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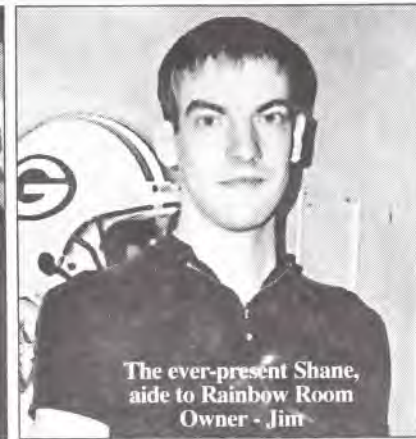
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Lkg for friends in the **West Bend-Hartford** area. I live in West Bend and am just lkg for people to hang around with and do whatever. I am a nudist, 32, 6'1", weight...I have no idea. Last time I checked I was 185, but have been losing, so who knows. E-mail me: studioz@voyager.net [1]

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Hello Dreamer in Two Cities,
If love finds you follow it! Chase it! Run with it until you're scared and bruised and glowing with adventure. Love's definitely not practical, so don't you be either, at least right away. Must you move to New York City? Can't you spend a few trial weeks in New Orleans. Maybe, take a place near him and date for a while. Listen honey, if he feels the same way as you do. And if you know or at least can spend time finding out that he is "The One", then take a risk. Either, a) be stuck LOOKING for the man of your dreams in New York City or b) be stuck WITH the man of your dreams on a street car named Desire.

Hey Trinity,
I don't know if it's a lesbian thing, but inevitably every woman I go out with... leaves. I can't help wondering when this new woman I'm dating is gonna get bored and leave. These fears also make me hold back from telling her everything about me. When is it safe to take her out for that special dinner when I let her know all the intimate details that make up my life? **Waiting to Disclose**

Hey Waiting to Disclose,
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you know that... I really never learned to like tofu burgers!"
Love, Trinity

Dear Trinity,
I keep falling in love or at least I think it's love. How do you know if you're in love or in lust? **Love & Lust Troubles**

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4. When hugging her gives you butterflies and kissing her makes you see fireworks. Love!
5. When you want to introduce her to all your cool friends, but not any close relatives. Lust!
6. When you change all your plans and move to New Orleans just to see if he's "The One" Love!
7. When she said "Not interested!" for the fifth time and you still heard "Hot intercourse." Lust!
8. When you dream of wedding bells and organ music surrounded by an orgy of naked fitness models. Love and lust!
9. When you keep all of her used undergarments, but toss out the poetry and love letters. Lust!
10. When you work past all the problems and still fantasizing about growing old together. Love!

Hello Trinity,
While in a ten year relationship that went sour, my ex convinced me to have sex with him and another man. I hated it! It's just wasn't me! Now I'm dating this new guy who asked me to do the same thing! Is this the norm? Should I change my ways? **Threeway Problems**

Hello Threeway Problems,
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VIDEO DANCEBAR	8 pm	MWD
DANCEBAR	5:30 PM - CL	WMDG
LOUNGE	4 PM-CL SUN 2 PM	MWJPG
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BAR	2 PM - CL	MWJPG
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LOUNGE	3 PM - CL	MJPG
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DANCEBAR	WED/THUR 8 PM FRI/SAT 6 PM	MWDPGE
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from the publisher...

Quest moves into year eight with this issue. It seems like only yesterday the paper was launched. Perhaps if I had known eight years later I would still be doing this without being paid I would have shyed away from it. I am a stubborn sort and so the publication lives on (with some changes.) We had moved to a three week schedule since we lost the building Za's was in and became officeless. Our temporary digs work well, but are not as convenient. Most of my time is still being taken up with restoration of the West Theater into a cinema-grill and dance venue. Work has progressed well but ever so slowly. The theater is almost finished and then we can begin work on new offices for *Quest*. We will not return to our two week schedule until we have moved into our new permanent space.

Quest will at least for this next year remain much the same format it has been in the past. We are a nice compliment to *In Step* which is much more news heavy. The two publications work very well together and the two combined serve just about all the needs LGBT publications should for Wisconsin. In fact, recently there has been a trend by LGBT publications that grew into news papers to return to their "bar rag" roots and start sister publications that are the type of "entertainment Guide" that *Quest* is, so we must be doing something right.

The most difficult aspect of running *Quest* for me is walking the line between giving good coverage to bars and businesses across the state and keeping the ad rates in line. The past two years have seen three new publications start up with only one left in business serv-

ing the western half of Wisconsin. Rumours persist that Wisconsin Light will be restarting. For now only *Quest* and *In Step* can be labeled statewide Wisconsin publications since we deliver our papers to all areas of the state. It's expensive and takes a lot of copies to do this, but when you do the math, the cost per potential reader is the best deal around! Our advertisers tell us the ads really work!

Quest has tried to be especially sensitive to serving the smaller markets since we reside in one of those markets. It is part of the reason our ad rates are artificially low and is the only reason I still am working without pay. This past year we invited bars and groups to send us photos to be printed in our publication. The response has been very good. We could never have afforded to pay someone to go to all these areas and cover the events. Working together, smaller cities can get coverage and still keep the ad costs down. I hope to continue this trend so that we can stay affordable to advertise in these smaller markets and further reach out to cover the state.

It has been my hope to encourage all areas of Wisconsin including western Wisconsin to join our efforts to keep the two statewide publications growing in depth and reach without soaring in cost by submitting articles and news about your city to be included for publication. I see this as a team effort. Who better than someone living in the area can best tell the rest of us what is happening. I cannot speak specifically for *In Step* which we work closely with but are not owners of, but I can promise to print as much of what is sent as we have room for. That space needed for coverage is dependent on advertising dollars by the way, so I also encourage you to press your area bars and business to consider advertising with us. It's not just good for us, that advertising really helps them grow too.

