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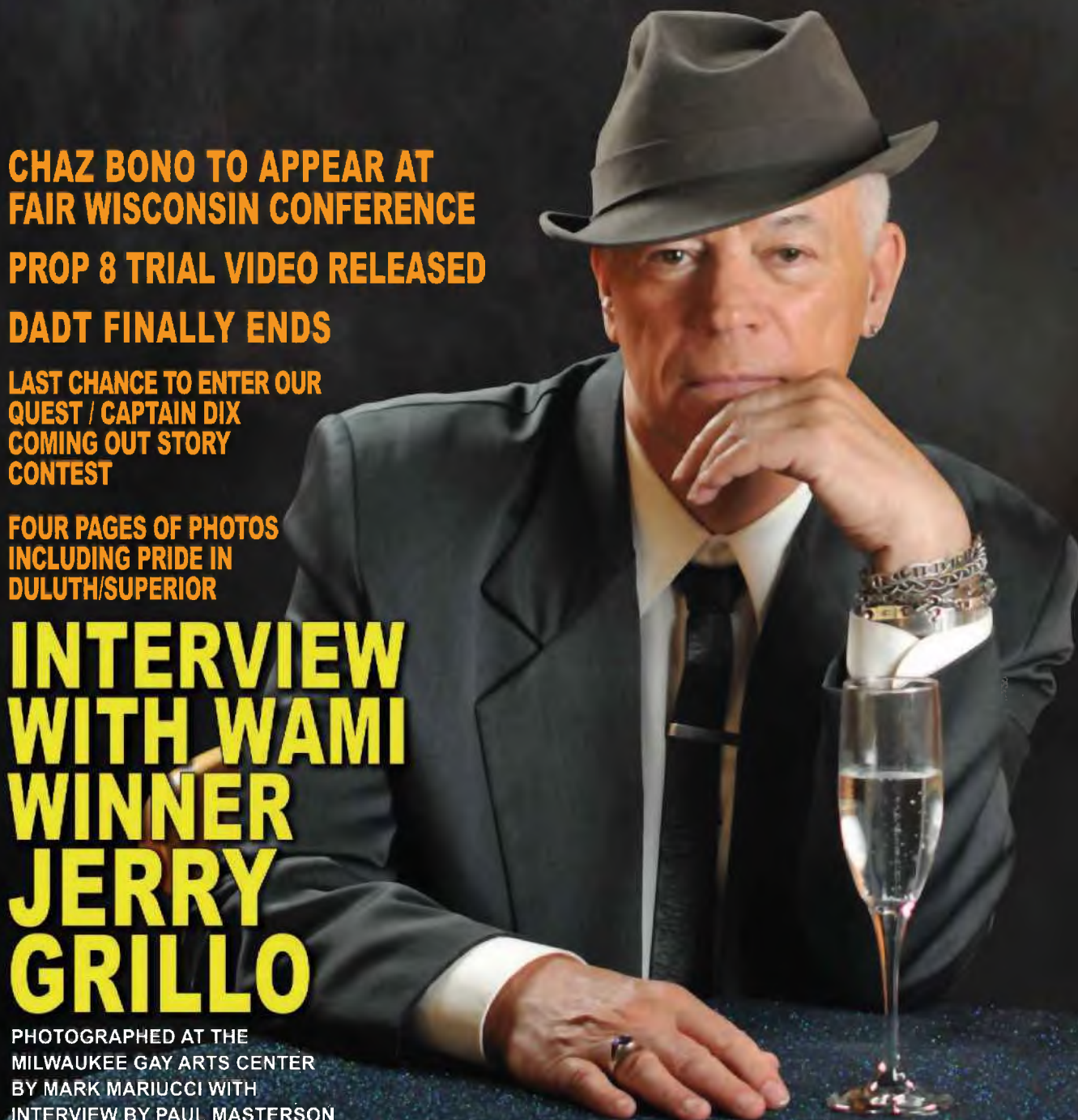
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IMPACT OF THE OVERTURNING OF DADT REVERBERATES ACROSS THE NATION

September 20, 2011, was the official end to Don't Ask, Don't Tell. Our inbox at Quest was inundated with press releases from all over the country as politicians and organizations weighed in on the end to the discriminatory practice in the military.

The ban on gays in the military is over 65 years old and has resulted in the discharge, some dishonorable, of approximately 125,000 men and women. The price of just the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" portion of these discharges is estimated to have cost American taxpayers over 300 million dollars in wasted training and in loss of highly skilled personnel.

Don't Ask, Don't Tell opponent and litigant Colonel Grethe Cammermeyer, (US ARMY, Ret.) along with Rev. Dusty Pruitt (MAJ, USAR, Ret.) and J. Lee Watton (Navy WAVE), author of the new memoir OUT OF STEP about a 1965 Navy witch hunt, held a press conference on Wednesday, Sept 21, 1:30 p.m. at Annie's Paramount Steak House, in Washington, DC. They commented on the overturning of the U.S. military's Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy, and

answered current critics of gays serving openly and talked about the personal consequences of the long-standing gay ban.

"Homosexuals in the military have been targeted, investigated...discarded, considered incompatible with military life, and accused of undermining morale and discipline," Cammermeyer said.

Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin who is running for the Senate seat held by retiring Herb Kohl commented, "Today marks a new chapter in our nation's continuing quest for equal rights for all. With the end of 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell,' America's armed forces are stronger, our policies are fairer, and our moral compass guides a truer course.

My thoughts, today, are with all those gay men and lesbians who suffered directly or indirectly because of discriminatory policies in our military. The injustice they endured is not undone by today's events. But, I also think of all the young men and women who now have great opportunities to serve their country and live their lives honestly and openly. I am grate-

ful for this day."

Other politicians Senators Lieberman and Collins stated good riddance DADT, and GLADD joined in on the celebrations.

At the DOD News Briefing with Secretary Panetta and Adm. Mullen from the Pentagon, Secretary Leon Panetta stated, "First of all, let me acknowledge that this is an historic day for the Pentagon and for the nation. As of 12:01 a.m. this morning, we have the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," pursuant to the law that was passed by the Congress last December. Thanks to this change, I believe we move closer to achieving the goal at the foundation of the values that America's all about -- equality, equal opportunity and dignity for all Americans.

As Secretary of Defense, I am committed to removing all of the barriers that would prevent Americans from serving their country and from rising to the highest level of responsibility that their talents and capabilities warrant. These are men and women who put their lives on the line in the defense of this country, and that's what should matter the most.

