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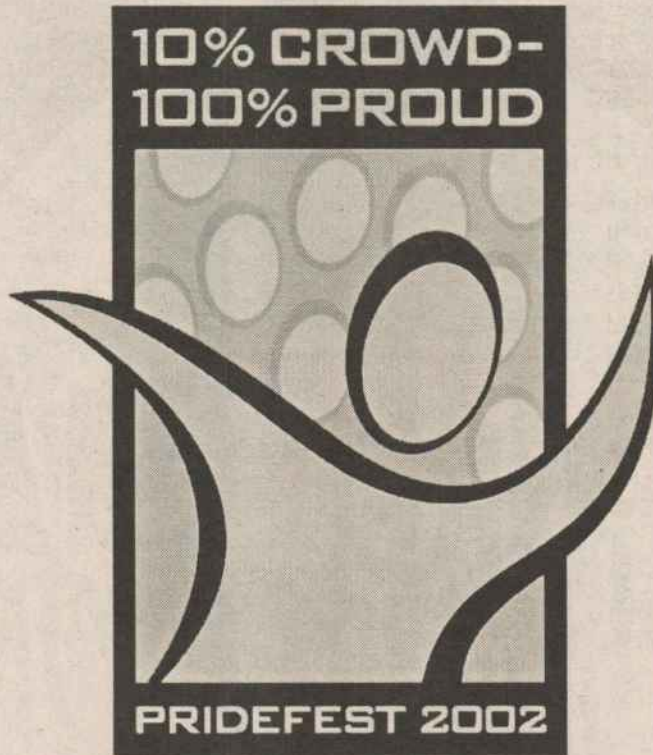
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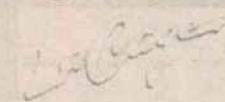
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## Walker Tops Ryan in County Exec Race

**Milwaukee** — Republican Scott Walker easily defeated Jim Ryan in the race for Milwaukee County Executive in a special election held on April 30.

The final tally was a convincing 55% to 45% in favor of Walker. Political observers cited a heavy suburban turnout coupled with mandate for change after the pension scandal which drove Thomas Ament out of office.

Local activists have expressed concern over what some consider Walker's anti-gay stands on some issues. Days before the election, Walker stated in an interview with *The Milwaukee Journal* that he would oppose domestic health partners benefits for county employees.

Walker's opponent had previously stated he would support such benefits and had received endorsements from numerous LGBT and progressive leaders in the community.

## The Wisconsin Light Ceases Publication

By William Attewell

**Milwaukee** — The Wisconsin Light, one of most long-lived GLBT newspapers in the state ceased publication and ended a seven month comeback run after publishing its final issue on April 11.

Publisher Jerry Johnson cited the lack of advertising revenue as the main cause for the paper's demise.



The Wisconsin Light founders, Terry Boughner (L) and Jerry Johnson.

"We simply didn't have sufficient advertising," Johnson told *Wisconsin IN Step*. "The vast majority of local GLBT businesses have never supported the local gay press with advertising and that is not good for the community."

"After 15 issues [advertising support for the Wisconsin Light] hadn't changed much. We had to ask our selves — why keep going on and on?" Johnson explained further.

The Wisconsin Light had previously ceased publication the spring of 2000. However, Johnson brought the paper back in September of last year citing pressure from former readers and advertisers.

Johnson said the expected advertising support never materialized after its re-launch last year, leaving the paper unable to expand as planned, with additional writers, features and sections.

The first issue of Wisconsin Light appeared on Nov. 20, 1987 under the direction of Publisher Jerry Johnson and Editor Terry Boughner. In June of 1998, Johnson and Boughner sold the Wisconsin Light to Greg Quindel and another unnamed investor.

## Christine Klein Resigns as PrideFest Administrator

By William Attewell

**Milwaukee** — Christine Klein, the de facto festival director for the annual PrideFest celebration over the past three years, resigned on April 19 according to an e-mailed statement from the festival.

"Christine Klein resigned as Administrator on April 19th and is no longer associated with PrideFest Milwaukee," read the terse statement from PrideFest. It offered no reasons for the resignation.

Klein had served as the festival's only paid employee since 1999. She served previously as PrideFest's treasurer and co-director and had a long history of involvement with the festival.

PrideFest's attorney, John Prentice told *Wisconsin IN Step*, "Chris Klein is no longer associated with PrideFest. Ms. Klein served as PrideFest's Treasurer and later a Co-Director and Administrator. The PrideFest Executive Board and Council are grateful for Ms. Klein's contribution to the festival and wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors!"

Klein had come under fire at a 2001 PrideFest Town Hall meeting. Some critics

accused her of being unresponsive to community concerns. Some community leaders like Jerry Johnson called for her resignation. *Wisconsin In Step* reported on Klein's failure to release PrideFest financial statements in a timely manner as required by law.

PrideFest has also been showing small financial losses despite increased attendance for the festival. PrideFest finances were last in the black in 1998 with proceeds of \$33,190 coming into festival coffers.

According to an independent audit obtained by *IN Step*, PrideFest, Inc. showed a loss of \$1,150 for the year 2000. The festival saw a total income of \$302,196. Nearly 85% of that came from revenues directly associated to the three-day festival. Yearly expenses for 2000 were \$303,346. The festival also showed a loss of \$4,283 in 1999. Final figures for the 2001 festival are not yet available. At the time of the 2000 audit, PrideFest showed a balance of \$60,652 in assets.

PrideFest's financial shortfall in 2000 came despite increased attendance for the festival. In 2000 festival attendance was 14,964. In 1999 attendance had been 13,731,



Christine Klein

slightly down from the previous year, primarily because of inclement weather.

PrideFest raised ticket prices in 2001 from \$6 to \$8. One dollar from each ticket purchased at the gate went into a special building fund for Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center. The additional dollar increase was intended to help defray greater entertainment costs.

PrideFest 2002 will be held at the Henry W. Maier Festival Park on Milwaukee's lakefront June 7-9.

Wisconsin IN Step will continue to follow this story as it develops.

## Second Annual "Building Bridges" Conference May 3-5

**Milwaukee** — The LGBT Community Center Diversity Committee will be hosting the second annual "Building Bridges" Conference May 3-5 at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee Student Union, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd. "Building Bridges" is designed to bring together a variety of organizations and individuals working toward economic, racial and economic justice.

Beverly Jenkins, chair of the LGBT Center's Diversity Committee, is the chief organizer of the conference again this year. "We want to continue to build bridges between members of the LGBT communities and non-LGBT activists who are working on other social justice issues," Jenkins told *Wisconsin IN Step*. "The goal is to begin seeing all of our struggles as connected and to work together."

Guest speakers at this year's conference include Don Kao, the Director of Project Reach, a multi-racial community-based counseling organization in New York, and founder of Tri-Base Collective, a group of Third World gay men. Kao addressed the "Creating Change" conference in Milwaukee last November and was the recipient of a Community Activist Award from the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

Other guest speakers include: Rebecca Helem of CLOAVE, Collective Lesbians of African Descent Voices Everywhere; Ingrid Rivera, former Director of NGLTF's Racial and Economic Justice Initiative; and Yosenio Lewis, a member of the San Francisco Transgender Civil Rights Implementation Task Force. Liz Albertson of Hope House, Richard Oulahan of Esperanza Unida, Dr. Marietta Advincula of MATC and John Goldstein of the Milwaukee County Labor Council are also presenters.

Several exciting social/cultural events are planned. On Friday evening, Cinco de Mayo will be celebrated at the LGBT Center with Mexican food and a performance by Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de Los Hermanos Avila. A poetry/spoken word performance will follow. On Saturday evening after the plenary dinner, Kuumba Productions is sponsoring a dance from 9-midnight at UWM.

Conference registration and informational materials can be obtained by contacting the Milwaukee LGBT Center at (414) 271-2656, or by e-mailing [buildbridges2002@yahoo.com](mailto:buildbridges2002@yahoo.com). Materials can also be downloaded from the community website at <http://www.mkelgbt.org>.

The schedule for the conference is as follows. Exact workshop locations will be available in conference materials.

### FRIDAY, MAY 3

Registration: 4 p.m. Welcome: 5 p.m. Opening Plenary: Ending Racism, 5:15 p.m. Panelists: Rebecca Helem-CLOAVE, Ingrid Rivera, and Rodney Simms-MATC, Don Kao. Cinco De Mayo Celebration: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, 315 W. Court St., featuring authentic Mexican foods & refreshments and entertainment by Ballet Folklorico Mexicano de



Bev. Jenkins

Los Hermanos Avila. This event is a fundraiser for the Juana G. Vega Resource Center for LGBT Latina/os, Roots, Rhythm, Resistance: 9-11 p.m. Poetry/spoken word performance featuring Ingrid Rivera-NY, Beverly Jenkins-WI and Shante Smalls-NY.

### SATURDAY, MAY 4

Registration: 8 a.m. Plenary: Homophobia: A Matter of Social & Economic Justice, 9

a.m. Speakers: Ingrid Rivera, Denise CROAVE of the Milw. Medical College, and Rebecca Helem - CLOAVE. Workshop Session I: 10:30-11:45 a.m. 1. Intersex 101 - Stephani Lynell, Chicago 2. Domestic Violence: Working w/marginalized populations, panel discussion 3. Tearing Down Walls - Rufus King GSA 4. Two Spirit Activism - Two Spirit Society of Wisconsin 5. Kujichagulia: Racism & Health - Yosenio Lewis 6. HIV/AIDS Outreach in People of Color Communities.

Workshop Session II: 12:45-2 p.m. 1. Diversity: How Inclusive Is It? - Dr Marietta Advincula, MATC 2. Latina/o LGBT Activism - Juana Vega Resource Center for Latina/os 3. Youth Activism - Project Q 4. Lesbian/Bisexual Women: Harmonizing Our Lives - Anita Charlot-Purrfect Harmony, Chicago 5. Friends & Family Supporting Victims/Survivors of Domestic Violence, panel discussion.

Workshop Session III: 2:00-3:45 p.m. 1. Hate Crimes - Patrick Flaherty, Carmen Murguía and Crystal Klinger 2. We Want Jobs! - Richard Oulahan, Esperanza Unida 3. Lesbian/Bisexual Women: Harmonizing Our Lives, Con'd. 4. Immigration Rights 101 - Midwest Immigrant & Human Rights Center 5. Arts & Activism - Yosenio Lewis, NTAC 6. Homelessness & AODA - Liz Albertson, Hope House, Milwaukee Concurrent Organizing Sessions: 4-5 p.m. NGLTF People of Color Caucus Reunion.

Plenary Dinner 6-8 p.m. Don Kao - Project Reach, NY Entertainment: Kuumba Productions Dance, 9-12, UWM Terrace first floor UWM student Union, featuring the hottest sounds in r&b, hip-hop, funk and old school.

### SUNDAY, MAY 5

Closing Plenary: Dismantling Single Issue Politics, 10-12 noon John Goldstein, Milw. County Labor Council; Jamakaya, Director of the Wisconsin Research Center for Pluralism; Yosenio Lewis, NTAC, Board member NGLTF; Rebecca Helem, CLOAVE; Bev Jenkins, Milwaukee LGBT Community Center.

## GLSEN Presents Awards May 11

**Madison** — The Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network of South Central Wisconsin (GLSEN-SCW) is proud to announce the recipients of its Sixth Annual Youth Scholarship and Adult Recognition Awards. The awards will be presented at GLSEN's "Celebration of Leadership" event on Saturday, May 11, at 6 p.m. at the Monona Terrace Convention Center. The event includes a banquet, dance, silent auction, as well as presentation of the awards. Tickets are \$30 and are approaching sell-out. Remaining tickets are available by calling (608) 661-4141.

GLSEN is awarding \$500 youth scholarships to five graduating Wisconsin high school seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to advancing equality for GLBTQ people either in their school or community.

The 2002 Scholarship Recipients are:

Jennifer Forecki, a student at Rufus King High School in Milwaukee, was instrumental in creating a GSA at her high school. In addition, she has worked tirelessly to champion Native American rights and prison rights. She did all of this while playing soccer and maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

Marc Korobkin, a student at Nicolet High School in Glendale, has been a leader in his school's GSA for the past three years and organized the first Milwaukee-area GSA networking meeting. He participated in the GLSEN National Leadership Training Institute in 2001, and was instrumental in founding the Southeastern Wisconsin chapter of GLSEN, for which he received full academic credit at his school.

Emily MacDonald is a student at Neenah High School. As a junior, Emily founded a GLBTQ support group which evolved into one of the few GSAs in the Fox

Valley region. She has served on many local civic boards and is a member of her school district's Human Growth and Development committee.

Lane Morein is a student at Southwest High School in Green Bay. During her junior year, Lane was involved with founding the first GSA in the Green Bay area, and was elected co-president of the GSA this year. With the GSA, Lane has been involved in multiple projects, including the Day of Silence and National Coming Out Day projects.

Sam Stiegler attends Middleton High School and has been involved with the Middleton Alliance to End Homophobia since his sophomore year. He has served as Chair of the group for the past two years, and has given over 20 presentations on homophobia throughout the state and helped to organize countless projects.

GLSEN is also giving awards to three adults who have been allies in supporting youth in their efforts to improve school climates. Two awards are given to educators and one is given to a member of the community. The 2002 Educator Award Recipients are:

Evelyn Dickmann, veteran English teacher of more than three decades at Columbus High School, has made significant strides in combating homophobia and gay bias at Columbus over the past three years. With fellow teacher Becky Brem, Ev facilitated an intensive in-service training for colleagues in November 2001 to teach about why it was important to address anti-gay bias in the Columbus school system. After the in-service, over half of the teachers posted "Safe Zone" signs in their classrooms and began to take steps towards creating a safer learning environment for LGBT students.

The teaching team of Becky Briles and Marilyn Smith, who teach in 1st/2nd grade

combination classrooms at Franklin Elementary School, along with Carrie Macklin-Ritz, a special education teacher who works in both classrooms, developed an integrated "community unit" for their students which included education about children of gay and lesbian families. Carrie and Marilyn presented their instructional methods to the Franklin-Randall Parent Teacher Organization, inspiring parents to respond positively to the "community unit" and to ask when this unit will be available in their own children's classrooms.

The 2002 Community Member Award Recipient is Mark Leddy, father of two sons at Franklin Elementary School. He is the co-founder of Rainbow Families Wisconsin, a statewide LGBT organization that supports and educates LGBT families, children, and relatives. He was instrumental in uniting local LGBT organizations through the Alliance to End Homophobia in the Madison Schools. The Alliance helped to rally support for the LGBTQ Resource Teacher position in the Madison Metropolitan School District.

GLSEN strives to assure that each member of every school community learns to respect and accept all individuals, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression. GLSEN South Central Wisconsin has worked to achieve this mission locally since 1996 and has awarded 18 scholarships and nine recognition awards since that time.

## Argonauts Hatch Successful Fundraiser

By Mike Fitzpatrick

**Green Bay** — The Argonauts of Wisconsin's Easter Egg sale has netted over \$3,000 to assist people living with HIV/AIDS in northeastern Wisconsin. The group's annual fundraiser tallied \$3,172 in total sales at five area taverns.

The 2002 "Golden Egg Award" again went to Napalese Lounge for raising \$1,101. Second place honors went to Buddies for selling \$840. The Historic West Theatre took third with \$471. Sass fourth with \$411 and Brandy's II/Boogie Nights trailed with \$313 in sales.

