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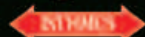
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WISCONSIN'S LGBT GROUPS CELEBRATE PASSAGE OF MILWAUKEE COUNTY DOMESTIC PARTNER BENEFITS

County Executive Chris Abele signs bill on second anniversary of historic domestic partnership registry



(From Left to Right - Sup. Jason Haas; Eyon Biddle, Sr.; Ray Vahey, Pres. Equality WI; Sup. Marina Dimitrijevic)

Milwaukee - On August 3, 2011 Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele signed into law a bill extending domestic partner health care coverage to the same- and opposite-sex domestic partners of county employees. This marks an important step forward for Milwaukee County, which now joins a growing list of employers who already provide these benefits, such as Aurora Health Care, Marquette University, MillerCoors, the State of Wisconsin, and the City of Milwaukee.

"On behalf of Fair Wisconsin, other members of the Board of Directors and more than 20,000 members and activists statewide, I thank the members of the County Board and County Executive Chris Abele," noted Fair Wisconsin Education Board President Robert Starshak. "The collective leadership of key board members, County Exec. Abele and other activists have been impressive. We look forward to continuing our work together to advance equality and move our state's largest county forward."

Abele signed the legislation on the two-year anniversary of the day same-sex couples began registering as domestic partners across Wisconsin. The statewide registry provides caring and committed couples with limited legal protections such as hospital visitation, family medical leave, inheritance and other protections that also allow couples to care for each other in times of need.

As of today, over 1,800 couples have registered as domestic partners in Wisconsin.

"Today's victory is a critical step in the movement to achieve full equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Wisconsinites," stated Fair Wisconsin Executive Director Katie Belanger. "Providing do-

mestic partner health care coverage is an investment in the future of Milwaukee County and its employees. We are thrilled with County Executive Chris Abele and the Milwaukee County Board's visionary leadership in Milwaukee County and commitment to providing an inclusive workplace for all."

Fair Wisconsin, the statewide advocacy organization for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community, played a critical role in this effort, successfully engaging thousands of LGBT and allied activists in contacting the County Board and in working closing with the County Executive's office and key leaders on the County Board to build support with their colleagues.

"Those gathered for this joyous occasion were from diverse communities, including African-American, Latino, religious, and LGBT. We celebrated a major step toward protecting all employees against discrimination, recognizing that until all people are treated fairly, we are all at risk," stated Equality Wisconsin who also sent Quest the photo pictured left.

This victory is especially nice since two years ago, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors passed a similar bill, only to have it vetoed by then-Executive Scott Walker.

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SSBL-MADISON HOSTS FMS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Madison - SSBL-Madison will be hosting the 3rd Annual Felicia Melton-Smyth Softball Tournament at MaGaw Park in Fitchburg on September 17th and 18th with registration beginning September 16th. This memorial tournament honors one of the league's most popular fans who supported gay softball with her team spirit.

The tournament offers a women's, open competitive and open rec divisions. Team entry fee is \$200 by August 26th and \$250 by September 8th. The Sheraton is the host hotel for \$99 per night.

All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the AIDS Network of Madison in Felicia's name. Each division championship team will receive money to donate to a local charity of their choosing from their city.

Teams, individual pickup players and volunteers can register at www.fms-tournament.com. For updates, go to the Facebook group FMS Softball Tournament.

MR MIDWEST LEATHER CONTEST GEARS UP FOR 2011

St. Louis, MO - We are gearing up for the 2011 Mr Midwest Leather Contest, and it should be bigger and better than last year. Our goal this year is to get over 400 attending the contest held this year in St. Louis, MO. The contest will be Friday, Sept. 30 and Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011.

The winner of the Mr Midwest Leather title not only represents the Midwest Leather community, but has to be an enthusiastic supporter of related causes and events, as well as being well versed in Leather lore and culture. The title is not just about the sash; it's a means for doing good for the community. Being confident while answering questions in minimal Leather attire doesn't hurt, either.

The actual contest venue will be Bad Dog Bar & Grill, 3960 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis MO 63110. Friday night will be the Meet & Greet where the contestants are introduced to the audience and judges. Saturday afternoon will be the judges interviews (closed to the public) and Saturday night will be the actual contest judging.

Following the contest will be the Mr Midwest Leather Ball at Bad Dog, where the audience can meet the new Mr Midwest Leather, the judges and other Leather title holders past and present, as well as dance and enjoy beverage specials till 3am.

Judges at the 2011 Mr Midwest Leather Contest include Mama, internationally known Leatherwoman and Leather Community organizer from San Francisco, St. Louis' Karen Crecelius, first runner up for Ms World Leather 2004, Terry Laupp, Mr Missouri Leather 2010 and co-founder of the Black and Lou Pride Fetish Ball, Philip Hitchcock, Mr Midwest Leather 2010, artist and supporter of the Tom of Finland Foundation, Mike Pagano, Mr Iowa Leather 2011, working to raise general awareness about the leather/fetish community, especially among people in their 20's and 30's who represent leathers' future.

Visit the website at www.MrMidwestLeather.com for more information.