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FAIR WISCONSIN EDUCATION FUND ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE WITH CHAZ BONO

Madison - Fair Wisconsin Education Fund announced the launch of an exciting, new and innovative project entitled: *The First Annual Fair Wisconsin Leadership Conference: Connecting Leaders, Advancing the Movement*. The Leadership Conference will take place January 13-15, 2012 at the Hilton in downtown Milwaukee. This conference aims to build capacity among both established and emerging leaders in the LGBT movement through a series of workshops, panels and networking opportunities.

Fair Wisconsin Education Fund is also very proud to reveal that Chaz Bono, national transgender activist and son of Cher and Sonny Bono, fresh off this fall's season of *Dancing With The Stars*, will deliver the keynote address at the Saturday evening gala dinner of the Leadership Conference.

"We're very excited for this opportunity to bring together Wisconsin leaders in the LGBT and allied community and together strengthen the movement for equality," said Executive Director, Katie Belanger. "The addition of Mr. Bono, a nationally recognized leader in the LGBT community, highlights the importance of Wisconsin and our work to advance equality in our state."

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APPLETON COMMON COUNCIL APPROVES DOMESTIC PARTNER BENEFITS

Appleton - September 8, 2011, members of the Appleton Common Council approved a measure granting health care and related benefits to the registered domestic partners of city employees by a vote of 10 to 6.

Alderman Christoph Wahl supported the move, saying it will level the playing field for all employees.

Alderman Jeff Jirschele wanted to only offer sick leave and bereavement leave to same-sex couples because of budget concerns. The city estimates the full benefit package will cost an extra \$100,000 a year, and Jirschele says that's something the city can't afford.

Jirschele says at the same time they're adding benefits, they're asking city employees to go without a raise next year.

The new policy ends the practice of allowing workers to bank sick days. It also limits the number of vacation days employees can carry over to the following year.

The decision will make Appleton a more competitive recruiter, said Mayor Tim Hanna. "We do want to be able to attract good, talented employees and retain good, talented employees and level the playing field in terms of access to benefits," Hanna told council members.

"This decision marks an important victory for fairness. Appleton's vision for creating an inclusive and welcoming workplace makes them a leader in our efforts to build a more fair and just state for all Wisconsinites," stated Katie Belanger, Executive Director of Fair Wisconsin.

"On behalf of Fair Wisconsin, the Board of Directors and more than 20,000 members and activists statewide, I thank the Mayor Timothy Hanna and the Common Council, including Alders Teege Mettelle, Christoph Wahl and Kole Oswald, and Appleton Human Resources Director Sandy Neisen for their visionary leadership."

As the statewide lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) advocacy organization, Fair Wisconsin is proud to have worked closely with the Mayor's Office and members of the Common Council to support the inclusion of domestic partner benefits in the city budget. Providing domestic partner benefits and creating a more inclusive workplace is a critical step toward building a stronger, more diverse workforce that will lead the Fox Valley and Wisconsin in the years ahead.

With the passage of this measure, the City of Appleton has joined a growing number of employers who already grant their employees these critical protections, including the State of Wisconsin, both the City and County of Milwaukee and Marquette University, as well as top Wisconsin private sector employers like Kimberly-Clark, Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin, Aurora Health Care and MillerCoors.

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Paul Masterson Interviews WAMI winner Jerry Grillo

Most gay men have a diva, if not several, in their lives. Today it might be Beyonce, Lady Gaga or Madonna. For WAMI winner Jerry Grillo, they are the names that shaped the grand gay sensitivity of the 20th Century: Barbra Streisand, Lisa Minelli, Gwen Verdon and, of course, Judy Garland. They're the divas with which many of us grew up. Their music inspired us and made us aware of that certain something that made us different.

QUEST spoke with jazz singer and Milwaukee musical icon Jerry Grillo about his WAMI award and his upcoming special musical tribute to those seductive singing Sirens of our past.

QUEST: Let's start with the WAMI. How did you come to receive this prestigious award?

Jerry Grillo: Every year, the Wisconsin Area Music Industry, WAMI, nominates Wisconsin artists for each of its awards for achievement and contributions made in the various musical genres. There are around 20 categories but only one for Jazz. There were five bands in my category. I was the only individual performer. And, well, I got it. I guess it was for all I've done in Jazz over the last 20 years.

QUEST: Did you expect it?

JG: No! I was shocked when they announced my name. It was the last thing I ever expected. I knew I was nominated, of course, but I just attended the WAMI Awards Banquet to be there. I never thought I'd get one. It's amazing now how many people have approached me and told me I deserved it. I'm shy and never really acknowledge my own talent so it was awkward for me, actually.

QUEST: Congratulations!

JG: Thank you. The award validates something I do and that's a wonderful compliment. I know the other groups and they're all great. I got a WAMI. It's the only thing I can say about myself.

QUEST: So, what about the concert?



JG: It's called *Songs Made Famous by Women*. It's something I've been working on over the years. I did an early version at the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center as a fundraiser for SAGE. That was a few years ago. And, I've done it in Chicago. It's a little different now. The show is aimed at Broadway and the movies.

QUEST: One doesn't associate jazz with the gay scene necessarily. Obviously, though, with names like Garland and Streisand, there's a very gay connection.

JG: You're right. The gay community doesn't usually patronize jazz events. But this show, because it's Broadway and film related, lends itself to the gay angle. That's the intention. The women whose songs I perform are icons in the gay community. Jazz is a preference but really, the LGBT community is a bunch of closeted Jazz people without even knowing it. The music comes from some of the more famous shows that are a staple of gay life.

QUEST: And where are you doing the show?

JG: It will be at the Wherehouse on Water Street at the end of National Avenue, near Kruz. Paul Mueller, the owner, is very accommodating. He sets up cabaret tables and creates a nightclub atmosphere. The room is wonderful. It's a perfect venue because it's very open and has high ceilings so the sound can be really loud. It will sound like Broadway. The place gives intensity to the music and this gives me energy. The audience responds accordingly. And, despite that large sound, there's an intimacy there. The space allows me to do what I want. There's a stage but I like the move around the audience.

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QUEST: Name some of the shows and songs you'll be doing.

JG: The shows...let's see... *The Fantastiks*... that's the first show I did. I played the part of the boy. Then there's *Stop the World I want to get Off*, *Damn Yankees*, *Boy from Oz*, and some others. There will be 14 songs, about an hour and a half with an intermission.

Russ Long is my accompanist. He plays on a grand piano and pedal bass. He's Chicago's first call cabaret pianist. If a people can't get him, they reschedule for when he's available or they don't do it at all. He's a genius and can pull any tune out of his head.