Thanks for letting me rant... (ZA) Mark Mariucci, Publisher



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BAR	3 PM - CL	MWJGK
DANCEBAR	5 PM - CL	MWDJG
BAR	2:30-CL Tu, W, Th, F 6 pm - CL Sat	MWJPGE
LEATHER	MON-SAT 4 - CL SUN 3 PM - CL	MLPV
RESTAURANT	LUNCH / DINNER	
LEATHER	7 PM FRI / SAT	MLJG
VIDEO DANCEBAR	10 PM - CL	MWDVEK
DANCEBAR	4 PM - CL	MWDGE
BAR & GRILL	M-S 4 PM - CL SUN 2 PM - CL	MWDJPGF
BAR	2 PM - CL	MWJPG
BAR	MON-SAT 6 PM SUN 3 PM	
BAR	6 PM - CL	MWJPGE
DANCEBAR	THU-SAT 9 PM	MWDJG
DANCEBAR	MON-SAT 1 PM - CL SUN 11:30 AM	MWDJPG
DANCEBAR & GRILL	MON-FR 3 PM - CL SAT/SUN 1 PM	MWDFPGE
VIDEO DANCEBAR	3 PM - CL	MWDJPG
VIDEO DANCEBAR	7 PM EXCEPT THU, FRI, SUN 5 PM	MWDJVP
BAR & GRILL	MON-SAT 4 PM NOON SUN	MWFJG
BAR	1 PM - CL 11 AM SAT/SUN	MWLJPG
BAR	1 PM - CL	MWLJPG
RESTAURANT LOUNGE	TU-THU 6 - MID FRI-SUN 6PM-CL	MWVFPG
BAR	1 PM - CL	MWJPGE
WOMEN'S DANCEBAR	TU - THU 6 PM FRI - SUN 5-CL	WMDJPG
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3. Modjo....."Lady"
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5. LeAnn Rimes....."Can't Fight the Moonlight"
6. Madison Avenue....."Who the Hell Are You"
7. CeCe Peniston....."Lifetime to Love"
8. Kristine W."Lovin' You"
9. Book of Love....."Boy"
10. Madonna....."Don't Tell Me"
11. Melanie C "I Turn to You"
12. Shaggy....."Dance and Shout"
13. Zombie Nation....."Kernkraft 400"
14. Baby Bumps....."I Got This Feeling"
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6. Kevin Aviance....."Dance for Love"
7. Byron Stingily....."U Turn Me"
8. Jennifer Lopez....."My Love Don't Cost You a Thing"
9. CeCe Peniston....."Lifetime to Love"
10. Lotus....."Within or Without You"
11. Sheena Easton....."Givin' Up, Givin' In"
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13. Pink....."You Make Me Sick"
14. Thunderpuss....."Papa's Got a Brand New Pigbag"
15. Love Tribe....."Stand Up 2001"

DavidE's Dish...

Holy Blue Balls Batman! Children, I just returned from the first big circuit party weekend of 2001 and it was sheer bliss. The Party Patrol is at it again and we're more fabulous and more fierce than ever! Five of us headed to the "City of Brotherly Love" for Philly's Blue Ball which benefits the Philadelphia Fight AIDS Foundation. Honey we hit 6 parties in 3 days and were feeling the aftermath come Monday morning, but it was worth it all the way. Besides having the best DJs in the country spin their magic, super diva Kristine W. performed live at the Blue Ball and blew the roof off the joint. If you haven't picked up Kristine's latest CD, "Stronger", slap on some heels and head to AfterWords. Every fag in the city needs this CD!

Speaking of great CDs, check out Sade's new one "Lovers Rock." Miss Sade sings like silk and let me tell you sweetie this CD puts you in the mood for lovin'. This is not a dance CD, unless you and your bed partner want to dance between the sheets! If you're looking for some mood music Sade is where it's at. Now on a more rock tip, U2's new disk, "All That You Can't Leave Behind" brings the Irish boys back to the guitar sound that made them famous. U2 gets rid of the electronic sound they messed with a few years ago and goes back to basics, which is where they should have stayed. Their first single "Beautiful Day" is pure heaven for all U2 fans, plus the dance remix is fantabulous. It's so nice to see one of my all time favorite groups back on top! Both of these CDs are excellent, and variety is the spice of life. A girl can't live on club music alone you know!

For party pictures, music reviews and more on other events check out "DavidE's Circuit Ranch of Raunch" at www.geocities.com/circuitdave. My new web site lots of pictures, my full Top 20 dance list, and the latest and greatest party news from ClubLand. Check it out and let me know what you think...

Well February is gearing up to be a wild month. We only have 28 days but honey we're gonna party like we got 31! Look for me spinning at Boom Feb. 10th for their One Year Anniversary Bash and again on Feb. 24th for DavidE's Birthday Bash! Yes children, Momma DavidE is turning 31 and I'm fixin' to throw a knock down, drag out booze fest. Who the hell knows what's gonna happen but let's just hope the police have to show up, cause honey it ain't a party till the cops shut it down. "Cuff me now, big daddy!" And finally for you out there who want to experience a true circuit party event, check out Chicago's Fire Ball over President's Day Weekend (Feb. 16-18.)

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Take care ClubLand and remember "Peace, love, and lube." DavidE.
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by Rawley Grau



How did the Russian Revolution affect gays and lesbians?

The Bolshevik Revolution of 1917 brought radical changes to every aspect of life in the former Russian Empire. The first Soviet legal code, issued in 1922, even decriminalized homosexuality. Western advocates for sex-law reform hailed Soviet Russia as a model of enlightenment, but did the revolution really improve conditions for the country's gays and lesbians?

Law has always been a relative thing in Russia. Under the tsars, men were condemned to four or five years of penal servitude for consensual homosexual sodomy, but the statute was seldom applied. And although the Soviet code made no mention of homosexuality, jurists found other means - such as "disorderly conduct" - to prosecute both gay men and lesbians. (Lesbian sex had not been prohibited under tsarist law nor mentioned in the 1922 code.)