THE WISCONSIN CAPITOL PRIDE PARADE & RALLY IS ONLY DAYS AWAY! SUNDAY AUGUST 21, 2011

"Brick by Brick" is our theme this year, "Brick by Brick we will build a strong foundation and the road that will lead us to equality." We welcome all of the Madison area LGBT friendly businesses and Allies who wish to help and support us as we rebuild and move forward & plan for 2012 and beyond.

The Parade is set to kick off at 1:00 PM at the end of State Street near Library Mall. The procession will continue up State Street, around the Capitol Square counterclockwise and end at the rally location. The rally celebration will take place on the Capitol Square, on the corner of W. Mifflin & N Carroll streets, right at the top of State Street.

There is a rally and celebration directly following the parade from 2-5 PM. We are very excited about this year's lineup of speakers for the rally. We will be featuring live entertainment along with special guest appearances from Madison Mayor Paul Soglin, 78th Assembly District Representative Mark Pocan, and Dane County Executive Joe Parisi just to name a few.

There will be food, retail, and informational vendor booths set up on the square during the event. This is a family friendly event so please feel free to bring the whole family! There will be games and other activities for the kids.

There is still room available to participate in the parade. Applications are available for download on our website. You can march in the parade, decorate a vehicle, or show off a float to advertise your business, group, or cause. Be creative and have fun, submit your application today. We are excited to feature the Forward Marching Band this year!

Pride Raffle: Buy your tickets now for the WCP raffle. A portion of the proceeds will benefit LGBT scholarships and will be dispersed through GSAFE. You could Win; iPad2- donated by UW Credit Union, 3 Night Stay at Captain Dix Rainbow Valley Resort (\$460 value), Free Ballroom Dance Lessons from Fred Astaire Dance Studios, Food from Famous Dave's, Talula, Granite City.... and more! Visit our website for an updated list of raffle prizes and to purchase tickets.

You will find all Pride related events and activities scheduled all across the city and sponsored by various groups and businesses posted on our website. Please help support all of our LGBT Businesses and Allies.

The Parade is also looking for volunteers. We will need help with set up/ tear down for the rally on the square as well as closing streets and monitoring intersections. We will also need a few CPR Certified volunteers to help in the first aide booth, along with volunteers for Security. Please visit our website or contact our Volunteer Coordinator for more information at: volunteer@wisconsincapitolpride.org



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OFF THE WALL THEATRE ANNOUNCES 12TH SEASON

Milwaukee - Off The Wall Theatre's playwright and Director Dale Gutzman announced the first show of its twelfth season, a stage version of Nevil Shute's award winning novel *ON THE BEACH*. You may recall it as a film that starred Ava Gardner, Gregory Peck, and Fred Astaire. The book was recently included in the top twenty Science Fiction novels of all time.

"But it is so much more than that," says Dale. "It ranks as one of the greatest love stories ever written."

More Science than Science Fiction, the novel and show take place in Melbourne Australia, as the last survivors on earth after a nuclear war wait for the radiation to reach them. They go about their ordinary lives, trying to work out the problems of life with the cloud of death hanging over them. Far from being depressing, the story deals with not so much how we face death, but how we cope with life. It explores how people try to find meaning in their lives, how they deal with marriage and family, and how they dream of making a contribution to the future of the world. The question the show asks is not, "Why do we die," but rather "Why do we live?"

Marilyn White stars as Moira, an alcoholic partier, adrift in a meaningless life who falls in love with Commander Dwight Towers of the U.S. Navy, played on our stage by playwright and Director Dale Gutzman. The book has long been one of Gutzman's favorites. Playing Peter and Mary, a young couple with a child who struggle with facing reality in the face of disaster, are Liz Misteles and Jeremy Welter. And in the role of the biochemist bombmaker trying to justify his life is David Roper. Filling out the cast are Barbara Zaferos and

Thomas Welcenbach as Peter and Mary's staunch Christian neighbors, and Lawrence Lukasavage as Sir Douglas Froude, a member of the old military establishment. The show is gentle, and lovely and filled with wonderful memorable moments. These characters come together with love and hope and a sense of caring. Gutzman promises "one of the most beautiful evenings spent in the theatre" in a long long time.

Here is a drama to make you think and to awaken feelings long buried. Yes, it is about our responsibilities to each other and to our planet, but it is also about the power of love. This show is also as timely and vital as today's world headlines. It is essential viewing for anyone interested in the future of our earth!

"Hot on the heels of our breathtaking and highly praised production of *ASPECTS OF LOVE*," Off the Wall's staging of Nevil Shute's *"ON THE BEACH"* promises to be the fall show that is on everyone's must see list," gushes Gutzman.

Shows have been selling out, so order tickets early to avoid disappointment.

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MILWAUKEE GAY ARTS AUDITIONS

Milwaukee - Erik Schaffer and Claiborne Green are directing a new stage show called, "A Year at Sea." Auditions for "A Year At Sea" will be held on August 14th : 1pm-5pm and August 15th : 4pm-10pm at 710 S. 2nd Street (Milwaukee Gay Arts Center) A Headshot and 2 Monologues are requested.

