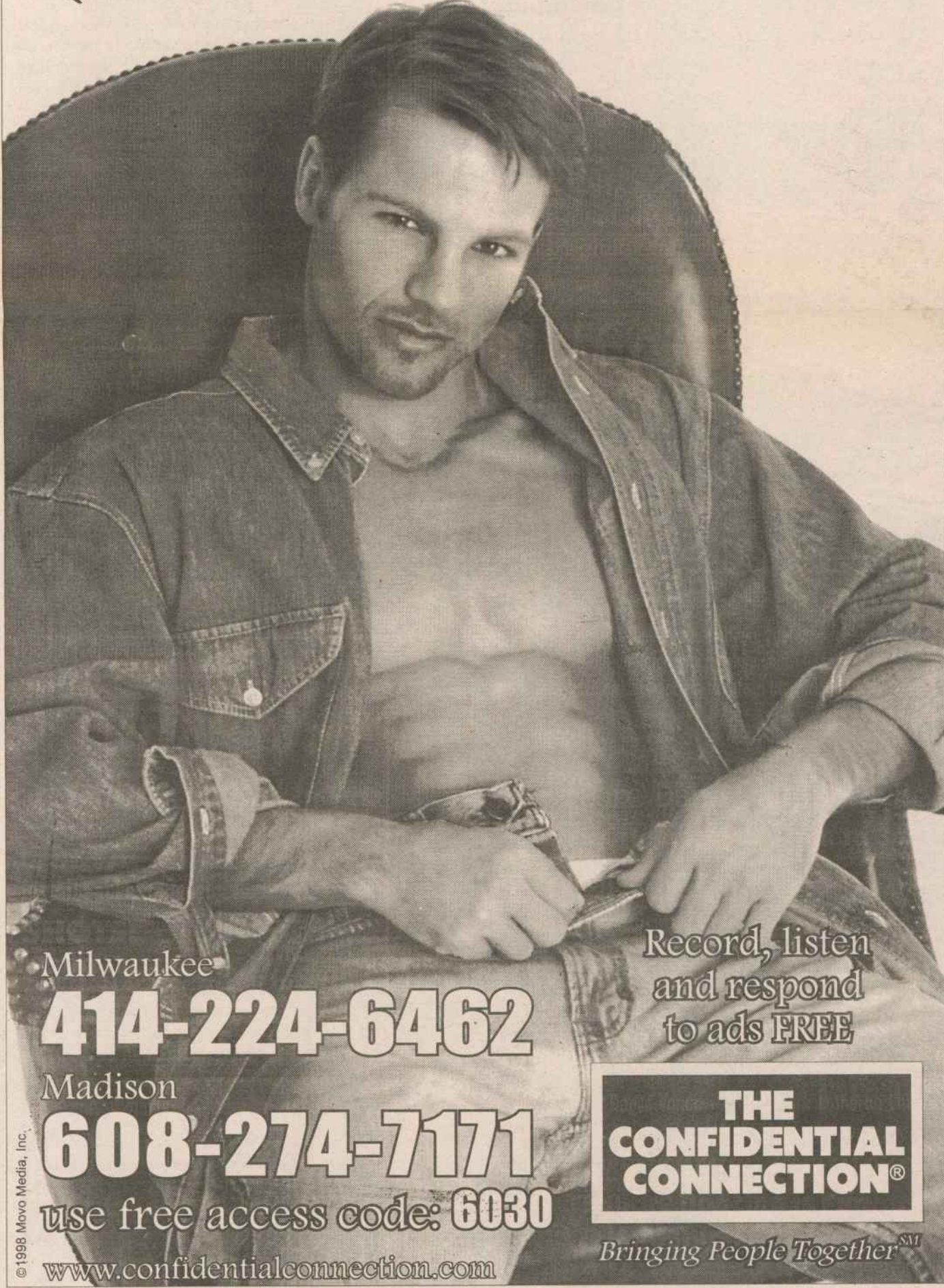
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TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

You seem to be overly concerned with your financial base. You and a mate haggle over joint funds and finally agree on a better approach to handling your money. Relationships with coworkers are positive and beneficial. Someone will do you a big favor soon.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

A powerful mutual attraction may arise between you and someone you meet. The other person will take the lead in bolstering the relationship. Your emotions are downbeat, and probably affecting your work or health — make sure to conserve your energies.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

Be skeptical of promises given to you by a close friend or business partner. Your financial prospects are slowly improving. Be extra cautious in dealing with other people's money. The key is to focus on positive emotions and diffuse tensions as they arise.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)

Although you may be in the mood to have things your own way, it's not a good time to insist on that. Back off with your loved ones, they are no doubt distressed by your efforts. You seem to be busier than ever with friends and neighbors showering you with invitations.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

You have a lot of personal and family obligations this week. Despite all this commotion, you feel surprisingly calm and more serene than usual. Old emotional issues now make sense and you are free to deal with them and then let them go and get on with your life.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

The week begins confusingly and doesn't seem to improve much at all. Money news may be iffy at best, and cooperation is definitely lacking. Try to bypass and form of speculation. Dreams of traveling are a pleasant diversion from the daily grind, what are you escaping from?

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

You are feeling overly burdened by family responsibilities. Being a strong and stable person, people naturally tend to count on you; maybe its time to be a little selfish and work on your own interests. It's up to you to decide how much you will give to those around you.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

Being ambivalent about a home problem will not help matters at all. This could be one of those matters that must be approached head on. Those around you may be somewhat touchy, so take that into account when dealing with all. Realign your priorities — the future is bright.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Follow through on a project that is money, family or property related. This could have potential well beyond the immediate benefits. Distractions at work have a negative effect on your concentration. You will connect with a like-minded individual who wants to help you.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

Working harder than ever, it seems as if every task requires twice the time and effort to finish. You may be a little rundown and that is why everything seems to be such a big chore. Start taking better care of yourself, and your outlook will be much brighter.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

A financial matter requires your attention. Old debts must be cleared away as soon as possible — it will take some effort to get your cash flow situation to a comfortable point. You are busier than usual and have less time for fun and games. A new lover is patiently waiting.

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