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# JUDGE: "WISCONSIN GAY MARRIAGE BAN CHALLENGE OKAY"

Wisconsin Family Council's Appling Has Hissyfit

Madison - A constitutional challenge to last year's marriage and civil unions ban can proceed, following November 28 decision by Dane County Judge Rick Niess. The decision concerned the narrow issue of plaintiff William McConkey's legal standing a voter. An earlier decision had thrown the married McConkey's standing as being directly harmed by the passage of the constitutional amendment banning legal recognition of all unmarried couples' status regardless of sexual orientation.

Niess' comments invoked the right of voters to have confidence in their elections, and in the voting process, and also the right to consider constitutional amendments one at a time. "I believe there is a demonstrable injury to any voter who is required to vote on a question that is constitutionally defective," Niess said. "Voting is the very bedrock, the very lifeblood of the democracy we have," and needs to be protected "above all."

McConkey's challenge is based on another provision in the Wisconsin Constitution which forbids "bundling" in proposals to amend the Constitution. That is, any proposed amendment to the Constitution must be limited to a single subject so that voters can make separate decisions about each proposed change.

The plaintiff in the case, William McConkey, a political science instructor at UW-Oshkosh, has contended that the amendment violated the Constitution by offering two distinct questions. The amendment forbids same-sex couples from marrying, and also forbids the State from providing for a legal relationship identical to or substantially similar to that of marriage for all couples.

According to Fair Wisconsin, polling in 2005 and 2006 showed that voters supported allowing samesex couples similar legal protections as those provided by marriage, such as through Vermont-style civil unions, but felt marriage should be reserved for heterosexual couples. By placing both questions in one proposed amendment, voters were forced to vote the same way on both questions, even if given the choice they would have voted no on one question and yes on the other.

Fair Wisconsin warned legislators about this violation before the legislation's passage and during the subsequent campaign. About half of the state's eligible voters affirmed the amendment by a 59-41% margin in the November 2006 election.

The ruling means the lawsuit, in which McConkey's central argument is that the amendment violates the U.S. Constitution's guarantee of equal protections under law, can continue. It does not indicate what the eventual outcome will be. McConkey, who filed the suit pro se last Spring is now represented by Madison attorney Lester Pines. McConkey described himself as a "Christian, straight, married father of nine and grandfather of seven" when he filed the lawsuit.

A "Christian' of another sort, Julaine Appling of the Wisconsin Family Council, Inc. (WFC) - the remonikered Family Research Institute of Wisconsin which organized support for the so-called "Marriage Protection Amendment" - predictably had a different opinion of McConkey's court win. Even as she bewailed the "frivolous case that is wasting taxpayer dollars" in a November 26 opinion piece in the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, Appling announced her organization had guaranteed many more dollars will be spent by bringing in out-of state lawyers trained by the James Dobsonfounded Alliance Defense Fund. WFC's interests in the case will be represented by Mississippi-based attorney Austin R. Nimocks, whose firm is also a member of the Christian Law Association, the Christian Legal Society, the Christian Trial Lawyers Association and televangelist Pat Robertson's American Center For Law & Justice.

#### CONGRESS DUMPS HATE CRIMES BILL

Washington, DC - Congressional Democrats dropped their effort to tie the Matthew Shepard Hate Crimes Act to a Pentagon policy measure December 6, ending chances that the long-stalled hate crime measure would clear Congress this year.

Citing objections from Republicans and President Bush, as well as a refusal by some Democrats to back the Pentagon bill because of opposition to the Iraq war, Democratic leaders agreed to strip out the hate crimes provision to clear the way for approval of the military legislation.

The decision was a major disappointment to Congressional advocates of the hate crimes expansion and to civil rights activists who believed that the new Democrat-led Congress provided the best opportunity for approving changes sought since 1998.

"This is an extraordinary missed opportunity," Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D-Massachusetts) and the author of the legislation said, noting that an increase in hate

crimes documented by the Federal Bureau of Investigation illustrated the need for the measure.

The White House had signaled that it veto the annual Pentagon policy bill if it included the hate crimes language, which the Bush administration has insisted is unnecessary and unrelated to the Pentagon bill. Passage was also complicated by the fact that some liberal Democrats oppose the Pentagon measure on antiwar grounds and would not vote for it even though they support the hate crimes proposal.

The hate crimes provision, which easily passed the House in May, would expand federal jurisdiction over hate crimes to include those committed because of a person's gender, sexual orientation, disability or gender identity. The law now applies to crimes motivated by bias because of race, color, religion or national origin and is limited to acts committed against a person who is exercising a federally protected right like voting or attending school.

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Worried that the Senate might not pass the proposal on its own, backers added it to the high-priority Pentagon bill and pushed it through the Senate and into final negotiations with the House.

Senate Democrats had pushed for keeping the proposal in the overall bill. However, following a December 5 vote count, supporters determined that they could not maneuver the Pentagon bill through the House. .

The measure was first proposed after the murder in 1998 of Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old gay man beaten to death in Laramie, Wvo. The proposal is named for Mr. Shepard. His parents, Dennis and Judy Shepard, who have created a foundation to promote tolerance, expressed dismay at the inability of Congress to pass the hate crimes proposal.

"At this time of year that fills us all with hope for humankind, we are sad to find that a Congressional majority of each House who have already adopted the Matthew Shepard Act cannot yet come together," Mr. and Mrs. Shepard said in a statement.

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#### RHODE ISLAND COURT: GAY COUPLE CAN'T DIVORCE HERE

**Providence** - A lesbian couple that married in Massachusetts cannot get divorced in their home state of Rhode Island, the state Supreme Court ruled here December 7.

The court, in a 3-2 decision, said the state's family court lacks the authority to grant the divorce of a same-sex couple because Rhode Island lawmakers have not defined marriage as anything other than a union between a man and a woman. "The role of the judicial branch is not to make policy, but simply to determine the legislative intent," the court wrote.

Cassandra Ormiston and Margaret Chambers wed in Massachusetts in 2004 and filed for divorce last year in Rhode Island, where they both live.

Massachusetts, the only state where gay marriage

is legal, restricts the unions to residents of states where the marriage would be recognized, and a Massachusetts judge decided last year that Rhode Island is one of those states.

No law specifically bans same-sex marriages in Rhode Island, but the state has taken no action to recognize them. The justices said Rhode Island laws contain numerous references to marriage as between a woman and a man.

"My civil rights, my human rights have been denied," Ormiston told the Associated Press in a phone interview after the ruling. "It's no small matter."

Nancy Palmisciano, Ormiston's lawyer, said couples married in other states and other countries are routinely granted divorces in Rhode Island, and the same freedom should apply to this couple.

"I'm disappointed for anyone who's involved in one of these marriages who's a resident of the state of Rhode Island," she said, "I think these people are being confined to a legal limbo."

The couple's divorce petition drew a broad range of supporters, including Attorney General Patrick Lynch, who earlier this year released a nonbinding advisory opinion saying Rhode Island should recognize same-sex marriages performed in Massachusetts.

In earlier court filings, Governor Don Carcieri, an opponent of same-sex marriage, had also argued in favor of granting the divorce. He said under Rhode Island law, the Family Court didn't have to address whether the marriage was valid at all, avoiding a larger debate about same-sex unions.

