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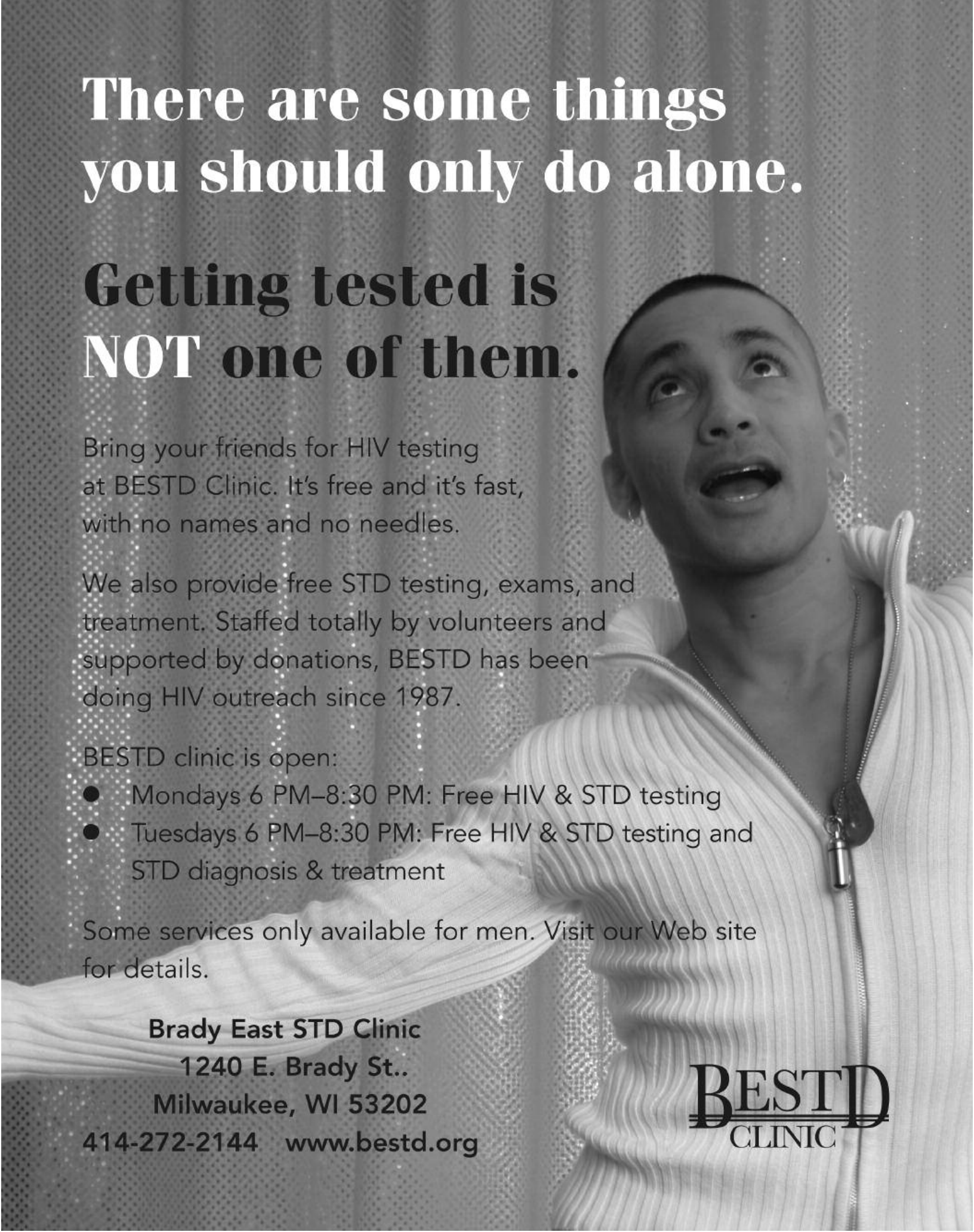
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PRIDE GOES STATEWIDE THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

Statewide - Nationally the big city gay pride parties - San Francisco, New York, Chicago, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Milwaukee and more - have come and gone. In the "gay rights" Badger State however, pride is a summer-long celebration as upcoming events over the next eight weeks in Green Bay, Madison, central Wisconsin, LaCrosse, Eau Claire and Superior prove.

Pride Alive July 11-12

First up: Pride Alive in Green Bay July 12. Over nine months in the making, northeast Wisconsin's revitalized pride celebration actually kicks off officially the night before in Appleton with two showings of "For The Bible Tells Me So," at the Harmony Café, 124 N. Oneida Street, at 7 and 7 PM. The movie documents the reactions and interactions of families of various religious backgrounds and beliefs as they discover their children are gay or lesbian.

The main event however is the day-long festival on Saturday at Joannes Park, located east of the Green Bay's downtown and just south of East High School at 1430 East Walnut Ave. The day will begin with an interfaith prayer service at 11 AM.

The formal kick-off ceremony will start at Noon and feature several local dignitaries, as well as a taped welcome by Lt. Governor Barbara Lawton, who had to cancel her planned live appearance to attend an out-of-state family memorial service.

Music will continue throughout the day on the festival's main stage. The rock, funk and blues band Grey Leaf will start at 12:30 PM. Lesbian singer/songwriter Martha Berner's concert show is set for 2. At 3 PM former Chief Operations Officer of the Human Rights Campaign Harvey Hurdle will deliver a short address followed by the alternative rock of German Art Students at 3:45. Acoustic Blues and jazz performer Nicki Sims is scheduled for 5PM, immediately followed by cabaret act Glamarama at 5:45. Festival headliners, the popular northeast Wisconsin rockers Annex will take the stage at 7 PM.

Additional programming will be offered in the park's shelter facility, beginning with a gender issues panel discussion facilitated by the Transgender Transformation Group 12:30 PM. "Safeguarding Our Lives Together," an interactive workshop and Q&A session addressing legal and financial planning issues specific for LGBT individuals, couples and families follows at 1:30. Harvey Hurdle will conduct a group session on LGBT rights at 3:30PM and the Madison chapter of Soulforce will conduct a panel discussion on faith issues at 4:30.

Over 50 retail and not-for-profit vendors will offer food, merchandise, services and information throughout the day. ARCW will be offering rapid HIV testing at the festival. The Madison Minotaurs will hold a demonstration scrimmage. All festival

goers will have a chance to add their creative input to a large "Express Yourself" mural located on the grounds.

Both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, featuring Budweiser products will be available. Dozens of food choices from traditional fare such as brats and burgers to items such as Native American fry bread, Spanish tapas, burritos, Greek gyros, shish kabobs, egg rolls, crab cakes and chili also will be on the menu at various food stands. For kids of all ages there will also be cotton candy, snow cones, ice cream and popcorn.

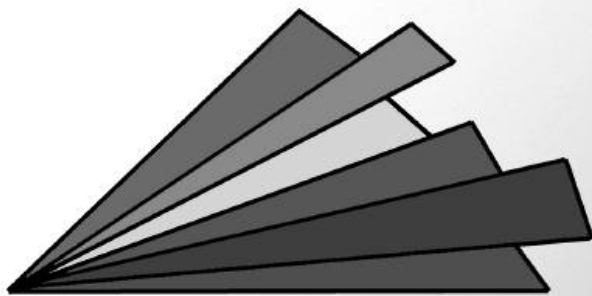
Kids will have their own space for face painting, music and games in the children's area. Bigger kids may want to join in the fun as they "dunk a hunk" or "drench a wench" in the Pride Alive dunk tank.

Pride Alive will also be handing out giveaway items to all festival attendees. There also will be both a cash and "pick your prize" merchandise raffles running throughout the day.