QUEST: And why just women's songs?

JG: Because I love them all. I do Bennett and Sinatra all the time. That's my standard repertoire. And I do them because these are songs men don't do because they're associated with women. A lot of singers don't think it's appropriate for a man to sing them. I have no problem with that.

QUEST: So jazz singers don't cross genders, so to speak, even if a song is popular or just good?

JG: No. Sinatra never did women's songs. Some singers may be closeted and afraid of doing them for fear it could be taken as a hint. Besides, women's songs are tough. Besides, I started with musical theatre and I thought, 'why not go back to it?' And this is easier without the production of a show. I get to sing all the good songs. It takes me back to what I was doing when I was in my twenties.

QUEST: No doubt it takes your audience back as well.

JG: Streisand started with Broadway. Then she went pop. Now she's gone back to jazz standards and maybe that's it too. The audience wants to go back to those times. I'm happy to take them there.

Songs made Famous by Women is a one-performance only event at the Wherehouse on Sunday, November 13. Curtain is 6 pm. The show is free but there will be a two drink minimum.

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Out Loud Now

A New Movement for LGBT Understanding in the Countryside

By Paul Masterson

For Wisconsin's LGBT urbanites gay life is always getting better. Of course, for both individuals and their families, the rites of passage - like coming out, health issues or the daily trials and tribulations of relationships - present typical challenges. But given the dozens of LGBT groups and organizations, there are resources available to suit almost any need. Google "gay Milwaukee" and the first entry is the "Milwaukee Gay Arts Center" followed by listings for bars, Milwaukee LGBT History and dozen of other services. Google "gay Germantown" and a local therapist comes up. The other listings are all in Milwaukee.

Natasha Harvey is all too familiar with the lack of LGBT resources in the Wisconsin countryside. She's young, energetic and socially engaged. But there's something boyish about her. She's legally female but in Germantown just outside of Milwaukee most people have known her as a male. Her family, aside from her grandmother, doesn't get it. Her job didn't get it. She left it out of fear for her safety. She understands the need for support.

Her solution to her own problems, and those of other LGBT people in rural areas, is *Out Loud Now*. "The idea is to create a support group for people who are coming out. We have nothing out here. There's no PFLAG, or youth groups, or bars. My concern is that there are LGBT people, and LGBT friendly people, out in the suburbs with no place to go. Right now the concept is an on-line social network at Facebook.com/groups/screamit but eventually we hope to find a friendly space where we can meet," Harvey said.

For Harvey and her like-minded friends the reality is that the rural mindset is open but just uninformed. "Kids get mixed messages from their parents. Some are very homophobic. I've received death threats, been held up at gunpoint, and gone through a lot of tough stuff. But on the other hand, once, at my job, a man confessed he was attracted to me. He said he wasn't gay and asked what that made him. The fact he was so honest about it and wanted to learn about his feelings gave me hope. People are intolerant out of ignorance. *Lout Loud Now* intends to address that," Harvey said.

Out Loud Now has plans for a bimonthly magazine. It will appear in print and on-line. It will contain coming out stories, informational articles and a directory of LGBT friendly businesses.

The Out Loud Masquerade September 30

Local entertainer Travis Hard is the nascent group's event coordinator. She's organizing a fund

raising event on September 30 at the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center to support the *Out Loud Now* project. Called *The Out Loud Masquerade*, the evening's program starts at 8pm with a dance and talk back about Out Loud Now. "It's a masquerade. People can come in a mask if they want. We plan on creating masks during the event and auctioning them off as part of the fundraising aspect.

Then the show starts at 9:30pm. It features Natasha Harvey and BrewCity Boiz & Babez, among others," Hard said.

Admission is \$7 at the door with a special \$5 discounted ticket for students with ID. Admission is limited to ages 17 & up. The Milwaukee Gay Arts Center is located at 703 South 2nd Street in Milwaukee's historic Walker's Point neighborhood.

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BALDWIN RUNNING FOR SENATE TO FIGHT FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS

Madison - Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) has officially announced her candidacy for the U.S. Senate – vowing to stand up for the middle class, “no matter how tough the odds or how powerful the special interests it means fighting against.”

“The middle class is getting slammed and no one seems to be listening. Well, I’m listening,” Baldwin said in a video message sent to Wisconsin voters and supporters. “I think the political games have to stop and we should get this country working for the middle class. That’s why I’m running for the Senate.”

Baldwin also pledged to fight bring our troops home from Afghanistan and redirect resources to creating jobs and rebuilding America’s crumbling roads and bridges; to help small businesses get access to the capital they need to grow; and to cut the debt in a principled way so that all pay their fair share.

Never afraid to take on tough challenges, Baldwin cited her early opposition to the Iraq War and her strong stands against bad policies that led to our current financial crisis, like her vote against overturning the Glass-Steagall Act that had prevented big banks from engaging in risky and economically dangerous practices.

“Serving the people of our great state, I’ve always been honest about who I am and what I stand for,” said Baldwin. “This election isn’t about me, it’s about the middle class Wisconsin families I’m fighting for, plain and simple.”

Editor’s Note: This press release arrived the day before we hit the streets with last issue so this is an older item. It is included here because of the importance of everyone’s vote, and we know this may still be news to some of our readers.

RIC-FEST NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER AND RIC FEST VII, A GLBT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER ANNOUNCED

Milwaukee - The Ricardo Correa Scholarship Foundation picked its first national recipient in July 2011. At the National Ed. Association Convention in Chicago a selection committee, made up of past & current chairs of the NEA-GLBT Caucus, the chair of the Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity (SOGI) committee, along with other SOGI committee members, male & female members from around the country picked Melvin Rodriguez as this year’s recipient. All of the top candidates could have been the winner; they were that good!

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Wisconsin Gay Author/Activist Publishes Third Book



Green Bay author and LGBT activist, Paul "Cricket" Jacob, has released his third book. **THE FREETHINKING HUMANIST** chronicles the key events and the individuals responsible for the 'free thought' and 'humanist' movements.