Despite such prosecutions, homosexuality remained legal when the code was revised in 1926. Same-sex attraction was seen not as a crime, but as a psychological and biological abnormality. This was the view expressed in the entry on "homosexuality" in the first edition of the Great Soviet Encyclopedia (1930), which ridiculed pre-Revolutionary and Western European sodomy laws as "absurd" and even harmful in their psychological effect on homosexuals.

But it would be difficult to argue that life was easier for gays in Soviet Russia. For one thing, gays and lesbians had enjoyed a relative tolerance in the tsarist regime, especially after the Revolution of 1905 forced Tsar Nicholas II to adopt a constitution and ease censorship restrictions. In these years, gay and lesbian culture blossomed, with the appearance of books openly celebrating queer love such as those by Mikhail Kuzmin and Lidiya Zinov'yeva-Annibal.

But if homoerotic culture seemed fashionably daring to forward-thinking Russians in the early 20th century, in the years after the Bolsheviks seized power, gay issues were thought to be irrelevant in a society building socialism. Kuzmin and other queer writers continued to be published in the 1920s, but their works were largely ignored.

But even this would not last. Life became more and more precarious for Russian gays, especially as the political struggle after Lenin's death in 1924 made any nonconformity suspect. When Joseph Stalin consolidated his hold on power in the late '20s, respect for individual privacy vanished entirely.

On Dec. 17, 1933, the Communist Party announced a law recriminalizing consensual sodomy between men, with a punishment of three to five years of incarceration. The law, which came to be known as Article 121, viewed homosexuality not merely as moral or psychological debility, but as a bourgeois, counterrevolutionary crime against the state and the working class.

The new measure came into effect March 7, 1934, but the Soviet police had already acted two months earlier, rounding up gay men in Moscow, Leningrad, Odessa, and Kharkov. The repression was brutal. According to one report, there were some 3,000 Muscovite gay men imprisoned in a labor camp in the far north by the late 1930s.

Kuzmin died in early 1936 before he could be arrested, but his lover was apprehended and executed after a 15-minute trial. In his case, as in many others, the charges were based not on homosexuality per se but on suspicions of anti-Soviet activity, with which homosexuality was often linked.

The state's persecution of gays - often involving confinement in psychiatric hospitals - continued

until the late 1980s, when Mikhail Gorbachev's policy of *glasnost* allowed the birth of a new Russian gay and lesbian movement. In 1993, two years after the disintegration of the Soviet Union, Article 121 was finally repealed, and homosexuality was once more decriminalized in Russia.

Who was Elizabeth Bishop?

Today recognized as one of the finest American poets of the 20th century, Elizabeth Bishop perfected a style of writing based on precise and nuanced observation. But behind her poems lay a life marked by a struggle with alcoholism and a series of turbulent relationships with women.

Born Feb. 8, 1911, in Worcester, Mass., Bishop never knew her father, who died from kidney disease when she was an infant. Her mother, overcome with grief, went insane and was committed when Bishop was 5.

The girl was raised by relatives, first in Nova Scotia, then in Massachusetts. Her father's family was wealthy and sent Bishop to an exclusive girls' boarding school. She later went to Vassar College. Although her remarkable literary gifts were already evident, her writing took shape only after she met the poet Marianne Moore in 1934.

Moore became Bishop's friend, mentor, and role model. Speaking of her visits to Moore's Brooklyn apartment, Bishop wrote, "I never left ... without feeling happier: uplifted, inspired, determined ... never to try to publish anything until I thought I had done my best with it." With Moore's guidance, the young poet's work began appearing in the leading literary journals.

While there may have been a romantic component in her relationship with the married Moore, who was 47 when they met, it probably remained unacknowledged. But Bishop did have at least two lesbian relationships over the next decade.

Perhaps unable to accept her lesbianism, Bishop fell into a destructive cycle of binge drinking, self-recrimination, and depression, often aggravated by asthma, which

she suffered from all her life. Although her poetry career took off in the 1940s - her first book was published in 1946 to great acclaim - Bishop was feeling more and more confused about where her life was going.

Bishop set off on a world cruise in 1951 with hopes of clearing her mind, but she got only as far as Brazil. There she fell in love with Lota de Macedo Soares, a wealthy landowner, and decided to stay. Bishop managed to get both her drinking and her asthma under control and, for a few years, seemed to have found a home.

But in the early '60s, the relationship started to unravel. Soares took a highly stressful political job, and Bishop began drinking again. After several difficult years, Soares finally had a nervous collapse and, in 1967, killed herself with a Valium overdose.

Bishop's personal life was in shambles, but her career was thriving: she had won the Pulitzer Prize for poetry in 1956, and in 1970, her *Complete Poems* won the National Book Award. That same year, she was offered a teaching position at Harvard.

There she fell in love with Alice Methfessel, a 26-year-old administrative assistant. In 1975, when it looked like their relationship would end, Bishop wrote what has become her most famous poem, "One Art," which begins, "The art of losing isn't hard to master." But Methfessel, in fact, stayed with Bishop right up to the poet's death, of a cerebral aneurysm, on Oct. 6, 1979, at her home in Boston.

Bishop's inner turmoil may have been linked to her homosexuality. Still, one of her last poems, "Sonnet," hints that she was on the verge of self-acceptance: "Freed - the broken / thermometer's mercury / running away; / and the rainbow-bird / from the narrow bevel / of the empty mirror, / flying wherever / it feels like, gay!"

Rawley Grau has won four Vice Versa Awards for his writing on gay and lesbian culture.

He can be reached at GayNestor@aol.com. For more Past Out, visit www.planetout.com

get an application, please see one of our members, and we will put them in contact with our squire master or write Milwaukee Knights, PO Box 340131, Milwaukee, WI 53234. Thanks, your brothers in Leather.