Admission to Pride Alive is free to all ages thanks to sponsorship by lead sponsor Rainbow Over Wisconsin and corporate sponsors Oneida Casino, Kimberly-Clark, Starbucks, Arketype, Inc., Avenue Jewelers, FreshHair Salon, Green Bay Net, Triangle Distributing Company, Positive Voice, Quest, and Wisconsin Public Service. Proof of age will be required to purchase alcoholic beverage tickets.

For more information about Pride Alive, visit the festival's website at: www.newpride.org.

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For Madison It's "Back To Basics"

The following weekend a mix of not-for-profit and commercial events will help make Madison's officially scaled-back pride celebration festive. The key events - a rally, march and picnic - organized by the Madison Pride organization will occur on Sunday, July 20, but the fun will start July 17 with IndieQueer, OutReach. Club 5 and WOOF's Bar offering multiple diversions throughout the weekend.

IndieQueer and co-sponsors such as the UW LGBT Center, AIDS Network, the Shamrock, Our Lives magazine, web blog Dane 101 and others, will host a Pride Premiere Party at the High Noon Saloon, 701 E Washington Ave., beginning at 9 PM on Thursday, July 17. The event will feature a Madison Drag Revue hosted by Ginger Devine and featuring an appearance by special guests The Battle Royale followed by dancing until bar closing. Admission for underage adults is \$10, and \$5 for those 21 and up.

IndieQueer will also offer DiscoTech at the Majestic Theatre on July 18 and a Pride foam party at the Cardinal Bar on July 19. More information about IndieQ pride events is available at the group's website: indiequeer.wordpress.com.

Slain Madison activist will be honored and remembered at Club 5's Felicia Melton-Smyth Tribute Show at the bar, 5 Applegate Ct., also set for July 17 at 9 PM. There will be a \$4 cover charge through all of the cover plus performer and main bar tips will be donated to AIDS Network in Felicia's name.

Club 5 will also offer a Pride Kick-

Off Party July 18, a Pride Country Dance with the Dairyland Cowboys and Cowgirls, 10 PM, two DJs and a Midnight Drag Show on the patio on July 19, and afternoon tea dance and picnic-style dinner buffet from 5-8 PM on July 20. For more information go to the club's website at: www.club-5.com.

The city's newest gay bar, WOOF's, 114 King St., has also risen to the occasion and is offering a weekend of special events including a July 18 Lake Monona "Spit-and-Sea-Men" cruise (sold out as *Quest* went to press) on the Miss Forward party boat. Also planned: A Rough Waters Party from 10:30 PM until closing on July 19, a "High Seas Tea Dance" from 3-7 PM and a "Bear Beer Bust" from 4-8 PM on July 20. Admission to all bar events is free. Additional details are available at the bar or online at: www.woofsmadison.com.

Also scheduled for July 18 are the annual OutReach Awards at the organization's 16th Annual Banquet at the Grand Ballroom of the Monona Terrace, beginning with cocktails at 5:45 PM. (See State News for additional details).

Madison Pride officially begins at 11 AM on Sunday, July 20 with a rally on the State Capitol steps featuring Congressional Representative Tammy Baldwin, Assembly Representative Mark Pocan and other elected officials and dignitaries. The annual Pride March will step off at 11:20 AM following a route around the Capitol.

From Noon to 6 PM there will be a "Back To Basics" potluck picnic

at Brittingham Park, which will feature music by The Cowboy and the Frenchmen, appearances by various members of Lexi Ravyn Productions, team members from Madison LGBT sports leagues and other

local talents.

Additional information about Madison's Pride Weekend can be found online at:

www.madisonpride.org.

LaCrosse Revs Up A Pride Ride July 19

A fundraising event for LaCrosse Pride will be held on Saturday, July 19 as well. A Motorcycle Run and Bicycle Trail Ride followed by a family picnic are among the activities planned for the Second Annual La Crosse Pride Ride in Holmen. The event is a fundraiser for the annual La Crosse Pride Festival set for August 23 at the South Side Oktoberfest Grounds in La Crosse.

Registration for motorcyclists will begin at 9 AM at Halfway Creek Park, Shelter A in Holmen, located behind the Holmen American Legion building. Motorcyclists (cars are welcome too) will leave at 10 AM for a 100-mile ride through the scenic Coulee Region (route to be announced).

Two options are available to bicyclists: the 3.1-mile Halfway Creek Trail that requires no trail pass or the 10+ mile state trail that requires a State Trail Pass which can purchased at the ride registration for \$4 a day or \$15 a year for ages 16 and older. Children 12 and younger ride free. Bicycle registration is at 11 AM. at the Shelter A).

The family picnic will begin at 1 p.m. in Shelter A location.

Pre-registration for the event is \$15. Pledge sheets along with pledges raised

must be returned by Monday, July 14 to La Crosse Pride Ride, P.O. box 3313, La Crosse, WI 54602-3313, or the cost of the ride is \$20 with all pledge money due the day of the ride. Those wishing to attend only the picnic pay \$4.

A Pride Ride t-shirt will be given to those who have pre-registered with pledges of more than \$50. The t-shirts also will be available during the La Crosse Pride Festival.

Registration and pledge forms can be downloaded from the La Crosse Pride website at: lacrossepride.7riverslgbt.org. Click on the Pride Events link to view information and forms. Forms also are available at the 7 Rivers LGBT Resource Center, 303 Pearl Street in downtown La Crosse, at FedEx Kinko's, 9432 Hwy. 16 in Onalaska or at River Trail Cycles at 500 N. Holmen Drive in Holmen.

August Pride Events A-Plenty

Plans for Central Wisconsin Pride, being held this year at the Portage County Fairgrounds in Amherst Junction on August 2, were still being finalized as *Quest* went to press. Details about the Central Wisconsin, LaCrosse and other August events will be available in the July 24 issue of *Quest*.



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GAY MARRIAGE ISSUE NUDGES ONTO NOVEMBER BALLOT

George Bush may not be on the ballot. Karl Rove no longer guides the GOP election strategy. But thanks to the recent California Supreme Court ruling on the issue, gay marriage once again has nudged itself into the issues mix that may influence who controls the White House next January.

Just days after the May ruling, California's ballot measure was certified for the November ballot. On June 27 after first briefly stalling a vote on the issue Arizona added a one sentence definition of marriage referendum to its Fall ballot. Florida will also have a similar measure on its presidential election ballot.

Both presidential candidates have now weighed in on the California measure. On June 26 the sponsors of a ballot initiative that seeks to ban same-sex marriage in California announced that Republican presidential candidate John McCain has endorsed the measure, saying it received an e-mail from McCain in which the Arizona senator expressed his support for the group's efforts "to recognize marriage as a unique institution between a man and a woman." McCain has previously said that while he does not back banning same-sex marriage at the federal level, he thinks it is appropriate for states to do so.

Two days later Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama, who previously had said the issue

of gay marriage should be left up to each state, announced his opposition to a California ballot measure that would ban same-sex marriages. In a letter to the Alice B. Toklas LGBT Democratic Club read June 29 at the group's annual Pride Breakfast in San Francisco, the Illinois senator said he supports extending "fully equal rights and benefits to same-sex couples under both state and federal law."

"And that is why I oppose the divisive and discriminatory efforts to amend the California Constitution, and similar efforts to amend the U.S. Constitution or those of other states," Obama wrote.

BALDWIN, FRANK LAUNCH GAY CIVIL RIGHTS CAUCUS

Washington, DC - Openly-gay Congressional Representatives Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisconsin) and Barney Frank (D-Massachusetts) have announced the creation of a new House caucus focusing on gay civil rights. The bipartisan LGBT Equality Caucus has received the support of fifty other members of the House, though none of Wisconsin's seven other House members had joined the caucus as of its formal debut June 3.

