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MICHIGAN BREAK PREVIEW

The thirteenth Michigan Women's Music Festival is going to be August 10 through 14 this year. Once again everyday is packed with workshops and performances. For those of you who have not received a brochure on the Festival this year, the L&W will save you a quick listing of performers and a look at a few workshops.

Appearing on the Day Stage will be: Party Line Dance Band, Kitty Barber, Mary Gentry, Patil Larkin, Ann Keen, Faith Nolan, Hunter Davis, Stafford Sisters, Lichi Puentes Group, Debbie Kier, June Millington, Bulb Holman, Diane Davidson, and the Washington Sisters.

Acoustic Stage: "Gertrude Stein and a Companion," Marilyn Wilson Trio, Margaret Sloane-Hunter, Kay Gardner with Nura Dafina Bill Abner, Luish Teish, Adrienne Toof, Crowsfoot Dance Collective, Candlelight Concert, Panopticon, Over Our Heads, Sharon Lavin, Maxine Howard: Gospel Choir, and She.

Night Stage: Deirdre McCalla, Carolyn Brandy Band, Linda Silbery Band. The

Topp Trio, Yvonne Trull, Gillian Allen Band, Toshi Beeson, DEUCE, Lorraine Negatta, Alex Dobkin, RITTY, Edwina Lee Tyler and A Piece of the World.

Workshops again run the gamut from those on pagan song and chant, and ritual making, to those on developing musicianship, to those on sexuality, including a workshop by JoAnn Louisa entitled *Lesbian Passion* (Louisa's tapes were played for a group here in La Crosse a couple of months ago.) You can work with other witches or radical aggression with Tai Chi Chuan in workshops. In fact, if you are particularly interested in any topic, you will probably find a workshop on it at Michigan.

Once again you get a break on ticket prices if you order before July 30. And remember NO PERSONAL CHECKS ARE ACCEPTED. You need to send a money order, cashier's check, or use a credit card. For more information on ordering tickets and to receive a brochure on the Festival, write them at: W.W.T.M.C., Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49159.

SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, June 26, marks the day of the *Second Annual La Crosse Picnic In The Park*. The event will again take place at Goose Island County Park, 3 miles south of La Crosse on Highway 35, and will begin at 2:00 pm at shelter number 3. There will be beer and pop on tap and a live U.J. until 9:00. There are some BBQ grills on the site and everyone is free to bring whatever she or he would like. There

will be volleyball nets and scores of space to hike, play ball or Frisbee, canoe, or just relax in the beautiful Mississippi Valley. Donations of \$1.00 in advance or \$2.00 at the park will cover the cost of your beverages for the day, and the proceeds will go to the La Crosse Life Care Services/Buddy Program in La Crosse. Prizes will also be given out continually throughout the day.

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Picnic In The Park
June 26, 1988
Goose Island County Park
Shelter House No. 3
3 Miles South of La Crosse on Highway 35
FREE BEER — DOOR PRIZES
DJ *Lindy Shannon 2-9*
Proceeds will go for the AIDS Program in La Crosse
\$1.00 Advance — At The Park \$2.00

Tickets are available at Tattoos and Memories in La Crosse or by sending \$1.00 for each ticket ordered and a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

New Beginnings
P.O. Box 25
Westby, WI 54487-0025

RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Chicago Catholic Women is sponsoring a weekend retreat titled, *I Have Called You By Name*. For lesbians and women exploring their spirituality and sexuality. It will be held Friday evening through Sunday noon, September 16-18, 1988, at Resurrection Center in Woodstock, IL (northwest of Chicago). The cost is \$75.00 and in-

cludes meals. Space is limited, and reservations with a \$20.00 nonrefundable deposit should be made by June 15, 1988 (or as soon as possible).

Call or write Chicago Catholic Women, 5249 North Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60640; 43121 561-5663.

Celebrate
Gay Pride Sunday
in La Crosse

OUT AND ABOUT WOMEN SPEAKS OUT

Out & About Women, Inc. will be eight years old in July. It has been your support and encouragement that allowed us to continue. To all the women who have faithfully attended our concerts and contributed to our fundraisers: thank you!