#### FRENCH DRAG QUEEN ARRESTED FOR 18 GAY MURDERS

Montbeliard, France - French police detained Nicolas Panard, a 68-yearold retired drag queen November 27 for the murders of eighteen mainly gay men over three decades.

After being detained at his home in the eastern city of Mulhouse, Panard was jailed in Montbeliard along with a male former lover who is a suspected accomplice. Panard's alleged partner in crime, Slim Fezzani, 43, was already serving a 20-year sentence for the murder of a gay insurance agent in Riedisheim, Alsace, in 1999. Fezzani was moved from a Paris jail to Montbeliard for new questioning, deputy state prosecutor Jean-Marc Gervason said.

Most of the murders took place in the eastern French regions of Alsace and Franche-Comte, although three were in the Paris area. The 18 murders were committed between 1980 and 2000 but Gervason said the current investigation concerned only six of the killings, which took place between 1983 and 2000.

Of the six victims currently under investigation, one was a female prostitute and five were men, one of whom was handicapped. The victims were all killed by a violent blow to the head, followed by multiple stabbings. Each time the bodies were found partly naked, but the victims' faces were covered up.

Both men deny the accusations, and the prosecution said it had "no formal proof" of their guilt at this stage. Panard's arrest follows a two-year investigation by a police officer in Montbéliar, who "noticed startling similarities between a string of unsolved murders while searching a computer data-base for information on another crime", according to the UK newspaper The Independent. The officer also noticed that Panard's name came up as a friend or associate connected with several of the victims over many years.

Panard worked as a female impersonator in a string of cabarets in eastern France and over the border in Germany until he retired in 1992, according to sources close to the investigation. If proven guilty of all the murders, Panard would rank as one of the most prolific serial murderers in French history.

#### DOUBLE VOTING GAY MARRIAGE BAN SUPPORTER GETS YEAR IN JAIL

Wauwatosa - He claimed he was absent minded but also admitted he needed to vote to ban gay marriage in Wisconsin and help anti-gay State Senator Tom Reynolds get a second term in office. Now Wauwatosa resident Bob Zore get up to a year in jail to consider who he'll vote for next.

County Circuit Judge William W. Brash III sentenced Zore December 7 to a year in the Milwaukee County House of Correction as part of a two-year total sentence beginning January 2.

Brash said Zore's two felony transgressions - voting twice and providing false information to poll workers - were against "the cornerstone of our democracy and our way of life."

"This is, from this court's perspective, a lifeblood issue," Brash said. "It is what we are about as a people."

In November 2006, Zore cast his first vote at his current polling place in Wauwatosa, then went to West Allis, where he voted a second time, using his former address several hours later. Zore was charged after a computer caught the double vote.

At his trial last August, Zore claimed his sister's death caused a memory lapse that triggered the double vote. However prosecutors produced investigative reports that demonstrated the GOP supporter was aware of key issues in the governor's race, felt strongly about the ballot measure on the constitutional amendment banning gay civil unions and marriage, and interested in the hotly contested 5th District State Senate race.

In his sentencing, Brash did allow Zore the possibility of early release for good behavior, a decision that possibly might have him out of jail for the 2008 Presidential election. However, Brash added that voting would break Zore's probation and result in him facing a possible maximum sentence of seven years in prison and a \$20,000 fine.

#### APPEALS COURT DENIES SECOND SEX CHANGE REQUEST

Wausau - Stephen to Stephanie to Stephen? Wisconsin's 3rd District Court of Appeals doesn't think so. On December 4 the court ruled to sustain the decision of Brown County Circuit Judge J.D. McKay that 58 year-old Green Bay resident Stephanie T. Calewarts had waited too long to appeal her earlier successful request to have the court order her sex changed from male to female.

Calewarts' petition had challenged a judge's 2000 order changing his birth certificate to female, claiming it based on mistakes and misunderstandings. In the petition Calewarts said he had some surgery done for health reasons, not to change his sex. The three-judge appeals panel said McKay properly rejected the petition

Calewarts filed in October 2006 requesting that her birth certificate list her as male.

Calewarts filed the reversal petition last year after a marriage to a New Zealand woman was nullified because Wisconsin does not permit same-sex marriages. The nullification resulted in the woman being unable to get a visa to stay in the United States. She has since returned to New Zealand.

"Oh God, no," Calewarts said to Associated Press reporter Robert Imrie when told of the appeals court decision. "I am scared to death right now. I am not going to see my wife. She is the only thing that means anything to me. I am a nobody right now." Calewarts added he would appeal the ruling. "If I got to take it to the federal Supreme Court, I will," he said in the telephone interview.

Calewarts gender journey has been a visible one. In the late 1990's Calewarts appeared as a woman on the nationally-syndicated Sally Jesse Raphael talk show focusing on sex changes. Calewarts also wrote a series of articles entitled "From Boots To Heels" for the Positive Voice LGBT group's newsletter reporting the process of a "sex change" to physically resolve a diagnosis of Kleinfelter's Syndrome. Calewarts also has presented informational talks in the northeast Wisconsin area as a representative and contact person for a group called Genesis Project. Calewarts also owns a Green Bay demolition and renovation company called Tool Belt Divas.

# ARCW SPENDS OVER A MILLION ON PATIENT MEDICAL CARE

Milwaukee - The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) has spent over a million dollars to treat over 800 HIV+ patients in 2007. Those startling statisities were revealed December 7 in an agency statement citing the agency medical center's 36% growth in the last year.

ARCW provided \$1.059 million in uncompensated health care through the ARCW Medical Center. ARCW is now both the largest and most rapidly growing provider of outpatient HIV medical care in the state. During the last 12 months the agency's Medical Center has seen 801 active medical patients.

The continued rapid growth at the ARCW Medical Center is a function of the team of dedicated health care professionals who provide high quality medical care combined with integrated dental, mental health and social services. Together, this unique health care model provides ARCW medical patients with the best opportunity for successful HIV management and treatment.

"ARCW is dedicated to ensuring everyone with HIV in Wisconsin has access to quality medical care, regardless of their ability to pay." ARCW Chief Operating Officer Michael J. Gifford said. "To this end, ARCW is working hard to make the ARCW Medical Center a center of excellence for all the HIV patients who will turn to us in the coming years for treatment."

The tremendous growth in medical patients has also spurred a substantial renovation project at ARCW. The recently completed project doubled the number of medical exam rooms, increased the number of mental health counseling rooms and allowed for the installation of new, state-of-the-art medical equipment.

"With the recent completion of our renovation project and the addition of new medical equipment, we are better able to accommodate all patients in a more comfortable setting," Doug Johnson, a registered nurse at the ARCW Medical Center, said. "We are also now able to provide quality care to more patients every day in a clinic that is warm and welcoming."

In addition to the ARCW Medical Center location in Milwaukee ARCW also operates a medical clinic in Kenosha. ARCW will open the clinic for an additional two days to accommodate additional patients starting January 2008. Under the new schedule, Sharon O'Dwyer, a nurse practitioner with ARCW, will be available for appointments in Kenosha three days a week.