From **Jerry & Mike (Restraints, Etc.):** We are proud to announce the **Southeastern WI Mr. Leather Contest the weekend of April 20-21.**

On Fri., April 20, as a thank you for the current title holder, Mark C., we will host a **10 pm beer bust & raffle at the 1100 Club**, as a fundraiser for the contest and the BESTD Clinic.

We have invited vendors of leather gear and equipment to show and sell during this beer bust.

Sat., April 21, 11 pm the Contest will at **South Water St. Docks** with an auction during intermission to benefit the contest and the BESTD Clinic.

Applications for and information about the contest will be available at So. Water St. Docks and The 1100 Club, or by calling Jerry & Mike (414) 2384-7197.

Thanks, Jerry & Mike

From **Oberons/Milwaukee:** Greetings and salutations to the brothers and sisters in leather! Hope your holidays were great! Ours were sooooo busy!

Event Schedule

1st Sun., Castaways, Sunday beer bust 2-6 pm @ TBA
2nd Sat., Oberons Club Night, 10 pm @ The Boot Camp, Milwaukee
2nd Sat., Atons Leather/Levi Night @ TBA, Minneapolis
3rd Fri., The Chippewa Valley Bears @ Wolfe's Den/Eau Clair
3rd Sun., Black Guard fund raiser @ TBA, Minneapolis
4th Fri., 11 pm, Odd months only, Rodeo Riders Club Night @ Touche
4th Sat., Brew City Bear Club Night 10 pm @ The Boot Camp
Last Sat., Leather Night @ Main Club, Superior
16-18 Feb., **Pantheon of Leather**; New Orleans; FMI
www.TheLeatherJournal.com
9-11 Mar.; **Mr. MI Leather and Carnival/ Saugatuck**, MI
24 Mar., **L/L Daddy and boy contest** @ Napalese/ Green Bay
6-8 Apr., **Leather Leadership Conference** @ Chicago
20 Apr., **Beer Bust and Vendors** @ S. Water St. Docks
21 Apr., **SE WI Mr. Leather Contest 11 pm** @ The 1100 Club
Milwaukee Knights Club night 10 pm @ the 1100 Club
25-28 May., **Intl. Mr. Leather Weekend (IML)** 2 Chicago



Sat. nite, **Feb. 9**, we'll be at **Boot Camp with a raffle and an afterhours**. It should help everyone shed the winter blues. I know I have a little cabin fever after some 50 inches of snow! My back has still been achin' from moving all this crap!

Anyone wearing shorts or cutoffs to the bar will get an extra raffle ticket!

S&M/Oberons

Black Guard/Minneapolis - Black Frost 24, April 6-8 is confirmed. Price, \$95. FMI and application, write The Black Guard of Minneapolis, 4126 Upton Ave. N, Minneapolis, MN 55412-1522.

The art of writing erotica - a workshop

March 9-11, Minnesota Stocks Debentures and Bonds will be sponsoring a class by M. Christian. His workshop is entitled **Sex Sells: How to Write and Sell Erotica**. FFI see our website at <http://www.msdb-mn.org> or e-mail to msdb-mn-owner@egroups.com or MSDB, 54 So. 9th St., Suite 240, Minneapolis, MN 55402.

A number of you asked about **PrideFest-2001's First Leather Man/Leather Woman Fashion Show** at the festival. Frankly I haven't seen any follow up but if you want such a show, are able to participate, have ideas etc., you are encouraged to contact **Russ R. (414) 481-0260** or KTrailerboys@aol.com

PaPa Joe photos



The Legacy of Judy Shepard

Written by Jess Littleman

I'd like you to think about the last two years of your life for a moment. Recall all of the things you have done, the events you've experienced. Remember all of the good things and bad, the times you were bored punctuated by moments of glory, the people who have passed in, through, and out of your life.

These things which make up a life-yours, mine, most everybody's-were things that Matthew Shepard didn't have an opportunity to share. In December of 1998, Shepard was abducted, verbally and physically attacked, pistol whipped, then tied up to a fence and left to die.

Unfortunately, this is merely where the assault of Matthew Shepard merely begins. After being found by a passing stranger, Shepard died a few days later in a hospital bed where he had remained comatose. His attackers, after being found and indicted, showed little or no remorse about the hate crime they had committed. Moreover, it looked like the two men were not going to be punished to the full extent of the law, even though they had ended a life for no more reason than simple prejudice and hate. In the end, after the eyes of the country focused their attention to a little town named Laramie, and we began to see a side of ourselves we rarely have the courage to look at.

There were many things shameful that came out of that time two years ago. One thing or perhaps, one person has floated to the top and has served as a voice for Matthew. Mrs. Judy Shepard, Matthew's mother, has started a movement to make all she speaks to aware of the hate that still exists in our world, and how important it is for each and every one of us to speak out against it, act out against it, and try to prevent acts of violence and hate from occurring.

I had the opportunity to hear Mrs. Shepard speak recently, when she visited Saint Norbert College in De Pere, WI January 29th. She has been visiting schools, college campuses, and auditoriums across the country speaking about her experiences.

When Judy Shepard first stepped out onto the stage, the first impression I got was, "This woman should be sitting next to my mom at the PTA." Short in stature, at first you think she is very quiet (Mrs. Shepard even apologizes initially about not being a public speaker). But as the evening progressed, you realize she commands attention with a motherly inner strength. She began with the account of Matthew's death, from the first phone call, to traveling half way around the world, seeing her son at the hospital the first time, and eventually his passage from life a brief time later. She then did something so heartbreaking you wanted to run up onstage to be by her side: Judy Shepard read the statement she gave the jury and judge just prior to closing statements at the trial of the two men accused of murder-



JUDY SHEPARD

ing her son. The impact of this action brought everyone into the courtroom in Wyoming two years ago, and you begin to feel the pain of losing Matthew Shepard.