The show will benefit the LGBT community in two important ways. "We are working with the 'It Gets Better Foundation,' a percentage of the ticket sales made, goes to help them!" states Mr. Schaffer.

They are also helping support the arts in Milwaukee including the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center and the community at large.

"Come be apart of Theatrical History in the Making! A stage show that pushes the limits of today's society," he continues. "

A Year At Sea," is a thought provoking show about acceptance and the struggle to overcome obstacles. The show has not been shown on a stage yet! It has just won Best Screen Play By the Rhode Island Film Festival and a GLBT Prize in the Barren Branches Screenplay Competition. Written by T. Gates Councilor, this dramatic and controversial story opens the eyes of everyone it touches! Directed and produced visionaries by Claiborne Green and Erik Schaffer.

Summary: A newly widowed women discovers her teenage son is gay. Both struggle to overcome their own self-doubts and prejudices, in order to repair their relationship. Yet, tragedy and betrayal looms, threatening to drive them apart forever!

Character Roles To Read For: 40 Y/O Female, 35 Y/O Male, Early 50's Male, 17 Y/O Boy, 2 Female-Impersonators, Extras (ages 18-30)

OFF THE WALL REPLACES "ROCKY HORROR" WITH "WHATEVER HAPPENED TO BABY JANE"

Milwaukee - Declaring it 'the most outlandish show we have ever done' Off the Wall Theatre has nixed an upcoming Halloween production of Rocky Horror Picture Show in favor of a stage version of "WHATEVER HAPPENED TO BABY JANE?" The famous cult favorite that starred Bette Davis and Joan Crawford will be presented live on our stage starring Jeremy Welter and Mark Hagen as Bette Davis (Jane) and Joan Crawford (Blanche.) The Hudson sisters will battle once again. Blanche will be served a dead rat for dinner! Jane will sing her childhood hit, "I've Written a Letter to Daddy!" The housekeeper will be murdered with a hammer! Wheelchair bound Blanche will crawl across the floor to try to reach the telephone. Everything you remember from the whackiest horror film ever made will be brought to life on our stage. -- **BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE!**

In a wacky twist fitting for a Halloween show. Jeremy Welter and Mark Hagen will switch roles at alternate performances! That might be rather fun as the cast tries to sort this all out and 'Jane' and 'Blanche' give you over the top performances.

You'll want to see this show twice! Because of that, they have added two special midnight performances.

Also in the cast are Tamara Martinsek, Lawrence Lukasavage, Barbara Weber, Tom Welcenbach, Sandra Stark, Sandy Lewis, and others.

Look for Jeremy Welter and Mark Hagen to grace an upcoming cover of Quest as Jane and Blanche soon. Plan to get tickets soon, dates are below.

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CCF'S "MY BEST FRIEND IS STRAIGHT" BREAKS ATTENDANCE AND FUNDING RAISING RECORDS

Photos & Article By Paul Masterson

Cream City Foundation broke both attendance and funding raising records at its annual summer party, *My Best Friend is Straight!* The event took place on July 28 at the historic North Point Lighthouse located in Lake Park.

The total amount raised was over \$37,000. It includes donations, ticket income and raffle ticket proceeds. In addition, Joseph Pabst and William Radler of Rose Innovations LLC announced major gifts at the event that include donations to Cream City Foundation's General Fund, Arts & Culture Fund, Sports Fund, and the Maria Cadenas Fund.

Major donors at the *My Best Friend is Straight* (MBFS) fund raising auction included Robert Starshak and Ross Draegert who each made \$5,000 pledges. Sarah Berg and Amy Underberg donated \$2,500. CCF board president Jim Schleif also committed \$2,500. Numerous other guests made generous commitments of \$1000 and \$500.

The attendance of over 150 included a broad spectrum of LGBT leadership, friends, CCF board members as well as community allies. They all enjoyed the ambiance of the historic lighthouse locale with hosts May Klisch and Geri Olsen, entertainment by DJ Rik, beverages provided by Lakefront Brewery and catering by Localious.

Queer Program host Mike Lisowski commented during the event saying, "This is my first MBFS. It's just amazing to see so many, diverse people showing their support for this cause. This is what Milwaukee's LGBT



community is all about. It's great to see so many representatives of our athletic groups, the arts, health organizations, political advocacy and the media here tonight. It's truly a moment everyone here can be very proud of."

CCF Office and Event Coordinator Chuck Grosz expressed his gratitude to all who attended and gave their support to the city's only LGBT dedicated philanthropic foundation. "We are grateful to our major donors who are committed to Cream City and through their generous donations we can continue creating social change. I'd also like to acknowledge all our volunteers. Their invaluable contribution of time and community dedication made this event possible. The dollars we raised on this event will continue to help us during this time of transition and to help fund our Programs Manager into a full time position this fall." Grosz said.