While respecting religious diversity and the positive messages delivered through a variety of theologies, many, like Jacob, cannot overlook the oppressive, judgmental and divisive nature of competing faith-based religions. Jacob explores the early Church's refusal to let scientific discoveries interfere with its teachings, and how the Church-sanctioned Inquisitions punished those who thought 'outside the bible'. "*The luckier of history's greatest thinkers faced imprisonment, while many of the less fortunate were burned at the stake.*" The book is a wonderful reference tool which includes: The Humanist Manifestos I, II & III; Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs and 16 Traits of Self-Actualizers, Ted Turner's Ten Voluntary Initiatives, a listing of the Greek Gods, the history of the Christmas and Easter holidays, pages of incisive quotes from history's greatest thinkers, and a listing of freethinking and humanist organizations in the United States and around the world. Jacob was a guest author at the 2009 Fox Cities Book Festival and is a familiar presenter at LGBT-related and sexual health-related functions throughout northeast Wisconsin. This book release follows **THE AWAKENING DREAM – Journey On The Wings Of A Thousand Angels** (publ. 2008) and **HOW WE SHOULD THINK: The Intersections Of Philosophical Thought** (2010). All three books are available via the author's website: www.pdjacob.com or the publisher: www.lulu.com.

Melvin graduated from high school in Houston, Texas in May 2011 and is attending the University of Houston as a Government major as a political activist. He was an intern with the Mayor's Youth Council his senior year, which promotes leadership initiative among teenagers. He worked to repeal Don't Ask Don't Tell, and the passage of the Dream Act. He felt so isolated from his family and his peers after coming out of the closet that he attempted suicide as a sophomore. It was his teachers and guidance counselor who gave him the courage to accept being a proud, gay, Hispanic student. "I found a way to truly be myself and to not be afraid to go after my dreams," he wrote. "Once I stopped caring what other people saw me as, I learned to love and accept myself, and I discovered what a beautiful thing that is." Down the road, he sees himself working with gay youth, like the Trevor Project, through advocacy and activism, helping students achieve their own personal ambitions and dreams! Melvin is a truly, amazing individual; the Ricardo Correa Scholarship Foundation is truly honored to have him as our first national scholarship winner!

Ric Fest VII has begun with a bang!

Eight local, Wisconsin LGBT scholarships have been given out in the past six years, and our first national scholarship was given out this summer.

We have a number of events planned for the fall to help raise money for the Ricardo Correa Scholarship Foundation. There are a few beer busts, drag shows, and karaoke contests planned for the bars. We plan on a lot of mini-Ric Fests around the city. To get the complete schedule, go to ricfest.org; go to the Ric Fest page; and scroll down to Fall 2011 schedule.

We started Ric Fest with a Zumba Ric Fest on Sept. 17, 2011. It raised hundreds with a lot of sweat and fun with a Latin flare. Thanks goes out to our Zumba master, Christopher Lee Jansen, for organizing the dancercise; and for getting Ric Fest off to a great start!

Hybrid will be hosting our first mini-Ric Fest with a beer bust on Oct. 1st, 4-8:00 p.m. With a couple extra dollars for the beer bust, participants get a NEA-Drag Queen Caucus t-shirt from our national fundraiser. Come down after the AIDS Walk and have a little fun! On Tuesday, Oct. 4, Hybrid will have our first karaoke Ric Fest with prizes. Bring your friends and family! The winners will be picked by the audience's applause!

Triangle is our next destination for a mini-Ric Fest. They've been raising money already with jello shots. Oct. 5, Wed., is a karaoke contest with prizes. Oct. 6, Thurs., Gia hosts a drag show that can't be missed. Oct. 8, Sat. will round out Tri-

gle's Ric Fest with another drag show hosted by Baby Jane Hudson at 10:00 p.m.! Stop in beforehand and ask about the fundraiser they've been having and have a jello shot!

Kruz with the help of the Castaways will be hosting a beer bust on Sun., Oct. 9, 3-7 p.m. The money from the 50/50 raffle and raffle tickets will go to the GLBT scholarship foundation. Stop in and see all the prizes that will be finding new homes!

Finally, at the end of the month and in November, there will be Ric Fests at Mona's, BTW, Club 5 in Madison, Walker's Pint, and Frank's Power Plant. There are other bars that will be involved and listed as soon as dates can be confirmed. The dates and times will be in the next Quest or can be found on the website: ricfest.org. Get out and support the GLBT scholarship fundraiser, but most importantly support the bars that have made the fundraiser possible!

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A New Surge for SAGE

By Paul Masterson

On September 12, over thirty SAGE Milwaukee members, a third of the present dues paying membership, met at its office on Farwell Avenue to determine the group's future course. The result proved the resilience of the group's membership and its willingness to support the community's only organization for LGBT seniors.

Since last winter, the SAGE has been without an executive director. At that time, a unanimous vote of the board terminated the former ED. In the interim, board president Dawn Schmidt has been fulfilling leadership duties and overseeing a holding pattern as the board of directors sorts out the organization's administrative issues and finances. Some members, impatient with a perceived lack of the group's progress, recently held a series of meetings without the board to determine how SAGE could navigate through its current problems.

According to Schmidt, for all intents and purposes, the current board had managed to maintain SAGE's ability to offer the same services as before. "Admittedly, we're at a delicate point. De-

spite the turmoil, social events, the newsletter, and the social worker are all on target and continue uninterrupted. We even participated in the Pride Parade and the Health & Wellness Area at PrideFest where we delivered our message to hundreds, if not thousands, of people," Schmidt said. But, the discontent of the few proved to be too much for the board. Its members announced their resignations effective at the end of October.

The board then called a special meeting for members to discuss SAGE's future. "The idea was to give members a voice. A new board could be formed or the organization as we know it would be dissolved," Schmidt said.

The September 12 meeting proved successful in renewing membership enthusiasm and confidence. Seven members agreed to be on the new board. They include former board members as well as several well known community activists as well. Those who offered to serve on the SAGE board are Rosemary Caravella, Dr. Robert Carpenter, Allan Kurth, Michael Lisowski, Bill Retrum, Barbara Shapiro, and Si Smits. Others

volunteered for various office positions such as maintenance of the SAGE media library, administrative duties and general upkeep.

Schmidt, who will remain as board president, indicated the current board would elect the new members at their next meeting on October 13. However, that leaves the transition phase with one major piece missing. "What remains is to finalize the job description for the executive director. Once that is in place, we can begin the search. The trick is to find someone who sees the whole picture. SAGE is more than social events and in order to bring SAGE forward, the new ED needs to be a person with energy and the ability to write grants and communicate with other agencies and the community. We need someone who can get SAGE on track financially," Schmidt said.

In the meantime, the board will consider engaging a volunteer interim executive director. After the meeting, Schmidt assessed SAGE's situation optimistically. "The meeting took a positive direction. The membership expressed its appreciation for the work of the current board so with that show of support, SAGE can move forward. The new board will rely on that inspiration to get us back on track. It gives us all hope for the future," Schmidt said.