"I am excited to see our Kenosha clinic hours expand," O'Dwyer said. "The

increase in hours will make our clinic even more accessible and improve services for our current and future patients."

The extension of hours in Kenosha is a reflection of the ARCW commitment to ensuring everyone with HIV in Wisconsin has access to quality medical care. For HIV patients outside of southeast Wisconsin, ARCW helps its clients find local infectious disease physicians and will also cover the costs of care for patients who do not have insurance and are unable to pay for their medical visits.

Overall 87.5% of ARCW expenses were for HIV prevention, care and treatment programs. The non-profit industry standard for this measure is 80%.

#### PRIDEFEST SETS 2008 DATES, SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

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"We hope people will save these dates for what promises to be one of the nation's best LGBT pride events," PrideFest President Scott Gunkel said.

In 2007 PrideFest had a banner year with a 14% increase in attendance and the nation's biggest pride entertainment lineup featuring Kathy Griffin, Chaka Khan and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts. In the past four years of PrideFest's twenty-year history, the festival's attendance has grown 35%.

To help build the festival's volunteer infrastructure and deliver an even stronger event, PrideFest is seeking volunteers for its production team.

"PrideFest is run completely by volunteers, and it's their dedication that pulls the festival together year after year. We need the support of people who can use their skills to further develop this great community event," festival producer Pete Minns said.

Several volunteer positions are available at various levels of responsibility. Positions include Box Office Director, Web/IT Coordinator; Pride Guide Coordinator; Sponsorship Director, Treasurer-Elect, and Assistant positions in nearly all areas of the festival. A list of current openings and application procedures is available at www.pridefest.com and more information is available by calling 414-272-3378.

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#### **DICK WAGNER NAMED** AS FIRST RECIPIENT OF JEFF ERLANGER AWARD

Madison - Mayor Dave Cieslewicz announced November 30 that longtime openly-gay civic leader Dick Wagner has been selected as the first recipient of the newly-created Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Civility in Public Discourse Award. The award was created by the Mayor and Common Council to honor the example of civility in public service set by Jeff Erlanger, who passed away earlier this year. Nominations were reviewed and a winner selected by a committee that included a representative of the Erlanger family.

"Dick Wagner exemplifies the spirit of service to the community and civility that was shown by Jeff Erlanger," said Mayor Dave Cieslewicz. "Throughout his decades of service to the community, Dick has shown grace, diplomacy and tact at every turn. Supporters and opponents alike have always known Dick to be a civil, honest and fair-minded leader. I am very pleased to see Dick recognized as the first recipient of the Erlanger Award."

Dick Wagner's service to the community spans nearly four decades, stretching back to his work in the early 1970's to create the Period Garden Park in downtown Madison. He served as a member of the Dane County Board of Supervisors for fourteen years, including service as County Board Chair. He has also served on countless other committees, and played a major role in advancing civic projects such as Monona Terrace and Olbrich Gardens, Although technically "retired" now, Dick continues to serve the community through his work on the Urban Design Commission and Transport 2020.

"I don't think that Dick Wagner and Jeff ever crossed paths, but I am quite sure they would have loved working together," said Pam Erlanger, a member of the selection committee and Jeff's mother. "Dick Wagner's passion for public policy combined with his civic values make him a perfect choice for this award."

The Erlanger Award is an annual recognition, to be awarded at the Common Council meeting that falls closest to Jeff Erlanger's birthday of November 30. This year, it was awarded at the December 4 meeting.

Wagner was nominated by Sally Miley, Anne Monks, Henry Lufler, Lynne Watrous Eich and Nancy Ragland (nomination submissions are available upon request). Other nominees for this year's award were former Alders Judy K. Olson and Warren Onken, Alice Fike and the late former Mayor Otto Festge. The Mayor encouraged the selection committee to consider the other nominees in future years.

#### CHALLENGE GRANT OFFERED FOR PRESERVING MURRAY **AUDIO TAPES**

Milwaukee - Philanthropist and LGBT community supporter Joseph Pabst has offered a challenge grant of \$1,500 to preserve the audio recordings of Gay Perspective, a radio program produced by the Gay Peoples Union and broadcast locally from 1971 to 1972. The matching grant is from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation's Johnson and Pabst LGBT Humanity Fund. Those who would like to contribute towards matching the grant should contact UW-Milwaukee Development Director Susan Modder by email at: semodder@uwm.edu or by phone at 414-229-2811. All donations are welcome.



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#### UWM LIBRARIES ACQUIRES ELDON MURRAY COLLECTION

By Michael Doylen

Milwaukee - The UWM Libraries is has acquired of the personal papers and library of Eldon Murray, a nationally recognized figure in the gay rights movement. Murray was active in virtually all of the major issues involving gays and lesbians from the 1970's to the present day.

In the '70s, Murray became involved with the Gay Peoples Union (GPU), the first gay rights organization in Milwaukee and arguably the most important one in Wisconsin during that decade. Murray edited the organization's newsletter, GPU News and helped produce Gay Perspective, a half-hour radio program broadcast locally from 1971 to 1972. In the early 1980's, Murray worked to raise funds for the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the predecessor of AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. In 1993, he founded SAGE/Milwaukee, the first organization in Wisconsin dedicated to serving the needs of older gays, lesbians, and bisexuals.

In 1998, the One Institute and the International Gay and Lesbian Archives recognized Murray as one of 31 pioneers of the gay rights movement. Murray passed away on March 5, 2007, at the age of 77.

Murray's personal papers document his activity in the early gay rights movement in Milwaukee, the effort to support HIV+ individuals and eliminate discrimination and prejudice based on HIV-status, and to support senior gays and lesbians. The collection includes correspondence, photographs, records of the organizations in which Murray participated, and ephemera.

The UWM Libraries also acquired Murray's own library. Of particular interest in this collection are

scores of "beefcake" magazines from the 1950s and 1960s. Published in the oppressive pre-Stonewall era, the magazines (barely) disguised their homoerotic intention behind a posing strap of masculine athleticism. The library also includes examples of pulp fiction from the same period.

GPU also has donated its library of LGBT books and serial publications, that had been stored in Murray's home since the early 1980s. In its1974 annual report, GPU estimated the collection to be approximately 1,500 volumes and was "probably the largest library collection about homosexuality in the state."

Murray's personal papers are housed in the Archives Department, and his library and the GPU library are available for research in Special Collections. For more information, please contact Michael Doylen, Archives Dept. Head, at 414-229-6980 or Max Yela, Special Collections Head, at 414-229-4345.

#### CREAM CITY FOUNDATION FUNDING **TOTALS \$80,000**

Milwaukee - The Cream City Foundation (CCF), the nation's second oldest LGBT community foundation, distributed over \$80,000 in 2007 to LGBT programming during its fiscal 2007 year in southeastern Wisconsin. The distribution marks a significant increase over a three year period of grant allocation by the Cream City Foundation. A key factor in the increase was the creation of Donor Advised Funds. Because the funds do not charge any administrative fees, a unique stand among foundations, donors enjoy the full benefits the Foundation's staff, knowledge, and investment policies, while continuing or growing their current level of commitment to LGBT needs.