Baldwin hopes to use the caucus to inform other lawmakers about issues important to the LGBT community. "Corporate America and the American people are far ahead of where Congress is right now," Baldwin said in the caucus announcement press release.

Although the caucus is bipartisan, only two Republicans have joined thus far: Chris Shays of Connecticut and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen of Florida. "This has not been part of the Republican agenda," Shays said, noting his belief that advancing rights for all Americans is a matter of honor.

The idea for a proactive LGBT caucus came about after Democrats took control of Congress, according to Frank. "Before that, those who supported gay rights had focused most of their efforts on fighting proposals to diminish rights for gays and lesbians," Frank said.

National News Briefs:

Anti-Gay Warrior Jesse Helms Dead At 86: As most in America celebrated their freedom July 4, one of the nation's best known obstacles to full equality for African-Americans, women, gay folks and those struggling to live with HIV/AIDS breathed his last. Former North Carolina Republican Senator Jesse Helms passed away at a nursing home in Raliegh at age 86.

Fondly remembered by America's right wing as "Senator No" for his lifelong opposition to civil rights for just about any group you care to name during his six terms in the Senate, Helms was instrumental in slowing the U. S. response to AIDS in the mid-to-late 1980's because some interventions might "promote homosexuality." Though late in his career he actually advocated for increased funding for HIV after meeting and becoming friends with U2 singer Bono, Helms' legacy is



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largely viewed negatively by most in the LGBT community.

Unlike many of those HIV sufferers whose lives he likely shortened by his actions, Helms died peacefully of natural causes. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Presbyterian Leaders OK Gay Clergy: Leaders of the U. S. Presbyterian Church) overturned a long-standing ban on the ordination of gays and lesbians June 28, the latest example of a religious denomination struggling with how to incorporate homosexuality into church life.

However, the church's national governing body, meeting in San Jose, refused to alter its definition of marriage, calling it a "covenant between a woman and a man." The actions by the General Assembly came the week after same-sex marriage became legal in California. They also follow the decision of a gathering of Methodists from Southern California and Hawaii, who went against their national church by voting to support same-sex couples who marry and the pastors who welcome them.

No Big Macs For Bigots: The American Family Association (AFA) launched yet another of its largely ineffective boycotts July 3, this time targeting fast-food giant McDonald's. McDonald's decision to join the National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce first fried the AFA several months ago. Then the Golden Arches placed an executive on the group's board of directors and donated funds to the chamber.

After McDonald's refused to reverse its decisions the AFA sprung the boycott with the usual "Our rednecks don't like spending their dollars at joints that don't kowtow to our values" rhetoric. "Hatred has no place in our culture," McDonald's USA spokesman Bill Whitman said. "That includes McDonald's, and we stand by and support our people to live and work in a society free of discrimination and harassment."

Last March, the AFA dumped its ineffective two-year boycott of Ford claiming the automaker had "largely stopped" advertising its Volvo, Jaguar and Land Rover vehicles in the gay media. Other unsuccessful AFA boycotts include those against retailer Target for substituting "holiday" for "Christmas" in its ads, and the Walt Disney Co. for its "embrace of the homosexual lifestyle" with the offering same-sex partner benefits and for doing nothing to stop "gay days" at its theme parks.

Gay Episcopal Bishop Weds In New Hampshire Civil Union: Gene Robinson, the first openly gay Episcopal bishop, and his partner of twenty years Mark Andrew legally formalized their relationship June 8 in a private civil union. Gene Robinson was legally joined to Mark Andrew in a civil ceremony, the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire announced. Civil unions became legal in New Hampshire this year. The union was performed five years to the day after New Hampshire Episcopalians elected him bishop.

Extortion Charges Dropped In GOP Lawmaker's Sex Case: The gay hustler who outed an

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anti-gay Washington Republican following a night of condom-free sex no longer faces allegations of extortion. The Spokane County prosecutor's office recently dropped all charges 27 year-old sometime porn model Cody Castagna after learning that State Rep. Richard Curtis refused to testify in the case. Curtis, whose political career was destroyed by the scandal, wrote to prosecutors on June 16 asking that the case be dropped. Castagna had denied the charges last October when his sexual tryst became public and pleaded innocent to charges of extortion, theft and conspiracy last January. Three people charged with being Castagna's accomplices will also have charges dismissed. Curtis, who voted against gay rights bills in the Legislature, did not face any charges.

Discredited Obama Accuser Gets Hauled Off in Handcuffs: Larry Sinclair, the Minnesota man trying to get mainstream exposure for his claims that he once enjoyed sex and cocaine with Barack

Obama made a scheduled appearance at the National Press Club in Washington, DC June 18, and was promptly picked up by law enforcement on an out-of-state warrant. He was allowed to deliver his presentation to the smattering of reporters in attendance before deputy U.S. Marshals led him away in handcuffs. Already burdened with a long rap sheet, Sinclair was wanted on a criminal warrant in Delaware.

Last February, the website Whitehouse.com offered Sinclair \$100,000 if he could pass a polygraph test verifying his claims. The polygraph organizers later said his results "indicated deception." Details of Sinclair's criminal record surfaced after he filed a defamation suit against online critics had shown that he was living in a mental institution at the time he allegedly met Obama. The subsequent investigation revealed that Sinclair has a 27-year criminal record, among which are forgery charges in two states, one of which drew Sin-

clair a 16-year jail sentence. Colorado records also list Sinclair as having 13 aliases, including "Larye Vizcarra Avila" and "Mohammed Gahanan."

Health Beat:

25% More HIV Cases In USA: The United States has had an average 50,000 new case of HIV annually for the last 14 years, not 40,000 as researchers had previously determined. Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, announced the statistical 25% increase in cases was determined by new methods of calculating the rate of infection. Fauci made the announcement at the United Nations' 2008 High Level Meeting on AIDS. In the United States 1.1 million people are infected with HIV, of which 25% do not know it. Globally, an estimated 33.2 million people are infected with the human immunodeficiency virus that causes AIDS and 25 million have died to date.

Gay Brains Structured The Opposite Of Straight Counterparts: Brain scans have provided the most compelling evidence yet that being gay or straight is a biologically fixed trait. The scans reveal that in gay people, key structures of the brain governing emotion, mood, anxiety and aggressiveness resemble those in straight people of the opposite sex. The differences are likely to have been forged in the womb or in early infancy, according to Ivanka Savic, who conducted the study at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden. "This is the most robust measure so far of cerebral differences between homosexual and heterosexual subjects," she said.

The researchers used MRI and PET scans to find out brain volume and shape and look at blood flow patterns in a group of 90 volunteers consisting of 25 heterosexuals and 20 homosexuals of each gender. The results showed that straight men had asymmetric brains, with the right hemisphere slightly larger and the gay women also had this asymmetry. Gay men, meanwhile, had symmetrical brains like those of straight women.

Researchers also found that the patterns of connectivity in gay men matched those of straight women, and vice versa. In straight women and gay men, the connections were mainly into regions of the brain that manifest fear as intense anxiety. Those regions are involved in phobia, anxiety and depression and fit with data showing that women are three times as likely as men to suffer from mood disorders or depression. Savic added that gay men have higher rates of depression too but it's difficult to know whether this is down to biology, homophobia or simply feelings of being "different".

The brain study is the latest in a series of scientific efforts over the last decade and a half that have measured everything from finger length, birth order, and handedness to hair growth patterns and genital size to confirm what most gay men and women will tell you without a doubt: they were born that way.