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Email: editor@quest-online.com. Or mail it to Quest, P.O. Box 1961 Green Bay WI 54305

All entries must be received by Thursday, October 6. Three winners will be published in Quest and also receive a weekend stay at Captain Dix, 4124 River Road, Wisconsin Dells over October 14 & 15. You must be over 18 to enter and live in Wisconsin. There is no cost to enter, however, only one story per person allowed.

NATIONAL NEWS BITES

VICTORY FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE:

District Court Rules Proposition 8 Trial Tapes Should Be Released to Public

Chief Judge James Ware: *"Transparency is pivotal to the public perception of the judiciary's legitimacy and independence."*

San Francisco -U.S. District Court Chief Judge James Ware ruled that the video recordings of the Proposition 8 trial (Perry v. Brown) should be released to the public. Plaintiffs had asked the District Court to unseal the video recordings of the Prop. 8 trial, citing the strong presumption of public access to judicial records and the lack of any factual evidence by Proponents to keep the video secret. Prop. 8 was ruled unconstitutional in August 2010.

The American Foundation for Equal Rights (AFER) is the sole sponsor of the Perry lawsuit.

Judge Ware agreed with Plaintiffs, stating, "Foremost among the aspects of the federal judicial system that foster public confidence in the fairness and integrity of the process are public access to trials and public access to the record of judicial proceedings. Consequently, once an item is placed in the record of judicial proceedings, there must be compelling reasons for keeping that item secret. In the course of the non-jury trial of this case, at the direction of the presiding judge, court staff made a digital recording of the trial. After the close of the evidence, the judge ordered the clerk of court to file that digital recording under seal. The trial record is closed and the case is currently on appeal to the Ninth Circuit."

Chad Griffin, AFER Board President said, "This is a significant victory for the American people, who will soon be able to see the evidence put forward by both sides in this historic federal trial. Unlike political campaigns, in a court of law, the truth and facts are all that matter. When witnesses take the stand, they are under oath and under penalty of perjury, and their statements are subjected to cross-examination and scrutiny. The public will soon see the extraordinarily weak case that the anti-marriage Proponents presented in a desperate attempt to de-

fend this discriminatory law."

During the Prop. 8 trial, then-Chief Judge Vaughn Walker allowed the entire trial proceedings to be videotaped. Because the trial tapes are now part of the District Court record and record on appeal, Plaintiffs contended that the First Amendment and the common law establish a strong presumption that these judicial records be open to the public.

September 6, the public will get a chance to see what happened during the Prop. 8 trial through the production of "8", a play written by AFER Founding Board Member and Academy-Award winning writer Dustin Lance Black and directed by Tony Award-winning actor and director Joe Mantello.

The all-star cast includes Ellen Barkin, Anthony Edwards, Morgan Freeman, Cheyenne Jackson, Christine Lahti, John Lithgow, Rob Reiner, Yeardley Smith and Bradley Whitford.

Black, who penned the Academy-Award winning feature film "Milk," based "8" on the actual words of the trial transcripts, first-hand observations of the courtroom drama and interviews with the plaintiffs and their families. It premiered September 6 at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre in New York City. All proceeds benefited AFER. "8" and will now be replicated by regional and college theatre groups around the country.

GEORGE TAKEI, GOOGLE TO BE HONORED BY HORIZONS FOUNDATION

Gala celebration will take place at the Fairmont San Francisco on October 1

SAN FRANCISCO, CA – Horizons Foundation today announced that actor George Takei will receive the Visionary Award at its gala celebration on Saturday, October 1, 2011. Best known for his role as Mr. Sulu on Star Trek, Mr. Takei has been deeply involved in civic affairs throughout his life, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) rights, politics, and Japan-United States relations. While he had been out for years, Mr. Takei spoke publicly about being gay in 2005 after then-Governor Schwarzenegger vetoed a marriage equality bill in California. He and his long-time partner Brad Altman married in 2008.

"Throughout his life, George Takei has come face to face with marginalization—as a child living in an internment camp for Japanese-Americans, as an Asian-American actor in Hollywood, and as an out gay man," said Roger Doughty, Horizons Foundation's Executive Director. "At every turn, he put his energy into finding positive solutions, whether running for office or setting out on his Equality Trek, and has done so with humor and grace. Horizons is thrilled to honor him with our Visionary Award."

The evening will also recognize Google with the Cornerstone Award for its outstanding work on behalf of the LGBT community and its LGBT employees. Recent examples include adding benefits to put their LGBT employees on equal footing with their straight coworkers, participating in the It Gets Better project, giving in-kind and financial support to a range of LGBT nonprofits, and publicly opposing Proposition 8. "Google is one of the companies setting the standard for corporate responsibility when it comes to the LGBT community," said Doughty.

Following the dinner, attendees will enjoy a decadent dessert buffet and casino-themed after-party in the legendary Tonga Room. Supporters will also have a chance to bid on a range of donated items that include vacations, fine dining, wine, and more. Leading up to the event, Horizons will also host an online auction, which opens September 15.

Horizons Foundation's gala will take place on Saturday, October 1, at the Fairmont San Francisco, 950 Mason Street in San Francisco, CA. Information on purchasing tickets (dinner/casino party or casino party-only) and other details about the gala and its sponsors can be found at www.horizonsfoundation.org/gala or by calling 415.398.2333 x115.

Founded in 1980, Horizons was the world's first community foundation focused exclusively on LGBT issues. Since the beginning, Horizons has provided more than \$22 million in financial support to community organizations and causes in areas ranging from youth to elders, from LGBT arts and culture to civil rights advocacy. Horizons' grant-making is guided by over 30 years of expertise and deeply informed by direct community participation. For more information, visit www.horizonsfoundation.org or call 415.398.2333.

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8TH ANNUAL RAINBOW OVER WISCONSIN DINNER, AUCTION & SHOW "FIT FOR A QUEEN"

Appleton – This year's Rainbow Over Wisconsin signature fund-raising dinner, auction and show will be a gala "Fit For A Queen." Members of Perfect Harmony, Madison's fabulous gay men's show chorus, will offer a tribute to the music of Freddie Mercury and Queen on the eve of the 20th anniversary of the iconic singer's passing. Perfect Harmony will rock attendees with "Glee-ful" renditions of Queen's greatest hits from "We Are The Champions" to "Bohemian Rhapsody."