All proceeds from the sale benefit the Argonauts Charities fund. According to egg sale chair Craig Gunderson, Argonauts Charities provides financial assistance on a case-by-case basis as a last resort funding source. "The fund is viewed as the 'ultimate' last resort when all others, including the ARCW client assistance fund, have been accessed, utilized and exhausted."

Gunderson said.

"Over the years Argonauts' Charities has assisted with some very unusual client assistance situations which fall out of the purview of ARCW," Gunderson added.

Gunderson also noted that the fund serves northeastern Wisconsin. "We cover (from) Marinette to Fond du Lac, Waupaca to Manitowoc, and all communities in between," Gunderson said.

Argonauts' Charities is only part of the 28 year old group's commitment to HIV/AIDS charitable work Gunderson added. "The Argonauts have been involved with HIV/AIDS since the beginning," he said. "Argonaut members were instrumental forces in the establishment of Center Project (now merged with ARCW) in 1985-86 and we also continue to donate food and money directly to the agency."

Argonaut AIDS work also has expanded into other areas besides PWA assistance, Gunderson concluded. "The Argonauts were the first organization to donate funds toward the Entertainers Against AIDS World AIDS Day event at the Weidner Center three years ago," he said. "And we've been a major financial supporter ever since."

## MILMAIDS Makes Money In Madison

**Madison** — The annual Milmaids Bowling Benefit took place on Saturday, April 20 in Madison raising \$8,196.36 for the AIDS Network. Tournament Director Ron Selkow reported that over 250 individuals registered to bowl in two different shifts at the Bowl-a-Vard Lanes.

AIDS Network Executive Director Bob Power said the event was a great opportunity to bring together a group of individuals in a collaborative effort to help fight AIDS. "As we have been for years, we are so grateful to folks like Ron who dedicate a portion of their lives in an effort to make Milmaids happen," said Power. Power said this money is always earmarked for direct client services for the agency.

In addition to raising money through registration fees, raffle prizes were awarded throughout the day in each shift of bowling. Highlights of the raffle included two Ellen packages which included two tickets to her May 14 concert at the Civic Center, dinner, hotel and a bottle of wine. Winners of the packages were Matt, bartender at the Shamrock and Cindy, Milwaukee's Milmaids Director.

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For your kindness, you will receive free admission to the festival, along with a volunteer t-shirt, a volunteer pin and a free meal at the PrideFest Pride Grill/Pizza Place (or \$2 off any vendor you choose). In addition, you'll be invited to our terrific volunteer appreciation party which takes place later this year.

To volunteer, please call Sheri Goldberg at (414) 645-FEST, or go to [www.pridefest.com](http://www.pridefest.com) and visit the volunteer section where you can submit your application.

## Red Ribbon Celebrity Auction May 19

**La Crosse** — On Sunday, May 19, the Red Ribbon Family Fund Inc. and Rainbow's End will present a special "Celebrity Auction 2002" to benefit the Red Ribbon Family Fund (RRFF) for HIV/AIDS charities. All proceeds from the auction will go directly to help men, women and children in the Coulee area with HIV/AIDS.

This auction was conceived and organized by Dale Bye of Minneapolis, who is an expert in the collection and authentication of celebrity autographs and memorabilia. Luminaries from stage, screen, TV, music and literature are represented in the more than 100 items that will be offered for auction. Rare

and one-of-a-kind items will be auctioned.

The Auction will be held at Rainbow's End, 417 Jay St., in La Crosse at 3 p.m. Doors will be open for previewing at noon. Auctioneers will be Samantha "Sam" Strong, radio personality at La Crosse's Z-93, and Michael "Mother" Hansen, founder of RRFF. Parking is available in the ramp across the street.

Superstar items include a Sir Elton John signed copy of his new CD "Songs From the West Coast" and two copies of Barbra Streisand's double CD "The Essential Barbra Streisand" signed by Barbra herself. For movie lovers, there's a copy of the script for "Grease" signed by John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John. For TV buffs, there are signed scripts from "Newhart" and the "Mary Tyler Moore Show." There's a cookbook signed by Jane Fonda, a copy of "The Sissy Duckling" signed by Harvey Fierstein and signed photos of Dame Julie Andrews, Luciano Pavarotti, Angelina Jolie, Betty White, Ian McKellen (as Gandalf) and Whoopi Goldberg.

For further information, call Judi Alf at (608) 788-9411.

## PrideFest to Celebrate Family Day June 9

**Milwaukee** — On Sunday, June 9th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., PrideFest will present Family Day. Rick Finger, the coordinator, said, "The day now celebrates the total family experience on a day that families usually schedule to be together. The day is for everyone no matter if you have kids in tow or not."

Finger has coordinated his work with the Youth Area and Special Events to enrich the Sunday experience. New this year is the pancake breakfast that will take place from

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday. Start your day with an all-you-can-eat breakfast of pancakes, Mickey Mouse Waffles, scrambled eggs, Danish pastry, bacon, sausage, and applesauce will be on the menu. You also get a choice of milk, orange juice or coffee. After that, you can participate in the Interfaith Service at 12:30 p.m.

Check out our feathered friends from the Audubon Society's Wings and Things from 1-2 p.m. by the Main Gate. Live birds-of-prey are seen "up-close and personal." A "hands-on" program are available to touch and view. Learn about your backyard neighbors and the various adaptations these magnificent birds have developed in order to live in urban areas.

Clowns will walk around the festival and paint faces after in the children's area. What's a festival without clowns? Come and laugh, smile and enjoy their artistry. Tickles the Clown, a 21 year veteran, will return for her second year. MooMoo the clown, her partner, has been clowning for nine years. Tickles and MooMoo were in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade. Tickles is a volunteer coordinator of the International Clown Hall of Fame and a coordinator of clowns for the Great Circus Parade.

The Heads Up Juggling Revue will be walking around the grounds. This two-person comedy juggling revue juggles everything from apples, eggs, and water balloons to machetes and clubs. They are a must to see.

For those with a polka soul, check out Eddie Vidmar's Polka Band. They will return for a second year from 3-5 p.m. The Creative Connection will be back. Join in the hands-on art fun for children and adults. Express your creative spirit, relax, and have fun making art projects. Create your own rainbow jewelry and more. Inspiration, instruction and materials provided. Everyone is wel-

come to join us from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The Milwaukee Zoo will bring some of its animals to delight festival-goers between 4-5 p.m. This year's program will feature animals like the red-ored Amazon parrot, scarlet macaw, green tree python, Harris' hawk, African Millipede, green iguana, mealy Amazon parrot, blue and yellow macaws, emerald tree boa and a white tailed hawk. Animals are subject to change. Audiences of all ages will have the opportunity to see these animals up close and learn how to keep these precious forests from disappearing forever.

The Milwaukee Ballet will make a special guest appearance for Family Day at 4 p.m. on the Stonewall Stage.

For more information on PrideFest Family Day, call Rick Finger at (414) 645-FEST.

## Out in the Valley Hosts May Events

**Scandia, MN** — Out in the Valley, the St. Croix Valley GLBTA social and community-services group, is holding two events in May.

The first is the spring Adopt-a-Highway cleanup of Highway 95 north of Scandia on Saturday morning, May 11, starting at 9 a.m. followed by a lunch gathering at Meister's Bar & Grill in Scandia.

The second is a presentation by local filmmakers Dawn Mikkelsen and Jamie Lee of "Treading Water," their award-winning documentary about the GLBT community in greater Minnesota, on Saturday evening, May 18, at a private home in Marine-on-St.-Croix. The meeting begins with a pot-luck dinner at 6 p.m.

For more information about either event, call (612) 822-0127, ext.502 or (800) 800-0350, ext.502.

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## Gay Camping and Rafting Weekend

**Green Bay** — The second annual all gay camping and white water rafting weekend is being planned by a Green Bay men's group and is scheduled for the weekend of June 28th in north central Wisconsin. Included in the fee this year will be a cook-out and beer bash on Saturday night.

Gay campers will enjoy all the amenities of a gay-friendly campground such as bar and full restaurant, modern showers and restrooms, volleyball and horseshoe pits. For campers interested in a swimming beach, Newton Lake is within 15 minutes from the campground.

Event planner Dave Moorman said: "This year we have reserved a larger wooded area of the campground but still secluded from other campers. We decided to move the event up one month to take advantage of higher water levels for rafting. Last year, the campground bar turned into quite the hot spot during the evening hours for gays and non-gays. After bar closing it seems we ended up with more campers than we had reservations for."

White water rafting on the Peshtigo River is scheduled for three hours on Saturday afternoon, followed by the cook-out and beer bash. The campground is located about 25 miles northwest of Crivitz, Wisconsin. Reservation deadline is June 22. For more information or reservation forms, call Dave at (920) 430-4959, or e-mail gshotman@aol.com.

## OutReach Seeks Award Nominations

**Madison** — OutReach, Madison's LGBT community center, is seeking nominations of individuals, organizations and businesses who have made outstanding contributions to the city's LGBT community. Awards will be presented at OutReach's 10th annual Community Awards Banquet, Friday, July 19, at the Monona Terrace Convention Center.

Nominations are a means of acknowledging some of the people whose work, sometimes visible, sometimes not, makes such a remarkable contribution to Madison's LGBT community. A committee of community members reviews the nominations and selects award recipients. Past

award winners, OutReach staff and board members are not eligible.

Award categories are David Runyon Memorial Man of the Year, Susan Green Memorial Woman of the Year, Business or Organization of the Year, Ally of the Year (non-LGBT individuals or groups that support the LGBT community) and OutReach Volunteer of the Year. The nominations committee will also entertain nominations in other categories and may select additional award recipients.

Nomination forms are available at OutReach, 600 Williamson St., or online at [www.outreachinc.com](http://www.outreachinc.com). Nominations must be received by May 31, 2002. For more information, call OutReach at (608) 255-8582.

## PrideFest Announces Stonewall Winner

**Milwaukee** — The Stonewall Award is presented to an individual or organization that demonstrates the spirit of the Stonewall Riots by fighting to bring about change for the benefit of others.

PrideFest Milwaukee is proud to announce LiLiana Guterrez, as the Stonewall Award winner.

Carmen Murguia said of our winner, "Since LiLiana arrived from her home land of Cuba, and she has been instrumental in uniting our community through her enthusiasm life and her spirit. LiLi (as she is best known) came to Milwaukee in the '70s with her family and former partner. She is the epitome of togetherness, honoring freedom of expression, and uniting people of all backgrounds."

Murguia said, "She believes in the importance of education of Latinos, and the LGBT community." She helps people to become a part of the United States by teaching people English, translating documents for the Department of Immigration and helping them to take the US citizen test. Lili is an artist and has appeared on Spanish TV for many causes. She is also on the Board of Esperanza Unida, which retrains people for new jobs."

Guterrez has volunteered for PrideFest, LAMM, BESTD, and is trying to get a Lesbian group at MATC started. Murguia shared, "LiLi is one of the 'Elders' of our community from the Beer Garden Days to present. She very rarely shakes your hand, she is a true Latin hugger, which is contagious."

## Day of Self Discovery Tackles Gays in Media and Politics

**Kimberly** — Thirty attendees and presenters at Positive Voice's ninth annual "Day of Self Discovery" April 6 here heard about how the LGBT community is portrayed in the media, in political circles and on film.

The day-long conference began with a media panel featuring Green Bay Press-Gazette executive editor Carol Hunter, Green Bay News-Chronicle lead reporter Patti Zarling, WGBA-TV 26 Fox Valley news bureau reporter Stacy Engebretsen and **Wisconsin IN Step** associate editor Mike Fitzpatrick. The panel fielded both pre-arranged questions from the panel moderator and others from the audience.

Discussion focused on how news is gathered, what sources are used, why certain stories are printed or featured, how much autonomy the news desks have, among others.

Wisconsin Assembly representative Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) joined Brown County Executive Nancy Nusbaum in a political forum on LGBT issues. Carpenter updated attendees on pending LGBT-friendly legislation and the difficulties of working bills through a divided legislature. Nusbaum shared how she has supported and employed openly gay people in her positions as the former mayor of DePere and current County Executive.

Panel moderator Marty Brown advised conference goers that Republican party representatives had been sought for the panel. The Log Cabin Republicans reportedly had agreed to provide a speaker but no representative had shown up for the forum.

UW-Milwaukee LGBT Film Festival director Carl Bogner concluded the day with a history of the festival and a talk on how LGBT people are portrayed in both mainstream and independent short and feature films. Using selected short film clips to punctuate his presentation, Bogner outlined the importance of the wide range LGBT lives portrayed in all types of film as essential to help wider audiences understand gay people and to document current LGBT struggles for future generations.

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# Reality Check

## Holy Disorder: The Fall of the Roman Catholic Empire

By Mike Fitzpatrick

2002 has been a very tough year for traditionalists. Each day seems to deliver yet another news report revealing corruption in one trusted institution after another.

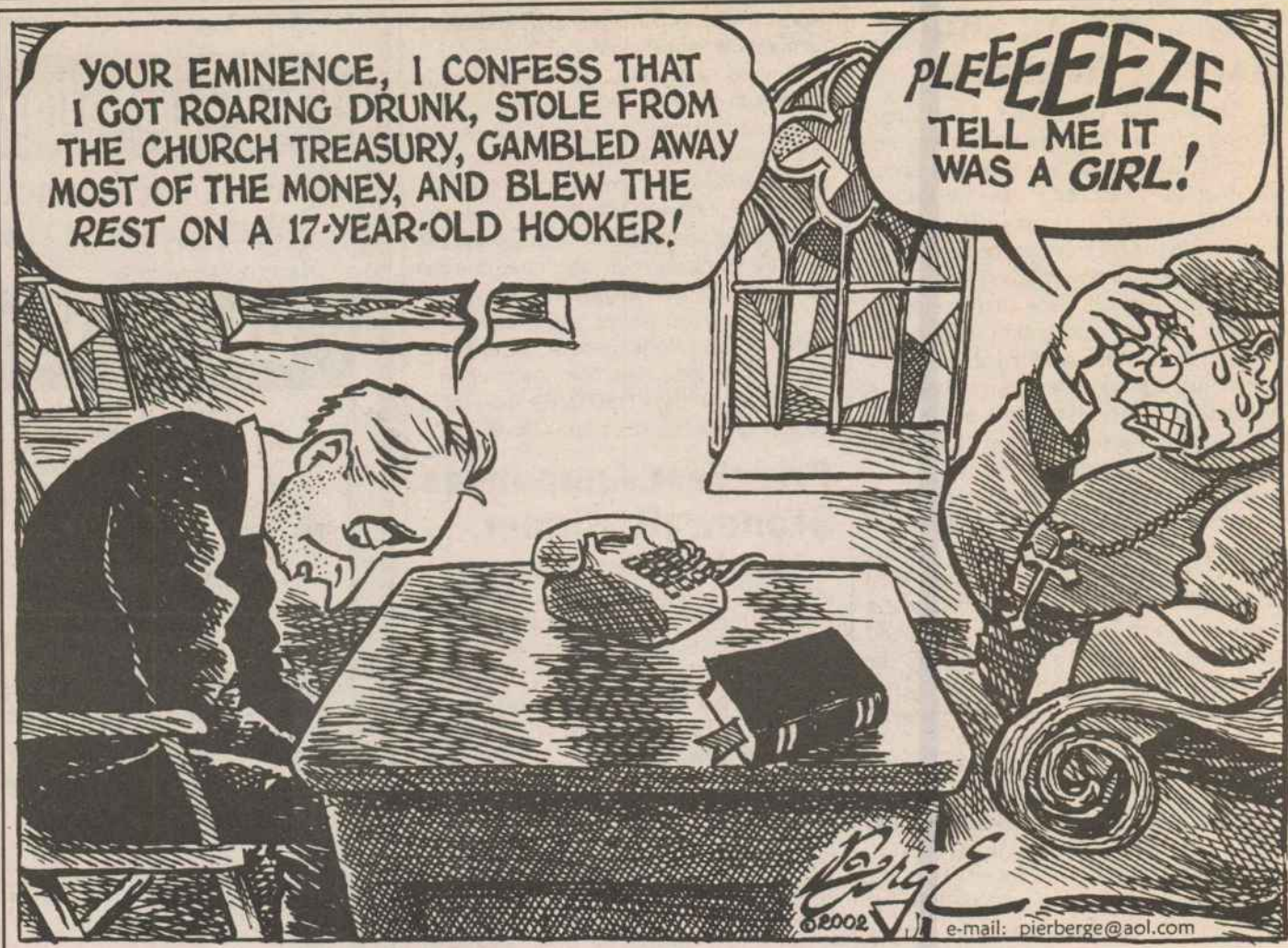
The latest scandals du jour point fingers at creative accounting firms, deceptive stockbrokers and price-fixing oil companies. Big business as usual some might say.