Others who have greatly contributed to our success include UN-L Women's Studies, Geri Parlin at the *La Crosse Tribune*, and our ticket outlets.

Women's studies has sponsored our events from the beginning, through several changes of directors. We now appreciate the support we have received from the current Department Chair, Betsy Jensen. Because Women's Studies is a sponsor of our concerts, we are allowed to use Annett Rental Hall. This has been a major factor in our ability to provide quality events. Performers like Annett; audiences like Annett; it provides atmosphere, protection, and comfort not found in many places where women's music is performed.

Geri Parlin at the *Tribune* has consistently cooperated in publicizing our concerts. She has written several interviews and reviews of concerts.

The ticket outlets are a vital part of each production. We always need substantial advance ticket sales to make sure we have enough funds to pay the performer. (Otherwise, this money comes from our personal moneys). The ticket

outlets make last advance sales possible. We appreciate the support of Red Oak Books, Tree Records, Tatino's II, the Women's Studies Resource Center, and the Women's Resource Center of Winona.

We thought you might be interested in a typical concert budget, detailing what we spend and what we make. We hope this will also provide some insight into how we determine ticket prices. The figures are from the Heather Bishop concert of April 17.

TICKET SALES: \$1037.00
(110 sold)

EXPENSES:

House manager	15.00
Rental Sound Equipment	103.00
Sound Technician	80.00
Printing	19.55
Print Ads	15.00
Phone	5.00
Postage	11.00
Performer	
food/drink	17.24
transportation	150.00
fee	500.00

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$896.84

NET: \$140.16

PROGRAM:

Income from ads	\$110.00
printing	15.82

NET: \$94.18

TOTAL FROM CONCERT: \$234.34

ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION OF THE ABOVE FIGURES: Performers require advance payment at the time the contract is signed, typically \$100 or \$200 of the fee, plus travel money. The advance

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for the Heather Bishop concert was \$100 plus one-half the travel money for a total of \$175.00. We also owe \$51.85 in sales tax on this concert, which is due in January 1989.

Artist fees range from \$250 to \$3000 plus. Because of our geographic location, *Out & About Women* is sometimes able to negotiate lower fees. If an artist is willing to be in Madison, like Twin Cities, or over Chicago, and would like to fill an open date in this area, many times she is willing to consider a lower fee and sometimes she will waive the travel fee. Also, artists are aware that small production companies like us don't have much money, and do sometimes try to give us a break. This has enabled us to produce many artists we could not otherwise afford.

We hope this article has given you some insight into how *Out & About Women* operates. We are distributing a survey asking for your ideas and opinions. If you have not filled one out and would like to do so, please call my *Out & About* number. We would like to get responses from as many women as possible. If you have questions or something you would like to share with us, please call Deb (782-2141), Shari (782-3026), Mariah (784-1857), or Jay (783-0069).



Have a good summer!

UPCOMING EVENTS

REMEMBER: First and third Saturday are drop-in nights at Tattno's.

REMEMBER: A support group for lesbians who have been battered physically, emotionally, or verbally by their partners, meets every Thursday at 7:00 pm. Call: New Horizons at 784-6418, or Barb K. at 895-6665, or First Call For Help at 782-8010, for location of meeting.

June 2-5: National Women's Music Festival in Bloomington, IN.

June 18: This month's potluck is on Thursday, beginning at 6:30, at Kathy and Jeanna's. Since this is the month of garden beginnings, bring a plant, a flower, or some seeds to share or trade or give away. Let's celebrate the season. Of course, also bring a dish to pass, your own beverage, and a friend. Directions: Go south past Shopko South, turn left on Highway 14; go approximately 3 miles and watch on the right for a house sitting by itself, surrounded by fields and pine trees, the mailbox will have the fire number W450T on it. If you reach Ten Mile Hill, you've gone too far.

June 18-19: Lesbian Separatist Conference near Madison. Write: Burning Bush Retreat, P.O. Box 3063, Madison, WI 53704-0063 for more information.

