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The Wisconsin Light

Dubuque To Hold Third Annual March Sept. 16

[Dubuque, IA]- It is time once again for Dubuque, Iowa's annual Lesbian/Gay Pride Rally/March, this one being its third. The date is set for September 16, 1989 at Washington Park with the rally beginning at noon and the march to follow at approximately 1:00 p.m.

The Pride Celebration, which began in 1987, has become a continuation of confronting homophobia. Dubuque's first rally/march brought out hecklers who physically and verbally harassed supporters.

The second Celebration became a national event with over 600 people coming to Dubuque from all over the country. There was no physical violence this time although police arrested many who they suspected of trying to attempt it.

In between the marches, the fight to convince Dubuque's city council to include "sexual orientation" in the city ordinance as a protected category went on. On May 15, 1989, the city council voted 4-3 against inclusion.

An additional situation that has kept homophobia alive is the filing of two discrimination claims by a Dubuque Lesbian, Stacie Neldaughter. These claims revolve around Neldaughter's termination from a softball team she had been playing with for three years and Neldaughter's team being harassed in league play in Dickyville, Wisconsin.

The first claim is currently under investigation while probable cause has been found for the latter.

It thus appears that the first Dubuque Lesbian/Gay March was the stimulus to all the things that followed. It is important to continue this powerful spirit at the Third Annual March. We hope to see you there.

Bricker Named New Director Of MASN

[Madison]- The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) has announced that Earl Bricker will be MASN's new Executive Director. Bricker assumed his new duties on August 21.

Bricker comes to MASN from working for the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin as its Madison Coordinator and for the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, where he served as Communications Director.

A former teacher and Peace Corps Volunteer, Bricker also was a member of the staff of former Governor Tony Earl.

"I've been fortunate in the jobs I've held as an adult," said Bricker. "Lucky in the sense that I've been able to make a living and a contribution simultaneously. Serving as Director of MASN will pose a new challenge, one which I look forward to immensely."

Bricker also serves as a member of the Dane County Board of Supervisors, representing Madison's 9th District. As a member of the County Board, he serves on the Human Resources Committee and as Chair of the newly created Children, Youth and Families Committee of the Human Services Board.

Wausau's R-Bar Destroyed By Fire; To Reopen

Wausau, WI- The R-Bar in Wausau was destroyed by fire last week. The owners plan to re-open the business as soon as possible. Community fund raisers are being arranged to help cover the businesses losses.

Milwaukee AIDS Project Budget Nears \$1 Million As Case Load Grows

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At the end of 1989, the Milwaukee AIDS Project will complete its fifth year of service to people affected by AIDS. From a handful of volunteers at the Brady East STD Clinic who launched the Project in 1985, to more than 1,000 volunteers and donors who support us today — the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) has grown and changed in order to meet the dramatic challenge that AIDS brings to our community.

Over the past five years, hundreds of people have dedicated an enormous amount of time, energy, and money to make sure that MAP provides the highest quality of service to all people affected by AIDS. These efforts are surely the reason why MAP today remains Milwaukee's leader in the fight against AIDS.

Much has changed at MAP in five years:

- The MAP budget increased from \$77,414 in 1985 to \$896,702 in 1989.

- The employee staff increased from one to twenty-one.

- The Milwaukee House, was purchased as a home for people living with AIDS.

- Life care services for clients became a major part of MAP's mission, providing case management, counseling, financial and legal assistance, support groups and a vast array of practical support services to clients.

- Education services changed in order to better serve people whose behaviors put them at highest risk for AIDS — IV drug users, prostitutes, the homeless and people having difficulty changing unsafe sexual practices.

- The Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project was created as a companion AIDS Project to MAP serving Racine, Kenosha and Walworth counties.

- What has not changed over the past five years is the loyalty, trust, and support that MAP has received from Milwaukee's Lesbian/Gay community. It has been the foundation that has supported all of MAP's work and it continues to be our strength as we confront the difficult challenges of an increased AIDS caseload in the future.

Because of the unique and historic partnership between MAP and Milwaukee's Lesbian/Gay community, we offer this special report.

It's purpose is to provide an update on MAP's services and the funding needed to support them. Because so many friends from the Lesbian/Gay community have donated money to MAP over the years, this report will also clarify how your individual contributions are used and how urgently they continue to be needed, particularly to fund the delivery of life care services to our clients.