When Judy Shepard opened the floor to questions from the audience, there was a silence-almost a reverence-that almost prevented most people from speaking. But questions were asked, and Mrs. Shepard answered them all with quiet thought, regardless of how personal they might have been. She spoke on her stand on hate crimes, about her fight to enact Hate Crimes Legislation in front of then-Governor George W. Bush. (The Legislation was defeated.) She spoke about her family, how her husband and other son, Logan, are managing. She spoke about the symposiums and their effectiveness against hate, how even though it sometimes seemed she "...was preaching to the choir...not reaching those who really need to hear this message..." Mrs. Shepard also wanted to let people know that efforts like this are not in vain. "There is no guarantee this will stop hate crimes from happening...if I knew how to do that, I'd be out there and not in here."

Judy Shepard also talked about Matthew Shepard resource fund, how her family and the family of James Byrd, Jr. have acted in concert to actively get Hate Crime laws passed on a federal level. She talked about how important it is to stop hate speech-not only in ourselves, but also stand up and say it's not acceptable in those around us.

By the end of the evening, I came to the realization that Judy Shepard was not doing all of this for Matthew, or even for herself. She had discovered in herself an ability, a power-the power of one-to bring a change for good to the world. With her quiet voice, she could bring change. And she did.

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DIVERSION of the DAY

Friday, Feb. 9

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at Switch, 9-mid. CellBlock (Chicago) Water sports fetish weekend - Fri. nite is fetish nite

Saturday, Feb. 10

ARCW 10th annual Have a Heart dinner & auction (& dance), Liberty Hall, Kimberly. Tickets/info (920) 437-7400 (ext. 103) or 800-359-9272 (ext. 277) **BESTD** (Milw) HIV testing at Galano Club, 6-8 pm

Capers (Kenosha) "Precious Times Valentines Show" - starring Precious & Joel (aka Josie Lynn) & guests, 11 pm

Club 94 (Kenosha) "Queen of Hearts" w/ performances by Bob's Angels & the Club 94 Folly Girls & special guest, 11 pm, \$3 **My Place** (LaCrosse) Valentine's Party!

Valentine Dance for womyn only (Milw) Transit Center Harbor Lights Room, 909 E. Michigan Ave., \$9 at door, 8 pm

Sunday, Feb. 11

Angels of Hope MCC (Green Bay & Appleton) Dinner served today after worship services; main dish provided - worshippers will provide salad, vegetable or dessert.

Gay Men's Discussion Group (Milw.) meets at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett, 6-8 pm. Dr. Mark Huffman, a family practice physician from the Milw. area facilitates a discussion of "Physical Health for Gay & Bisexual Men."

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Club 5 (Madison) 18 & up nite, 9-close

Friday, Feb. 16

Angels of Hope MCC (Green Bay) Fun Nite 5-7 pm + \$5 fish fry. Food + games! Welcome! Boulevard Theatre (Milwaukee) "Romeo & Juliet" opens today,

runs thru March 18, FMI/tickets (414) 744-5757

Cell Block (Chicago) This is **LeatherFest 2001 Weekend** (thru Sun., Feb. 18) w/ Mike Taylor, International Mr. Leather 2000; actual Leatherman 2001 Contest will be held Sat. nite (aps avail. at bar)

Saturday, Feb. 17

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at Midtowne Spa 10-1

Rainbow Over Wisconsin (ROW) bowling benefit

Sunday, Feb. 18

Club 94 (Kenosha) Cabaret nite, featuring Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm. No cover

Sweets & Spirits Sunday (Madison) An OutReach wine tasting/candy fundraiser at the Clay Market Cafe, 111 King St... Tickets at door - \$20; advance (608) 255-8582

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Club 5 (Madison) 18 & up nite, 9-close

Friday, Feb. 23

CellBlock (Chicago) Uniform fetish weekend; police uniforms tonite...military uniforms Sat. nite

Saturday, Feb. 24

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at C'est La Vie 9-mid.

Sunday, Feb. 25

Club 5 (Madison) Who's Your Daddy MaMa Productions presents Miss Gay Southern WI USofA 2001, 10:30 pm, starring Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA 2001 (C C Domino), Miss Gay Southern WI USofA 2000 (Desiree Mathews), Miss Gay Capital City USofA 2000 (Destiny Mathews), Mr. Gay WI USA 2000 (Michael K) and former Miss Gay Great Lakes at Large (Celeste Olds). Registration 9 pm, interview 9:15, pageant at 10:30. FMI Kelli Jo (920) 490-0725



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Milwaukee closed. *Drummer* (the mag) went down the tubes. The sudden demise of these community icons left a vacancy in our psyche.

The Milwaukee Eagle opened with a bang, sputtered, then closed. Location. Location. Location.

The widow Blanch is now Wayside Wanda or Truckstop Tilly.

Death has claimed friends who we miss and remember fondly. Rest in peace, good buddies.

We are grateful for the modern medicine which has slowed the pace of fallen comrades due to the big A. We are sad to learn HIV infections in Gay men are on the rise in our community. Bare backing (unprotected sex) is gaining in popularity. Is it a death wish? How can we help?

What will the next five years bring? With the grace of God, we will be here to find out. In the meantime, let's work on our civil rights and the conquering the HIV+ thing.

Again, I thank you for five good years and, with love, I bid you peace.

From Argonauts of WI/Green Bay: The Argonauts celebrated Winter Quest 27 on Jan. 20 at Napalese Lounge in Green Bay.

The 48 guests enjoyed a buffet dinner, prepared by Anne and Nancy.

New club officers were installed after dinner: President, Michael S.; Vice-President, Al K.; Recording Secretary, Leon S.; Corresponding Secretary, David W.; Treasurer, Craig G., and Sergeant-at-Arms, Dick M.

Thanks to the Knights for sponsoring the bus crawl from Milwaukee, and to Shamrock Bar for sponsoring the bus from Madison. Milwaukee Knights also hosted a beer bust with raffles and presented the Club with a bondage bench to be used at the farm during Joing Run 2001. Everyone had a fantastic time!