However, the scandal surrounding one name brand is as profoundly troubling as it is pervasive, directly affecting one American in four. Of course I'm referring to the heralded sex scandal in the Roman Catholic Church.

Every day brings new charges of priestly peccadilloes. Only four states have escaped a home town horror story as of this writing.

This particular story affects me more personally than usual. I am the product of a devout Catholic upbringing. During my rebellious teenaged years I sometimes referred to my folks as Captain Catholic and Wonder Nun. My only brother pastors a parish in Minnesota. Before my own spiritual journey led me to Unitarian Universalism, I had served on my parish council and coordinated the city-wide high school religious education program in Stevens Point. I taught for over a decade at the Catholic high school.

The recent headlines reminded me of stories brought to me by school boys over my teaching years. Because I was internally struggling with my own sexual orientation as a closeted "straight" man, I could only blandly encourage those kids to report



their allegations to parents and other authorities.

I couldn't get more involved lest I raise suspicions in others about my true gay nature. I was the Catholic version of a "good Nazi." I sometimes wonder if my own current gay activism might be my personal penance for my sins of silent complicity two decades ago. I'm trying to make a difference now for the difference I might have made but didn't back then.

Of course recent revelations suggest that any advocacy back then would have been for naught. The cover-up was complete in every diocese from sea to Holy See.

Though mainstream media may focus on church leaders trying to play the "gay card" as the blame game plays out, the true scandal is not about sex, homo or otherwise. It is about the chronic, calculated betrayal of trust by the keepers of the keys to our social morality.

Also lost in the hubbub is the fact that hanky panky by holy men happens regularly across denominational lines. Anyone old enough to remember the particulars to the Jim Bakker and Jimmy Swaggart stories can easily figure out that, on a per capita basis,

small "c" catholic.

Although the faithful may protest support in local reaction newsclips, what I also suspect may occur is the beginning of the fall of another Roman empire - The Roman Catholic Empire. Perhaps it might even be

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the most perverted preachers of all are televangelists.

Also missing from the mix is essential truth that sex and power are inextricably linked. People who abuse power often abuse sex. Both Bill Clinton and Newt Gingrich would probably feel right at home in the College of Cardinals.

However, therein lies an even deeper problem for the American Catholics. Newt and Bill could never get elected to that office. The power structure of the Catholic Church reflects the dominant political institution on which it was modeled at its creation: the Roman Empire. Ruling over a billion Catholics worldwide, Pope John Paul II is the ultimate modern-day Caesar.

However, John Paul rules over a church riddled with sex scandals worldwide. It was less than a year ago that newspapers buried tales of African prelates forcing nuns and school girls into prostitution to the back pages of their international sections. Church leaders in Europe, including John Paul's native Poland, have also been recently accused of sexual abuse.

Considering that we are only weeks into uncovering the dirty deeds of decades, I suspect a lot more sexual abuse has yet to be revealed. And the revelations will not stop at the Catholic church's cathedral doors. Subsequent stories sifting sexual abuse with the name of God will be truly

the fall of Western religion as we know it.

Science, from Copernicus to Darwin, has been chipping away at the conceptual foundation of all Western religion for centuries. Just as children who think the world revolves around them and are beholden to all-powerful parents yet grow into adults who realize they are but part of a nearly incomprehensible larger order, the human race is growing up as well. Humanity is realizing that it is our own vanity that has permitted the creation of an omnipresent, all-powerful god figure who creates vast universes but allegedly obsesses over the morality of every individual action by each member of a species populating one small speck of dirt in the backwater of the Milky Way.

Those familiar with Edward Gibbon's seminal treatise on the decline and fall of the ancient Roman Empire know that the process takes centuries. None of us will be around to see how it all plays out.

We forget that we will be looked back on as primitives by those who celebrate the third millennium. Hopefully they also will have become advanced enough to know not to once again blame this holy disorder on the queers.

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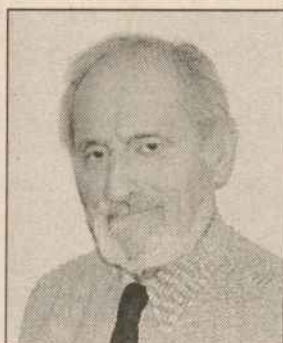


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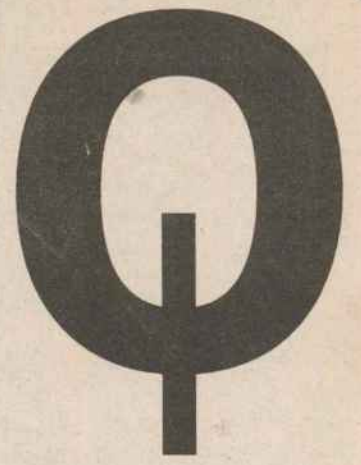
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## Rainbow Summer Concerts in Full Swing

**Milwaukee** — The Rainbow Summer Festival is celebrating its 20th anniversary of presenting free outdoor concerts outside the Marcus Center for the Arts, 929 N. Water St. This year's line-up includes over 60 performances by an eclectic mix of local, regional and national entertainers doing rock, pop, jazz and more.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons feature an eclectic mix of sounds from Noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesdays set aside for kids and family programming, with two shows, one from 10-11 a.m. and another from Noon to 1 p.m. Additional performances are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday evening and select Friday evenings.

The remaining schedule for June includes: Annie and the Jazz Orphans June 17; Duke Robillard June 18; Sones de Mexico June 19; First N Gold June 20; Swing Nouveau with a tribute to Woody Herman June 21; Johnny Sparkle and the Doo Wop Daddies June 24; Sista Monica June 25; Trout Fishing in America June 26; The Britins June 27; and Bluehand June 28.

All the concerts are free and open to the public. Rainbow Summer is sponsored by Potawatomi Bingo and the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. For more information, call (414) 273-2787 or log on to: [www.rainbow-summer.com](http://www.rainbow-summer.com).

## Boyz and Their Show Tunes

**Madison** — Perfect Harmony Men's Chorus, Madison's inclusive singing group, celebrates the beginning of its eighth year with "One — A Broadway Review." Perfect Harmony will present this show at the Barrymore Theater, one night only, on Saturday, July 13, at 7 p.m.

Music director Curtis Blomberg says, "We've got a really great group this year; the guys have worked really hard, and the results are spectacular."

Bass John Baker, a major force behind this show who supervised everything from the set design to the choreography, says, "We had some difficult times with some members visiting the hospital and others taking unexpected leaves, but everyone has [pulled together]."

On Saturday, June 22nd, the group will appear on Wisconsin Public Radio's "Higher Ground" with Jonathan Overby.

Please contact the Barrymore Theater at (608) 241-8633 for ticket information on "One — A Broadway Review."

## StageQ Presents "Love! Valour! Compassion!"

**Madison** — StageQ will present "Love! Valour! Compassion!" the celebrated drama by Terrance McNally on the Drury Stage of the Bartell Community Theatre, 113 E. Mifflin St. in Madison July 5-27. The play is recommended for mature audiences.

"Love! Valour! Compassion!" is a touching portrayal of eight gay men who spend summer holidays together to relax, exchange some great dialogue and face their mortality over the three principal weekends of summer: Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day. Their host is choreographer Gregory (Rob Connor), lord of an enormous three-story country house by a lake in upstate New York.

Gregory's blind-from-birth lover, Bobby (Jason Whittle), co-hosts the affair. The guests include Christopher Tibbets as John Jekyll, a bitter composer from England who likes to stand apart from the others. Hot-

tempered and brooding, Tibbets plays not only the heckling Jekyll but also, in a sense, Hyde: his own sunny, sweet-natured, terminally ill twin brother, James, who is as pleasant as John is repulsive.

On all three visits, Jekyll brings with him his young, handsome boyfriend, Ramon (Mark Adler Wohlers), a dancer obsessed with pleasure — not commitment! Ramon, the newcomer, does not hold back his exhibitionist tendencies and reveals himself fully. The ensemble also features the very-married pair of 14 years, Arthur and Perry (Erik Weinke and Darrell Budic) and Buzz (Jason Best), a campy, Broadway musical-comedy aficionado who is fighting AIDS. Buzz presents many of the show's highlights, including a serendipitous relationship.

The play revolves around themes anyone can identify with: loneliness, jealousy, need, and generosity. McNally explores friendships, love, and sexuality; and examines the vast questions of life and death and the soul of human interaction. He does so with humor and insight.

Thomas McClurg, producer of "The Most Fabulous Story Ever Told" and StageQ's Artistic Director, directs the Tony Award winning play. "The real issues presented in this play do not depend on sexuality but on character, a common trait of StageQ productions," McClurg states.

Tickets are \$15 for all shows and may be purchased online at [www.StageQ.com](http://www.StageQ.com) or by calling StageQ at (608) 204-0306.

## New Museum Designs Featured at MAM

**Milwaukee** — Contemporary museum architecture is the focus of the exhibition "Museums for a New Millennium: Concepts, Projects, Buildings" on view at the Milwaukee Art Museum, 700 N. Art Museum Drive, through Aug. 4.

According to Russell Bowman, Director of MAM: "We are in the midst of one of the most dynamic museum building booms in history. 'Museums for a New Millennium' documents this phenomenon with the most important museum building projects of our time."

The exhibit presents drawings, photo-

graphs and original models of 25 architectural milestones from around the world including the spectacular Milwaukee Art Museum expansion designed by Santiago Calatrava and opened last fall. The featured projects include the finest examples of recent museum architecture, highlighting the buildings that are representative of significant architectural currents and cultural demands. They include Norman Foster's Carré d' Art in Nîmes, France, begun in 1984, to Zaha Hadid's futuristic design for the Contemporary Arts Center in Cincinnati, set for completion in 2003.

"We are very pleased that the Calatrava-designed addition is represented among this prestigious group and that our community will be able to see how Calatrava's unique vision has contributed to the optimistic future of museum architecture," said Bowman. "This exhibition puts his work in Milwaukee in a larger context."

For Museum hours and more information, call (414) 224-3200.

## "My Four Fathers" at Broom Street

**Madison** — Broom Street Theatre is currently presenting another original comedy, this one about family life called "My Four Fathers," written and directed by Scott Feiner. It is performed Fridays through Sundays at 8 p.m. at Broom Street Theatre, 1119 Williamson St.

"My Four fathers" is a true story of a Wisconsin boy who grows up to acquire four fathers and four separate families as his mother marries four times in happy succession. The boy discovers in his mother's extreme states of marital bliss how much happiness is really available to him and how much of this overwhelming happiness he actually has the capacity for when he acquires four fathers.

Feiner, the playwright and director, has spent several years assembling this painfully autobiographical work. Though it is a comedy about families, there are a few strange sexual situations in the play, so families should be advised that it contains mature content.

The cast of "My Four Fathers" includes Broom Street veterans Shelley Johnson, John Eichenlaub, Linda Hartay and

Cameron Shimnick. Making Broom Street debuts are Marca Bradt, Brad Brist, Tracy Doyle, Matt Kenyon and Jess Weitenbeck.

Broom Street Theatre is also seeking actors for "Ten Little Idiots," a new comedy satire of "Ten Little Indians," with nationally known celebrities trapped in a Rocky Mountain Hotel. Men and women are invited to try out Monday and Tuesday, June 17 and 18, at Broom Street Theater at 7 p.m.

All tickets for "My Four Fathers" are \$7 at the door only. For more information, call (608) 244-8338.

## UW Offers Band and Choir Concerts

**Madison** — The Summer Band and Summer Choir at the School of Music, UW-Madison, begin rehearsals soon and invite students and other residents of the Madison area to participate. Each ensemble meets during the four-week summer session from June 17 to July 14.

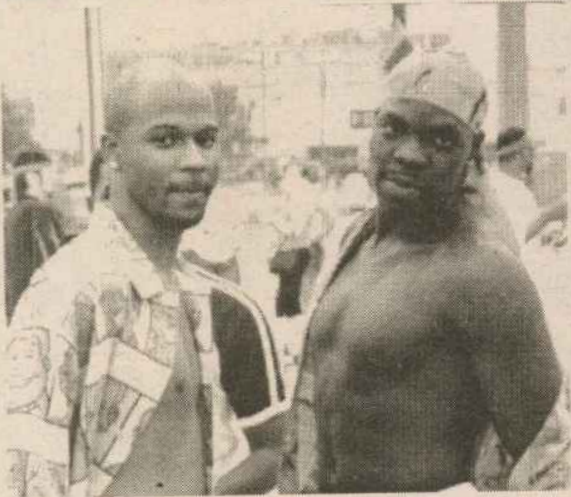
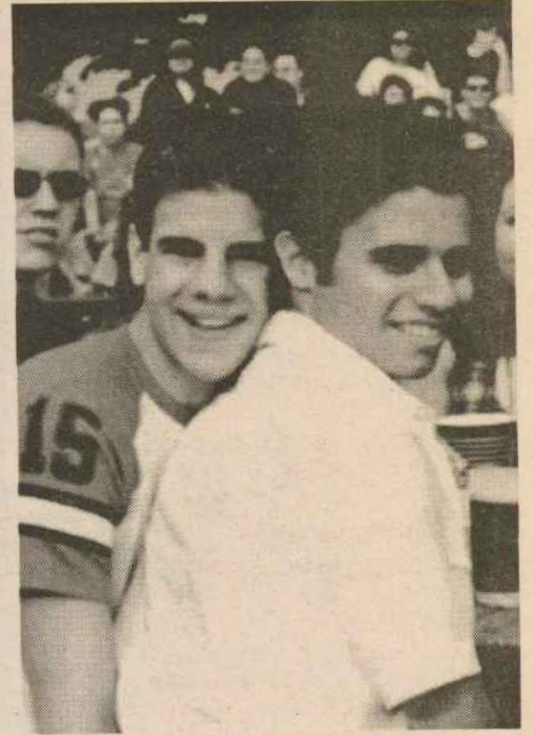
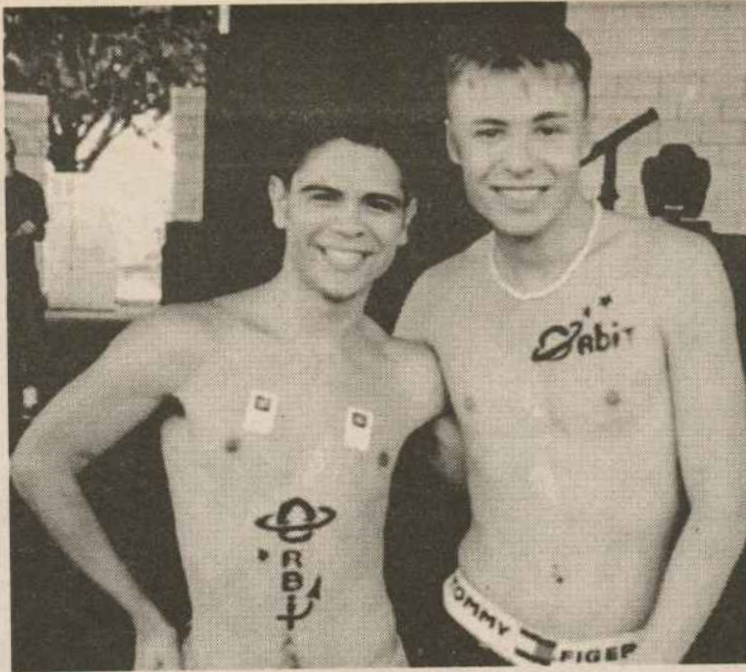
Professor James Smith conducts the band, and Assistant Director of Choral Activities Bruce Gladstone conducts the choir. The Summer Band is open to performers of brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments without audition.