CCF also announced the selection of Chicago based, McAlpine Consulting for Growth, LLC to help fill the now vacant position of executive director. The firm is known for its successful support of social change and



facilitating growth of non-profit organizations. "They will be the consulting firm that will spearhead CCF's strategic assessment and the executive search for the new Executive Director. They are a well-known consulting firm from Chicago, IL who we know and trust will help us during this time of transit," Grosz said.

During the event, Anahí Sánchez offered details of *Project Aging*, a new CCF initiative to develop LGBT senior services. Modeled after its successful Youth Homelessness program, its mission is to work with a broad spectrum of community and government agencies to address the needs of the aging LGBT population.



DJ Carl, Rob & Za in the booth @XS Za's 22nd Anniversary Party



INTERRACIAL DATING IN MILWAUKEE

Part 2 of a series By Paul Masterson

In the first article of this series, interracial dating in Milwaukee was presented in the context of Black & White Men Together's 30 year history compared to the present. The question was raised "have things changed?" In general, it seemed that, despite decades of LGBT liberation, local relationships between people of different races hadn't made the same strides of universal acceptance.

The dynamics of interracial dating in Milwaukee, a city known to be among the most segregated in the country, reflect this dilemma. Black and white male couples mentioned overt or subliminal negativity as part of their everyday experience. Apparently, certain stereotypical presumptions pervade.

A typical example is a scene at a restaurant where inevitably the white partner is presented with the check at the end of dinner. Both black and white men interviewed for this series told of being snubbed by friends and family because of their partner's race. Most felt more palpable negativity especially by other LGBT people. Others mention the smug raised eyebrow reaction when introducing a partner of another race – as if something were understood to be behind the attraction aside from mutual compatibility or that there might even be *love* involved.

Milwaukee's LGBT population has struggled within their own cultural environments. "Homosexuality is not an option in the black community," said one African-American respondent while a Caucasian man said the essentially the same about his German Lutheran background. While rejection at this level might lead to dating outside one's own race, it potentially creates more problems than it solves. Still, despite the social risks, complications, stigma and stereotypes, many date interracially regardless.

Of those interviewed for this series, most date outside their race exclusively. Some have never have dated another man of the same race while others eventually "got into the habit." The reasons and explanations ranged from "it just happened that way" to negative or unsatisfying experiences with same race partners.

Many long-term relationships exist. Confronting the issues of that equation seems to be part of the process. Many Milwaukee mixed couples tended to find new friends rather than deal with the prejudices of their old circle. "It got tiring to continually feel out of place among my friends," said one. Another mentioned outright hostility; as if interracial dating "just wasn't acceptable" or implied that their own race "wasn't good enough."

"We stopped going to the bars. It was just too strange. Maybe we were overly sensitive but we did feel unwelcome at times," said one couple. "Otherwise, it was life as usual. After a while, if the discrimination is even there to begin with, you ignore it and stop feeling different. It's all about accepting and being comfortable with who you are, particularly as a couple. If others don't...that's their problem," they continued.

Family relationships reflect a similar range of acceptance and rejection. In this area, both black and white respondents recounted the full spectrum of experiences when a partner of another race is introduced to the family. An African-American man told it this way: "first, they have to get over your being gay and then you bring home a partner...and then you bring home a white guy... My mom was actually fine with it when I took my partner home for her birthday party. My brother had some unkind words until my mom slapped him and said 'not in my house' and that was the end of it."

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ON THE BALL

By Coach Marc Montemerlo

Clients often come to me for more than physical training. They seek help in reshaping and re-centering their whole lives; in finding their Good Self. Although fitness training and life coaching are two different services I offer, it's sometimes easier to bridge the two rather than separate them.

One of the first questions I always ask a potential client is "Why do you want to improve what you already have?"

I expect them to answer "Because I have a personal goal to..." or "I want my outside to look as good as I feel inside." However, the replies are usually more like, "I heard that you are a good trainer" or "I've seen your work with other clients and I like your approach."

People look to outside sources for inspiration and motivation. They rely on media, fitness dvds, social network programs, and guys like me. But I've realized that instead of inspiring people to add fitness to their life, these programs actually discourage people. They create negative and floored body images. The truth is many people will never look or be like the fit person touting the program.

I recently picked up a self help magazine. The headlines on the cover read "Drop 10 pounds, NOW!" "Improve Your Sex With..." "12 Ways to Boost Energy and Look Younger" and my favorite, "Burn Calories Without Even Trying!" If there's a way to burn calories without trying, sign me up! Trust me, there isn't.

The true road to creating the "Good Self" is a difficult and demanding one. It requires discipline.