Many thanks to Anne and Nancy and the staff at Napalese and to everyone who joined us. You made this one of the BEST Argonauts anniversaries EVER! Michael/AOW

This was quite a party, and I have pictures to prove it. WOOOOF

Daddy/Daddy's Boy Contests: Be sure to check the web site (in Feb.) for more details about the Club's upcoming **Daddy-Daddy's Boy Contests (March 24)**. If you'd be interested in entering the contest

and don't always get to the Green Bay area, e-mail us (argonautsofwj@aol.com) and we'll send you entry material as soon as it is available! We'd love to see you in the contest (or in the audience). This is Green Bay's ONLY leatherman contest event, and it is supported by the entire community! This year's contest will be emceed by the current Mr. Northwoods, T.J. Herman, and should be a great time. Hope to see you, or hear from you soon. Mike/Argonauts

Heads up. Watch for Mr. Northwoods - TJ's party (details TBA) to help him raise money for IML. If you can't make the party, send in some money - OK? OK!

From the Milwaukee Knights: We would like to thank everyone who supported us on the bar crawl to Green Bay Jan. 20 and the club night at Napalese Lounge.

Our next club night will be April 21 at So. Water St. Docks, 10 pm-1am. It will be a beer bust and raffle (The club night is in conjunction with the Southeastern WI Mr. Leather Contest, produced by Restraints, Etc.)

Just a quick note to the Milwaukee Knights: they are now accepting applications for Squires for the club. If anyone needs to

Monday, Feb. 26

Woody's (Milw) Costume contest tonite

Tuesday, Feb. 27

PFLAG (Green Bay-Brown Co. chapter) meets 7 pm at Angels of Hope MCC, Green Bay

Wednesday, Feb. 28 - Ash Wednesday

Angels of Hope MCC (Green Bay) Ash Wed. service at 7 pm; 5-6:30 pm fish fry (\$5) served prior to the service

Thursday, March 1

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at LaCage, 10-1

Sunday, March 4

Boulevard Ensemble Theatre (Milw) Alley Season Milw. premiere of Evan Smith's gay coming-of-age comedy "*Remedial English*" opens today, runs thru March 20

Club 94 (Kenosha) We're celebrating Jazmine Roberts' birthday tonite at our Cabaret Nite, which will feature Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm. Welcome! No cover

Saturday, March 10

ARCW's Make a Promise dinner, dance & auction, Midwest Express Center (Milwaukee). See news article this issue of *Quest* for complete info.

Friday, March 16

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at Midtowne Spa, 9-mid

Sunday, March 18

Club 94 (Kenosha) Cabaret Nite, w/ Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm. No cover.

Friday, March 23

BESTD (Milw) HIV testing at Big Mama's Cafe 10-1

Sunday, April 1

Club 94 (Kenosha) Cabaret nite w/ Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm; no cover

Sunday, April 15

Club 94 (Kenosha) Cabaret nite w/ Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm; no cover

Friday, April 20

Boulevard Ensemble Theatre (Milw) "*You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*" opens tonite and runs thru May 20

Sunday, April 29

Angels of Hope MCC (Green Bay/Appleton) Today is Bring-A-Friend Sun!
Club 94 (Kenosha) Cabaret nite w/ Bob's Angels & guests, 8 pm; no cover

Be Part of Hollywood at ARCW's Make a Promise

The Hollywood scene is set and all are invited to join ARCW's 15th annual Make a Promise dinner, dance and auction on Saturday, March 10. Tinseltown glamour will fill Milwaukee's Midwest Express Center

during this premier social event, this year themed "Hollywood Nights."

"Celebrating 15 years of Make a Promise is bittersweet," said Jim Schleif, ARCW deputy director of development. "This year's event falls at a time when new HIV infections are again rising and, alarmingly, the AIDS death rate is up for the first time in five years."

ARCW is asking the community to play a supporting role in HIV prevention and care by attending Make a Promise so that crucial life-saving work continues in Wisconsin.

The black-tie optional evening starts with a "see and be seen" cocktail reception and a fantastic silent auction. Starting in mid-February, visitors to ARCW's web site will be treated to sneak previews of many premier items that will be up for bid at the auction.

Attendees will be among stars as the spotlight on ARCW's Sterling Rose Award recipient Judith Wilcox of the Wisconsin Division of Housing and Red Rose Award recipients Rodney Scheel House Foundation and United Airlines. New this year, ARCW is proud to recognize Giving For Life Philanthropists of the Year Bill Reinicker and Norma Reilly.

Dinner tables of ten or individual seats are available at a variety of levels: "Top Billing" at \$500/seat, "Executive Producer" at \$200, "Director" at \$125 and "Celebrity" at \$75.

To make the final cut, be sure to RSVP by March 2 by visiting ARCW's Web site, arcw.org, or by calling (414) 225-1577.

Governor McCallum, We Need More \$\$\$ for AIDS Prevention & Treatment: Doug Nelson

Wisconsin's new governor, Scott McCallum, has received an early plea for more funds to help the AIDS fight!

Doug Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, says in a letter to the governor: "The AIDS death rate has increased for the first time in five years and the number of diagnosed AIDS cases increased for the first time in eight years. We are very concerned that these increases may be a result of treatment failures or individuals accessing testing late in disease progression. We must make sure that early diagnosis and quality treatment are accessible throughout the state."

Nelson asked the governor to include a \$1.5 million dollar investment in the 2001-2003 budget.



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LEATHER FETISH

by Papa Joe



Come mid-February 2001, I will start my sixth year with this column. It is not something I wanted or needed to do. I felt it was needed. When Mark (Quest/publisher) heard the idea, he encouraged me to find someone to write it. I am still looking, and, after five years, it would be good if I found you.

In the beginning, we agreed this column should serve clubs and persons already in the Leather Community as well as offer our curious brothers and sisters an inside look at our community.