The November 19 event at the Liberty Hall Banquet and Convention Center in Kimberly will also feature a post-dinner show by nationally-touring Chez Bouché troupe. Chez Bouché will offer up their 21st century spin on burlesque with performances in the style of contemporary queens such as Lady Gaga, Adam Lambert, and Nicole Kidman. The show also will highlight the laugh out loud comic styling of veteran comedian and illusionist Randy Bouché. Chez Bouché will offer a one-of-a-kind mix of dance, comedy, puppetry, magic and mime attendees won't soon forget.

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Emceeding the night's festivities will be WFRV-TV 5 news anchor Erin Davisson. The long time news anchor consistently ranks as one of northeast Wisconsin's most believed and respected news reporters, Erin can be seen Monday through Friday hosting the Noon and 6 PM newscasts on the station.



The evening will begin with cocktails at 6 PM. A silent auction of treasures perfect for home, office or upcoming holiday gift giving will run from 6-7:30 PM.

Dinner will be served at 7:30 PM. The menu will offer family-style dining featuring sliced Prime Rib of Beef, Chicken Marsala plus vegetarian options. Entertainment will begin during the meal and follow as part of the post dinner program that also feature a live auction and awards.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit Rainbow Over Wisconsin, central, eastern and northeast Wisconsin's gay "United Way," whose mission is to help enrich the quality of lives of our area's LGBT and allied communities. ROW programs include the annual Pride Alive festival in Green Bay; the Community Enrichment Fund grant program that provides funding to LGBT organizations and projects that enrich and expand the life of the area's gay community; the LGBT Roundtable program that facilitates quarterly networking opportunities for LGBT and allied community organizations and the Rainbow Connection informational outreach brochure racks offering pocket guide to area LGBT resources.

Advanced sale tickets for the 8th Annual "Evening With Rainbow Over Wisconsin" are \$40 each. Tables of 10 are \$400, with paid reservations. Invitations were mailed this week to hundreds of ROW supporters. Tickets are also available from ROW members, and Rascals in Appleton, the Napolese Lounge in Green Bay, PJs in Oshkosh and the Blue Lite in Sheboygan. Reservations may also be made online using credit cards via PayPal at: www.rainbowoverwisconsin.org. For additional information or to order reservations by phone call 920-437-0994.



Mike Lisowski sent Quest these snaps of awards being given out at a recent Equality WI Members Meeting. Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele and other county supervisors were recognized for their support of Domestic Partner Benefits for Milwaukee County employees.



Below: Belly dancing at the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center, featuring Mark Balahadia (center picture) and guests performing to an intimate crowd. Photos by Paul Masterson.





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PHOTOGRAPHER SCOTT PASFIELD APPEARS AT OUTWORDS BOOKS SAT., OCTOBER 15TH

Outwords Books will host a book launch and signing for Scott Pasfield's "Gay in America." This unique look into the lives of Gay America will begin at 2:00pm.

GAY IN AMERICA PORTRAITS BY SCOTT PASFIELD Introduction by TERRENCE McNALLY & TOM KIRDAHY



Photographer Scott Pasfield traveled 54,000 miles across all fifty states over a two-year span gathering stories and documenting the lives of 140 gay men from all walks of life. At turns joyful and somber, reflective and celebratory, each narrative and image is an enlightening look into the variety of gay life in the United States.

Pasfield's striking and perceptive portraits reflect the same beautiful diversity found in any sampling of our population. Each of these men is unique and whole, complex and fallible, just as we all are. They come in every size and shape, every religion, color, profession, and background. There are farmers, writers, doctors, lawyers, artists, teachers, students; there are fathers and husbands, activists, and business men. Some are successful, some are struggling, some are political, some are wealthy, some are wounded, and some are deeply content.

Scott Pasfield will offer a presentation and sign copies of "Gay in America" beginning at 2:00pm on Saturday, October 15th, 2011 at Outwords Books, Gifts & Coffee 2710 N. Murray Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53211 (414) 963-9089

This is a free event and all are welcome. Please arrive early since seating is limited.

Outwords Books "Top-5 Picks for September"

Terrific LGBT Murder Mystery Series

Lesbian Murder Mysteries:

1 When the Dancing Stops,

Therese Szymanski

When the Dancing Stops introduces readers to Brett Higgins, the tall broad-shouldered woman so often mistaken for a man. As lieutenant to the owner of a chain of adult bookstores and "entertainment centers," Brett Higgins walks the fine line between right and wrong, good and evil. Erotic dancer Storm knows right from the start who and what Brett is, and she likes it. The problem is, so many others - including police officer Allison Sullivan - like it too...

2. The Case of the Not-So-Nice Nurse,

Mabel Maney

In this artful, hilarious send-up of girls' fiction of the past, innocent, naive recent nursing school graduate Cherry Aimless is drawn into pursuing a "case" when a beautiful patient in her psych ward mysteriously disappears after a visit by a nun. What happened to the conventful of nuns, presumed kidnapped, from which the visiting sister came? Where is Aunt Gertrude? Will our heroines escape the midnight prowler?

3. The Blue Place, Nicola Griffith

Aud Torvingen is a former cop, martial artist, and Scandinavian to the core. She stalks powerfully through the streets of Atlanta and the fjords of Norway in search of an art thief and killer. Having descended more than once into that dark, cold psychic realm wherein violence provides primal pleasure, Aud is constantly wary of her fellow human beings. Then she finds herself falling in love with Julia, a smart, beautiful art dealer mixed up in the crime, and getting closer to finding the center of the danger in the icy north.

4. The Killing Room, Gerri Hill

Escaping to her cabin in the mountains after the shooting death of a young boy, Denver detective Jake McCoy meets psychologist Nicole Westbrook. The attraction is immediate but neither is ready for a relationship. Or are they?

5. Idaho Code, Joan Opyr

Small-town Idaho, where everyone knows your business, is no place for a baby dyke to go looking for love. Especially when murder and homophobia are stalking the streets. For Wilhelmina "Bil" Hardy, trapped in the coils of her eccentric family and off-the-wall friends, neither the course of true love nor amateur sleuthing runs smooth. Mistaken identity, misunderstandings, and mys-

teries galore take Bil to places she's never dreamed of visiting.

Gay Men's Murder Mysteries:

1. The Little Death, Michael

Henry Rios is introduced in this classic series as a troubled San Francisco public defender battling alcoholism and burnout. While investigating the murder of an old friend, he traces clues back to the man's own wealthy family. It is here that we first encounter Henry Rios's struggle to maintain his faith in a legal system caught between justice and corruption, a theme that will continue throughout the series.