In December alone, Donor Advised Funds accounted for over \$12,000 in grants, including \$9,000 from the Birch Lodge Fund. "We are committed to funding LGBT needs through Cream City Foundation because we believe strongly in the benefit of combined economic power to make a difference," CCF Birch Lodge Fund co-founder Ross Draegert said. To date the Birch Lodge Fund has distributed over \$210,000.

"It is a win-win situation for us," Robert Starshak, Vice-President of the Cream City Foundation and co-founder of the Cream City Foundation's Birch Lodge Fund, added, "Our giving has not only impacted the programs we care about, but because it is within the Cream City Foundation, we are helping build a strong philanthropic institution that will impact LGBT communities for generations to come, at no additional cost."

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"The impact of truly leveraging our resources, including our philanthropic investment, is immense," Tim Clark, CCF President Tim Clark noted. "Partnerships and contributions like this go a long way toward achieving quality programs and to ensure the success for sustainable LGBT fund-

Recent recipients from the Cream City Foundation include: Aids Resource Center of Wisconsin, American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin Foundation, Children's Service Society of Wisconsin, Fair Wisconsin Education Fund, Milwaukee Art Museum, and the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center.

Cream City Foundation launched its Donor Advised Fund Program in early 2006 with the creation of the Joseph R Pabst LGBT Infrastructure Fund. The Cream City Foundation was established in 1982 to provide charitable grants to programs and projects that improve the quality of life for LGBT communities in Southeastern Wisconsin. The Foundation funds grants and initiatives that would work to establish real social change in the treatment and quality of life for LGBT individuals.

## MEN'S COMING OUT SUPPORT GROUP TO START

Madison - A ten-week men's coming-out support group is forming and will begin running before the end of the year on Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM at OutReach here. The purpose of the group is to offer support to men who are dealing with the realization that they are not heterosexual and how that affects their everyday lives and to support those people previously or currently in same sex relationships.

The men's coming out support group will identify and discuss the stages of coming out and explore topics such as how to deal with family members, physical and sexual safety, legal rights and discrimination, and spirituality, among others. Two trained volunteers will facilitate each meeting.

People who are interested in attending the meetings should leave a message for Mark with contact information at 608-255-8582 or e-mail at: harrys@outreachinc.com by Thursday, December 27., The OutReach LGBT Community Center, 600



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a speaker's bureau, support groups, and information & referral services. The agency also offers a lending library, free publications, and meeting space for community groups.

#### OUTREACH SETS WOMEN'S COMING OUT SUPPORT GROUP

Madison - A women's peer-based coming out support group is forming in Madison and will begin meeting at OutReach, 600 Williamson Street, in late January at 7:30 PM on Thursday nights. The purpose of the group is to offer support to women who are dealing with the realization that they are not heterosexual and how that affects their everyday lives.

The support group will identify and discuss the stages of coming out and explore topics such as how to deal with family members, physical and sexual safety, legal rights and discrimination, and spirituality, among others.

Two trained volunteers will facilitate each meeting. The group will meet Thursday evenings for nine weeks. Women who are interested in attending the meetings should call 608-255-8582 and leave a message for Andrea or email at: harrys@outreachinc.com by Thursday, January 10 to schedule an interview for the group.

#### AT CAMP BINGO, THE BALLS ARE ALREADY BOUNCING

Madison - After taking the summer off, Camp Bingo began a new season December 5 at its new home, The Edgewater. This is not your grandmother's bingo- it's a whole lot more fun! This past Wednesday's kick-off was the first ever bingo on a weeknight. The theme was "Luau Bingo" with Hostess Cass Marie Domino and WIBA's Chandra Lynn as the guest ball caller.

"Bingo just gets more popular with each game," AIDS Network Development Director Dan Curd said. "We had to move to a larger location just to accommodate everyone. We're excited about having *The Onion* this season as a presenting sponsor and for the first time, 18 to 21-year-olds will be able to participate." Curd added that Camp Bingo's third season would continue once monthly through March, 2008.

Camp Bingo is fund-raiser for AIDS Network, everyone 18 years or older is welcome. Price of admission is \$15 which includes seven games of bingo (six cards each game), a 50/50 raffle, prizes, entertainment and lots of laughs.

The Edgewater is located at 666 Wisconsin Avenue. Doors open Wednesday night at 5 PM and the first number will be called at 5:45 p.m. For more information visit the official Camp Bingo website at: www.madcampbingo.org



# **Correction:**

The correct spelling of Kruz co-owner Serge's last name is Pellicelli, not Bellitelli as listed in the article and on the cover. The mistake resulted from transcription error of an audio tape of a phone interview with Serge and partner Jerry Breiling.





### JOLLY HOLLY FOLLY:

A record turnout of 900 revelers formally kicked off the holiday season at ARCW's annual Jolly Holly Folly fund raiser at the Milwaukee Center on November 27. Attendees sampled signature dishes from over 30 of the Cream City's premier restaurants and enjoyed the 32nd annual version of The Rep's production of "A Christmas Carol."



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MILWAUKEE, WI – PrideFest will once again kick off Milwaukee's lakefront festival season when it takes over the Henry W. Maier Festival Grounds (Summerfest) June 6, 7 and 8, 2008.

"We hope people will save these dates for what promises to be one of the nation's best LGBT pride events," said PrideFest President Scott Gunkel.

In 2007 PrideFest had a banner year with a 14% increase in attendance and the nation's biggest pride entertainment lineup featuring Kathy Griffin, Chaka Khan and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts. In the past four years of PrideFest's twenty-year history, the festival's attendance has grown 35%. To help build the festival's volunteer infrastructure and deliver an even stronger event, PrideFest is seeking volunteers for its production team.

"PrideFest is run completely by volunteers, and it's their dedication that pulls the festival together year after year. We need the support of people who can use their skills to further develop this great community event," said Festival Producer Pete Minns.

Several volunteer positions are available at various levels of responsibility. Positions include Box Office Director; Web/TT Coordinator; Pride Guide Coordinator; Sponsorship Director; Treasurer-Elect, and Assistant positions in nearly all areas of the festival. A list of current

openings and application procedures is available at www.pridefest.com and more information is available by calling 414-272-3378.

The mission of PrideFest is to celebrate the diversity of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) culture and community



# Ask the Irreverent, Uncle Barbie

#### Your Intellectual Whore

(An effervescently gay advice columnist)

Disclaimer: Although the author of this syndicated column holds a doctorate in clinical psychology, the tongue-in-cheek advice given is for entertainment only and is not a substitute for therapy. Barbie responds to all emails...whether you deserve it or not. Send your questions to Uncle Barbie at: askunclebarbie@aol.com



#### Astrological Etiquette

#### Dear Uncle Barbie,

My sister and I are wondering about the etiquette of something in a new romantic relationship; namely, how soon may one inquire as to the exact moment of the significant other's birth? As you probably are aware, this piece of information (the hour and minute on the day and year of one's birth) is vital to preparation of the person's astrological chart. After all, it would be nice to be able as early as possible to get prepared for the probable compatibilities or incompatibilities one will experience in a new relationship as dictated by the stars.

Signed, Emily P.