The band meets Mondays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. beginning June 17, in Room 1341 in the Mosse Humanities Building, at 455 N. Park St. Those interested in participating may show up at the first rehearsal prepared to play. The band's free public concert takes place in the Courtyard of Humanities on Thursday, July 11, at 7:30 p.m.

Summer Choir requires a brief audition, which may be scheduled by calling the Choral Office at (608) 263-1891. All voice parts are welcome: soprano, alto, tenor, and bass. The choir meets Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, from 5-7 p.m. beginning June 17, in Mills Hall, Humanities Building. The choir presents its concert Saturday, July 13, at 2 p.m. in Mills Hall.

The program has been chosen to appeal especially to families, and features "Singing by Numbers," by former King's Singers member Bob Chilcott, and "Prayers from the Ark," by Ivor Davies, plus arrangements of folk songs. Admission is free.

Both summer ensembles offer an opportunity for a rejuvenating experience learning new repertoire, sharpening ensemble skills, and meeting others with common interests. Summer session registration is not required, but those taking either course for credit must pay the usual fees. For more information, call the Band Office at (608) 263-1896 or the Choral Office at (608) 263-1891. For a complete list of summer events, call the Concert Line at (608) 263-9485 or visit [www.wisc.edu/music](http://www.wisc.edu/music).



# Community Calendar

June 13 - June 26 2002

## ACTIVITIES:

### Thursday, June 13

Briarpatch (Madison): Group for middle school LGBT kids, middle school kids of LGBT families, and friends, 6 p.m., 512 E. Washington Ave. FMI: (608) 251-6211.

### Friday, June 14

Lesbian Bingo (Madison): Sponsored by OutReach, 7 p.m. to midnite, Sapphire, 4802 E. Washington Ave. Prizes, raffle and fun! \$1 admission. FMI: (608) 255-8582.

SAGE Meeting (Milw.): Wendy Pologe of Rainbow Families visits to talk about GLBT Parenting and ideas for cooperation between the generations, 6:30 p.m., LGBT Center, 315 W. Court St. FMI: (414) 224-0517.

### Saturday, June 15

Pride Ride (La Crosse): Bike trip along the Great River State Trail to Perrot State Park in event sponsored by Pride Along the Mississippi. FMI: www.lacrossepride.com.

Womansong Concert (Madison): "Songs for Peace," 7 p.m., WilMar Neighborhood Center, 953 Jenifer St. Sliding scale, \$8-\$12. FMI: (608) 222-2987.

Men's Voices Milwaukee (Milw.): "Men on Broadway" with special guest Ann Morrison, 8 p.m., Vogel Hall, Marcus Center, 929 N. Water St. Also at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 16.) Tix: \$24 and \$18. FMI: (414) 273-7206.

### Sunday, June 16

Annual Meeting (Milw.): G/L Community Center and G/L Community Center Trust Fund, 12:30 p.m., Banquet Room, M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. FMI: (414) 643-8330.

Perfect Harmony Chorus (Madison): Weekly rehearsal, 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 116 W. Washington Ave. FMI: (608) 251-1893.

### Monday, June 17

Living As a Gay Man (Madison): Drop-in discussion group for gay men, 5:30 p.m., OutReach, 600 Williamson St. FMI: (608) 255-8582.

### Tuesday, June 18

Womansong (Madison): Weekly rehearsal of women's chorus, 7 p.m., Beth Israel Center. FMI: (608) 222-2987.

Bi Definition (Milw.): Bisexual discussion topic: "Bisexual Visibility," 7 p.m., LGBT Center, 315 W. Court St. FMI: (414) 299-9612.

### Wednesday, June 19

Juneteenth Day (Milw.): Street festival with food, music, speeches, vendors and fun, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., along King Drive (3rd St.) and Burleigh. Event marks anniversary of final freeing of slaves. Free. FMI: (414) 372-3770.

### Thursday, June 20

"Considering Parenting?" (Milw.): Rainbow U panel discussion for LGBT people who are parents or would like to parent. Hear from people who have chosen alternative insemination, adoption and/or foster parenting. 7 p.m., LGBT Center, 315 W. Court St. FMI: (414) 271-2656.

### Friday, June 21

Summer S'morsice Beach Party (Prescott): Out in the Valley, the St. Croix Valley GLBTA social group hosts a summer party, 6 p.m. at private beach in Prescott, Wis. Singing, swimming, story-telling, potluck, and bonfire. FMI: (800) 800-0350 ext.502.

Transgender Group (Madison): Speaker: Detective Alex Olson on "Transgendered Legalties," Transgendered individuals and supporters meet at 7 p.m., OutReach, 600 Williamson St. FMI: (608) 235-0512.

### Saturday, June 22

Frontrunners/Frontwalkers (Madison): 3K to 10K run or walk, 9 a.m.,



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Lake Wingra Park, Knickerbocker and Arbor Dr. FMI: (608) 663-6463.

Rainbow Home & Garden Tour (Milw.): Featuring the Washington Heights Neighborhood, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$12 advance, \$15 at event, benefit for LGBT Community Center. FMI: (414) 271-2656.

Cream City Chorus (Milw.): Annual Summer cabaret-type performance, "WCCC on the Crystal Set," 8 p.m., Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway. For tix and info: (414) 276-8787.

Transsexual Support Group (Madison): Initial meeting at Outreach at 3:30 p.m. with an Open House for all pre-ops, post-ops, mtf, ftm, Trans people and supporters. FMI: (608) 235-0512.

Sunday, June 23

Bette Davis Bowling League (Madison): 5-person team format, 3 p.m. at Bowl-a-ward Lanes, 2121 E. Spring Dr. FMI: (608) 273-8275.

Gay/Bi Fathers Group (Madison): Meeting at 5 p.m. Call for location and more info: (608) 244-2123.

### Monday, June 24

Madcap Squares (Madison): New Square dance group welcomes all! 6:30 to 8 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1021 Spaight St. First three classes free. FMI: (608) 347-7974.

### Tuesday, June 25

Teens Like Us (Madison): GLBTQ support group for teens, 14-18, 6-8 p.m. Call for location: (608) 251-6211.

Public Hearing on Aging (Milw.): Milwaukee County Department on Aging staff and commissioners will listen to community concerns and receive input, 6 p.m. At 5:30, Alice Kowalski will provide information to seniors as well as service providers on services the Milwaukee County Department on Aging provides. Open to all; reception follows. FMI: (414) 271-2656.

## BAR SPECIALS:

### Sundays:

Ball Game (Milw.): Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.75. C&H 6 p.m.

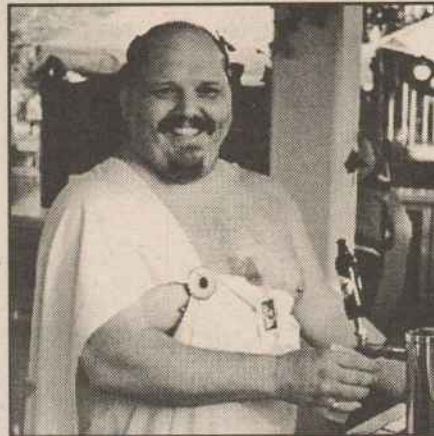
Boot Camp Saloon (Milw.): Open at 3 p.m. with \$1.50 bottle and tap beer and soda.

C'est La Vie (Milw.): Tacos & Beer with Alvin!

Boom (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m. nightly. "Queer as Folk" at 8 p.m.

Club 5/Barracks (Madison): Beer Bash, 4-8 p.m. \$6. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75. \$1 off all others. Additional 50¢ off when you are shirtless.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Beer Bash 3 to 8 p.m. \$6. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75; \$1 off all other until 8 p.m. Live shows at 10:30 p.m.



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Club 219 (Milw.): \$1 tappers, \$2 rail drinks, \$2 bottled beer. Two shows: 8:30 p.m. - no cover - and 11:30 p.m.

Dish (Milw.): The new night spot for women! Rotating Events! Emerald's (Milw.): Men's Night! Call drinks \$2.

Fannies (Milw.): Retro Night! CE60s, CE70s, '80 & CE90s ~ 7-11 p.m. \$1 taps! Bartender's Choice of Changing Specials.

Fluid (Milw.): \$1.75 rail vodka mixers, 5 to 8 p.m.

The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Pints of Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers & Greyhounds - \$2.50! Shirtless men half price any time.

LaCage (Milw.): LaCage Showcase plus "Superbust" - no cover.

M&M Club (Milw.): Brunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Bar-B-Q, 1-4 p.m.

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

The Nut Hut (Milw.): Coronas, \$1.75, Domestic Beer, \$1.25, Mini-pitchers, \$1.75.

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

Off the Tracks (Milw.): Opens at 3 p.m. \$2 Bloody Marys/Mimosas.

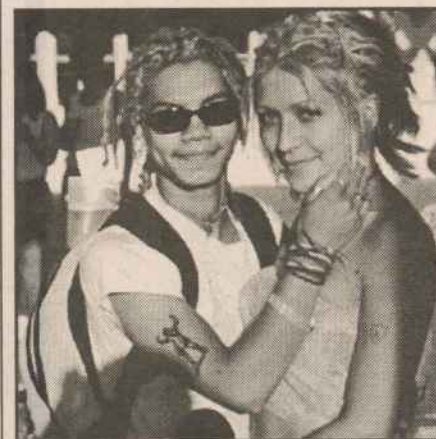
OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 Bloody Marys hosted by the Gay Voice.

Rainbow Room (Madison): Beer Bash, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Patio bar open at 2 p.m. Beer Bash from 2 to 8 p.m. Open volleyball. Food available from 2 to 6 p.m. 2/4/1 10 p.m. to close



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South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 3 p.m. Beer Bust, \$5 from 9-midnite.

Switch (Milw.): "Broadway after Brunch," 2-8 p.m., featuring show tunes and \$1 off mimosas, bloody marys, and screwdrivers. "Shirtless" Sunday Nites, 8-close, \$1 off drinks for guys without shirts! "Queer As Folk" at 9 p.m./previous episode at 8. Patio open.

Walker's Pint (Milw.): \$8 pitcher of Lite & pizza, \$4 rail Bloody Marys, both from Noon to 6 p.m. Open from Noon to midnite.

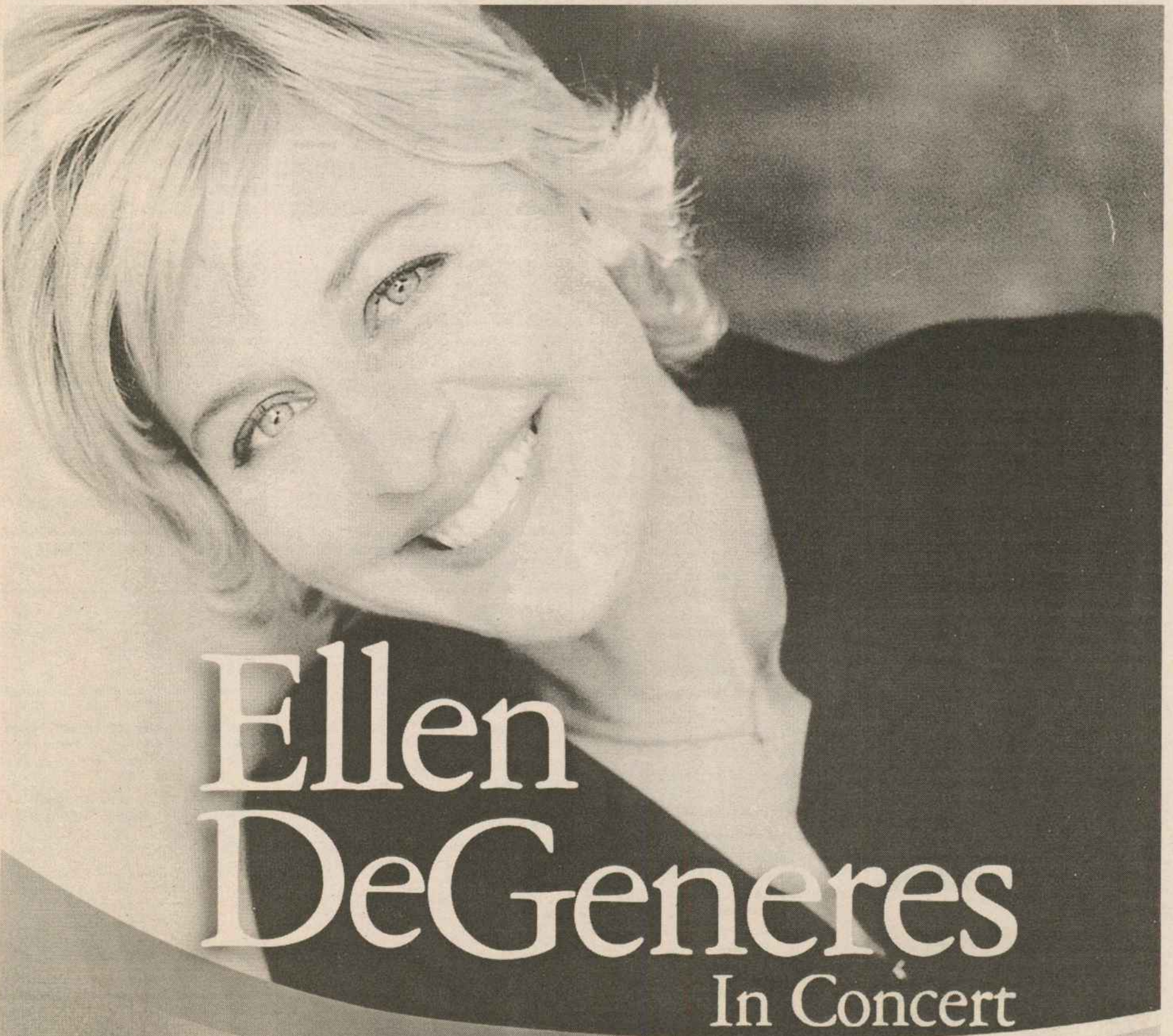
## Dykes To Watch Out For by Alison Bechdel

Cell Block (Chicago): WWF/WCW Wrestling. \$2 specials on microbrews.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Pizza & Beer Bust, only \$4, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.!  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Jock night open at 6 p.m. Half price drinks with proof of jock. Come support us while we support you!  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others. 3-4-1 drinks for those men in just underwear. Additional 50¢ off when you are shirtless.  
 Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m.. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others ALL NIGHT LONG, \$2 shot specials.  
 Dish (Milw.): The new night-spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 from 5 to 7 p.m. Pool & Dart Leagues - sign up now.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Closed.  
 Fluid (Milw.): \$3.50 Absolut Mixers, 8 p.m. to close.  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys. & 3-6 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks and free pizza. Shirtless men half price anytime. Bartenders, waiters, owners \$1 off drinks 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): 4 to 6 p.m. Pull tabs!  
 LaCage (Milw.): "Ab Fab" night with Jacky Roberts. Episodes at 8 and 10:30 p.m. Martini and champagne specials.  
 M&M Club (Milw.): Mountain of BBQ Rib Special!