FIVE YEAR OLD ACTION WI LAWSUIT LIVES ON

Madison - It's the lawsuit that just won't go away. Just about every reasonable body who has reviewed the facts, including the state's top court, have judged it to be a waste of time. Don't say that to the zealots who now have sought to put new life into the matter, however - they might just sue you too.

On June 26, a day after the deadline for filing a review request, Milwaukee attorney James Donohoo asked the Wisconsin Supreme Court to reconsider its earlier June ruling that found the 2004 lawsuit the lawyer filed on behalf of anti-gay Louisiana "pastor" Grant Storms against Action (now Fair) Wisconsin had no merit.

Donohoo's reasoning? Justice Louis Butler's deciding vote on the issue should be disregarded because his recent unsuccessful reelection campaign had accepted donations from two private individuals who also currently sit on the Fair Wisconsin board. Butler's attendance at a Center Advocates PAC fundraising event during his reelection campaign was also cited.

Donohoo's appeal echoes similar charges filed with the Wisconsin Judicial Commission against Butler last March by Julaine Appling of the anti-gay group Wisconsin Family Action about Butler's ability to rule impartially on "gay rights and marriage issues." The Commission later found Appling's charges lacked merit.

The high court is not obligated to hear Donohoo's arguments. Attorneys from Cullen, Weston, Pines & Bach LLP, who represented Action Wisconsin in the case, have filed a rebuttal to Donohoo's tardy appeal. Donohoo now owes the Madison law firm the original \$87,000 plus an estimated additional \$100,000 for fees generated by the appeals that led to the Supreme Court's June 5 finding.

(Editor's Note: A longer version of this article, which maps the sometimes comical turns that generated the Storms lawsuit, is available online at www.quest-online.com)

WISCONSIN LAW MAY IMPACT MARRIED GAY COUPLES

Madison - Want to get married now that it's legal in California? If you are part of a gay couple who resides in Wisconsin, you might want to think twice. A little known statute on the state's law-books suggests that gay couples who marry outside the state might face a big fine and a prison term.

A portion of Wisconsin Statute 765 allows judges to impose a penalty for those who enter into a marriage that's prohibited or declared void in Wisconsin of up to \$10,000 and nine months in prison. That law originally was written to address couples who might leave Wisconsin to evade minimum age or other marriage requirements that differ from state to state.

Now it's a concern for same-sex Wisconsin couples who might be considering a wedding in Cali-

fornia, where the state Supreme Court recently legalized gay marriage, according to Fair Wisconsin. After the California ruling, Fair Wisconsin sent an e-mail to about 10,000 supporters to see if anyone was making plans to go there to get married. Only two couples responded, according to Executive Director Glenn Carlson, who then advised the pairs about Wisconsin's evasion statute.

"We're telling people, especially if you live outside of Dane County, to be careful," Carlson told Stacy Forster of the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel in a recent interview.

Most attorneys are not concerned about the statute, however, as same sex marriage has never been legal in Wisconsin, neither before nor since the recent Constitutional amendment that specifically prohibits legal recognition of same sex or other non-marital unions.

OPENLY LESBIAN CAROLYN "BIDDY MARTIN" NAMED UW-MADISON CHANCELLOR

Madison - Open lesbian Cornell University Provost Biddy Martin has been selected to be the next chancellor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. UW-Madison will now be the largest university with an openly gay leader, according to LGBT civil rights advocates who hailed the appointment.

Martin has been the second highest ranking official at New York's Cornell University since 2000. She is a professor of women's studies and German studies. Martin also authored the influential 1995 book "Femininity Played Straight: The Significance of Being Lesbian," in which Duke University reviewer Carolyn Dever believed Martin laid "a powerful claim to the complex significations of the feminine."

UW System spokesman David Giroux said Martin's sexual orientation was not a factor in her appointment, which was confirmed by the Board of Regents in early June. "What she is, in our eyes, is an exceptionally qualified academic leader. Period," Giroux said. "And she was brought here so she can apply that considerable experience to our flagship campus and move us forward in areas of education and research." Martin will begin her chancellorship in September.

PRIDE PARADE OUT ON DVD, "THANK YOU" PARTY SET

Milwaukee - For those who missed this year's Pride Parade or want to relive the highlights, the Pride Parade Committee has released a 40 minute-plus DVD, available for just \$10 each. The DVD includes the full parade with sound and a picture slide show at the end. All proceeds derived from the sales of the DVD will benefit the Milwaukee Pride Parade.

The Milwaukee Pride Parade has also uploaded 49 pictures from the 2008 parade to the organization's website. Photos were provided by Michael

Geortz and Mark Mariucci. Print copies of the photos are also available. Contact parade coordinator Brent H for details.

The Milwaukee Pride Parade Committee will hold an appreciation party for all of the volunteers, staff, sponsors, units, and supporters who have helped with the parade this year. The party will be held at BOOM, 625 S. 2nd St. on Sunday July 20 from 2 - 5 PM. "We hope to see you all at the party and keep the Milwaukee Pride Parade in your mind for 2009," Brent said.

To order the DVD, and contact Brent, visit the Pride Parade website at: www.prideparademke.org or call: 414-607-3793.

FOURTH ANNUAL RAINBOW COMMUNITY POT LUCK PICNIC SET

Milwaukee - For the fourth year in a row the Rainbow Community Pot Luck Committee will host its summer picnic event Saturday, July 19. This year's event will be held in picnic area #5 at Lake Park. Participants will be arriving at Noon and lunch will be served at 1 PM.

As a pot luck guests whose last names begin with A-G are asked to bring veggies and dip, chips or other appetizers. Those whose last names begin H-S should provide side dishes such as potato salad, macaroni salad, baked beans, and similar dishes. The T-Z folks should bring desserts: pies, cakes and other sweet treats. It is recommended that donated dishes be enough for at least six people. The sponsor organizations will provide meats (including vegetarian) and beverages.

Last year nearly 200 people turned out at Lake Park for an afternoon of food fun and games. The picnic was an intergenerational event, with guests ranging in age from 1 year old to 95.

Host organizations for this year's picnic are SAGE/Milwaukee, the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center's Project Q, PFLAG, the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, the Metropolitan Milwaukee Community Church, Black and White Men Together and the Brew City Bears.

For more information call SAGE/Milwaukee at 414-224-0517 or any of the other sponsoring organizations. This event has received underwriting this year from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation's Johnson and Pabst LGBT Humanity Fund.

7 RIVERS COMMUNITY CENTER SEEKS RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS

LaCrosse - 7 Rivers LGBT Resource Center is looking for items for its The fourth annual garage sale to be held August 1 and 2 at 3215 East Fairchild St. Here. Center member Dan Lintin will again be coordinating the event, which will run from 11 AM - 7 PM.

Lintin is encouraging center supporters to look in their houses, basements, attics and garages for saleable items they have not used in the last year or two. "We need big and small items," he said. "You can't imagine how a lot of 25 cent items add to the overall total at the end of the sale."

A 29-year garage sale veteran, Lintin offered a list of items that "really attract people to garage

sales." Among the items are antiques, kitchen utensils, bedding, videos or DVDs, book - especially cook books, toys, craft supplies or fabric, hand or power tools, fishing equipment, clothing, furniture, lawn or garden tools and other collectibles.

Not every item makes a good garage sale donation, however. "There are some items that we just can't handle, like large household appliances such as refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, and freezers," Lintin said. "If you have such an item, we would have to pay to get rid of if they didn't sell."

Items can be dropped off starting Sunday, July 27 from 11-7. Arrangements for items that need to be dropped off at a different time can be made by phone at: 608-785-1498, or by email at: DLintin@winona.edu. The Center will also offer a receipt for donated items for income tax deduction purposes, Lintin added.