1989 EXPENSES

The 1989 budget for the Milwaukee AIDS Project is represented by the budget of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) which is MAP's parent corporation. All funds donated or granted to MAP are funds of ARCW. Currently, ARCW is the corporate home for MAP and the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project. Because MAP comprises about 92% of the ARCW budget, MAP and ARCW are often interchangeably referenced.

The total budgeted expense for ARCW in 1989 is \$896,702. Eighty-seven percent of this expense is for delivery of program services to the community and to people living with AIDS and HIV infection:

A. Education and Information.

The 1989 expense for education services is \$392,295 or 43.7% of the budget. Education and information are the only means we have to prevent AIDS.



The Miss Gay Wisconsin-U.S.A. Pageant was held at Appleton's Pivot Club on August 20. Pictured above are: Netasha Edwards, Miss Gay U.S.A.-1988; Tanya Michaels, winner of the pageant; Jody Hanvey (Mr. Gay U.S.A.-1988); and Candy Stratton, Miss Gay West Virginia-U.S.A. and MC of the pageant.

These are MAP's longest running services which include: the Wisconsin AIDSLINE; the Library Resource Center; street outreach to IV drug users, prostitutes, and the homeless; outreach to the Gay community through STOP AIDS Milwaukee program; training educators and health and social service providers to more effectively serve people affected by AIDS; and, general community education on AIDS.

B. Life care services for clients.

The 1989 expense for life care services is \$241,645 or 27% of the total budget. Staffed by professional social workers and case managers, the Life Care Services Department at MAP has emerged as Milwaukee's leading resource for coordinated care and service to people with AIDS and HIV infection. The Life Care Services budget for 1989 has increased by 120% over its 1988 level reflecting the dramatic growth in importance that MAP places on high quality service for people affected by AIDS. Currently, MAP provides life care services to 152 people with AIDS and more than 100 people with HIV infection.

An explanation of Life Care Services follows this section.

C. Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP).

SEWAP expenses for 1989 total \$75,668 or 8.4% of the budget. A companion AIDS project to MAP, it provides education and life care services in the Racine, Kenosha and Walworth county area. MAP works closely with SEWAP, sharing resources and providing assistance with service delivery, volunteer training, and financial management.

D. Administration.

Administrative expense for 1989 is \$72,726 or 8.1% of the budget. Even though we have insisted on keeping administrative cost to a minimum, there are certain costs in operating a large agency that must be met. They include: liability insurance for service delivery, legal and audit expense, financial management systems, and office operation costs. Administrative staff is also required and a considerable amount of administrative time is devoted to advocacy on AIDS related issues.

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MAPfest 89 To Be Held Sunday, Sept. 3 at Schlitz Park

[Milwaukee]- It's time to mark your calendars for the fourth annual MAPfest. This Milwaukee tradition, produced by the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) will be held on Sunday, September 3rd from 2:00 to 11:00 p.m. In an effort to expand the Fest this year, the location has been changed to the corner of N. 3rd St. (King Drive) and Cherry St. This change has added a new flavor to the festival.

MAPfest has emerged as one of the premiere events designed for the enjoyment of the Gay and Lesbian community. Historically, it has been the Gay and Lesbian communities that have supported the fight against AIDS in the U.S. Milwaukee support has been tremendous and MAP thanks you for your loyalty.

This year's festivities include, not one, but 2 stages, where some of the finest local personalities will provide continuous entertainment. There will be games galore, including a balloon popping dart game, MAP poker, and a spaghetti toss (can you think of anyone that you might want to splat with spaghetti?). MAPfest will also tickle your tastebuds with hot dogs, tacos, roast corn, soda, beer and wine.

Many organizations will be sponsoring booths at MAPfest '89, including Galano Club, Commitment '89, Fest City Singers, Lambda Rights, Gay Pride Committee, In-Step, Wisconsin Light, ACT-UP, Cream City Foundation and others.

Another new addition to this year's MAPfest will be information booths describing some of the holistic health services (such as message and Reiki) that are available in the Milwaukee area.

Your \$2.00 admission fee entitles you to a full day of enjoyment. It's a chance to get out in the sunshine, mingle with old friends and maybe make some new ones. And, you can take pride in knowing that your donations are going to help provide supportive services for MAP's clients.

Presently, MAP serves 152 people living with AIDS (and over 100 people with HIV infection) in the Milwaukee area. Among the many services MAP provides to its clients are, financial, emotional medical support and emergency housing. Your dollars will allow MAP to continue to provide these much needed services.

Thank you and we'll see you at MAPfest '89, Milwaukee's best fest!