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull tabs from 3 to 7 p.m. (Drinks as low as 25¢). There is a \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Miller products - \$1.50.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): Buck Shot Night: all cold shots \$1 all night.  
 Rainbow Room (Madison): Rolling Rock, \$1.50.  
 Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 7 p.m. \$3.50 and under drinks over \$3.50 get \$1 off.  
 Scooter's (Eau Claire): \$3 pitchers - 9 p.m. to close.  
 South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m.  
 Switch (Milw.): Happy Hour, 6-9 p.m., with \$1 off drinks. Margarita Madness, 8-close, featuring \$2.50 margaritas and tequila popper shots!  
 Triangle (Milw.): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! 9 p.m. - Absolut and anything, \$2.  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): All night, mix and match. \$1 off pitchers of Miller products.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Happy Hour, 4-9 p.m., \$1 taps, \$1.50 rails.  
 Za's (Green Bay): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super Bust at Java's.  
**Tuesdays:**  
 Ball Game (Milw.): Cocktail Hour, 2-9 p.m. with snacks served! Cocktail

Hour rail drinks or NEW! Pull tabs - try your luck! 9 p.m. to close.  
 Boot Camp Saloon (Milw.): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drink special. Vodka Nite! All vodka drinks, \$1.50 and Call Brands only \$2.50 with free, hot Klement's pizza!  
 Cell Block (Chicago): SMUT Tuesdays! XXX Videos. Cheap Drinks. Free Games.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Shirts Off! Show us what you've got! Take it off for half price rail, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
 Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Leather/Levy Night. Well-drinks & draft beer \$1. Dress Code Enforced. Pit open.  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m. 2-4-1 rail and tap beer 6-10, Free Pool & Darts.  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 50¢ off all drinks. Additional 50¢ off when you are shirtless.  
 Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others. Underage night begins at 9 p.m., 50¢ off all drinks, \$2 shot specials.  
 Club 219 (Milw.): Amateur Strip Nite! No cover. \$1 tap beer, \$2 rails and bottled beer.  
 Emeralds (Milw.): \$5 Beer Bust - 8 to midnight!

Fannies (Milw.): Closed  
 Fluid (Milw.): \$2 Cold Shots, 8 p.m. to close.  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour, 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys, & 3-6 p.m., 2-4-1 drinks and free pizza! Nipple ring nite - gentle tug on yours, 2nd drink free! Shirtless men half price anytime.  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): Mexican Night! 4 p.m. to ? Tacos \$1.75 to 10 p.m. 2-4-1 Tequila 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Corona \$1.75.  
 LaCage (Milw.): "Prize Nite" - no cover.  
 M&M Club (Milw.): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.  
 Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Half price locker.  
 Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Shake a Drink! Aces free and sixes half price - 3 to 7 p.m.  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Bud Products \$1.50. The Trading Company (Eau Claire): 2 for \$2. Domestic bottles and rail mixes all night.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): Jumbo Margaritas and Daiquiris \$3 all night.  
 OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): All coffee drinks - \$2.  
 Rainbow Room (Madison): \$1 off rail and domestic.  
 Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour runs from 4 to 7 p.m. Free pool with drink purchase from 9 p.m. to close.



# Ellen DeGeneres

## In Concert

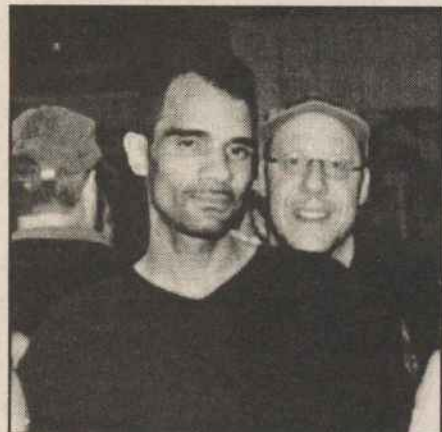
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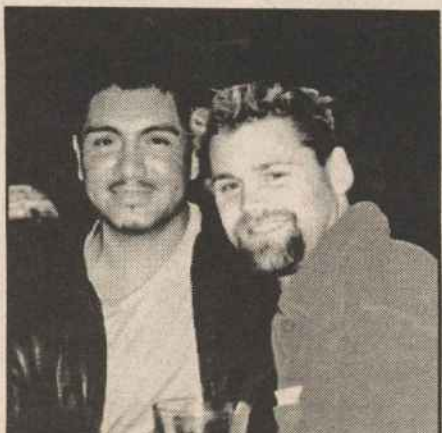
South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m.  
 Switch (Milw.): Happy Hour, 6-9 p.m., \$1 off drinks. "Shake-a-Drink," 8-close: "shake" against the bartender to win 1/2 price drinks!  
 Triangle (Milw.): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks!  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): Double trouble, 6-10 p.m. Same rail prices = twice the liquor.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Happy Hour, 4-9 p.m., \$1 taps, \$1.50 rails.  
**Wednesdays:**  
 Ball Game (Milw.): Cocktail Hour, 2-9 p.m. with snacks served! Special Export \$5 pitchers and \$1.10 mugs from 9 p.m.-close.  
 Boot Camp Saloon (Milw.): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drink specials.  
 Cell Block (Chicago): Open Shawn's Treasure Chest for Great Prizes! Check your planner for more. \$2 Lite/MGD longnecks.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Rail drinks only \$1.  
 Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Free pool.  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Open at 6pm. 2-4-1 rail and tap beer 6-10, "Six Feet Under" @ 9 p.m.  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 50¢ off all taps and rails, \$2.50 Coronas and shots of Drs. Additional 50¢ off when you are shirtless.  
 Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others. Male Dancers at 11 p.m., 50¢ off all taps and rails, \$2.50 Coronas and shots of Drs. \$2 shot specials.  
 Club 219 (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m.  
 Dish (Milw.): It's Point Night! There are pints of Point for \$1. 2-4-1 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
 Emeralds (Milw.): Lady's Night! Call drinks \$2.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m.  
 Fluid (Milw.): Rotating Martini Special, 8 p.m. to close.  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour, 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys, & 3-6 p.m., 2-4-1 drinks and free pizza! Leather Nite! Men in leather, 2-4-1 drinks, 7 p.m.-close. Shirtless men half price anytime.  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): Hump Day! Everything's a buck. Open to close.  
 LaCage (Milw.): 2-4-1 all night!



Where the boyz are. Photo by Jamie @ Harbor Room



Too Much Fun. Photo by Jamie @ Harbor Room



Snuggle Bunnies? Photo by Jamie @ Off the Tracks

M&M Club (Milw.): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.  
 Man's Country (Chicago): 7-5-7. Special: Rooms and Lockers \$7 for 5 hours.  
 Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Half price rooms.  
 Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Rail drinks \$1.50, Soda & juice are 50¢ from 3 to 7 p.m. \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): \$2.50 pitchers/50¢ drafts. Retro party with DJ Cris.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): \$2 mini-pitchers of Miller products.  
 OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Karaoke! \$1.50 MGD and Michelob Goldens.  
 Orbit (Milw.): Happy Hour 5-8 p.m., 2-4-1 drinks.  
 Rainbow Room (Madison): Shots of Doctors - \$2.  
 Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. \$1.50 Dr. or Schnapps with drink 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 (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m. 2-4-1 cocktails all day.  
 Switch (Milw.): Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m., with \$1 off all drinks. Balloon Bust starts at 8 p.m. Throw darts to pop balloons and win cash prizes!  
 Triangle (Milw.): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! 9 p.m. Super Beer Bust - All U Can Drink! \$5 domestic, \$7 premium.  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): Flavored Long Islands, \$5 a pint or \$8 a pitcher.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Happy Hour, 4-9 p.m., \$1 taps, \$1.50 rails.

**Thursdays:**

Ball Game (Milw.): Cocktail Hour, 2-9 p.m. with snacks served! Cocktail Hour rail drinks or NEW! Pull tabs - try your luck from 9 p.m. to close.  
 Boot Camp Saloon (Milw.): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drink specials.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Karaoke Night, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Open at 6pm. 2-4-1 COCKTAILS open until close.  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others all night long. Additional 50¢ off when you are shirtless.  
 Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others all night long! "Will & Grace" at 8 p.m. Karaoke at 8:30 p.m. Women's night with Toni at 10 p.m. with free pool in fox-hole, \$2 shot specials.  
 Club 219 (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m.  
 Dish (Milw.): 2-4-1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Groove with Amy! Amy entertains!  
 Emeralds (Milw.): Tea Thursday! Ice Tea \$2.50.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m.  
 Fluid (Milw.): \$3 Cosmos, 8 p.m. to close.  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour, 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys, 3-6 p.m., 2-4-1 drinks and free pizza! Shirtless men half price anytime. 10oz. Cosmopolitans \$4.50, 6-11 p.m.  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): Slammers! \$1 - 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
 LaCage (Milw.): "Super Bust" - no cover for card holders.  
 M&M Club (Milw.): Happy Hour from 5 p.m. to close!  
 Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Crazy 8 rooms and lockers. \$1 locker with college ID.  
 Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull tabs! drinks as low as 25¢ 3 to 7 p.m.  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer \$1 Well drinks \$1.50.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): Beat the Clock - Miller taps start at 25¢ at 6 p.m. Yeah, 25¢!  
 OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1 bottle beer. 50¢ drafts.  
 Rainbow Room (Madison): Corona - \$2.  
 Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m.  
 Scooter's (Eau Claire): Free Pool & Darts. 2-4-1 tap beer 9 p.m. to close.  
 South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m.  
 Switch (Milw.): Happy Hour, 6-9 p.m., \$1 off drinks. Karaoke Contest. Win prize \$, from 8:30-close, after "Will & Grace."  
 The Trading Company (Eau Claire): Super Bust! 9 p.m. to close. \$8 rail, \$10 call mixers, \$12 top-shelf mixers.  
 Triangle (Milw.): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! 9 p.m. \$6 Rail Bust!  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): Import Night, 6-10 p.m. \$1 off imports.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Double Bubble all day, all night.  
 Za's (Green Bay): \$6 Super Bust. DJ Mark spins.

**Fridays:**

Ball Game (Milw.): Cocktail Hour, 2-9 p.m. with snacks served!  
 Boot Camp Saloon (Milw.): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drink special.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Strippers! Enjoy local boyz! 11:30 p.m. No cover.  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Open at 6pm. 2-4-1 rail and tap beer 6-10, With the latest Music Videos till close.  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 50¢ off for men in leather and uniforms. Additional 50¢ off if you are shirtless.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others.  
 Club 219 (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m.  
 Dish (Milw.): Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m.  
 Fluid (Milw.): Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m. 2-4-1, martinis included!  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour, 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys, 3-6 p.m., 2-4-1 drinks and free pizza! Shirtless men half price anytime. 10oz. call Martinis \$5, 6-11 p.m.  
 Jo Dees International (Racine): Bring on the Bears and Bikers! \$1.25 Top MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinie's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-Pschorr Weisse.  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): Pull tabs! 5 to 7 p.m.  
 LaCage (Milw.): LaCage Showcase.  
 M&M Club (Milw.): All you can eat Fish Fry and other great specials.  
 Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Party night!  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Best Dance Party! DJ Cris.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): FREAKY FRIDAY - come see what speciality beers are only \$1.50.  
 South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 5 p.m. Happy Hour, 5-8 p.m.  
 Switch (Milw.): Happy Hour, 6-9 p.m., with Michael Johnson (aka K.V.), \$1 off drinks, 80's music, fun, and "games!"  
 The Trading Company (Eau Claire): All chilled shots \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m.  
 Triangle (Milw.): Happy Hour - 5 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$3 Margaritas from open to close.  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): Domestic tap beer bust, 6-8 p.m., \$2 cold shots, 8-10 p.m.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Happy Hour, 4-9 p.m., \$1 taps, \$1.50 rails.

**Saturdays:**

Ball Game (Milw.): Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.75, and \$1.10 mugs from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
 Barracks (Madison): Levi/Leather/Uniform Night! 50¢ off all drinks if dressed in L/L/U. Bartender's discretion.  
 C'est La Vie (Milw.): Female Impersonators with Big Mama at 11:30 p.m. No cover.  
 Club Boom (Milw.): Open at 6pm. 2-4-1 rail and tap beer 6-10. With the latest Music Videos till close.  
 Club 5/Barracks (Madison): 50¢ off for men in leather and uniforms. Additional 50¢ off if you are shirtless.  
 Club 5/Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks up to \$3.75, \$1 off all others.  
 Dish (Milw.): The new night spot for women! Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m.  
 Fluid (Milw.): 50-cent tap beers or 75-cent pints of Miller Lite and Genuine Draft. 5-9 p.m.  
 The Harbor Room (Milw.): Happy Hour, 8 a.m.-Noon, Bloody Marys! Shirtless men half price anytime. Pitchers of beer, 8 a.m.: 4 p.m., \$4.50 domestic & \$6.50 Harbor Room's own brew!  
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milw.): Short beers 2 for \$1.50.  
 LaCage (Milw.): Where Milwaukee Dances!  
 Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Mid-night. Free Continental Breakfast Sunday Morning.  
 Midtowne Spa (Milw.): Bar-B-Q, 1-4 p.m.  
 The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ's Jerry & Jess One.  
 Off the Tracks (Milw.): Charity Shot - \$1, all proceeds go charity of the month.  
 OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 shot specials. DJ/Dancing.  
 Planet Q (Madison): Happy Hour, 4-8 p.m. 2-4-1 up to \$4.25, \$1 off all other drinks.  
 Rainbow Room (Madison): Beer Bash, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
 Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison): Live DJ 9 p.m. to close. Men's Room (Levi/Leather) 7 p.m. to close: 50¢ off all drinks with card. Progressive Happy Hour from 7 to 10 p.m.  
 Scooter's (Eau Claire): All chilled shots only \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m. DJ & dancing starting at 11 p.m.  
 South Water St. Docks (Milw.): Open at 3 p.m.  
 Switch (Milw.): Open at 6 p.m., featuring current dance music, DJ spin.  
 Walker's Pint (Milw.): Bring in 2 non-perishable food items and get \$1 off your first drink. All proceeds go to Second Harvest of Milwaukee.  
 Woody's (Milw.): Bucky Badger Day!

**BAR EVENTS:**

**Thursday, May 2**

HIV Testing (Milw.): BESTD Clinic will offer free HIV tests from 9 p.m. to Midnite at La Cage, 801 S. Second St. FMI: (414) 272-2144.