The column has changed considerably. I hope for the better and within those guidelines.

You were warned I would call a spade a spade, was politically incorrect, would not kiss ass nor curry favor to sit at the right hand of those who claim importance. I have pissed off some, maybe by bad judgement on my part, or asking too many questions. For this I have taken flack and a campaign of harassment. It is a given that if you stick your head out of your shell to show a bit of leadership, someone will try to knock it off. It is usually the wimps and ragers.

Some have heard I am on the rag about this, that things or persons, and some have the word HATE. Nothing could be further from the truth. There is no hate. Hate is the dialogue of insecure

a n d immature person, who like the radical religious right, rely on strong words when reasoning fails.

I expect some backlash if I touch a nerve, screw up, etc. But if at any time any of you think I am vindictive, harsh or out in left field, please be mature enough to be up front about it.

Overall, it has been a good five years and I thank you who have honored me by reading this column regularly. I am especially rewarded by those of you who've mentioned that you went to your first leather bar, party, run, etc. because of this column.

Some of you may think of me as some sort of a guru. You should not. I am just an old fart who has been around for a while. To those of you say I write well, geez, I wish Mrs. Kunkle were still alive. I seldom do late nights anymore and, because of a bum leg, I have been leery of crowds since June of '98 when I got blind-sided and knocked down by a dim wit who has problems with his sexuality. The surgery was difficult.

A lot has happened in our community over those five years. The Firebirds started with a bang, celebrated their first anniversary and fizzled. When new life

seemed to be rising from those ashes, the flame went out. The Beer Town Badgers, which seemed to have died after the legal battle, reappeared as a fund-raising club associated with The Wisconsin Leather Men Association for The G/L Community Center Trust Fund. The Unicorns of Madison are on a long hiatus. The Milwaukee Knights are up and running strong. The Argonauts of WI and Castaways MC, stable as ever, and continuing their good work.

More runs are happening, prices have increased and attendance has fallen. Many are doing only dinner parties to celebrate their anniversaries. The Argonauts of WI and the Castaways MC joined forces to re-energize the Farm Run and, except for Inferno, made it the most popular run in the upper midwest. By far, the best deal.

Local Mr. Bar contests seem to be gone for good. After one successful Mr. WI Drummer contest, it bit the dust -- but, keep an eye on Green Bay where it may re-surface. The Mr. Wisconsin Leatherman and SE Wisconsin Mr. Leather contests have been resurrected. The Daddy and Boy contests, now ten years running, moved to Green Bay and continue to pack them in, providing the (usual) naysayers wrong. T.J. Herman continues the 15+ year tradition with the title of Mr. Northwoods 2000.

IML is still the same, but moved to the Palmer House. Dore Alley, Folsom St. Fair, Mid-Atlantic Leather are packed crotch to butt with hot booted leatherman (I'm moist). Leather conferences are the rage.

PrideFest is now at the Milwaukee lakefront, the Possum Queen competition seems to have bitten the dust. We gave to a community center only to learn there are two Community centers, one open to all, the other rather limited in scope.

The Hotel Washington (Rod's) in Madison burned, not to be rebuilt. The Wreck Room in

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CD REVIEW:

Keep On Moving (It's Too Funky in Here) Funkstar De Luxe; 14 Tracks, 66 Minutes. Hypnotic Records / Edel America Records

If you've been out dancing in the past year, odds are you've heard one of the tracks featured on *Keep on Moving (It's Too Funky in Here)* by remix artist Funkstar De Luxe. At the now-defunct Za's (moment of silence, please.....Okay), deejay Straight-Boy Sean practically lived on the Bob Marley cuts "Sun is Shining" and "Rainbow Country," and I'm pretty sure I've heard "She's a Lady" vs. Tom Jones and "Give Me You" vs. Mary J. Blige elsewhere. All of these are included on *Keep on Moving*.

Other artists selected for remixing on this disc include Bob Dylan, James Brown, Tom Jones, Anita Ward, and Grace Jones. Jones' "Pull Up to the Bumper" was an unexpected surprise, and the early eighties classic "White Horse" vs. Laid Back pulls my fave vote. The

disc even includes a track that's 100% De Luxe's, entitled "Pinguino." I like! The disc ends with a second remix of the first track, "Sun is Shining." This version has a completely different texture-slower, but still has a sexual, pulsing energy to it. Kinda sounds like a backing track to a fuck scene in "How Stella Got Her Groove Back." All the tracks feature not only have that "Oh, I think I remember this one!" quality, but the remixing by De Luxe is beyond first rate, it's star quality material on it's own.

I think it's important to mention this isn't a reread album-there's fresh material on the disc, and up until now, these cuts were probably available primarily on 12-inch vinyl or promo CD's. Not impossible for the average consumer to get, but now these tracks are compiled &



pre-packaged, ready to be purchased by your hard-earned dollars! In short, you have two acceptable options: Listen for the tracks at the fabulous new West Theatre's dance pavilion Go West! (SHAMELESS PLUG ALERT! SHAMELESS PLUG ALERT!) and purchase a copy of Funkstar De Luxe's *Keep on Moving (It's Too Funky in Here)*.

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OutReach Awarded \$50,000 Grant: Gill Foundation Funds LGBT Services

This Gill Foundation recently awarded OutReach, Madison's lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) center a \$50,000 grant. The general operating support grant will help fund the agency's programs and services over the next two years.

The grant is the largest ever given to OutReach from a public or private funder.

"The Gill Foundation's grant will allow us to help the community in even more ways," said Debra Weill, OutReach's executive director. "We're helping the community in so many new ways from expanded advocacy in the Madison schools to the recent transgender anti-discrimination ordinance - we're becoming more visible and more influential every day."

Among other programs, the Gill Foundation grant will provide funding for OutReach's LGBT information and counseling hot line (608/255-4297), lending library, advocacy work and community center services.