2. Amuse Bouche, Anthony Bidulka

A gay wedding gone bad. A missing groom. An unsullied reputation at risk. Enter Russell Quant—cute, gay, and a rookie private detective. With a nose for good wine and bad lies, Quant is off to France on his first big case. From the smudgy streets of Paris, he cajoles and sleuths his way to the pastel-colored promenade of Sarny-sur-Mer.

3. The Back Passage, James Lear

An English country house, a family of wealthy eccentrics and a nonstop queer orgy backstairs and everywhere else mark this hilariously hard-core murder mystery that would make Agatha Christie blush!

4. Beach Reading, Mark Abramson

Gay tourists are arriving in San Francisco by the planeload for the party of the decade at the Moscone Center. On the same night, a infamous evangelist plans to bring his nationwide crusade against gay rights to the Civic Auditorium. For Tim, the fun and the intrigue are about to begin.

5. Closet, R.D. Zimmerman

From the first killing to the next, Todd Mills was at the center of the story. The son of Polish immigrants, Todd had changed his name and risen to the top of his field as a TV news reporter. Suddenly, the double life he'd hidden for so long was brutally uncovered: he was the secret lover of the first man to die. When Michael was murdered, Todd lost everything. Now he's out of the closet and under suspicion, desperately investigating the killings himself, moving through a world of gay bars, steamy nightclubs, and double identities—where the one secret that matters most belongs to a killer who will strike again . . . and again.

All of the above books and many more are available at Outwords Books, Gifts & Coffee located at 2710 N. Murray Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53211 (414) 963-9089 www.outwordsbooks.com

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Wednesday, September 28

Montage (Milwaukee) "Cover Up" A special edition of the Entertainer Spotlight show featuring artists who have done cover songs

Friday, September 30

Milwaukee Gay Arts Center Fundraiser Masquerade Ball for Out Loud organization. Are you afraid of coming out? Do you want to know how some people's coming stories have played out. We are here to talk. Come out and raise money for this great organization. 8pm doors open. 17+ \$7 cover, \$5 with student ID. Drag show starts 10pm with talk back after. email travishard4u@yahoo.com fmi

Saturday, October 1

AIDS WALK WISCONSIN

Captain Dix (Wisconsin Dells) Masquerade Party (see ad)

Kruz (Milwaukee) Lunch after the walk.

Madison Gay Video Club "Blackmail Boys" (TLA Rel., dir. Shumanski Bros., 2010) "Heatwave 1 & 2" (Lucas Ent., dir. Michael Lucas, 2010 & 2011) 8 PM, www.mgvc.org, 608-244-8690 (eve)

Pridetoberfest @ Marathon Park's Big Kitchen 12-5pm (see ad)

Sunday, October 2

Kaleidoscope Eatery (Green Bay) 10% of brunch sales to benefit AIDS Walk Wisconsin, 9:00am-2:00pm. Come out have some great food and help raise extra \$\$\$ for AIDS Walk.

Thursday, October 6

LGBT Business Luncheon (Milwaukee) Cream City Foundation presents Equality + Business Growth. 11:30 am - 1 pm WE Energies Public Service Auditorium (Please see ad this issue)

Saturday, October 8

Miramar Theater (Milwaukee) Miltown King's Mythology Show 9pm 8\$ cover 7\$cover if in myth based costume. 18+

Sunday, October 9

Kruz (Milwaukee) Castaways Beer Bust 3-7pm "Leather/Levi Harvest

Monday, October 10

Outwords Books (Milwaukee) Outwords Book Club in October for a discussion of The Third Buddha by Jameson Currier 7pm Jameson Currier expands his richly detailed storytelling to an international level, weaving together the intertwining stories of the search for a missing journalist in the Bamiyan region of Afghanistan with a young man's search for his older brother in Manhattan in the aftermath of 9/11 into a sweeping, multi-cultural novel of what it means to be a gay citizen of the world. Currier once again targets the big themes of modern gay life: identity, faith, homophobia, romance, and the complexity of relationships, but at the heart of The Third Buddha are the little acts of random kindness that continue to astonish in times of crisis and war.

Wednesday, October 12

Outwords Books (Milwaukee) The Lesbian Reading @ Outwords Books estselling novelist Jackie Calhoun join the Lesbian Reading Group will discuss Jackie's new romance, Looking for Julie @ 7:00pm.

Saturday, October 15

Madison Gay Video Club "Finding Mr. Wright" (Nanbar Pict., dir. Nancy Criss, 2011) "Take A Load Off" (Channel 1 Rel., dir. Chi Chi LaRue, 2011) 8 PM, www.mgvc.org, 608-244-8690 (eves)

Outwords Books (Milwaukee) Book Launch: Scott Pasfield's Gay In America 2pm Meet the Photographer in person.

Oz (Wausau) Chez Bouche 10:30 pm \$5 cover

Thursday, October 20 thru Sunday, October 23

24th Annual Milwaukee LGBT Film/Video Festival

Friday, October 21

Stage Q - Bartell Theatre (Madison) StageQ's comedy Ghost of a Chance 8:00pm

Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23 Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA Pageant

Saturday, October 29

Spectrum (Green Bay) goes to a Haunted House The Morgue Haunted house N5589 County Rd E De Pere, WI 54115-8529 meeting at Harmony Cafe at 7 to meet and have introductions then go to the Haunted House at around 7:30.

Milwaukee Gay Arts Center GAMMA Halloween Costume Mix 'n Mingle 8-11 pm Lite refreshments & cash beer/wine bar

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LEAVE IT ON THE FLOOR

**Screening: Saturday, October 22 @ 7:00pm
UWM Union Cinema**

Although PrideFest might reign supreme in Milwaukee's LGBT social calendar, there is perhaps no event quite like the Milwaukee LGBT Film/Video Festival to touch that arctic block of ice where Glenn's heart ought to be. As soon as there is a nip in the air and as the first leaves are caught in autumn's gentle breeze only to come a-tumbling to the ground, Glenn is heard to cry, "Oh my," Glenn's breath frosting the windowpane, "it's film festival weather!"

Again, suitable apologies, please, to the estate of Truman Capote.

Frankly, Glenn longs for the return to the Festival's traditional 11-day format; day after day offering the joy of seeing friends, queuing up at the UWM Union Cinema for tickets or popcorn. And all the while discussing films already screened, which other films have been deemed unmissable. Sage wisdom suggests the benefits of the Festival's new format. Still...

Yet, even as the Festival's format has changed, so too has Glenn's coverage. Worry not, loyal readers. The next issue of **Quest**, which hits newsstands on Thursday, October 13, will offer full and complete coverage of the 24th Milwaukee LGBT Film/Video Festival which begins on Thursday, October 20th. Opening Night this year features a 7:00pm screening of the acclaimed gay romantic drama **Weekend** at the fabulous Oriental Theatre.