**Friday, May 3**

Shamrock Bar (Madison): Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group Happy Hour. The group meets at 6 p.m. for cocktails every Friday. Decides where to dine at 7 p.m. 117 W. Main St. FMI: (608) 274-5959.

C'est La Vie (Milw.): Strippers - Enjoy Local Boyz! 11:30 p.m. No cover. 231 S. Second St. FMI: (414) 291-9600.  
 Café El Sol (Milw.): Great food and Latin music, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 1028 S. 9th St. FMI: (414) 384-3100, ext. 237.  
 Fannies (Milw.): Shoreline Dancers and Dairyland Cowboys and Cowgirls kick up their heels, 8 p.m., 200 E. Washington St. FMI: (414) 747-0388.

**Fri & Sat, May 3 & 4**

Chip and Py's (Mequon): Live Jazz Fridays and Saturdays, 7-11 p.m. Reservations suggested. 1340 W. Towne Square Rd. (I-43 at Mequon Rd.) Call (414) 241-9589.

**Saturday, May 4**

C'est La Vie (Milw.): Female Impersonators with Britney! 11:30 p.m. No cover. 231 S. Second St. FMI: (414) 291-9600.  
 M&M Club (Milw.): Sheephead Tournament! Registration at Noon, play begins at 12:30 p.m. Prizes. \$12 entry includes lunch, 124 N. Water St. FMI: (414) 871-4172.

**Wednesday, May 8**

Chip and Py's (Mequon): Live Jazz Wednesdays, 6-9 p.m. Reservations. 1340 W. Towne Square Rd. (I-43 at Mequon Rd.) Call (414) 241-9589.

La Cage (Milw.): "What the F\*\*\*\*" Wednesdays! 801 S. Second St. FMI: (414) 383-8330.

**Thursday, May 9**

La Cage (Milw.): LET'S GET SOAKING WET! Dance floor diva Pepper Mashay with opening drag show. Tickets at Fluid and La Cage. \$8 in advance/\$10 at the door.

C'est La Vie (Milw.): Karaoke Night, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. 231 S. Second St. FMI: (414) 291-9600.

Club 5 (Madison): Gay TV Night with "Will & Grace" and "Queer as Folk." 5 Applegate Court. FMI: (608) 277-9700.

**Friday, May 10**

Shamrock Bar (Madison): Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group Happy Hour. The group meets at 6 p.m. for cocktails every Friday. Decides where to dine at 7 p.m. 117 W. Main St. FMI: (608) 274-5959.

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# Youthful Proud Theatre Performs on May 25

By John Quinlan

Madison – Proud Theater – a voice for Madison's LGBT and allied teen community – will be presenting "A Mural of Us: An Evening with Proud Theater," an eclectic evening of theatrical pieces, music, and dance on Saturday, May 25, at 7 p.m. in the Frederic March Play Circle Theater of the UW Memorial Union. Produced under the sponsorship of the New Harvest Foundation, the show will reflect both the daily challenges and harassment teens face from homophobia, and the strength and beauty they draw from each other and from gay culture.

Since its beginnings in January of 2000, Proud Theater has been a gathering place for LGBT teens, the children of LGBT parents, and other allied youth; a place where they can express themselves in an atmosphere of unconditional support. Thanks to their generous hosts, the James Reeb Unitarian Universalist congregation, these youth are able to gather together each Saturday morning to improvise, create and perform theatrical pieces and music that reflect the realities of their young lives.

"Proud Theater is an amazing group. It's been a lifeline for many teens, and combines art, heart and activism. It's theater that comes out of our experiences," says 15-year-old Sol Kelley-Jones, a teen activist and co-founder of the group. "I truly believe that theater of this kind can change consciousness both within the youth who are involved, and within the community.."

The youth range in age from 13 to 18. Proud Theater's tradition of celebrating rainbow symbols has a dual meaning for these young people, over half of whom have multi-racial identities. "Each teen's role is important in producing a Proud Theater performance. They are idea generators, writers, directors, actors, and scenic artists," says artistic director Callen Harty. Harty is an accomplished playwright, actor, and director known in part for his multiple contributions to Madison's Broom Street Theater.

In addition to the opportunity to express themselves through drama, Proud Theater is also an important vehicle for peer support and adult mentoring.

"For most of these youth, Proud Theater is one of the few places where they can openly explore the many parts of themselves and express their own truth," says Sunshine Jones, a psychotherapist and education director/facilitator of the group. "Our community's teens are challenged by homophobia, by limiting gender roles, and

by the pressures of youth culture. As they struggle to be true to who they are inside, many of our youth feel these challenges especially strongly. And so we try to create a safe, supportive place for them here."

In order to meet this need, the teens have a chance to reach out to each other and to adult leaders for support during part of their time together each week. In such a supportive environment, the youth have the opportunity to thrive and freely express their creative selves.

The result is compelling and honest theater that evokes tenderly the unique challenges these teens face in defining themselves and their relationships. However, there is much more to be expressed beyond the struggles represented by these emotional realities. Throughout a Proud Theater performance there is also interwoven a youthful optimism, enthusiasm and sense of humor that is pervasive and uplifting. Through their creative expressions, these youth share their dreams for a world where things can be different, where everyone will be accepted simply for who they are. One can't help but leave a performance with a sense of greater hope for the future.

Tickets for the May 25th performance of "A Mural of Us: An Evening With Proud Theater" are available at Room of One's Own Bookstore, 307 W. Johnson St., at the Wisconsin Union Box Office, 800 Langdon Street, or by calling (608) 262-2201. Tickets are \$5, with a special rate of \$3 for students of all ages. For more information about Proud Theater itself, call (608) 276-8010.

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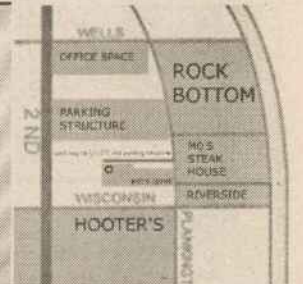


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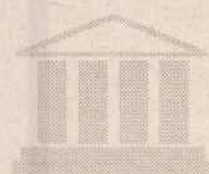
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315 W. Court, 53212 ..... 276-8787
- Cream City Foundation** (CCF)  
315 W. Court, 53212 ..... 225-0244
- Cream City Squares**  
(G/L Square Dancing Club) ..... 445-8080
- DAMES** (Dykes Against Minority Erotic Suppression)  
P.O. Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201 ..... 278-0323
- Fest City Singers** (gay choral group)  
P.O. Box 11428, 53211 ..... 961-0713
- Firebirds** (L/L group), P.O. Box 159, 53201-0159
- Front Runners** (running group) ..... 332-1527
- Galano Club** (chemical free recovery club)  
315 W. Court St., 53212 ..... 276-6936
- GAMMA** (sports/outdoors/recreation/social)  
E-mail: [mkegamma@execpc.com](mailto:mkegamma@execpc.com)  
Web: [www.execpc.com/~mkegamma](http://www.execpc.com/~mkegamma)  
P.O. Box 1900, 53201 ..... 365-3453  
Membership Info ..... 358-2111
- Gay Father's Group**  
1240 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 372-8008
- Gay Lesbian Education Employees of Metro Milw.**  
(GLEEMM), Larry ..... 462-8404
- Gay/Lesbian Studies UWM** ..... 229-6402
- Gay & Lesbian Tavern Guild**  
209 E. National Ave., 53204
- Gay People's Union**  
P.O. Box 208, 53201 ..... 645-0585
- Gay Youth Milwaukee** (peer group meetings)  
P.O. Box 090441, 53209 ..... 265-8500
- Gay Men's Discussion/Support Group**  
(Bill) ..... 276-7626
- Gemini Gender Group** (TV/TS/TG support/social)  
P.O. Box 44211, 53214 ..... 297-9328
- Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee**  
P.O. Box 862, 53201-0862
- GLEAM/SPECTRUM** (GLBT Employees of Ameritech)  
P.O. Box 254, 53201 ..... 482-4310
- G/L Community Center Trust Fund**  
P.O. Box 1686, 53201 ..... 643-1652
- Great Lakes Harley Riders**, P.O. Box 341611, 53234-1611
- Holiday Invitational Tournament** (G/L bowling event)  
P.O. Box 899, 53201
- Keep Hope Alive** (HIV Holistic Support)  
P.O. Box 27041, West Allis, 53227 ..... 548-4344
- LAMM** (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)  
315 W. Court, 53212 ..... 272-9442
- LOC/Women of Color**  
P.O. Box 93594, 53203 ..... 263-1631
- Log Cabin Republicans** (Gay Republicans)  
P.O. Box 199, 53201 ..... 299-9443
- MGALA** (Marquette U. GL Alumni)  
P.O. Box 92722, 53202
- Marquette Gay/Straight Alliance**  
Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233 ..... 288-6873
- Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club** (Scott) ..... 543-9643
- Milwaukee LGBT Community Center** ..... 271-2656  
315 W. Court, 53212  
..... [www.mkelgbt.org](http://www.mkelgbt.org)
- Milwaukee Symphony Chorus**  
Auditions/Info ..... 414-559-9330  
..... [www.milwaukeeesymphony.org](http://www.milwaukeeesymphony.org)
- Narcotics Anonymous** (request gay mtgs.) ..... 800-711-6375
- Orgullo Latino/a Latin Pride**  
(c/o Murguial) 1532 N. Astor St. 53202 ..... 276-8546
- Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group** ..... 963-9833
- Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays** (PFLAG)  
315 W. Court, 53212 ..... 299-9198
- Pathfinders** (youth counseling, shelter)  
1614 E. Kane Place, 53202 ..... 271-1560
- PrideFest** (annual Pride festival)  
907 S. 1st St., 53204  
Web Site: [www.pridefest.com](http://www.pridefest.com) ..... 645-FEST
- Project Q** (Youth Program of the Milwaukee LGBT Center)  
315 W. Court, 53212  
[www.projectq.org](http://www.projectq.org) ..... 223-3220
- The Queer Program** (Cable TV Show)  
PO Box 090441, 53209 ..... 265-8500
- Rainbow Alliance at UWM**  
Box 122, 2200 E. Kenwood 53211 ..... 229-6555  
..... [www.uwm.edu/studentorg/glb/](http://www.uwm.edu/studentorg/glb/)
- Riverwest Rainbow Association**  
1001 E. Keefe Ave., 53212 ..... 225-1645
- SAGE Milwaukee** (for older LGBTs)  
P.O. Box 510492, 53203-0091 ..... 271-0378
- Saturday SoftBall League** (SSBL)  
P.O. Box 92605, 53203-0091 ..... 454-9204
- Sexual Compulsives Anonymous** (SCA) ..... 299-0755
- Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.**  
P.O. Box 76115, 53216 ..... 873-1849
- Shoreline** (country dancing, instruction)  
P.O. Box 510283, 53203-0051 ..... 747-0388
- Silver Space** (for older lesbians)  
c/o Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett ..... 271-2565
- Two Spirit Society** (Indigenous LGBT People of America)  
315 W. Court St., 53212 ..... 607-1182
- Wisconsin Leather Men's Assoc. Inc.**  
P.O. Box 897, 53201-0897
- Wisconsin Outdoor Women** (outdoor sporting events)  
P.O. Box 94, Hales Corners, 53130 ..... 427-2082
- RELIGIOUS**
- All Saints' Episcopal Church**  
818 E. Juneau Ave., 53202 ..... 271-7719  
..... [www.ascatherdral.org](http://www.ascatherdral.org)
- ARCW Spiritual Care**  
P.O. Box 92487, 53202 ..... 225-1565
- Central United Method Church**  
639 N. 25th St., 53233

- Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
1821 N. 16th St., 53205 344-1746
- Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)**  
P.O. Box 597, 53201 ..... 873-9591
- First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist)**  
1342 N. Astor St., 53202 ..... 273-5257
- Lake Park Lutheran Church**  
2647 N. Stowell Ave., 53211 ..... 962-9190
- Lutherans Concerned**  
P.O. Box 1676, 53201 ..... 372-9663
- Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church (UFMCC)**  
1239 W. Mineral St., 53204  
Adm. Office: 170 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 383-1100
- Pentecost Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
5226 W. Burlingame St., 53210 ..... 445-2696
- Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming)**  
2717 E. Hampshire St., 53211 ..... 964-1513
- The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, nondenominational)**  
1636 W. National Ave., 53204 ..... 672-4434
- St. Ann's Church**  
5933 W. National Ave., 53214 ..... 259-1229
- St. James Episcopal Church**  
833 W. Wisconsin Ave., 53233 ..... 271-1340
- Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
130 E. Juneau Ave., 53202 ..... 273-7617

**MEDICAL**

- AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (www.arcw.org)**  
820 Plankinton Ave., 53203 ..... 273-1991  
(800) 359-9272
- Mark Behar, PA-C (Family/ Primary Care)**  
Family Care Center, 1834 W WI, 53233 ..... 933-3600
- BESTD (Brady East STD Clinic) (STD/HIV diagnosis/treatment)**  
www.bestd.org; bestd@execpc.org  
1240 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 272-2144
- Health Options (Holistic Health Services)**  
823 N. 2nd Street, #811, 53202 ..... 225-9303
- Dennis C. Hill Outreach Center (HIV testing, condoms)**  
4311 W Vliet, 53208 ..... 342-4333
- Positive Health Clinic**  
Medical Center Specialties Clinic  
945 N 12, 53233 ..... 219-7908
- STD Specialties Clinic**  
3251 N Holton, 53212 ..... 264-8800

**BARS**

- 1 **Ballgame (Mw, V, D, F)**  
196 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 273-7474
- 2 **Boot Camp (M, L/L)**  
209 E. National Ave., 53204 ..... 643-6900
- 3 **C'est La Vie (Mw, D)**  
231 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 291-9600
- 4 **Club Boom (Mw, D, V)**  
625 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 277-5040
- 3 **Club 219 (Mw, DJ, V)**  
219 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 271-3732
- 3 **Dish (Wm, DJ)**  
235 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 273-DISH
- Emeralds**  
801 E. Hadley, 53206 ..... 265-7325
- 17 **1100 Club (Mw, L/L, DJ, F)**  
1100 S. 1st St., 53204 ..... 647-9950
- 5 **Fannie's (Wm, D, F)**  
200 E. Washington St., 53204 ..... 649-9003
- 6 **Fluid (Mw)**

- 819 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 645-8330
- 6 **Harbor Room (L/L, Mw)**  
117 E. Greenfield Ave., 53204 ..... 672-7988
- 22 **Kathy's Nut Hut (Wm, G/S, F, D)**  
1500 W. Scott 53201 ..... 647-2673
- 7 **La Cage (Mw, DJ, V)**  
801 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 383-8330
- 10 **M&M Club (Mw, F)**  
124 N. Water 53202 ..... 347-1962
- 13 **South Water Street Docks**  
354 E. National Ave., 53204 ..... 225-9676
- 20 **Off The Tracks (Wm, D)**  
1534 W. Grant 53215 ..... 384-5680
- 14 **Switch (Mw)**  
124 W. National Ave., 53204 ..... 220-4340
- 15 **This Is It (M)**  
418 E. Wells 53202 ..... 278-9192
- 16 **Triangle (M, V)**  
135 E. National 53204 ..... 383-9412
- 31 **Woody's (Mw, D)**  
1579 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 672-0806
- 32 **Walker's Pint (Wm)**  
818 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 643-7468