Volunteers will also be needed on Sunday, July 27 and Wednesday, July 30 to help with sorting, cleaning, and pricing items. Volunteers are also needed for the day of the sale, especially at the beginning and the end. Volunteers may contact Dan for more information at the above phone and email address.

ARCW PANTRIES EXPECT TO DISTRIBUTE 325 TONS OF FOOD IN 2008

Milwaukee - Through its statewide network of six food pantries, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) is currently on pace to distribute 325 tons of healthy, nutritious food to HIV patients and their families. Currently ARCW operates food pantries at its locations in Eau Claire, Green Bay, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee and Wausau.

"ARCW food pantries are constantly rated as one of the most important and appreciated services ARCW provides to people living with HIV and their families," ARCW Vice President for Social Services Roma Hanson said. "Unfortunately, many HIV patients are often forced into choosing to purchase their medications or put food on their family's dinner table. Through our statewide system of food pantries, ARCW is working to make sure everyone with HIV has the nutritious and healthy food they need to keep or regain their health."

According to Hanson, the wet weather at PrideFest 2008 did nothing to dampen the generosity of attendees as they donated more than 10,000 pounds of nonperishable food items to ARCW food pantries. "We are deeply grateful for the longstanding and ongoing generosity of the LGBT community and their allies attending PrideFest as they have made our annual food drive there another success," she said. "Our friends at PrideFest are important allies in the fight against HIV and in ensuring access to care and treatment for people living with HIV everyday. For that they have our sincere thanks."

ARCW food pantries have been recognized by the Hunger Task Force in Milwaukee with a four-star rating for the past six years for their commitment to providing nutritious foods and quality customer service to clients with respect and dignity.

To learn more about ARCW Food Pantries, please call 414-225-1515.

Wisconsin News Briefs:

Gay-Friendly Harmony Café Now Open In Green Bay:

Harmony Café opened its second location June 19 in the former Best Buy building, 1660 W. Mason St., in conjunction with the new Green Bay West Goodwill store. The nonprofit coffeehouse is a program through Goodwill Industries.

The first Harmony Café opened in downtown Appleton in 2003. Like that location, the Green Bay café has a stage for concerts or performers and a large meeting room for any organizations or programs. However, Green Bay's cafe is nearly double Appleton's size.

MPS Domestic Partner Benefit Vote Tabled: A Milwaukee School Board committee delayed voting June 18 on whether to extend benefits to domestic partners of some district employees until a state ethics board weighs in. The committee is concerned as to whether School Board member Jennifer Morales can vote on an issue without fear of a conflict of interest.

Last August the openly-lesbian Morales initiated the proposal to extend fringe benefits to the domestic partners of district employees not covered by a bargaining unit. A subsequent public hearing on the issue pitted residents who condemned homosexuality on religious grounds against people in favor of equal benefits for workers who perform equal amounts of work.

The Finance and Personnel Committee forwarded the proposal to the board last November by a 4-1 vote. The board subsequently referred it back to the committee to resolve a number of questions, including cost factors, domestic partner eligibility guidelines and specific benefits determinations.

Slain Activist An OutReach Banquet Honoree: Felicia Melton-Smyth, who was murdered last May in Mexico, will receive the OutReach Courage Award at the organization's annual banquet July 18 at Monona Terrace. Melton-Smyth was an activist with the Madison Area Transgender Association, OutReach and AIDS Network.

Also being honored at the 16th annual award banquet will be Proud Theater artistic director Brian Wild, who will receive the David Runyon Man of the Year Award; and Bonnie Augusta, the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning resource teacher with the Madison Metropolitan School District who will receive the Susan Green Woman of the Year Award.

Additional award winners are Milwaukee's gay youth outreach organization Diverse and Resilient (Organization of the Year), Wayne Gathright (Volunteer of the Year), and Bill and Linda Keys (Allies of the Year). Jasmine Christian will receive the Special Recognition award.

Tickets for the banquet are \$60, \$110 per pair. Reservations are due July 11. No tickets sold at the door. For more information, visit the OutReach website at: www.outreachinc.com.

Three Protest Appleton Club's Trans Treatment:

Transgendered Sierra Broussard and two allies demonstrated for about an hour in front of Park Central, a seven club complex at 318 E. College Ave. in Appleton June 26 over alleged discrimination by the bars against gay and transgender people. Broussard claims the business discriminates because it does not have a gender-neutral rest room. Broussard's license lists her as male and she has been refused permission to use ladies' rooms at the club.

Park Central manager Jess Lesperance told the Appleton Post-Crescent that the club does not discriminate. "We've never turned away a gay or lesbian," he said, noting that the business has dealt with Broussard for a couple years and their refusal to accommodate her is a safety issue.

Benefit Golf Outing Set: Golf FORE Equality, the golf outing to raise funds for the Cream City Foundation, will take place Saturday, August 2 at Silver Springs Golf Course in Menomonee Falls. Sponsored by Prudential, event proceeds will fund services and programs affecting homeless lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) youth. National statistics show that LGBT youth make up 20 - 40% of all homeless youth.

Play will take place on the 18-hole Falls course. Registration begins at 11 AM, followed by a shotgun start at 1 PM. Awards, entertainment and dinner will follow the round. Corporate sponsorships are available from \$500 to \$5000 dollars. Individual players are welcome and the fee is \$95. For information or registration, please call the Cream City Foundation at 414-225-0244 or visit: www.GolfForeEquality.org.

Soccer League Seeks Summer Players: The Milwaukee Gay Soccer Association is looking for individuals and teams to play in the upcoming Adult Coed Outdoor Summer League. The association is also seeking new sponsors to help support the league and ensure that the group can continue to hold leagues throughout the year.

The outdoor league will host 6-8 teams. Games will be on Wednesday nights with matches played between 6 - 9 PM at Estabrook Park, north of Capitol Drive between Glendale & Shorewood Aves. The season started on July 9 and ends on August 20. Registration forms are online at: www.milwaukee gaysoccer.org.

Team rosters can have up to 20 players. Returning team may use last season's jersey, if desired. New jerseys also may be purchased for \$15 each. Games will be eleven-versus-eleven, though if a team is short the match will be seven-versus-seven with no penalty. Each player will need shin guards, socks, shorts and jerseys. All players must be 18 years old or older.

FMI contact Kurt Dyer by email at: kurt@milwaukee gaysoccer.org or phone at 414-405-5878.

JOE SIMON'S "MEN FOR ALL SEASONS" OPENS AT MILWAUKEE GAY ARTS CENTER, JULY 26

The Milwaukee Gay Arts Center opens a new art exhibition "Men for all Seasons" featuring works by Milwaukee artist Joe Simon with an artist's reception on Saturday, July 26 from 6-9pm.

Joe Simon's acrylics present a new take on French advertising posters of the early 20th century. Those early advertisements typically sold products like cognac or wine with a smartly dressed woman to pique the viewer's interest.

Simon has created his series of liquor and candy versions from a contemporary and considerably gayer perspective. His mock potent potables and connived confections like *Boy Beach Bourbon* and *Blue Lake Licorice* sell a male aesthetic beyond the vice. Handsome, jocular models market their wares with wholesome, whole-hearted and unencumbered all-American charm.

The collection came about like most of Simon's output – a simple idea: in this case, a play on the traditional sex-sells theory of commercial art. Then the momentum set in.