#### Hello Ms. P.

How Crafty of the two of you to be brewing up an astrological chart for your new romantic relationship. And just in time for Valentine's Day, too. (Of course, I don't know if an astrologer, such as the two of you, would celebrate a holiday that is named after Saint Valentine. But who knows, maybe you're spiritually eclectic.) Anyway, getting back to your question. I think that the timing needs to be just right. If you ask personal information about your partner's birth on the first day, that will make him/her defensive (and maybe even a little turned off). On the other hand, you don't want to wait too long into the relationship because then you may discover that you have been wasting your time with someone with whom you are incompatible. Hmmm, what to do? What would an herbal/healing witch, like me, do in a situation such as this one?

Let me look into my crystal ball and see if I can draw on some wisdom from the ancients. Hmmm, the images that I see in the crystal ball appear to be many faces with eyes peering back at me. The sense that I get for you is that there are too many people involved in your current romantic endeavor. Perhaps there are too many eyes watching what's going on in your personal affairs. I think that it would greatly improve things if you were to proceed with your new relationship without the involvement of your friends. If your date senses that there are other people

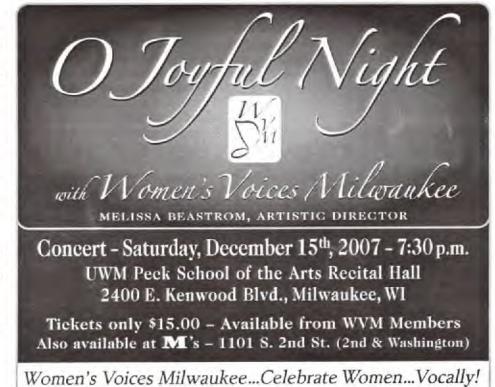
scrutinizing him/her, then your date may get spooked and back away. I'm sure you have heard of the phrase, "Too many cooks spoil the broth." Well in this case, too many astrologers can spoil the brew." (So to speak.)

Your question asked about etiquette. The simple fact is that nobody likes to be analyzed, classified, and categorized. And although you may not intend to pigeonhole your new partner, unfortunately he/she may end up feeling that way when all is said and done. What I suggest is that you wait until your new significant other is comfortable with you as a person. Then let him/her know that you are an astrologist (in other words, come out of the broom closet, honey). After that, ask your partner if he/she wants to have an astrological chart done. If the answer is no, then respect that. If the answer is yes, then

you know that you have earned his/her trust. Make it an enjoyable experience that the two of you can share together, rather than doing the chart privately. That's my idea of proper astrological etiquette.

As far as your desire to find out the compatibilities or incompatibilities early in the relationship, there are many different ways to reveal these things in addition to looking to the stars. My favorite way is to use a technique known as gazing. You simply have the person gaze at something for a long time (like clouds, a pool of water, a camplire, or simply the flame on a candle), and then have him/her tell you what he/she sees. Whatever is seen while gazing reveals personality traits that have been drawn out from the shadows of the person's subconscious. Then you will have all the information you need to determine if the two of you are compatible as long term partners or not. Just remember to be open about what you are doing, and inform the other person as to what is going on. Honesty and clear communications are the very best form of compatibility you can build in any relationship. As the ancient sages state, "Do as ye will, lest ye harm none."

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# arts & entertainment

# TRANSGENDER ISSUES COME HOME IN STAGEQ'S "LOOKING FOR NORMAL"

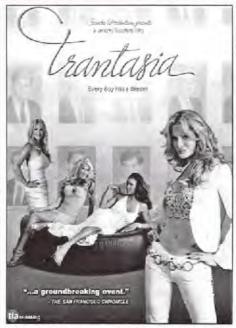
Madison - Recent federal political battles over including transgender people to be included in nondiscrimination laws will set the stage here as StageQ offers a personal transgender journey in their upcoming production "Looking for Normal."

"This is not a political play," Artistic Director for StageQ Tara Ayres told Quest. "This is a play that shows how the transgender issue affects one family and the relationships and dynamics among those they love." "Looking for Normal" tells the story of a husband of 25 years who shocks his wife and family when he announces that he believes he was born in the wrong body. The reactions of his wife, son, and daughter, along with his boss at the tractor factory and their family clergyman, offer a compelling story of what makes a true family. "Looking for Normal" is sure to entertain, educate, shock, anger and ultimately shows love in a story that is becoming more and more normal everyday.

The StageQ production will feature local theater favorites Doug Holtz and Kathy Sliter as the husband and wife. Dani Holtz, Nick Kaprelian, Scott Bennett, Alex Szele, Jake Jacobson, Jan Levine Thal and the "Grand Dame of Community Theater" Sarah Whelan lend their talented support to this important production directed by Greg Harris.

According to Ayres, the goal of StageQ is to offer dramatic plays that challenge our audiences artistically by building culture bridges and offering diverse productions. "Up until now, StageQ has never directly addressed the issue of transsexuality in our culture," she said, "With the current battle to include transgender rights in nondiscrimination legislation, StageQ realizes the importance of presenting the human side in this emotional, touching, and sometimes comic story of one family, dealing directly with a transsexual family member."

"Looking For Normal" will run February 8 – March 1, 2008 at the Bartell Theatre, 113 E. Mifflin Street here. Performances will be Thursdays (\$10) at 7:30 PM, Fridays and Saturdays (\$15) at 8 PM and Sundays (\$10) at 2 PM. Tickets and reservations are available online at www.StageQ.com or by calling 608-661-9696, Ext. 3.



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#### "NIGHT OF 100 SANTAS" PARTY BENEFITS OUTREACH

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A dollar donation will get your own personal Santa hat to war at the party. The hat also will make attendees eligible for drink specials throughout the evening. There also will be raffles throughout the evening, !00% of the proceeds of hat and raffle sales will benefit OutReach. Deejay extraordinairé Tony Ritschards will spin the latest club hits and other seasonal dance music to get all into the holiday spirit.

#### MILWAUKEE CHAMBER THEATRE AND FOX 6 "TRYING" FOOD DRIVE

Milwaukee - Because food donations are at a critical low in Southeastern Wisconsin the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre and FOX 6 have teamed up to collect food for the hungry during the run of MCT's production of "Trying" through December 16. The drive will help America's Second Harvest of Wisconsin and those in need. By donating a non-perishable food item, Milwaukee Chamber Theatre patrons can receive \$6 off tickets for the current production of "Trying."

America's Second Harvest of Wisconsin provides food to 235,000 people in eastern Wisconsin each year through a network of 1,100 programs including food pantries, soup kitchens and homeless shelters. The food bank is the largest, private, non-profit distributor of food in the state. ARCW partners with Second Harvest to provide a portion of the food received by clients at the agency's pantries. To learn more about hunger in Wisconsin, log onto www.secondharvestwi.org.

A heartwarming play by Joanna McClelland Glass, "Trying" is based on the true story of cantankerous Judge Francis Biddle, once FDR's Attorney General, who must hire yet another new secretary or risk leaving his life's work unfinished. Enter Sarah Schorr, a Saskatchewan prairie girl, who endures his ornery, elitist behavior to help the judge complete his remarkable memoirs. "Trying" is an endearing tale of two wary individuals who overcome generational and class differences in their tumultuous journey toward friendship.