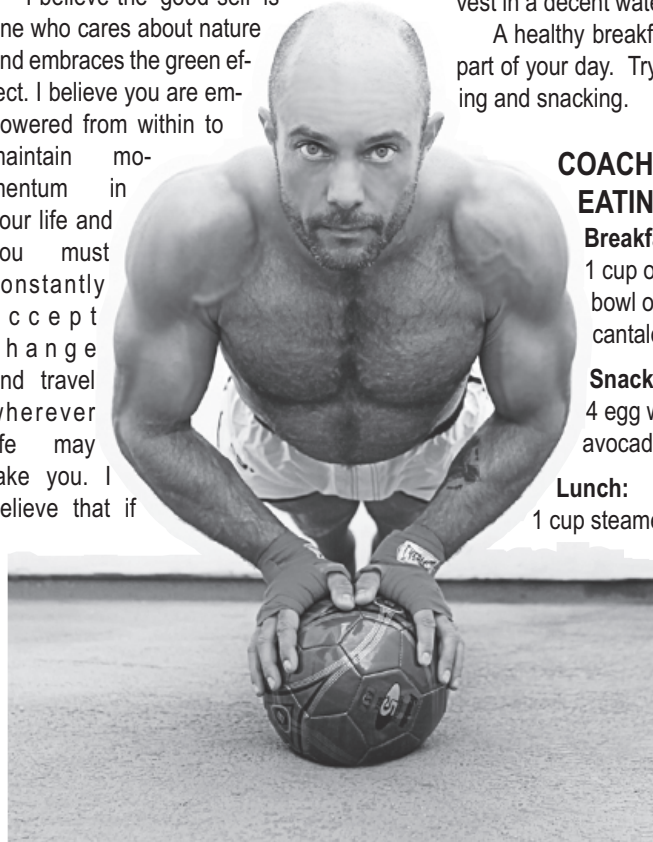
We have all heard "what you give, you get back". That is my fitness philosophy.

Your good self comes from within. Your good self may not be as fit or as muscular as the model you see in magazines. Your body may never achieve greatness, but achieving good isn't bad, is it?

In the end, you are responsible for you. You can buy the DVDs, the expensive equipment, and books. But truly, the self help gurus are not going to offer you a magic wand to shed the pounds. You are the only one who can make everlasting changes in your life that will

impact your physical and mental wellbeing.

I believe the 'good self' is one who cares about nature and embraces the green effect. I believe you are empowered from within to maintain momentum in your life and you must constantly accept change and travel wherever life may take you. I believe that if



Coach Marc Montemerlo is a celebrity fitness trainer and has trained Chris O'Donnell, Marcia Cross and Reese Witherspoon through his various weekly classes. Now Marc is bringing his expertise to everyone in America who does not live in Hollywood, but wants the same great tips and tricks of the celebrities to get fit and be skinny. Visit www.mymfitt.com.

you are seeking change, it's time for change and you must act on it immediately. Those small gut feelings we all get are tiny accelerators in our lives that keep us moving forward.

Yes by all means, approach a fitness professional for help in your fitness needs. Get the best help possible and the best eating plan that will work for you. Research the latest health and wellness trends. Be inspired and continue to inspire others. It all starts with you.

That's my philosophy and I live by it. Be well. Live well. Achieve your Good Self.

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Marc advises eating every 3 hours to keep blood sugar stable and your hands out of the cookie jar! Drink of choice is always water. Invest in a decent water bottle.

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Breakfast:

1 cup oatmeal with berries or a bowl of flaxseed cereal with cantaloupe in low fat milk

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4 egg whites, Sliced turkey and avocado

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1 cup steamed vegetables, 1 skinless chicken breast fillet or 1 piece of fish (Tuna/ Salmon/ White Fish*), a medium size yam or 5 tbsp brown rice

Snack:

Half a sliced chicken breast + small salad and handful of almonds

Dinner :

Garden salad + steamed vegetables (don't be shy with your portions here)

COACH MARC'S EXERCISE PLAN:

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And don't forget to stretch!

For more information, visit Marc at www.mymfitt.com.

A DIVA DAY IN THE LIFE



By Jimmy Newsum

Being a diva isn't only about rhinestone costumes and wind machines. Long hours and lots of energy go into the making of a dance floor superstar.

Dalal learned to play the violin and piano when she was four years old. At five, she was composing her own music scores. By eight, she was performing with orchestras throughout Europe. Today, she is igniting gay dance floors with soaring vocal anthems that celebrate fun and love with a youthful exuberance. Her latest track is "Taste the Night". We followed Dalal on a typical day to witness first hand life behind the disco ball.

6:30am: Dalal wakes up to a breakfast of watermelon salad.

7:30am: At the gym, she is working on hyper-extensions, an exercise targeting the lower, mid and upper back. "There is no better way to start the day!"

9:30am: Dalal boards a subway to Brooklyn, to a recording studio to lay down vocals and turn into a vampire. "Recording studios are always so dark!" she says. "I often forget it is daylight outside."

12:00pm – 12:30pm: Lunch break usually consists of soup. "I also use the time to answer emails from my agent and publicist and, if I can, I try to sneak in a walk around the block for fresh air."

2:30pm: Back in the recording studio, Dalal receives a text message from DJ Tony Moran. He writes to let her know that he will be spinning "Taste the Night" in Taipei today. "Woohoo! I love breaking into new territory!"

4:30pm: Studio session is completed. On the subway ride back into Manhattan, Dalal flips through movie scripts her agent had messenged to the recording studio earlier in the day.

5:00pm: Dalal arrives at the Broadway Dance

Center in Times Square to practice moves with her choreographer.