"I always liked those vintage posters. They were risqué but clever. I bought a new chair and needed something to fill a large wall area behind it. A 3x4' poster style painting was the obvious solution. I painted the October themed *Halloweeny Rum* depicting a man in a pumpkin patch," Simon said, "then came December's *Mistletoe Vodka* with a man astride a moose set against a landscape of snow capped fir trees. I did a series of twelve to represent each month. That provided parameters as well – otherwise, there'd be dozens."

Once that project was completed, the candy line presented the obvious variation on the theme. Simon set about to contrive a line of sweets with similarly symbolic cachet.

"The different months presented specific challenges because they all reflect something particular about the season. Doing research for each was a learning experience. September features Green Man Gin because I discovered Green Man. He's the mythic king of the forest. I set him set in his court of flora and fauna – there's a moose in that one, too, - all enjoying the bounty of the end of the growing season. And, I'm self-taught so adding bugs and animals is an artistic challenge as well." Simon said.

Simon avoids the inclination to do predictable, Mapplethorpe-like sexual statements. Sexual symbols and subliminal messaging abound but they remain a subtext below the sense of humor. His "type" is the mature buff buddy. Like the Gibson girls or 50's era Vargas pin-ups, it's Simon's sign of the times..

"I draw on the whimsy of old Valentine's, religious iconography or Victorian postcards. Male nudity was standard in art until we became inhibited. Now it hardly appears in art. People are still uncomfortable with the naked male body. I want to return to that innocence. It's our cultural identity and there's nothing wrong with that, so I won't deny it for the sake of complying with a false social expectation" Simon said.

But, unlike the unapproachable Marlboro man, Simon's appeal is nice-guy accessibility. "Ads usually cast attractive women to sell to house wives. The few men we see are hard and stern, selling cigarettes or other 'masculine' products. My guys are likable."

The Milwaukee Gay Arts Center is located at 703 South 2nd Street, a block north of National Avenue in Walker's Point. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 10am-4pm and by appointment. Joe Simon's "Men for all Seasons" runs through September 5.

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D'Jay PANDA on the patio for a pride tea dance 6pm-10pm

Miss Madison Josie Lynn's Act 6 Aids Ride Fundraiser Show 10pm



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Quest's Events Calendar

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Club 1226 (Oshkosh) Amature Night

Saturday, July 12

Pride Alive! Joannes Park - Green Bay 11am-9pm

Carolyn Marshall & Pat Grant in Concert 7 pm Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church, 1239 W Mineral St "Very powerful, unique ministry that touches the soul with power & soothes the spirit for healing..." A love offering will be taken. FMI 414-383-1100 or e-mail info@milmcc.org.

ICON (Kenosha) Monthly Leather Night \$50 bar tab for best leather

Sunday, July 13

Club 5 (Madison) Miss Isthmus USofA Pageant a new prelim for Miss Gay WI USofA

ICON (Kenosha) Public screening of the locally produced Gay horror flick November Son is screened. Mingle with cast and crew.

Monday, July 14

Outwards Book Club 7pm Discussed Timothy Conigrave's poignant memoir, Holding the Man

Tuesday, July 15

The Lesbian Reading Group @ Outwards 7pm The book to be discussed is JLee Meyer's Hotel Liaison All interested readers are always welcome to join in.

Wednesday, July 16

MONA's (Milw) 3 Strikes Productions Diva Revue Female Impersonators & More 10pm - \$3 Cover

Saturday, July 19

ICON (Kenosha) Mr Wisconsin United States benefit show 10pm \$5 cover

KRUZ (Milwaukee) CastawaysMC Beer/Soda Bust/Leather Picnic 3-7pm Theme "PIGS in a Blanket" prizes will be given away Donation \$1.00 a ticket or \$5.00 crotch to floor

Madison Gay Video Club "Theft" (dir. Paul Bright, '07) "Great Dane Gold Collection" (Great Dane Prod., dir. Dane Preston, 1999-2008) 8 PM, www.mgvc.org, 608-244-8690 (evenings)

WOOF's (Madison) Rough Waters Party-Spit III see ad this issue for details

Sunday, July 20

Brittingham Park (Madison) Madison Pride on the Capital and in the Park (see ad this issue)

WOOF's (Madison) High Seas Tea Dance 3-7pm Beer Bash 4-8

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Friday, July 25

Harbor Room (Milwaukee) 8th Anniversary Meet & Greet for Mr Harbor Room 2009

Saturday, July 26

Harbor Room (Milwaukee) 8th Anniversary Mr Harbor Room 2009 11 pm See ad for details

Shelter Club (Green Bay) Mr. and Miss Bay City USofA Pageant 10:30pm

Sunday, July 27

Harbor Room (Milwaukee) 8th Anniversary Beer Bust & Patio Cookout See ad for details

Saturday, August 2

11am - Golf FORE Equality! Featuring Tret Fure as the celebrity golfer! Bid online between June 20th and June 30th for a chance to be in Tret's foursome! Tickets include 18 holes of golf at Silver Spring Country Club, dinner, and entertainment by Tanya Atkinson and Yolanda Roth. Visit www.GolfForeEquality.org for tickets and more info. Presented by Prudential.

Saturday, August 9

Club 1226 (Oshkosh) Collin's Benefit Show

Tuesday, August 19

Midtowne Spa (Milwaukee) BESTD Clinic Free 30 minute HIV testing 6pm - 8:30pm

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Weekly Bar Specials	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Art Bar	Free Pool \$2 Mystery Beer	2fer Tuesday 2-4-1 til 12am	Double It for a Buck!	\$5 Martini	\$5 Margaritas	\$2 Shot Special	\$4.40 Bloody Marys
Ballgame	2-4-1 Rail Day	\$3 Jagermeister Bombs	Tuesday & Thursday 9pm Pull tabs	Drinks as low as 25¢	May Drink Special: \$2 Shots of Doctors	Check out the new music system!	
BOOM	2-4-1 Pitchers Miller Lite	Karaoke w/ 2-4-1 Leine's	Bad Boys Nite Out	\$3 Tall Pinnacle Flavored Vodka	Beer Bust 5-9 pm	Beer Bust 2-6 pm	Open 2 pm
City Lights Chill	\$1 Mugs	\$2 Shots	\$4 Mug and a Shot	\$2 Domestic Bottle Beer	\$4 Martini & Cosmo	12" Pizza & Pitcher for \$12	\$3 Pints Rail Mixers
FLUID	2-4-1 All Day & Nite	\$3 Jagermeister & Bacardi O Bombs	\$1 off Miller Bottles	\$3.50 Cosmos	Tue-Fri Happy Hour 5-8pm	\$4 Long Islands/Long Beach	\$3 Rail Bloody Mary, Screws & Greyhounds
LaCage	Movies 'n \$4 Martinis	Male Dancers \$4 Effen Mixers \$6 Effen Martinis	2-4-1 Drinks all nite	\$4 Mixers \$6 Martinis DJ Wizz Kid	Trans-Fromation Female Impersonators		2-4-1 Absolute, Grey Goose & Effen Drinks
MONA's	2-4-1 Beer wine rails call	Happy Hour 3-7 Free Pool	Happy Hour 3-7 Chiken sandwich & wraps 2-4-1	Happy Hour 3-7 \$3 cosmos & pull tabs	Happy Hour 3-7 \$6 Long Island 9-cl	50¢ Taps \$2.50 bottles (ask) \$3 Smirnoff Twisted's & Mike's \$2 cans Blatz & PBR	Beer bust 6-10 \$2.50 Bottle Beer (ask) \$3 Smirnoff etc
SWITCH				Karaoke after 8pm	Male Strippers 10:30pm	Saved@Switch DJ Doug	Male Strippers 10:30pm
TRIANGLE	\$2 Absolute Drinks	2-4-1 All Night	\$2 domestics & Texas Hold'em	Thursday Nite Show	Bacardi Fridays \$3 shorts \$5 Talls	2-4-1 Taps 6am-Noon Friday, Saturday, Sunday 3rd shift Happy Hour	Guise n Dolls 10:30pm

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DANTE'S COVE SEASON 3

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop



Having watched hunky Charlie David seeking out Gay nightlife from one continent to another in the fabulous **"Bump!"** travel series, is it any wonder that last week Glenn, once again clearly clueless, asked his travel agent to book a trip for him to Dante's Cove?