"Trying" performances will take place through December 16 in the Studio Theatre of the Broadway Theatre Center located at 158 N. Broadway in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward. To purchase discounted tickets, bring your food donation to the Broadway Theatre Center Box Office at 158 N. Broadway or call 414-291-7800.



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As you'd expect from your Sisters this is no run of the mill music DVD: it features a 60 minute documentary, behind the scenes footage from all manner of green rooms and a live concert filmed at London's Arena during the



band's sold-out 'Kiss You Off' tour this summer. Extras include a 25 minute intimate acoustic gig and all four music videos from 'Ta-Dah'.

To celebrate they prepared whole host of online games, tricks and trinkets just for you. check out: <a href="https://www.scissorsisters.com">www.scissorsisters.com</a> where you can:

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WATCH clips from the DVD! Get a preview of the DVD with revealing clips of the band behind the scenes and in concert.

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#### NEW WHITE PARTY BENEFIT CD RELEASES WORLDWIDE ON ITUNES

AN UPLIFTING, ENERGETIC VOCAL CELEBRA-TION OF SONGS FROM #1 ARTISTS VIOLA WILLS, GEORGIE PORGIE, STONEBRIDGE, BRAIN KENT, ATFC AND PEYTON

Centaur Entertainment, New York's premiere dance music record label, announces the upcoming release of "Party Groove: White Party 8," the Official benefit CD for White Party Week held in Miami from November 21-26. Centaur veteran DJs Warren Gluck and Wendy Hunt have mixed the new White Party CD which became available nationwide November 27.

"This year's White Party CD sets a precedent as the first White Party CD to be made available in CD format as well as digitally on iTunes worldwide," says Centaur's Chief Operating Officer Jamie Baxter. "Providing digital availability of the new "Party Groove: White Party 8" is an added incentive for today's music consumer and it also opens up sales in foreign markets where physical CD distribution is not easily attainable or cost effective."

Since 1998 Centaur has been producing benefit dance albums to help raise money for some of the most worthwhile causes in the gay and lesbian community. The White Party CDs, which benefit Care Resource, are among Centaur's first, boasting critical acclaim for the mixes by DJs David Knapp and Tracy Young. To date Centaur has contributed over \$135,000 to Care Resource in cash from White Party CD sales alone.

This year's White Party CD is best described as an uplifting, energetic vocal celebration of songs that lyrically bring a smile to the dancefloor. Included are songs from #1 artists Viola Wills, Georgie Porgie, Stonebridge, Brian Kent, ATFC and Peyton. Also featured are the current Billboard dance hits "Party (For The Weekend)," "Be Free" and "It's Got To Be Love", along with a dance remake of Paul McCartney's classic hit "Goodnight Tonight."

Warren Gluck and Wendy Hunt both veteran DJs on the Centaur label, Warren mixed the new White Party CD in tandem, sharing a deep reverence for the power of uplifting music, and an ambition to provide a journey to leave everyone with a smile, and a glow of happiness in their hearts.

"Party Groove: White Party 8" is available in stores nationwide including Virgin, Best Buy, FYE and SPEC\*s, as well as iTunes and online at www.centaurmusic.com.



#### THE CLIKS VOCALIST GETS LA INK-ED BY CELEBRITY TATTOOIST, KAT VON D



"The tattoo is my way of celebrating my rebirth in my identity as a transgendered male." - Lucas Silveira, The Cliks

Through his music The Cliks' lead singer, Lucas Silveira "wears his heart on his tattoo sleeve." (Associated Press, 7.10.07) In addition to the winged guns, pouncing dragons and carefully etched word "Survivor," the electrifying frontman will add a new tattoo to his collection when he tapes TLC's hit cable television show, LA Ink, later this month. (The new episodes will begin airing on January 8th, 2008).

The new tattoo, a stylized Mexican Day of The Dead skull, holds special meaning for Silveira, "Traditionally, Mexican Day Of The Dead celebrations represent rebirth and moving into the second phase of life and to me," he explains. "It represents the rebirth I had when I transitioned from Lilia to Lucas and my true identity as a transgendered male."

The Cliks introduced their brand of gritty garage rock and punk earlier this year with their debut album 'Snakehouse' (Silver/Tommy Boy) and have since earned a deeply loyal following throughout the US and Europe. The band is currently on tour opening for The Cult just completed a gig at The Rave in Milwaukee.

The Cliks "Complicated" video:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=jW4m0wOl4-M

#### Congratulations Clicks Contest winnners:

Michael Nitz, Appleton, Ann Miller, Green Bay

Free tix to the concert at The Rave and nobody from Milwaukee even entered!

# NEW ON DVD by Glenn Bishop

# EAST SIDE STORY & NAKED BOYS SINGING

Glenn has long wondered why there are so few gay romantic comedies. Hollywood used to be so good at this type of film, except Glenn would have hoped for one where Cary Grant might end up riding off into the sunset with his good friend Randolph Scott rather than the luscious starlet with whom he was invariably paired.

René Alvarado, star of "East Side Story," might not be Cary Grant but his immensely likable Diego is definitely a keeper. The beginning of "East Side Story" finds Diego at something of an impasse. Pushing 30, Diego lives with his fabulous grandmother Sara (Irene DeBari) along with working with her in the family restaurant. But our Diego dreams of bigger things, for a better life. For instance, he dreams of opening his own restaurant, having already developed designs and a menu. He also dreams of living openly with handsome, closeted boyfriend Pedro (David Beron). Except that Pedro fancies himself as straight, Diego being his little "Papi" on the side.

What's poor Diego to do?

A decision must be made and Diego makes it,

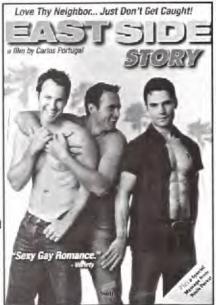
choosing to pack up, move to Phoenix, and begin in earnest his quest for his own restaurant. The arrival of a gay couple Wesley (Steve Callahan) and Jonathon (Cory Schneider) next door,

means that Diego finds himself reconsidering. Wesley is sweet and handsome and deeply susceptible to Diego's many charms. Wesley just might be the real thing but gosh darn it, he's already in a committed relationship. Or is he?

Whether it is a love-sick waitress, the restaurant's homophobic cook or even his crazy Aunt's affair with Diego's ex-boyfriend Pedro, Diego's pursuit of love might always be easy but it sure is a whole

Switching over to the DVD recording of "Naked Boys Singing" has Glenn pondering if there is any more shamefully shameful guilty pleasure? Really, the only answer Glenn has is a resounding "NO!" Except for those living under a rock, the vast majority of loyal Quest readers will already be familiar with the off-Broadway musical sensation that has brought troupes of cute naked singer-dancers across the country singing catchy if not exactly profound songs.

Indeed, our very own Gay Arts Center, under much controversy, staged a well-received production





EUN BOY

# Buy it, rent it or forget it

With nary a straight man in sight, "East Side Story" offers a good, old fashion 'boy meets boy' love story with René Alvarado and Steve Callahan more than credible as the love-besotted couple. In fact, director Carlos Portugal elicits strong performances across the board to make this one of the best "gay-date flicks" Glenn has viewed in a very long time! Highly recommended.