6:30pm: Back home, Dalal prepares dinner. Salad.

7:30pm: The vocal coach arrives at Dalal's apartment for her daily singing lesson.

8:30pm: Dalal's groomer is preparing her for a night on the town. Her stylist arrives with a silver cat suit.

10:00pm: Dalal walks the red carpet at of a magazine-sponsored music awards show and then quickly exits the side door. "I rarely stay for the actual show, especially if I have to work the next day."

10:30pm: In the town car back to her apartment, Dalal reads newspaper headlines on her phone "to pull myself up to date with what is going on in the world," she explains.

11:00pm: Dalal drowns in post-its, writing her to-do list for the next day.

12:00am: In bed, Dalal likes to finish each day playing a game of chess against the computer. "I look at it as brain exercise," she says with a yawn.

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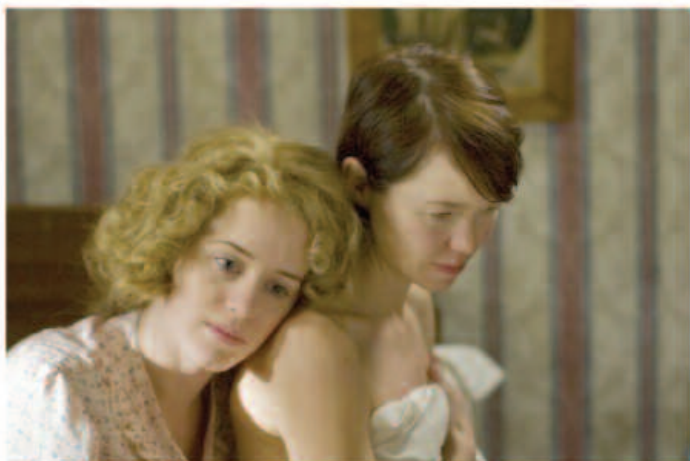
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Say It Isn't Soooooooo

Anthony Paull

I don't know if I like my 30's. I've been told I've become too put together, too flashy to piss on my shoes at a rock show, and that upsets me because I enjoy pissing on my shoes, at least if they're cheap.

The problem is they're not anymore. I have this sick obsession with Vans and Pumas, and lately I'm broke because I'll only purchase the kind you find in Japan. It's sad. I don't know how or when I became this person. While most of my friends are purchasing houses, I'm basically charring my checking account in order to travel in shoes with cargo pockets.

I guess that's why I'm having problems relating to friends. I feel like we're all heading in opposite directions, establishing different priorities. A few have kids. A few have houses. And a few have relationships that they won't talk about because they don't want me to know they're just as screwed up as I am.

I swear; sometimes, I feel like the dirty wig store at the mall, like I serve some sort of purpose but nobody ever wants to get too close. Or maybe I don't want to get too close and that's why I entertain random conversations, just to keep people away. For example, is it ok to talk about shoving markers up your ass during an otherwise uneventful public dining experience? I don't know. According to my friend Max, he thoroughly lubes the markers so it's hygienic. But I can't tell if it's politically correct to discuss the matter in public. Therefore tonight, I try to make the conversation 'pc', environmentally friendly, and 'green' just in case anyone is listening.

"Markers, you say? Are they organic?" I ask.

"Organic? They make organic markers now?"

I blink twice for theatrics. "I just think you should try something less toxic. Like cucumbers. But again, organic."

He warily eyes me as his phone lights with a text. "Damn, another cockroach," he groans. "If I get one more in my collection, I'll have enough occupants to open a roach motel."

"Cockroach?" I question. "Explain."

Max says that the term stems from the type of guys he's been dating. To Max, they're all the same. When he ignores them, they run toward him due to being left in the dark, but when he shines a light on them, via texts or phone calls, they scatter from the attention. "Just like a fucking cockroach," he gripes. Therefore, tonight, he's on a mission: he's going to spread roach traps, but he's going to disguise them in the fuzziest way possible. Like



he's going to text some roaches, but he's not going to ask for anything, per se. He's just going to flick on the lights when we're drunk at three in the morning, just to see if they're crawling about.

"Sooooooo," he texts, spread on the red Asian carpet in his living room. Then we hoot and holler, downing a few drams of Irish whisky 'til the replies arrive. A few moments later, they trickle in, taking on the form of question marks, winks, and one angry emoticon face. The good thing: there is curiosity attached. "Sooooooo what?" one fellow replies.

"I just wanted to say hi," Max returns.

To which, the guy replies, "Hi."

Simple enough. Well, except now this guy, along with the rest of the roaches, has taken this late night ambiguous text message as a calling card for an open-ended booty call. Suddenly, Max is Mr. Social because he's not asking for anything. He's just making his presence known. "It beats shoving markers up my ass," he says, when we meet for coffee, days later. "I think I've figured it out. You *can* shine a light on a guy. You just need a dimmer switch."