Created by Tim Gill, founder of Quark, a software company that makes the popular publishing program Quark Express, the Colorado-based Gill Foundation is now the largest funder of LGBT organizations in the country.

For more info, contact OutReach (608) 255-8582.

United Way Policy Important First Step

OutReach (Madison) applauds the newly adopted anti-discrimination policy of the United Way of Dane County, which states: "The United Way of Dane County believes that the services and opportunities provided by agencies that receive UWDC funding should be available to all persons in our Dane County community. This lists, among

other categories, 'gender, sexual orientation and physical appearance.'"

"This is an important step in the process of ensuring that United Way beneficiaries do not discriminate against community members," comments OutReach executive director Debra Weill.

She continues, "We are hopeful about their upcoming funding decisions; we do not want to see any group funded that refuses to acknowledge the family values of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons."

SAGE/Milwaukee News! (Senior Action in a Gay Environment)

Carolyn Keith, MSSW, has been hired by SAGE/Milwaukee as a part-time social worker. She will provide information and referral, confidential psychosocial support, and advocacy for older LGBT persons with problems.

SAGE/Milwaukee founder and chairperson, Eldon E. Murray, has accepted an invitation to serve on the Advisory Council for the Age & Community Initiative of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's "The Milwaukee Idea" concept.

The initiative is designed to promote interdisciplinary university-community partnerships. The Advisory Board will be offering advice to the action team that is creating a formal structure for age studies beginning this summer.

"My serving on this board will insure that the interests of older persons in the gay, lesbian and transgender community will be heard," says Murray.

New Benefit for SAGE Members

In other SAGE news, there's a new benefit for members to save money on funeral expenses. It's a SAGE hook-up with The Memorial Society of Wisconsin, which is dedicated to dignity, simplicity and economy in funerals by arranging with funeral homes to provide low cost cre-



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Miss Gay USofA Pageant 2001 News Update A newsy word from Jerry Bird says.....

"We are having to make a change this year at Miss Gay USofA
 because of the increase in contestants. We are having to cancel the
 "Stars of USofA Show" on Sunday night and put in an extra pre-
 liminary night. So, contestant judging will be on
 Sun., Mon., Tues. and Thurs. nights starting at 9 pm.

The finals will start at 9 pm at the International Apparel Mart.
 Contestants registration is at 12 noon on Sun., May 20, at which
 time all contestants will draw their number for group placement.

Any questions, call (281) 485-4137.

G/L Community Center Trust Fund Gets \$3,000 Gift from Boot Camp Saloon Benefit

The G/L Community Center Trust Fund has announces it's
 received a \$3,000 cash gift from the December dinner and silent
 auction benefit held by the Boot Camp Saloon.

The event, held at Milwaukee's M&M Club, was attended by
 over 50 people.

Special thanks to Balistreri's Bluemound Inn, Big Mama's Diner,
 Badger Liquor, Boot Camp Saloon, Boulevard Theatre, Broadway
 Dinner Theatre, Buds by Brenda, Capitol Hustling, Chip & Py's,
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 Men's Accessories for donations to the silent auction.

Gay TV On the Air Over Dish Satellite Network??? GTN says "Yes" and Dish Satellite Network says "NO"

Gay Television Network (GTN) said in a press release that, after
 several delays, it would go on the air Feb. 2 over the Dish Satellite
 Network and is expected to be broadcasting 24/7 within six months.

BUT...BUT....BUT....Dish Network says it's not carrying the gay stuff!

GTN says it has a contract and representatives of EchoStar
 Communications, parent company of Dish Network denies it.
 Looks like a court battle looms!

GTN had contracted publications nationwide to run ads for its
 gay TV service and would reimburse advertisers a negotiated fee
 for each new customer. *Gay Chicago* and this publication, *Quest*,
 each have run these ads. *In Step* did not run the ads, but did carry a
 front page story about the service. To date, *Quest*, has not been paid
 for any advertisements.

Rumors of Dish Network getting cold feet or being pressured
 not to run Gay TV have not been substantiated.

Chris, who regularly submits photography to *Quest*, emailed us
 to say that Dishnetwork, 2nd to Direct TV, told him they will not
 be carrying Gay TV. Chris already subscribed to Direct TV and
 added Dish expressly for the gay channel. A Gay Television Rep.
 urged Chris to call Dishnetwork and complain and or cancel his
 subscription. Direct TV however may be carrying GTN in the near

future; check out there website.

GTN's corporate offices are located at 1000 E. Tahquitz
 Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262; telephone (760) 322-1217.

Feb. 20 Statewide Election is Important to Education

State Superintendent of Public Instruction John Benson is retir-
 ing after eight years; GLSEN Wisconsin is surveying candidates
 (seven registered and one write-in) and will pass info about each to
 voters.

GLSEN, the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, is
 working with Action Wisconsin on the project.

Candidates are being surveyed and their various views will be
 disseminated through newsletters and on the web sites, [www.glsen-
 wi.org](http://www.glsen-wi.org) and www.action.wisconsin.org.

Village People Cowboy Randy Jones Releases New SciFi-Electronica CD

Randy Jones, original Village People cowboy, releases his first
 full-length album since the group's iconic Seventies disco record-
 ings on Valentine's Day.

The CD, *Imaging Mandolins*, is described as SciFi-Electronica,
 and is a collaboration with his long-time partner, Will Grega.

"It's Village People meets the X-Files," says Jones. "A 21st cen-
 tury romp through a range of dance music styles from Techno,
 House and Hip Hop, to Trance and Ambient, with whimsical
 1950's-era science fiction elements scattered throughout." The
 album can be heard in its entirety at Jones' website -
www.randyjonesworld.com

The album's first single is *Flying Saucer*.

Randy Jones' performance history includes performing the clas-
 sic Village People hits *YMCA*, *Macho Man* and *In the Navy*, as well
 as starring in the 1980 film *Can't Stop the Music*.

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