Can anyone blame Glenn for fantasizing about the Cove's perfect weather, gorgeous beaches and even more gorgeous totally ripped invariably shirtless hot-bodied boys? A fabulous five-episode marathon offering the series' uniquely intoxicating mix of **"Queer as Folk"** and that 1960s classic, **"Dark Shadows"** was simply too much for Glenn.

Or maybe it has simply been too long since Glenn planned a holiday getaway?

After much laughter, Glenn's travel agent suggested watching future episodes of **"Dante's Cove"** under the influence of far fewer Champagne cocktails.

So just what can loyal viewers expect at the Cove in Season 3? Well, following the tsunami, much of the island has been destroyed, including the Hotel Dante. Happily there remains no shortage of hot, invariably bare-chested young men. While no one will be surprised by the generous helpings of male nudity and soft-core sex, many loyal **Quest** readers may be taken aback by just how much of the woman-on-woman variety they may feel inclined to fast-forward past.

Oh, and don't worry as there's plenty of black magic, mysterious visions as well as an

abundance of good, old-fashioned skullduggery. And there's even a surprising amount of romance.

As the first episode opens, Grace (Tracy Scoggins) has finally washed up on shore following the tsunami. Looking the worst for wear, she is regally bejeweled but wearing an unfortunate amount of seaweed in her hair. Spinning around the cosmic universe for six months certainly doesn't look like it could have been much fun.

Happily Grace manages to hitch a ride with the hot new stud in town, the mysterious Griffin (Jensen Atwood). Griffin is introduced as some sort of emissary sent to bring the Cove's collection of witches and warlocks under control. And good luck with that, thinks Glenn.

Once home, Grace, the Cove's token heterosexual, discovers a houseful of squatters including criminally adorable Toby, his new friend Adam (John Fleming) plus every gay's favorite racer Reichen Lehmkuhl as Trevor. Poor Grace. They're all gay. Gay, gay, gay! To add insult to injury, there's even a lesbian couple: Elena

Buy it, rent it or forget it...

"Dante's Cove" continues to reign supreme as HereTV's favorite guilty pleasure. While **"Dante's Cove"** has always offered a visual feast for the eyes, Season 3 boasts an engaging, not to mention a surprisingly coherent plot, particularly in comparison to the popular gay network's mind-numbingly awful **"The Liar."** Bring on Season 4!

Just the facts...

"Dante's Cove Season 3" has a running time of 264 minutes and is in English.

"Dante's Cove Season 3" is available now on DVD with a SRP of \$29.95. DVD extras include commentary, bloopers and deleted scenes, Photo gallery and a look behind the scene.



(Jenny Shimizu) and Brit (Michelle Wolfe).

It sure looks to Glenn like Grace is destined to remain the Cove's only virgin...

But what of Toby's hunk-a-hunk of burning love: cute, innocent Kevin? Poor Kevin (Gregory Michael) remains the enslaved plaything of Ambrosius (William Gregory Lee). Enslaved Kevin may be but still the poor lad finds himself in the curious position – pun intended – of dutifully having to masterfully top his master.

What a funny old world is this Dante's Cove?

Without giving away any major spoilers, Glenn would highlight the two love triangles that dominate Season 3. The first involves the Cove

perennial lovebirds: Charlie David's Toby and Gregory Michael's Kevin. Bro has enslaved Kevin and in the process has fallen truly, madly deeply in love with the blond cutie who continues to hold a torch for Toby. But can Toby keep away from hunky housemate Adam?

Lesbian viewers are sure to be pleased to learn that the steamy love triangle of Elena, Brit and Michele (Jill Bennett) are in the capable hands of three out and proud Lesbian actresses.



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Ask the Irreverent, Uncle Barbie

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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



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Cutting through the Bull

Dear Uncle Barbie,

I read your responses to my emails to you--Barbie Needs a Makeover, and Another Enchanting Date from Hell. I like how you turned me down for dates when I personally feel I was stepping over the line in pursuing you sexually. The articles you wrote should be well-read and great humor for your readers. I understand you have a relationship and that guy is really lucky. I would like to seek psychological therapy with someone like you that cuts through the crap and gets to the problem. I have been depressed as of late, and I see it has been several weeks since I saw my therapist. We had to postpone meetings with each other, and I sure wish I had someone to talk with about struggles in my life. I think you are a real sweetie. Let me know if you can be my therapist. *Signed, I am Sad*

Hello Sad One,

I must say, it is very thoughtful of you to take the time to write me back. After answering all the letters that have been sent to me, I often wonder how those people are getting along now. Very few of them bother to write back to let me know how things turned out for them. I agree with you that

you need to see a therapist about your depression. Depression needs to be taken seriously. Although it would be nice if I could be your therapist, I really think that you should stick with the therapist you have been seeing. If you have a good therapeutic relationship with him or her, then you would be better off to continue building upon that rapport.

I Wish You All the Best, Barbie

Barbie's Column Becomes College Curriculum

Dear Uncle Barbie,

I am currently taking a psychology course during the summer at a nearby college and your opinion column has become a major part of our coursework. With this stated, we were a little confused as to your psychology credentials. If you could just let me know it would help out a lot with our class discussions and better our understanding of your advice column. Thanks.

Signed, Inquisitive Student

Hello Student,

I am glad that you contacted me. As soon as you mentioned that you were in a psychology course, I checked my class roster to see if you were one of my students. You see, I am also a psychology professor at a nearby college. You said that my advice column has played a part in your class. How so? Did your instructor have the students discuss the topics covered in my column? Were there test questions about the column? Or did the professor give some other kind of assignment? If I were to give the class an assignment, it would be to have the students write each other psychologically based questions, and then take turns answering them--using your best psychological understanding. (Hey, maybe you could suggest this assignment to your instructor. I probably know him or her, anyway.)

Well, let me answer your question about my credentials. I was born and raised in Minnesota, and went to California to get my doctorate in clinical psychology (referred to as a Psy.D.). I was a therapist for many years while going through graduate school. After graduating with my doctorate, I worked as a clinical psychologist in California until my student loans were paid off. Then, I moved back to Duluth/Superior because I missed this area--even the snow. I have been a professor ever since. I've been writing my column for over eight years (including the time in California). The biggest challenge for an advice columnist is to make the column both educational and entertaining. When a person submits a very serious question dealing with mental health issues, I try my best to be informative. Yet I realize that the general public would get bored reading it unless there was something humorous about my response. So I always try to add comedy to my replies. Let's face it; humor can be a very healing element for mental health. Feel free to write back, and let me know what you and your classmates think.

Dismissing Conventionalism, Uncle Barbie



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Well the fourth of July has come and gone, but summer is still here and with warmer weather comes less clothing and unfortunately that means less leather to wear and see. So, what are leather men to do?

That's an easy answer, play more and wear your gear out to the bars! One of the most widely known forms of BDSM is Bondage. Bondage can come in many forms and here we explore a few. Now that we all know the topic this month lets hear what our experts have to say.