June 18: **BAG BAG** (Wisconsin's Lesbian-Feminist Press) is sponsoring a

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Fundraising swim party in Milwaukee, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Doors are locked at promptly at 7:00 to allow women to frolic in the water undisturbed by the public. Call Mary at (414) 372-3300 or Justice at (414) 372-8950 for information on the location. Two other swim parties will take place during the summer on July 16 and August 20.

June 22-26: National Women's Studies Conference in Minneapolis. Write NWRA, University of Minnesota, 217 Nolle Center, 315 Pillsbury Drive South East, Minneapolis, MN 55455. Call (612) 625-RN03.
June 23: L&N DEADLINE.

June 26: Second Annual Gay Pride Picnic at Goose Island shelter number 3 (see article in this issue).

August 10-14: Thirteenth Michigan Women's Music Festival.

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THE LLN WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE WOMEN WHO HELPED MAKE OUR FUNDRAISING AUCTION ON FRIDAY, MAY 13, SUCH A SUCCESS. THANKS TO ALL OF THE WOMEN WHO CONTRIBUTED ITEMS AND SERVICES, TO ALL OF THE WOMEN WHO SO GENEROUSLY PURCHASED THOSE ITEMS AND SERVICES, AND TO THE MILL ROAD CAFE FOR ALLOWING US TO USE THE RESTAURANT FOR THE AUCTION. WE HOPE YOU HAD AS MUCH FUN ON FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH AS WE DID! AND THANKS TO ALL OF YOU, THE NEWSLETTER NOW HAS \$450 TO HELP KEEP THE NEWS COMING TO YOU.

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for all women

WOMAN POWER
A Retreat Experience for Women

presented by
TAYJA WIGER

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 6:30 PM THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 19, NOON
REGISTRATION: \$80.00 PLUS FOOD TO SHARE

Using modern traditions of the Sioux tribe and non-traditional Sioux ritual, Tayja will lead workshop participants to nurture their own inner child. Each can bring old parent scripts from the past into conscious awareness and experience the release of these old beliefs.

Meditation, chanting, dreaming, drumming, dancing and fun.

Tayja Wiger is an experiential workshop leader for both adults and children. Co-author of Birth of a Modern Shaman, she has presented lectures and workshops in the U.S. and Canada. In her work with handicapped, she teaches learning skills and re-decision.

This marks the 1st Spiritual Retreat on KIWANI, a retreat center in process, 22 miles south of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Registration is limited to 25. Mail your fee early to assure your space. Registration will be confirmed by mail, along with a map and list of items to bring.

NAME _____ check food item you will
bring: 5# fruit
ADDRESS _____ large yogurt
_____ 2 # cheese
_____ fresh vegetables
PHONE _____ grains
_____ grain bread items
_____ 8 x 10 veg. dish
I prefer campsite _____ house/cabin space
Mail to: Kiwani/ Awakening
Route 1, Box 99 (608) 689-2792
Dumont, WI 54624

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June In Concert
The Mill Road Cafe
608-582-4438



4= Jane celebrates the Big 40 and refuses to cook!!
NO MUSIC CLOSED AT 5 PM

10= Night Light #400 8:30 pm
Galesville's Michael Finnemore and Linda Everson
are back on the music scene! Bringing a variety of music
from well known artists. Call early for fun & great
tunes

11= Jerry Rau #60 8:30 pm
The Infamous Minnesota Minstrel - original
folk troubador style - sings Gordon Bok, Claudia Schmidt,
Bill Staines to name a few - also originals.

12= Claudia Schmidt Annual Concert at Spring Grove, MN
!! SUNDAY FLASH !! to Benefit Houston County Women's Resource Center
- 3 PM - For Info: 501-724-2676

18= Randy Sabien Jazz Trio #60 8:30 pm
Wisconsin's Violinist Virtuoso returns!
with bass and piano for a night of cookin' sounds ~
Early reservations recommended!

25= Curtis and Loretta #40 8:30 pm
Harmony & extraordinaire is their motto. Mandolin,
mandocello & guitar. 60's music, acoustic style,
old standards and a few Irish tunes on mandocello.

219 East Mill Road, Galesville WI