**COFFEE HOUSES and RESTAURANTS**

- Azteca**  
816 South 5th St., 53204 ..... 383-8816
- Bella's Cafe (Coffee House)**  
189 N. Milwaukee St., 53204 ..... 273-5620
- Big Mamma's Cafe (10am-after hours)**  
1106 S. 1st St. 53204 ..... 831-0186
- Cafe Knickerbocker**  
1030 East Juneau, 53202 ..... 272-0011
- Cempazuchi**  
1205 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 291-5233
- Chip and Pys**  
1340 W. Towne Square Rd., Mequon, ..... 241-9589
- Cielito Lindo**  
733 South 2nd St., 53204 ..... 649-0401
- Harry's Bar and Grill**  
3539 N. Oakland Ave, 53211 ..... 694-6800
- 10 **M&M/Glass Menagerie (lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch)**  
124 N. Water 53202 ..... 347-1962
- North Shore Bistro**  
Riverpoint Village, I-43 & Brown Deer ..... 351-6100
- Silver Dollar Cafe**  
831 South 16th Street, 53204 ..... 645-8860

**HELP LINES**

- The Force**  
(referrals to GBLT counselors) ..... 276-8487
- Gay People's Union** ..... 645-0585
- Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline (Fri/Sat Eves 7pm-11pm)**  
(866) GAY-YOUTH
- Milwaukee Metro** ..... (414) 272-TEEN
- Helpline (Crisis Counseling)** ..... 271-3123
- Pathfinders (24-hour youth counseling)** ..... 271-1560
- Wisconsin AIDSline (free/anonymous)** ..... (414) 273-AIDS  
(800) 334-AIDS

**SERVICES**

- Able Amazon (Home Repair)** ..... 447-0251
- Affiliated Mortgage** ..... 453-6700
- 1233 N. Mayfair Rd., Wauwatosa, 53218
- AEJ Promotions (Promotional Products)**

- aandjpromotions@aol.com
- Bay Tax Service, Paul Rathjen** ..... 332-9584
- Frank J. Berger, (Real Estate)** ..... (414) 213-5842
- B&G Construction** ..... 405-7843
- Sean Buckley (Individual Psychotherapy)** ..... 562-2403
- Bill Buresh (Real Estate)** ..... 529-0500
- Calyx Counseling Center (Kate Weishaar, Ph.D)**  
1840 N. Farwell Ave. Ave. ..... 276-4664
- Carnival Travel, 611 E. Wells St.** ..... 276-3388
- Clarity (Writing and Research)** ..... 276-6935
- Creative Home Concepts (Home/Remodel)** ..... 766-1066
- Downtown Autobody (Car Repair)**  
3425 N. Holton Ave. .... 964-7170
- Roland E. Daneau, CPA (Accountant)** ..... 962-1400
- Discovery & Recovery Clinic (Counseling)**  
6510 W Layton Ave, 53215 ..... 282-6160
- Dykeman Family Heating (heating/cooling)**  
1023 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 273-7500
- Theodore I. Friedman, PhD (Psychotherapist)**  
2266 N. Prospect, Suite 206 53202 ..... 272-2427
- Full Moon Productions (Women's Music Promoters)**  
N235 Co Hwy W, Campbellsport, 53010
- The Garden Room (Garden Design)**  
Michael Davis ..... 963-1657
- GLINN Network One (Internet Access, www.gn1.net)**  
1618 N. Jackson, 53202 ..... 289-8640
- Hairys Hair Bar**  
2385 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. .... 486-9299
- Horizon Travel (Member IGTA)**  
N81 W15028 Appleton, Men. Falls 53051 ..... 255-0704
- Hume, Attorney Kathleen**  
5665 S. 108th, Hales Corners, 53130 ..... 529-2129
- Bill Hanel, msw (Counseling, Psychotherapy)** ..... 276-7626
- Denis Jackson, PhD. (Relational training, hypnosis, HIV & Vocational Counseling)** ..... 276-8669
- Klaus & Meyers (attorneys)**  
5665 S. 108th, Hales Corners 53130 ..... 529-2800
- C.A. Klein (Accounting Services)** ..... 384-1640
- Landmark Plumbing** ..... 224-8008
- Linda Jo Martin (Psychotherapist)** ..... 276-8676
- Randy Mickelson, (Ernie Von Schledorn, auto sales)**  
Saukville/Port Washington ..... 800-648-6789
- Scott Perkins (Realtor)** ..... 476-9070, ext. 461  
cell: 801-1356
- Red Tail Painting & Restoration**  
e-mail: redtail@execpc.com ..... 607-1180
- Reiki Master/Wm Jacobs**  
(energy balancing) ..... 668-8860
- Side by Side (performers)** ..... 961-2135
- Diane Bloom/Sandy Lewis**
- Jeanie Simpkins, (MS), (counseling)** ..... 282-6160
- Jack Smith (Realtor)** ..... 962-4413
- home/voice mail ..... 224-1452
- Special Touch Massage** ..... 536-8232
- Streff Advertising/Sandy Lewis** ..... 771-8300
- 7600 Harwood Ave., Wauwatosa, 53213
- The Right Angle (carpentry)** ..... 390-0909
- Third Coast Courier (delivery)** ..... 562-0935
- Travel Directions (Travel Agency)**  
515 Glenview, Wauwatosa, 53213 ..... 774-2174
- Travel Experience (Travel Agency)** ..... 744-6020
- Wauker Photography (Portraits, Commitments)**  
by appointment only ..... 383-0740
- Wells Ink, Advertising & Design (Advertising, PR)**  
1661 N. Water St., Suite 411, 53202 ..... 272-2116

**RETAIL**

- 2Burn (Ventless Fireplaces, Gifts)**  
11708 W. North Ave., Wauwatosa ..... 607-7000
- Absolute Furniture**  
5520 W. North Ave ..... 875-8326
- Adambomb Gallerie (tattoos, jewelry)**  
524 S. 2nd St., 53204 ..... 276-BOMB
- Avante Garde (Body Piercing, Tattoos)**  
7219 W. Greenfield, Ave., ..... 607-4068
- Body Ritual (Body Piercing, Jewelry, Gifts)**  
2010 N. Farwell Ave., 53202 ..... 273-3777
- Clinton Street Antiques**  
1110 South First Street ..... 647-1773
- Changin' Times**  
932 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 281-7473
- Constant Reader Bookshop**  
1627 E Irving Pl., 53202 ..... 291-0452
- Eclectic i (art/gifts)**  
411 E. Silver Spring, Whitefish Bay, 53217, ..... 906-0665
- Forever Yours (flowers, fresh cut, dried)**  
2201 E Capitol Dr., 53211 ..... 963-1006
- Genesis (custom jeweler, goldsmith)**  
6011 W. Layton Ave. .... 281-1022
- Frank Gentile (Auto Dealer)**  
Hwy 20, Racine ..... 886-5111
- Grava Gallery (framing)**  
1209 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 277-8228
- Mega Discount Nursery**  
1901 E. Rawson Ave., Oak Creek 53154 ..... 571-6565
- Miss Groove (gifts)**  
1225 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 298-9185
- Out of Solitude Jewelry**  
918 E. Brady St., 53202 ..... 223-3101
- Outpost Natural Foods**  
100 E. Capitol Dr., 53212 ..... 964-7789  
exchange@execpc.com
- Outwards (LGBT Books and espresso bar)**  
2710 N. Murray Ave., 53211 ..... 963-9089  
exchange@execpc.com
- Popular News (adult books, videos)**  
225 N. Water St., 53202 ..... 278-0636
- Rosebud Cinema and Drafthouse**  
6833 W. North Ave. .... 607-9672
- Rubin's**  
224 E. Chicago St. 53202 ..... 278-8100
- Sportland 2 (motorcycles)**  
7221 S. 13th St. .... 764-2800
- Video Adventures (video/dvd sales/rentals)**  
1418 E. Brady St, 53202 ..... 272-6768
- Wishful Things (Antiques)**  
207 E Buffalo, 53202 ..... 964-9799

**Spa/Health Clubs**

- Midtowne Spa (Gay Health and Recreational Facility)**  
315 S. Water St., 53204 ..... 278-8989

**CENTRAL (715)**

- AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin**  
1105 Grand Ave., #3, Scholfield, 54476 ..... (800) 551-3311
- Central Wisconsin Rainbow Alliance**  
P.O. Box 390, Stevens Point, 54481  
(715) 592-6245, ext. 5920200
- Joseph T. Chojnacki, PH.D. (Psychologist)**  
Marshfield Clinic, Marshfield, 54449 ..... 387-5442
- The Edgewater - Inn & Resort**  
Eagle River, 54521 ..... 1-888-334-3987  
http://www.edgeinn.com
- G&L Society/Wausau** ..... 848-0608
- UWSP 10% Society**  
Campus Activities Complex, Box 68  
UWSP, Stevens Point, 54481 ..... 346-4366
- LDS Brotherhood (Gay Mormons)**  
PO Box 152, Wausau, 54402 ..... 848-0343
- Oz (Mw, DJ, V)**  
320 Washington, Wausau 54401 ..... 842-3225
- HIV/AIDS Spiritual Support & Education**  
2108 4th Ave, Stevens Point 54481 ..... 345-6500
- Marshfield Gay Lesbian Organ. (MGLO)**  
c/o 130 S. Central Ave., #3 Marshfield, 54449  
Vic: (715) 387-2068 Jim: ..... (715) 384-6731
- Prince Edward B&B**  
203 W 5th, Shawano 54166 ..... 526-2805
- Wausau Narcotics Anonymous**  
(ask for Gay meetings) ..... 536-LIFE
- Women's Resource Center UWSP**  
336 Nelson Hall, Stevens Pt. 54481 ..... 346-4851

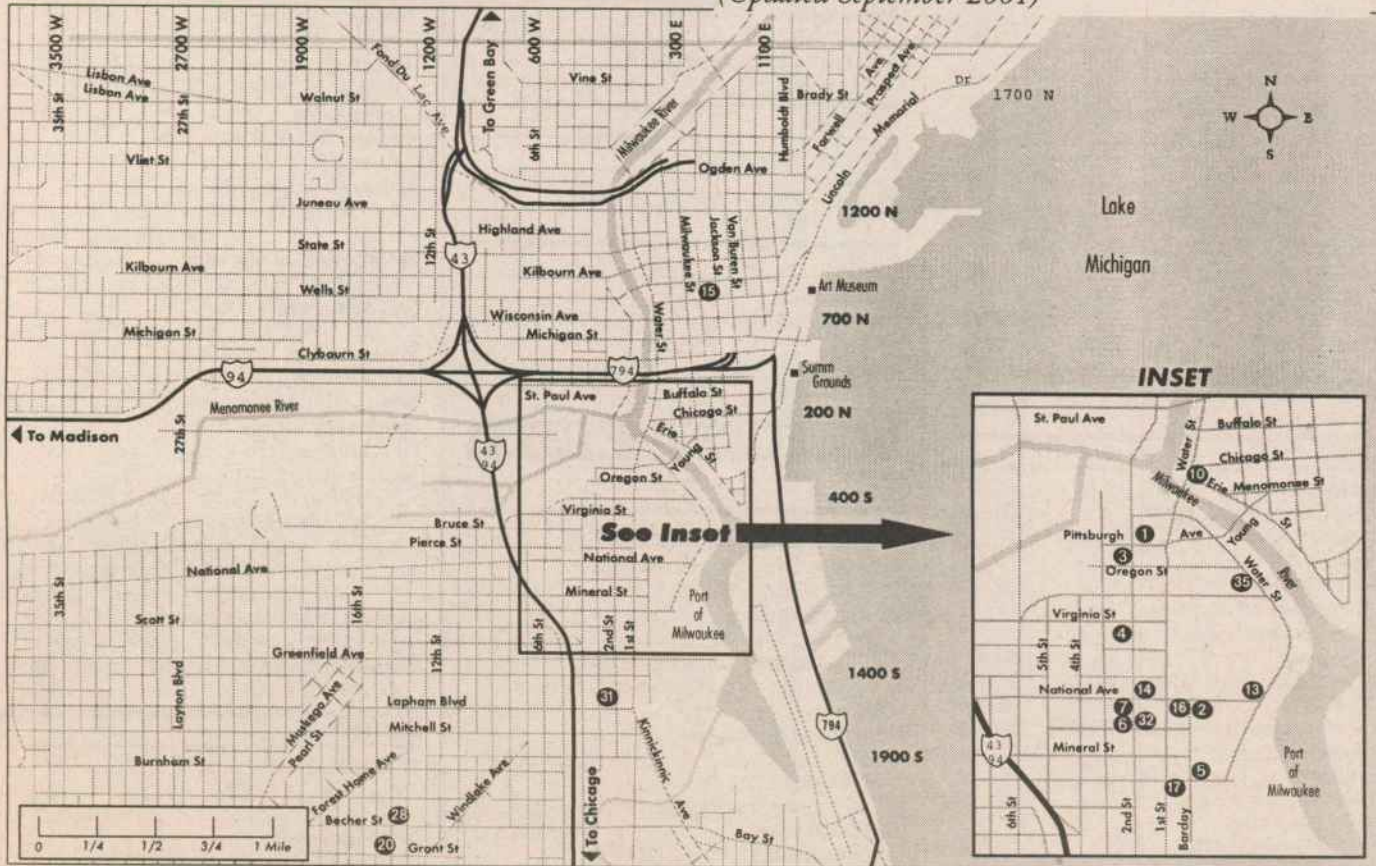
**NORTH CENT. (715)**

- Gay/Lesbian Support Group**  
Box 247A, 1411 Ellis Ave. Ashland 54806
- Northern WI Lambda Society**  
PO Box 802, Rhinelander 54501 ..... 362-4242
- SHEM (Support, Heal, Educate) for Parents, Family, Friends of Gays/Lesbians/Bi's** ..... 359-7432
- Out Up North (G/L Social/Info/Network)**  
PO Box 695, Washburn, 54891 ..... 682-2890

**SHEBOYGAN (920)**

- Blue Lite (Mw) 1029 N. 8th, 53081** ..... 457-1636
- Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians**  
Shirley: 458-2506Carolyn:467-0422
- Sheboygan Antiques**  
336 Superior Avenue 53081 ..... 452-6757
- Wesley United Methodist Church (Reconciling Congregation)**  
823 Union Avenue, Sheboygan ..... 458-4889

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<b>AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin</b> 1212 57th St., Kenosha, 53140	657-6644 (800)-924-6601
<b>Club 94 (MW, DJ)</b> 9001 120th Ave (Hwy C& I-94) Kenosha 53140	857-9958
<b>Doggie Style (Pet Grooming)</b> 6828 Sheridan Road, Kenosha 53143	657-5667
<b>Frank Gentile (Auto Dealer)</b> Hwy 20 Racine 53403	886-5111
<b>JoDee's (MW, DJ)</b> 2139 Racine St (Hwy 32) Racine 53403	634-9804
<b>What About Me? (WM)</b> 600 6th St. Racine 53403	632-0171
<b>Gay AA (Group 294 Meeting)</b> Gay/Lesbian Union of Racine 625 College, Racine 53403	554-6611 634-0659
<b>UW-Parkside G/L Organization</b> 900 Wood Rd., Box 200, Kenosha 53141	595-2244
<b>PFLAG Kenosha/Racine (c/o St. Mary's Lutheran Church)</b> 2001 80th St., Kenosha 53143	658-3555
<b>UW-Whitewater G/L Student Union</b> 309 McCutchen Hall, Whitewater 53190	472-5738
<b>Diamond Hill Inn B&amp;B</b> W1375 Hwy 11, Spring Prairie	63-4421
<b>Wychwalde (Jewelry &amp; Gifts)</b> 8321 Antioch Rd (Hwy 83), Salem 53168	843-4209