In this issue, however, Glenn opts not to review the Opening Night offering as usual but rather the film Glenn wishes would have been chosen: Sheldon Larry's exuberant depiction of Los Angeles's phenomenon of competitive drag balls, **Leave it on the Floor**.

Glenn Gaylord's screenplay offers a familiar premise. Kicked out after his mother catches him watching gay porn, Brad (sexy newcomer Ephraim Sykes) decides to head to Los Angeles. There Brad finds a home and a surrogate family



in much the same way as did Frederick Weller's Matty Dean after stumbling off the bus in June, 1969 NYC and ending up at the Stonewall riots in 1995's **Stonewall** or Laura Linney's transcendent Mary Ann found 28 Barbary Lane at the end of her personal rainbow.

Specifically, Brad finds himself adopted by a group of drag queens who compete in monthly balls held at downtown L.A. dance clubs. Brad is initial mystified. "So what's the point?" he asks upon experiencing his first competition, "Just a bunch of fucked up bitches strutting on a runway for a bunch of bowling trophies?" Whereupon his new friend and soon ardent admirer, Princess (Philip Evelyn), launches into a musical introduction: "Ballroom Bliss."

Ah, yes, loyal **Quest** reader, **Leave it on the Floor** is indeed a musical.

Princess is a member of the "House of Eminence" governed with tough love by Queef Latina (Miss Barbie-Q). Princess might welcome Brad into his home, more specifically to his bed but house mother Queef Latina is not so easily sold on our young hero. Wary of anyone who might cause her family problems, she keeps an ever watchful eye as Brad slowly ingratiates himself into their lives.

In proper musical fashion, at its heart, **Leave it on the Floor** is a love story. From the moment

Full Price, Matinee or wait 'til the Budgets...

Much as **Tales of the City** and indeed, **Paris is Burning**, **Leave it on the Floor** is about families, as much about the surrogate families we create as the biological families who often reject us. Brad's is just one of many such stories. Once introduced, Brad quickly takes a backseat to the House of Eminence's powerhouse mother hen, Queef Latina, in a standout performance by Miss Barbie-Q. Phillip Evelyn easily essays the role of Princess, a diva who has all the right moves. Adding heart to the proceedings is James Alsop who is endearing as the pregnancy-obsessed Eppie.

As is often the case with musicals, whether on stage and on screen, **Leave it on the Floor** is at its best when in song, particularly when the songs are as good as those here provided by Kimberly Burse (music) with lyrics by Glenn Gaylord. Plus, there's Frank Gatson Jr.'s exuberant choreography ranges from Brad and Carter's sexy rooftop duet to the particularly the rousing "Knock the Muthaf*kk**s Down" cleverly staged in a suitably atmospheric bowling alley. If only Gaylord's screenplay had managed to rise to similar heights.

Highly recommended!

Just the facts...

Leave it on the Floor screens on Saturday, October 22 @ 7:00pm **Leave it on the Floor** has a running time of 105 minutes and is in English. All about "**Leave it on the Floor**" @ <http://www.ballmusical.com>
Find complete schedule information at arts.uwm.edu/lgbtfilm/?

that Brad spies Carter at the convenience mart, there are serious sparks. But will Princess get there first?

And along the way we get a peek into their lives, often accompanied by sensationally staged musical numbers.

Queef Latina's hard-earned fierceness is revealed in the plaintive, heartfelt anthem, "I'm Willing." Princess' dreams and aspirations emerge in the toe-tappin' "Justin's Gonna Call" while Andre Myer's lovelorn Carter gets the Eleven O'clock Number, "This is My Lament."

Only one question remains: Will Queef Latina and her House of Eminence get their tens?



The ever growing Pride-fest of the Duluth-Superior area got a sparked start with a commencement speech by the dual Mayors, along with a great festival at the Bayfront Park in Duluth. Then came the partying; it was shoulder to shoulder in both the Main Club & the Flame, which had it's outside block party with a live band & cooperation of the neighborhood, which got involved with the festivities of the night! Sunday's parade with nice crisp weather was enjoyed by all, escorted professionally by Superior police down the main street of Tower Ave for our parade. Of course, the Fruit Float Escursion had sold out early in the festivities, and the Foo-Foo Choo-Choo train party was also a success. We look forward to a bigger and yet better crowd and party next year!

Photos and story by Donnie L. Larkin and JD Anthony (Lil' Mocatin)





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Lesbian Alliance
252 E Highland Ave. Milw, 53202 (414) 272-9442
lamm@milwpc.com

LBGT Center of SE WI
1456 Junction Ave., Racine, WI 53403 (262) 664-4100
info@lgbtsewisc.org

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www.7riverslgbt.org

Log Cabin Republicans
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membership@lcrwi.com

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www.mklgbt.org

Pathfinders
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info@tccmilw.org
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Queer Zine Archive Project
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milwgc@yahoo.com
milwaukeekeegayartscenter.org

Milw Gay Volleyball Assoc.
www.milwaukeekeegayvolleyball.com
director@milwaukeekeegayvolleyball.com

Milwaukee Pride Parade
PO Box 0091 Milw., WI 53201 (414) 607-3793
www.prideparademke.org

PrideFest (414) 272-3378
PO Box 511763, Milw., 53203 www.pridefest.com

Saturday Softball League
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www.shoreline-milw.org

Theatrical Tendencies
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Wauwatosa, WI 53213
414-755-2700

Women's Voices Milwaukee
5505 W. Lloyd St. Milwaukee (630) 890-5984
womensvoicesmilwaukee@gmail.com

LGBT Social Groups

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argonews@sbcglobal.net
www.argonautswi.com

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bearclub4men@gmail.com

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www.bwmtrmilwaukee.org

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mellow14u@care2.com
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www.plymouth-church.org

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unionucc@gbonline.com

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www.bvgays.com

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washtsrainbow@aol.com
washingtonheightsrainbow.org

Wauwatosa Rainbow Association
tosarainbow@yahoo.com

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www.arcw.org

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bestd@execpc.com
www.bestd.org

OutReach
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STD Specialties Inc.
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Above: Tony Ritschard sends us these pictures taken at Club 5 of Miss Wisconsin Entertainer of the Year and also a visit by out singer Johnny McGivern who many remember from his sassy "Soccer Practice"

Below, John Kaspar takes us to Shelter in Green Bay for Miss Club Wisconsin Pageant.



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