Therefore, Max no longer engages in intimate talks, texts, or online chats with men. Instead, he opens with vague statements like 'and' and 'huh' before ending the conversation without anything truly being said. Of course, none of it makes sense but Max considers it a reputable talent. "Particularly if the guy has no self-worth," he explains, as I drink my espresso in quiet disbelief. "You know, maybe if I start talking in symbols, I'll finally land a boyfriend."

Unfortunately, I think he may be right. Lately, it seems people don't have time to utter a complete sentence. Or has it always been this way and technology has just advanced enough to allow us such a luxury? I can't count how many times I've heard people confess their undying love for text messages because they no longer have to talk to their friends. Each of us, we're coming closer and closer to an alien race able to communicate with our minds, or limited speech. Perhaps one day when they start injecting us with nanobots we'll simply chat through a series of beeps and blips like robotic roadrunners, forever on the go. Maybe then we'll let our lovers spend the night so we don't have to worry about what to talk about in the morning. For me, I hope this isn't so. I crave conversation, particularly with boy in the bed. But maybe I'm wrong. After all, my priorities are messed up. I don't have kids or a house. All I have is a boyfriend and a closet of shoes.

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Saturday, August 20

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Preview:
Circle Mirror Transformation,
The Boulevard Ensemble

Always welcoming new assignments, Glenn found himself this week in the unusual position of attending not an opening night performance but an early rehearsal for Annie Baker's **Circle Mirror Transformation**, the upcoming show for the Boulevard Ensemble.

Rare indeed is the courageous theatre company that welcomes Glenn in for a look behind the footlights but for the past 25 years Boulevard Ensemble has been just that sort of theatre company; not only a quiet theatrical miracle in Milwaukee but also a cornerstone of the current fashionable revival of Bay View.

The challenge for Boulevard Artistic Director Mark Bucher on this sweltering Sunday afternoon is to assemble all five cast members for a "blocking" rehearsal of the first two scenes of this quirky comedy. Thankfully the air conditioner is full on and thoughtfully, a bucket of icy cold bottled water has been provided.

In fact, only four of the five cast members are in attendance. There's a stand-in for Jaime Jastrab who plays the role of James, the possibly meandering husband. Later this week another cast member will miss a number of rehearsals due to other commitments. Meanwhile Director Mark Bucher's youthful co-director, Hugh Blewett will be responsible for filling in as needs be as well as taking thorough notes so absent cast members can be brought quickly up to speed.

Chatting briefly before the rehearsal began, Mark Bucher cannot mask his enthusiasm in describing what a coup it is for the Boulevard to include Baker's **Circle Mirror Transformation** in its 26th season, "The selection of the script (**Circle Mirror Transformation**), pun intended, mirrors the Boulevard's Mission Statement by promoting literate, quality, dynamic theatre that is access and affordable."

Following its Off-Broadway premiere in Octo-



ber, 2009, **Circle Mirror Transformation** received a clutch of rave reviews for productions across the country as well as having won an Obie Award for Best New American Play plus a Drama Desk nomination for Outstanding Play.

Having unsuccessfully pursued rights to **Circle Mirror Transformation** for the past year and a half, Bucher was surprised not see it listed for the upcoming season by any other Milwaukee theatre company. Again Bucher applied for the rights. Here's an instance when persistence paid off and having kept at it, Bucher was able, at the latest possible moment, to pencil in this Wisconsin premiere for the Boulevard's opening slot.

However, its late inclusion has meant the play has been cast very quickly and put into rehearsal just as quickly, further compounding

scheduling issues.

When Glenn suggested to Mark Bucher how impossibly short the rehearsal process seemed, Bucher shrugged, remarking that's just one of many changes facing a theatre company like the Boulevard, "There was a time when people just took it for granted that one would be in rehearsal for four to six weeks and have a longer run. Now, because people are so economically challenged, so many people have to work two jobs."

The length that a show will run, too, has shortened. **Circle Mirror Transformation**, which opens the Boulevard's 26th season, offers only 12 performances with a Wednesday, August 17th opening night.

"We can't do a 6-week run anymore unless it is a very special circumstance," added Bucher.

Annie Baker's **Circle Mirror Transformation** follows the trials and tribulations of a small Vermont town community center acting class. Six scenes encapsulate the six-week course. The class is composed of just the sort of assortment

of everyday people who will likely make up the members of the audience. Marty (Kate Sherry) leads the troupe of would-be actors, she has even persuaded her husband James, an eco-professor to join in. Schultz (Michael Weber), something of a loner, is a recently divorced carpenter. Rounding out the class are Theresa, a pretty and perky actress who fled the bright lights of New York and Lauren (Christine Pollnow), a sullen teenager who quite early on wonders aloud, "Are we ever going to do any real acting?"

Glenn, who generally prefers the anonymity (i.e. safety) of an opening night crowd, was made to feel welcome at this rehearsal by the various cast members including Beth Monhollen who in the past had impressed Glenn with her portrayal of Emily Dickinson in the Boulevard's production

of **The Belle of Amherst** and even further impressed Glenn here with her skill with a hula hoop.