## SOUTH CENT. (715)

<b>AIDS Network Satellite Office (AIDS Info)</b> P.O. Box 8486, Janesville 53545	756-2550
<b>Chase on the Hill (Bed and Breakfast)</b> 11624 St. Rd 26, Milton, 53563	868-6646
<b>Cofren House (B&amp;B)</b> Mineral Point	987-2612

## NORTHWEST (715)

<b>AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin—Eau Claire (www.arcw.org)</b> 505 Dewey Street S., Suite 107 Eau Claire 54701	836-7710 (800) 750-2437
<b>AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin—Superior (www.arcw.org)</b> 1507 Tower Ave., Suite 230, Superior 54880	394-4009 (877) 242-0282
<b>Backwoods Bears (For Bear Men)</b> PO Box 264, Superior 54880	
<b>Different Strokes BBS (Computer Bulletin Board)</b> PO Box 152, Wausau 54402	842-1377
<b>Do-Ri-Chi (Bed &amp; Breakfast)</b> 33 E. Spruce St, Chippewa Falls	723-0943
<b>Eagle Cave B&amp;B (eglcave@comcast.net)</b> W4387 120th Avenue, Maiden Rock, 54750	448-4302
<b>GLOBE (Campus Lesb/Gay group)</b> 105 Garfield, 132 Davies Cir, Eau Claire 54701	
<b>JP Creations (WEB Design)</b>	477-8802
<b>LGBT Community Center of Chippewa Valley (gaycenter@hotmail.com)</b> www.geocities.com/glbtccommunitycenter/ PO Box 383, Eau Claire, 54702	(715) 559-5751
<b>The Trading Company (MW, DJ)</b> 304 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire 54701	838-9494
<b>The Main Club (MW, DJ)</b> 1217 Tower Ave, Superior 54880	392-1756
<b>Northland Gay Men's Center</b> 8 N. 2nd Ave. E., Ste. 309 Duluth, MN 55802	(218) 722-8585
<b>Parents, Families, &amp; Friends of Lesbians &amp; Gays (PFLAG)</b> Greater Chippewa Valley PO Box 11, Eau Claire, WI 54702-0011	
<b>Q2 (social/support for LGBT youth)</b> P.O. Box 11, Eau Claire, WI 54702	836-7710
<b>Scooter's (MW)</b> 411 Galloway St., Eau Claire, 54703	835-9959
<b>Trio (Wm)</b> 820 Tower, Superior, 54880	392-5373
<b>Twin Parts Pride</b> P.O. Box 3198, Duluth, MN 55803	(218) 728-5825
<b>UW Stout 10% Society</b> c/o 153 C Harvey Hall, UW-S Menomonee, 54751 UW Eau Claire	
<b>Variations on Spring (Gifts, Collectibles)</b> 22 West Spring Chippewa Falls 54729	723-8490

## S. WEST & CENTRAL

<b>AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (www.arcw.org)</b> Grandview Center, 1707 Main St., #420 La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9866 (800) 947-3353
<b>The Alliance (LesB/Gay Social Group)</b> PO Box 131, Platteville 53818 e-mail: ALLIANCE@uwplatt.edu	348-5596
<b>Cavalier Lounge (MW, D)</b> 114 N. 5th St., LaCrosse 54601	782-9061
<b>Chela and Rose's B&amp;B and Forest Retreat</b>	735-4829
<b>GALAXY (Gay Alliance of La Crosse Area Youth)</b> 3219 Commerce St., La Crosse, 54603	781-2783
<b>Gay &amp; Lesbian Alliance</b> Box 131, Platteville, 53818	
<b>My Place (MW J)</b> 3201 South Ave., LaCrosse 54601	788-9073
<b>LaCrosse L/G Support Group</b> c/o Campus Ministry Center	784-7600
<b>Leaping La Crosse News</b> Box 932, LaCrosse 54602	
<b>LaCrosse Parents &amp; Friends of Gays</b>	782-6082
<b>Rainbow's End (G/S, WM), 417 Jay St., La Crosse 54601</b>	782-9802
<b>Under the Rainbow (Alternative Books)</b> 122 5th Ave S, LaCrosse 54601	796-0383
<b>Rainbow Ridge Farms Bed &amp; Breakfast</b>	783-8181
<b>Pioneers (Southwest WI Rural G/L Alliance)</b>	800-484-8131
<b>Code 4419, e-mail to pioneersw@aol.com</b> PO Box 53, Richland Center, 53581	

By Michael Johnston

**H**appy Cinco de Mayo! With Margarita in hand and the best of Herb Alpert playing in the background we enter a new month. My last column was a little name-heavy, but I had to make mention of all the dazzlers out there doing what they do best — dazzle...

Does life reflect art or vice versa? I had the unique time of it at a birthday party held in a funeral home. Very "Six Feet Under"! **Jeffrey** was celebrating and as always was in rare form, as his stable of stud puppies and studettes gathered in his honor. No, there were no caskets in sight! But lots of fetching people, food, fun and wine! The birthday boy's roomie and bosom buddy **Mary Pat**, her mother **Pat**, **Jenna** the wine lady, **Pam**, **Karen**, **Amy**, **CoCo**, **Joe**, **Fluid's Jim Balistreri** flying solo because his beloved sky king **Steve** was up, up and away! The Flower Studio's artist extra-ordinaire **Larry Masters**, **Jerry Gin & Tonic**, **Dr. Beto & D.J. Tim** from **La Cage** and, of course, our hosts **Jody & Bill**.

The Northshore Funeral Services was the venue, looking like a '20s Hollywood mansion, I truly was ready for my close-up! With the sounds of Cher bellowing in the background and the wine kicking in I soon forgot, or rather dismissed, the fact I was in a funeral parlor.

**Jody**, the owner/director and host, was ever so charming regaling stories of his career and the satisfaction that his career brings to those he serves. He really has a great handle on it and made me feel very comfortable, to the point where I think this will be where I make my final appearance.

The tour of the manor was fascinating as well as the fixtures; including a Baldwin grand player piano from the '20s.

This wasn't the first non-funeral party held there, nor the last! I can't wait for my next invitation and I won't wear black, either! Even yoga lessons are held there on weekends... Only in Milwaukee, folks, only in Milwaukee.

**Waukesha County Technical College** held its annual wine tasting gala Tuesday, April 16. I had the great pleasure once again to attend and taste a bit of the grape. **Jenna** the wine lady from the birthday party was there making sure my glass was never empty. The Country Inn in Waukesha will never be the same! The food prepared by their Culinary Department was excellent. This event is like their final project for their Hotel/Restaurant Management Program. Stomping the grapes with me in the vat were **Tim & Michael**, **Jay**, **Ellen**, **Gary & Debbie**, **Tim & Gayle** and many other satisfied patrons.

**Todd Richards**, the toast of Milwaukee, ushered in another Birthday and a New Decade in his usual sublime style. A bodacious ball was held upstairs at **The M&M Club**. **Singsational Productions' Lizzie** and **Corky** had everyone dancing, singing, karaokeing into the dawn. The always pleasing **ChiChi** was pouring faster than ever! A delectable buffet was placed in the middle of the room, and a stunning and staggering group made up of family, friends and fans flanked the room. I've haven't seen a fete like this, since **Liza's!** The photo collages, fairy wands, tiaras and top hats as well as **Larry Master's** trademark floral displays transcended the room into virtual fairyland in the dairyland.

The most touching moments of the night were the last songs to play which were very slow and the man of the evening

and his partner in life **Mark Hagen** flattered the tunes as they tripped the light fantastic!

Attending all these parties, birthdays, anniversaries... I'm always looking for a new place to pick up a little something (a present!). Try **MarcJoseph** of Brookfield. An extraordinary array of Armani, Versace, Fendi, Chanel and more of my favorite things (not only clothes). Located at 2930 N. Brookfield Rd., everything you could possibly be searching for, like at the end of a rainbow.

**D.J. Kelly** returns to **Switch** on Sundays to crank up the volume. "Shirtless Sundays" with **Bill** bartending and "Queer As Folk" interrupting the musical mix. Look forward to **Switch's 3rd Anniversary** at the end of this Memorial month.

**D.J. Kelly** also wants to congratulate in ink **Charles "Chuck" Carlson**, past president of **GLEAM** (Gay Lesbian Employees at Ameritech) and **Sheldon Hogueisson**. They will be exchanging their vows this month. Kelly will of course be designating the mood and mode of their special day in music. Cheers!

**The Wave**, our super soccer team, is taking over the local scene as our true blue winning athletes who have earned true blue ardent fans. Fans like **Cindy O.** & **Debi Vance** and **Bill**, aka Ginger, never seem to miss a match. In fact Debi and Ginger followed them off to Philly and victory...

I have to remind you all to do "Dining Out 4 Life" Thursday, May 9. It's a benefit for the children of Camp Heartland. Eat any meal on this date and 25% of the food bill at participating establishments goes to the Camp. Now over 70 restaurants are on the list and every area of the city is covered, be it for lunch or dinner. The dynamic duo of **Debi & Cindy** are helping out on this one too! Cindy will be at **The Boulevard Inn**, 1 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. and Debi at **Botanas Restaurant** same shift. Bon Appetit!

On the subject of recent dining out: I had the invitation to do **Taqueria Azteca** and, trust me, it isn't the same olde dinner bell! With my colleague **Josh** (not college) and his beauty of a wife **Michelle** we paid a visit. **Roland Hoffmann** was our genial host and **David & Tim**, those "Boomers" from **Club Boom**, were also supping. Talk about old home week. I fell in love with the guacamole and agree with the Shepherd Express that it is the best!

I also spent a recent Friday at **The Pasta Tree** and wholeheartedly agree

with The Shepherd in naming them "The Best Pasta In Milwaukee." **Steve** and **Robert** continuously provide plenty of magic, and **Bobby** is one of the best servers on the scene!

For all you out there who have been wondering whatever happened to **David Rogers**, I have the answer to the mystery of the missing former Mr. Gay Wisconsin, performer, waiter, bartender at **The M&M Club**, **La Cage**, **Elsa's** ... He has resurfaced at **Eagan's on Water**. David is having the time of his life doing weekday lunches and Sunday Brunch. I brunched there a Sunday or so ago and it's simply tremendous! \$22.95 all-you-can-eat Seafood Buffet and Menu items! I highly encourage you to walk down memory lane with David and have a whale of a time with their bountiful buffet.

I also caught up with **Scott Sowlles**, another Milwaukee favorite and title holder. He is alive and well and still singing in the Madison area, as he takes over our State Capitol!

Congrats go out to **Michael Casper & Jerry** on their new blossoming romance. They met at **Fluid's** anniversary party — and started a private party of their own!

Was that Milwaukee's very own legal eagle **Carlton Stansbury** who I saw recently on an episode of "Family Law"? How ironic the same show that reunited "Designing Women" **Dixie Carter** and **Delta Burke!** I would like to know his verdict on working with those two...

I love the new bathroom at **The Triangle!** **James & Joe** have their spot ship shape and lots of fun!

Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12 marks **Miss Rona's 25th Anniversary** with **The M&M Club**. The mother of us all, will be host(ess)ing a mother of them all, party! Attendees in habits will be enjoying 2-4-1's! So come and give him a 21-nun salute on this joyous jubilee! **Elizabeth II** has nothing on you, girl!

Monday, May 6, marks the fourth "Blue Monday" at **Taylor's**, only one left for the year... I hope it doesn't snow!

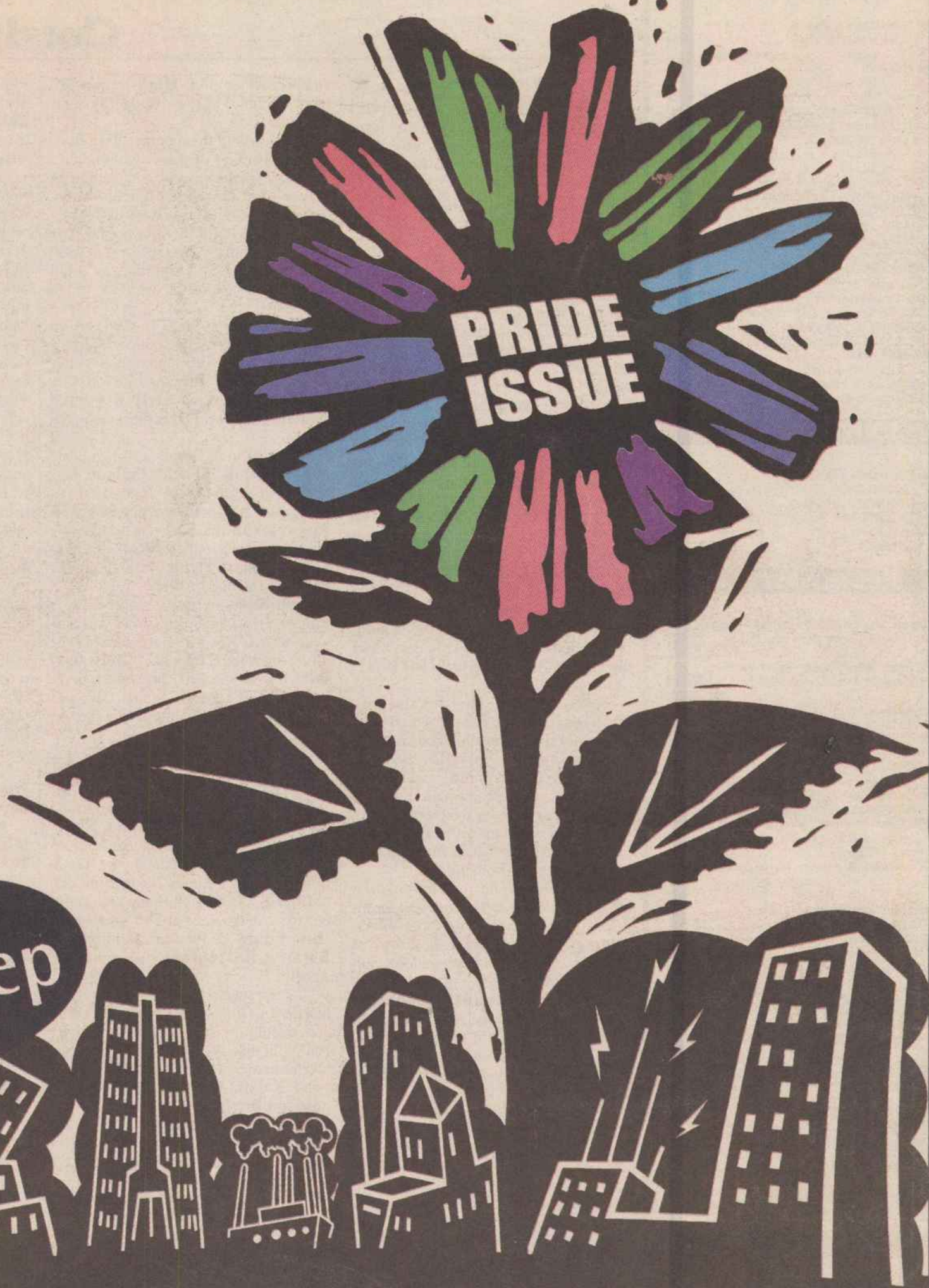
Remember it's the glamour, not the grammar. See ya'all at The Kentucky Derby. I'm attending, not running! Save a mint julep for moi, so I can remain... "Cordially yours."

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