As enjoyable as the DVD of "Naked Boys Singing" is - and indeed it is - nothing beats the thrill of seeing the stage show live while seated squarely in the front row. Still, on Glenn's giant, flat screen TV, "Naked Boys Singing" makes for eyeopening entertainment.

#### Just the facts...

"East Side Story" runs approx. 84 minutes and is in English. The DVD is available with SRP: \$24.95 DVD extras include deleted scenes, cast and directory commentary and has close captioning "Naked Boys Singing" runs 83 glorious, naked minutes and is available with a SRP: \$22.95 All about "Naked Boys Singing" at www.nakedboyssingingmovie.com

of "Naked Boys Singing" a few years past.

For this DVD presentation, directors Troy Christian and Robert Schrock have assembled an attractive, somewhat ethnically-diverse cast all of whom appear to like nothing better than to sing and dance naked before a live audience (not to mention the camera crew).

The aptly titled opening number, "Gratuitous Nudity," sets a suitably irreverent tone for the evening. The nine-strong cast - plus a game lad from the audience - sing the praises of well, gratuitous male nudity. And they're all naked. How fun is

Okay, this ain't rocket science.

The songs range from downright silly - for example "The Bliss of a Bris," "I Beat My Meat." not to mention Kevin Stea's delight turn as "The Naked Maid." Highlights are many but special mention must go to Jaymes Hodge's rockin' rendition of "Nothin' But the Radio On" and cutie Joseph Keane's scene-stealing version of "Perky Little Porn Star."

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# **Taking Chances**

by Ryan Leech

Madison, Wisconsin. Where there is a bar on every corner and road construction to make you 30 minutes late to everything.

Its 9:10 in the evening and the snow has finally stopped falling. In hopes I could avoid any tragic accidents on the road today, I decided to stay in doors and accomplish things around the house. In the middle of changing linens, washing the kitchen floor and dusting furniture, I came across some old photo graphs. Photos of my family, photos of my friends, and photos I really wish I hadn't seen. There he was the love of my life staring right back at me as if he had never left.

I'm not really sure what constitutes as a long term relationship (LTR) anymore. Some thing 3 months is a long time, some think a year is one too many. In gay years 2 years probably seems like a long time. Shuffling through photos that have been reduced to nothing but a few painful memories of my past, I couldn't help but focus on the happy expressions on both of our faces. In fact, I was never so happy in my entire life. We fit together in every way possible. If there was ever a time I would use the term soul-mate, this would be it.

Going through one photo to the next, I got to thinking about the events that eventually led us down our different paths. Although we were perfect for each other there were obstacles that could not be overlooked. We lived an hour from each other, we were both in school, we were very devoted to our families, and we both put effort into sustaining our friendships with other people. These are not the only obstacles we faced but you get the idea.

Although we still love each other as friends, part



of me looks back and wonders what I could have done differently to keep this amazing person in my life. Maybe I should have held him longer, maybe I should have kissed him more, maybe I should have made more of an effort to be by his side when he needed me. Coulda, shoulda, woulda. The most difficult truth I had to admit to myself was I knew in the first month of dating our relationship was not going to

work. In my heart of hearts my gut knew the truth. I knew it then but yet I forged ahead with optimism and courage. Why you ask? Because I loved him. At the risk of being cynical I felt I owed it to myself and to my partner to make things work. Ironically enough, my efforts were in vain.

I've been single three months one week and two days. Finding a decent guy that isn't on drugs, an alcoholic or on every anti-psychotic drug one can think of is rather difficult accomplishment. My friends have tried to get me out there and take a chance on someone new. Part of me cannot help but feel a little tarnished. I'll be 26 years old in 23 days and I'm not exactly one year closer to finding the husband I thought I would end up with. The generation ahead of me constantly reminds me, "You are so young you have plenty of time to find a good man." This statement is usually made by a guy that is in his mid to late 40's/50's and has never had a steady boyfriend in his entire life. I'm not sure taking advice from someone who times relationships with a stick of gum is very wise.

When it comes to moving on when is it right to take a chance? Some take a week to get over a relationship. Some people take months if not years to gather the broken pieces of their once cherished hearts. Does it take someone new to love the bad memories away? Or is it up to us to love ourselves enough to say, "It's okay to be alone." I'm not an expert on love nor will I ever claim to be. I cannot blame every guy for the horrible things he's done to me; it takes two to tango. In some countries you can do it in pairs of four but that is another talk show for Oprah.

When I was little I remember watching the story of Cinderella on tape. We all know the story of Cinderella and how she lived "happily ever after." The truth is there was no ever after for Cinderella. They never tell you how she drove the prince crazy with her obsessive need to clean the castle. They never showed one argument between Cinderella and her prince charming. The reality of the story is Cinderella knew nothing of her prince charming on the day she married him. All she knew was that she was marrying a hot guy that was rich and she no longer had to deal with her evil step mother and sisters. There was no ever after because when the curtain closed the show was over. The show does not continue on and because of that we have a messed up perception of what love really is.

Love is not a fairy tale. That feeling of being "in love" does not last a life time in most cases. That feeling of being in love either grows to be a mature appreciation and admiration for the person you are with, or it eventually gets written off on the technicality it was all infatuation of the heart.

In matters of moving on - is it better to take time for yourself and correct the emotional gaps that once were filled by another person, or is it better to get over a man by getting under a new one? When it comes to taking chances is it better to wait until you are ready - or is it better to jump and see where the next phase in your life will take you.



# Thank You Sir:

by Jeff Hicks

fetish: 1. an object believed to have magic power. ({not particularly Leather or Gay}). 2. Anything or activity to which one is irrationally dedicated, [to make a fetish of sports]. 3. Psychiatry, any nonsexual object, such as a foot or a glove, that abnormally excites erotic feelings. (Websters New World Dictionary: 4th Ed. 2004).

Have you ever been to a workout Gym? Or a school athletic program? Or any one of a number of Male focused athletic facilities? How about the typical Gay Bathhouse/spa? The straight ones are just as obvious as the Gay ones. Men do notice other men! Most straights don't carry it into erotic interest but they all have exceptions. They watch and know their competition. And, is the body-building focus a fetish? Many people would say yes. If for no other reason than there are those males who are interested only in having intimate relations with those other males who are body builders. For them sex is usually not successful without that element being included. It would, in that context, be a "fetish". That would also include those who spend much of their personal time planning menus and places to dine out with the sole interest of building body mass to attract that other lifter, Those can be either for meals that will only promote their good health or to build body mass only. Others will want overall well being to achieve in many or selected physical activities that they are interested in. Especially if those others into that activity will bring about crotic interest. Body builders will want to meet and look at, or relate to, other body builders. Rock climbers will want to see other climbers in their harnesses. (Those harnesses really accentuate the male genital endowment quite well). Modern tall ship sailors wear the same gear aloft. It can be quite hot on the gender of choice. (Yes the females look good in one too.) Many want to see their interest only, as a possible hookup. Then also we have those whose interest is the gear and outfits of body builders, and/or 'gym rats' among other athletes. It is not unusual for some to want to access the worn body gear from their favorite jock, lifter, gym rat. The gear that they wear is often as much a turn-on as the athlete himself. So, all in all this can be a fetish about what they wear to the men who wear it. Below is noted an upcoming event in Milw. where you can drop by to see some of the appropriate "wear" for some fetishes of choice. boy jeff H. bdsmboy1971@sbcglobal.net