Mark Bucher is particularly pleased to cast the iconic Kate Sherry, a veteran of such previous Boulevard productions as **As Bees in Honey Drown** and **Stations of the Cross**, as the mildly bohemian Marty, "It's great to see Kate in a role that's not only comic, which it is, but also dramatic. She gets to display her unique and very extensive talent."

Looking past **Circle Mirror Transformation**, the Boulevard's 26th season includes Michael Golamco's **Cowboy Versus Samurai**, an Asian-American re-telling of Edmond Rostand's **Cyrano de Bergerac** and set in Wyoming plus **Living Out** by Lisa Loomer. Their fourth production, which takes place over the holidays, is a one-act play festival, **Happy Holly Plays**, the Boulevard's own anecdote to the often depressing holiday time.

Adds Bucher, "That's what the season is about: three new plays, literate quality works, Milwaukee or Wisconsin premieres and two of the plays are written by woman, championing the female voice in playwriting."

But by now the cast is getting anxious; it is time to get back to rehearsal.

If you go:

Circle Mirror Transformation

by Annie Baker opens at the Boulevard Ensemble on Wednesday, August 17th and runs thru Sunday, 4.

The Boulevard Ensemble is located at 2250 South Kinnickinnic Avenue in fabulous Bay View. For tickets or for more information, call 414.744.5757.



The first read-through / rehearsal of CIRCLE MIRROR TRANSFORMATION at Milwaukee's Boulevard Theatre. Actress Kate Sherry discovers a moment of revelation as her character, "MARTY" and Actress Beth Monhollen begins her "transformation" into the character of "THERESA" while Artistic Director/Founder Mark Bucher coaches the ensemble.

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TURDS IN THE SANDBOX OF LIFE

Dear Uncle Barbie,

I will keep this short and sweet because I cannot stand long letters. I just want to know how I can meet Mr. Right. Where is he hiding?

Signed, Bill H.

Hello B.H.,

I have been a therapist for many years, and one of the most common questions clients ask is how they can meet that special someone. It seems to me that they are asking the wrong question. Most people have no problem actually meeting someone. Rather, they have a problem keeping someone. Long-term relationships are not easy. You cannot just stumble upon your soul-mate and live happily ever after without a thought or any effort. You need to work at it. That means deciding what you want and making a plan on how to get it.

Here is what I suggest: make a list of the characteristics you want in a mate. Include more than just the physical traits. What kind of personality do you want him to have? What values, morals, and standards are you looking for in a man? What common interests would you like to have with him? This is one of those times when it is OK, in fact necessary, to talk about politics and religion. You need to have some kind of common ground regarding political views and religious convictions. If not, you are going to have a bumpy ride.

Next, write an action plan for getting and maintaining a long-term re-

lationship. Yes, that is right. You actually need to write it down. Make it a personal contract with yourself. It is not just asking yourself how you are going to meet this person. It is really a matter of attracting your Mr. Right. (Ya see, here is the thing--you need to become the type of person you are looking for.) Put another way, if you are wanting a soul-mate that is honest and true, then for heaven sake, you need to be an honest and true person. If you have integrity, you will automatically attract other decent people of good character.

When I have talked to couples who have been in committed, romantic relationships for 20 to 50 years or more, they typically tell me that they met that special someone in a social situation like a church, recreational club, college campus, dances, or by being introduced through a common friend.

On the contrary, when I hear about relationship horror stories, it is usually about people who are dishonest, conniving, and just wanting to use each other. It is no surprise that these pathetic stories almost always involve the use (and abuse) of drugs and alcohol. I am not saying that you cannot have a glass of wine or a cocktail when you are out on a date. However, I am saying that people who are in destructive relationships tend to abuse chemicals. (I think you know the difference.)

I no longer drink alcohol. However, when I was a student in college and



There is nothing quite like a good brain flush.

would go out to the bars, I inevitably became buy-sexual. (Interpretation: if someone at the bar was buying, I became buy-sexual.) Those were the days I would rather forget. And, since alcohol kills brain cells, my wish is slowly coming true. The older I get, the less I can remember those days. (Ah, blessed senility.)

It was at that hazy time in my life that I realized that those inebriated guys I had been dating were not diamonds in the rough; they were more like turds in the sandbox. (And, nobody wants to play with someone who poops in the sandbox.) I needed to become a more honorable person in order to attract a respectable man. And, it worked. I found him when I was finishing my doctorate degree. I became a more upstanding person, and therefore, became a good match for another well-mannered man. Get the point? Work on that list. **True Blue, Barbie**

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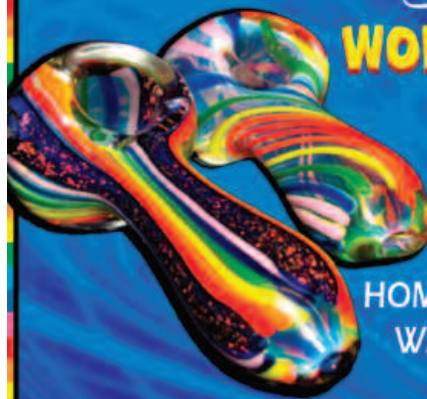
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