TOP: Bondage to me is more of a means to and end. I am not really into rope bondage and harnesses. Really I prefer a few hand cuffs and boot cuffs to using rope to make a design with it. Don't get me wrong I really do respect those other tops out there who do a lot of rope work and shibari style rope bondage. But for me I get bored. I more like to play with the person than spend two hours tying someone up. To sum it up, if I tied someone up for three hours I would probably leave them there for another three and have a beer! One thing to always remember is that safety is paramount. Remember that if the restraints are too tight then you can cause serious damage to people. Always keep a pair of scissors nearby during rope and any other type of bondage. Also, all restraints and rope should never be too tight. Too tight and you might end up taking your bottom to the ER for the night and finishing your scene there. Good rule of thumb is that if you cannot stick your finger in the restraint while it is on, the bondage is too tight.

SWAP: I love it! It's better than Cats! I'll see it again and again... Oh wait... Bondage... It's a blast. You really should try it. What I find most interesting about bondage, is how easily it can be accomplished. You don't need to spend a fortune on gear, some simple rope will do. Yes you can get some expensive and elaborate bondage gear to suspend someone upside down from the chandelier on a Tuesday afternoon, but it's not necessary. I will say this, in respects to safety when using rope; it's very easy to cut circulation off. Error on the side of caution and tie a bit loose so you don't leave someone with numbness in the limbs. A good pair of leather restraints with some padding can be a very worthy investment and an incredibly versatile tool in the toy box.

BOTTOM: I agree with the Top in that Bondage is often a means to an end. I will add to that by saying bondage can also be a great way to relax and lose yourself in bottom space. I happen to be partial to heavy steel bondage equipment because I enjoy the feeling that escape is impossible. With rope, it has to be loose enough to allow circulation and looseness equals escape. At least that is how it feels. I have been tied up in ways that I truly couldn't escape but that is rare. Other forms of bondage might include the use of duct tape, chain and locks, steel shackles, helicopter transport stretchers (yes I have one). The hardware store is a treasure trove for low cost bondage equipment such as chain, rope, padlocks, and snap hooks. As mentioned by the swap, a decent set of lockable leather restraints are a good investment. I would also recommend a visit to a tack store where you can pick up a set of horse hobbles, great feeling, great sound. As I said before bondage can be a wonderful way for some quiet bottom time, it can also be useful to keep a bottom from moving around too much during other play. This can be done to enforce the feeling of helplessness and loss of control or sometimes to protect the bottom from moving and getting injured because of what is being done. In one scene I was lightly restrained to a massage table. An accident occurred during the scene which took me completely by surprise and I had a reflect action which caused the table to fall onto its side. I couldn't move enough to break the fall and ended up with 7 stitches in the side of my leg. Lesson learned: if you are using restraint to hold the bottom still and are planning to do painful things, take the time to do it right. In one of the hottest scenes I ever witnessed, a man was strapped to the wood floor using plumbing hanger straps (long metal strips with holes in them). These were screwed to the floor with an electric screw driver. The bottom was wearing gloves and boots as protection against the sharpness of the straps. Use your imagination and have fun!

Do you have suggestions for a topic? Want to know more about a certain fetish? You know want it. So why not email the Unholy Trinity at Unholytrinity@yahoo.com. Also if you have a leather event and you would like us to note in the column let us know!

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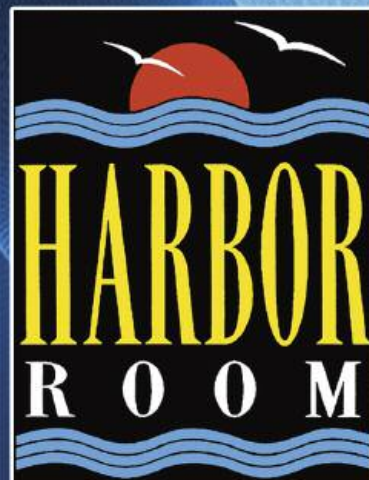
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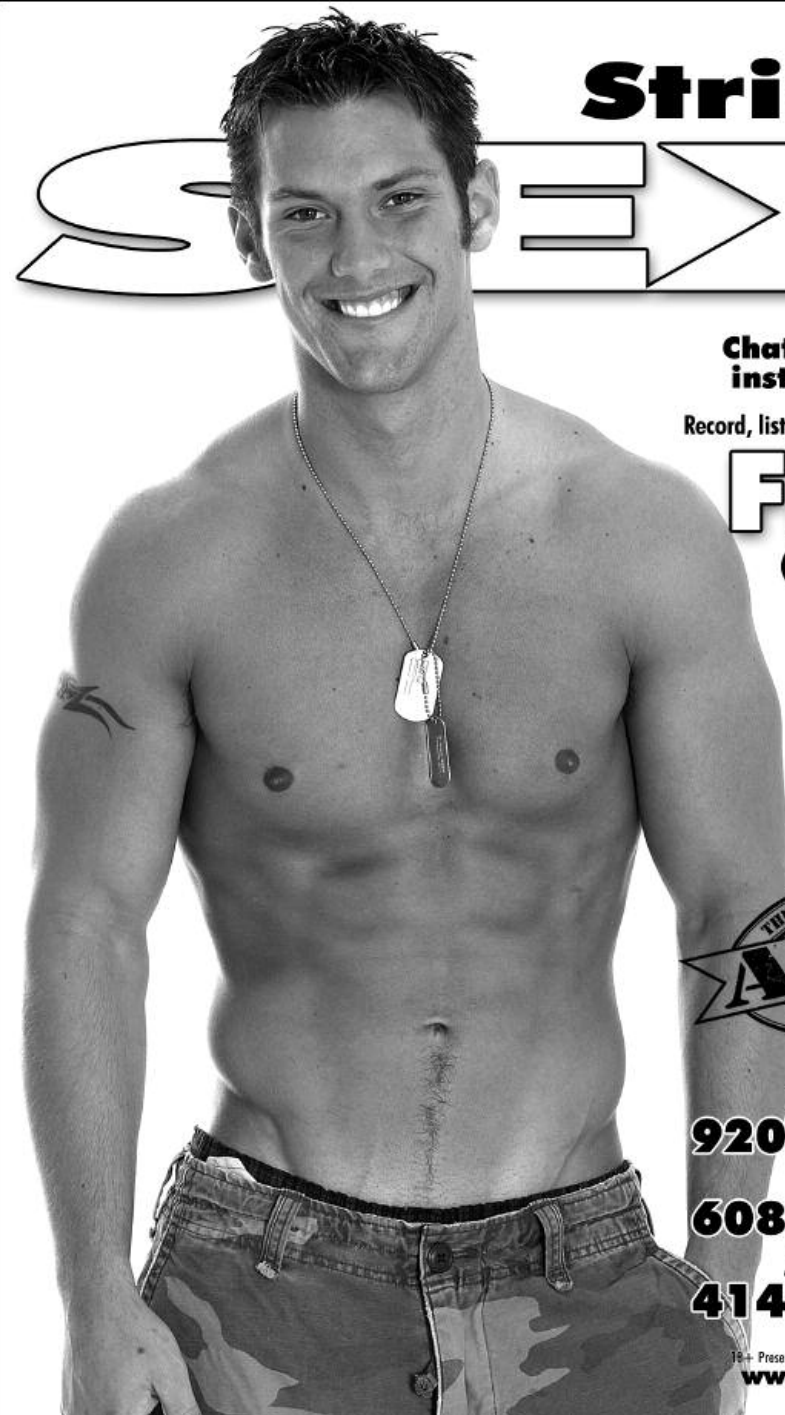
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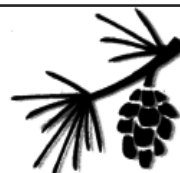
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