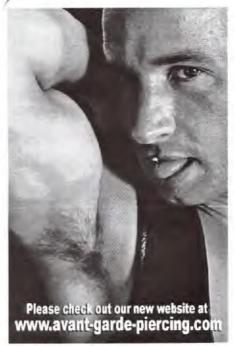
#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fetish Gear Drop In December 21, Friday 9:30-12 Mid \$5.00 suggested donation Talk by Brent of Avant-Garde Piercing at 9:30 Photographer available 9:30 - Mid.; Bootblack available 10;30 to mid. Milwaukee Gay Arts Center 703 S 2nd Street Milwaukee, WI 53204 414-383-3727

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Friday, December 14

BOOM (Milwaukee) Christmas show in The ROOM KV, Dear Ruthie & special guest.

LaCage (Milwaukee) Customer Appreciation Party & 2 Year Anniversary, Free Beer & Food 10-11:30pm Transformations cast performs.

Switch (Milwaukee) X-mas Party 7pm - close Strippers, Food, Prizes, Santa, DJ Doug

Saturday, December 15

Madison Gay Video Club "East Side Story" (Wolf, dir. Carlos Portugal, 2005) "Barnstorm" (Titan Media, dir. Joe Gage, 2007) 8:00 PM, http://www.mgvc.org, 244-8675 (evenings)

Miltown Kings' XXX-Mas show 9pm 18+ Miramar theater. 7\$ cover.

or 5\$ cover with 2 nonperishables food items. Women's Voices Millwaukee Present OJoyful Night UWM Peck School of the Arts Recital Hall 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd., Milwaukee, WI Tickets only \$15.00 -Available from WVM Members Also available at M's

CITY LIGHTS (Milwaukee) X-mas UNDERWEAR Party Wear Santa's undies get 2-4-1

CLUB 5 (Madison) "Night of 100 Santas Party" Fundraiser for OutReach, Madison & south central Wisconsin's LGBTQ Community Center & Safe Space Special Holiday Performances \$1 buys you a Santa Hat & gets you drink speacials all night long special raffies throughout the night 100% of hat & raffle sales donated to OutReach Music from incredible DJ Tony Ritschard

CLUB ICON (Kenosha) Holiday Show Drag Review Switch (Milwaukee) SAVED with DJ Doug

Sunday, December 16

LaCage (Milwaukee) Sean, Shelly & Billy's Birthday party & show, Benfits BESTD Clinic.

Monday, December 17

The Queer Program: (Milwaukee Cable TV). Kate Sherry -editor, 'Queer Life News'..also queer christmas gift ideas from Outwords Books Broadcast live 6:30-7:30PM and replays Friday midnight & Saturday 10PM.

Tuesday, December 18

M's (Milwaukee) Christmas Party food, music, drink specials

Wednesday, December 19

LaCage (Milwaukee) 1.98 BEAUTY PAGEANT 11pm

Thursday, December 20

BOOM (Milwaukee) BOOM's Christmas Party Food, drinks, Santa & More.

Friday, December 21

Art Bar (Milwaukee) X-mas Party our best party of the year! Live music starts 9pm KRUZ (Milwaukee) Christmas Party 5pm

LaCage (Milwaukee) Holiday Christmas Party 10pm

Saturday, December 22

Club Night Out (Steven's Point) Christmas Dollies show 10:30 pm

Saturday, December 29

Switch (Milwaukee) SAVED with DJ Doug

LaCage (Milwaukee) Last dance Party (of 2007) 10pm

Monday, December 31

Art Bar (Milwaukee) New Years Eve Bash 2008 with a FREE Breakfast buffet at 2am Ballgame (Milwaukee) New Year's Buffet 1am Open around the clock. Food favors fun.

CITY LIGHTS (Milw) Rocky Horror New Year's Eve. Midnight Toast Pajama party 2 am CLUB ICON (Kenosha) New Years VIP Black & White Party Tickets \$50 limited gty avail. Open bar 9-1am, food bufet, DJ, performances by Club ICON royalty, give-a-ways all night grand prize at 2am Chmapagne toast at midnight Party favors.

BOOM (Milwaukee) FREE champagne toast at midnite.

Fluid (Milwaukee) New Years Eve open 5pm for 33 hours catered buffet at 11pm LaCage (Milwaukee) open 9pm Buffet 10:30pm Champagne toast & balloon drop early morning buffeet in 2008.

M's (Milwaukee) Champagne Toast, Food & a midnight surprise/Switch (Milwaukee) Sing in the New Year with Karaoke 9pm-3am Open til sunrise.

Madison Gay Video Club Special New Year's Eve Party Falcon 35th Anniversary Marathon – 35 best scenes 8:00 PM – 5:00 AM, http://www.mgvc.org, 244-8675 (evenings)

Triangle (Milwaukee) Open all nite Free Champagne & food New Year's Day recovery party at noon.

WEEKLY SPECIALS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
ART BAR	FREE POOL \$2 Mystery Beer	2 fer Tuesday 2-4-1 til 12am	DOUBLE IT for a buck	\$5 Martini	\$5 Margaritas	\$2 Shot Special	\$4.40 BLOODY MARY's
BALLGAME	Cocktail Hour 2pm - close	PULL TABS	Shots Doctors \$2 Mugs\$1.75 all nite	PULL TABS	Hors D' Oeuvres	Juice Drinks\$3.25 Mugs \$1.75	Juice Drinks\$3.2 Mugs \$1.75
воом	2-4-1 5-8pm 2-4-1 Pitchers Miller Lite	2-4-1 5-8pm KARAOKE with 2-4-1 Leine's	2-4-1 5-8pm Bad Boys night out	2-4-1 5-8pm \$3 Tall Pinnacle flavored Vodka drinks	2-4-1 5-8pm Beer Bust 5-9pm	Open 2 pm with Clint Beer Bust 2-6pm	Open 2 pm with Lance
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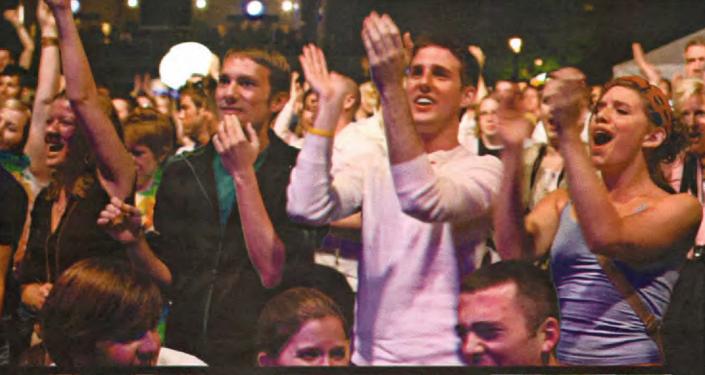
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