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The Wisconsin Light

Gov. Thompson Decimates AIDS Programs With Multiple Vetoes

[Madison]- State Representatives David Clarenbach (D-Madison) and Timothy Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) are calling Governor Tommy Thompson's recent vetoes of funding for Wisconsin AIDS programs a serious blunder with potentially dire consequences for AIDS services in the state.

Reps. Clarenbach and Carpenter have authored virtually every substantial piece of AIDS-related legislation in Wisconsin.

Gov. Thompson's veto pen slashed State Budget funding for AIDS related programs by about \$1.5 million over the next two years, according to Rep. Clarenbach.

"It was a shockingly careless veto message to read," Clarenbach said. "The Governor simply called the vetoed programs 'unnecessary' or 'poorly conceived' and slashed away."

"Gov. Thompson decimated both new AIDS initiatives and existing AIDS programs in Wisconsin," said Rep. Carpenter. "The Governor cut Wisconsin's Clinical Trials program; he cut all funding for the DHSS [Department of Health and Social Services] AIDS Services programs, including the Health Care Safety Device Program—a unique program which would help protect health care workers who treat people with AIDS," Carpenter said.

Carpenter said Gov. Thompson's willingness to veto the program budget, \$1.2 million, from the AIDS Services budget for 1992-93 was especially alarming.

"Although a budget readjustment bill should provide additional funding for AIDS Services administered by DHSS, Gov. Thompson's shortsighted veto message makes clear that he sees little distinction between ordinary biennial appropriations for such things as resurfacing highways and the imminent escalation in HIV-positive and AIDS patients and the certain increased demand for AIDS related services in Wisconsin," according to Carpenter.

Funding to provide AIDS prevention training for counselors was also vetoed.

Ten Percent Society Threatens To Disrupt Board of Regents Meeting

[Madison]- The Ten Percent Society, the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual student organization has announced plans to disrupt the UW Board of Regents meeting on Friday, Sept. 6, 1991, unless the Board votes in the first thirty minutes of that meeting to remove the discriminatory Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) from its campus.

Students will disrupt the meeting in a novel, creative way by playing a variety of games, including "Twister," "Battleship" and the like. Their motto is "We'll stop playing games when they stop playing games." The reference is to the students' belief that the Regents are playing games with their lives.

Students are reportedly furious over the Department of Defense's policy that homosexuality is "incompatible" with military service, a policy that prevents Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals from obtaining the scholarships and job opportunities offered through the ROTC program to every other student on campus. Secretary of Defense, Dick Cheney, has himself recently admitted that there is no justification for the policy.

Ten Percent Society Co-President Michael S. Dixon said, "We are going to turn the 'Open Meetings Law' into the 'Never-ending Protests Law.'" He voiced the intention of many members of the Ten Percent Society to prevent the UW Board of Regents from holding any uninterrupted meetings on the Madison campus until university policies are enforced by removing ROTC from campus.

"Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals are

Pressure Mounts On Pentagon To Drop Anti-Gay Policy

By Jamakaya

The Department of Defense finds itself suddenly besieged on all sides. The courts, the news media, members of Congress, Gay activists, veterans groups, the American Psychological Association — even some military officials — are all clamoring for an end to the Pentagon's ban on Gay and Lesbian soldiers.

A combination of dramatic events in the past two weeks appears to be bringing the issue to a potentially successful conclusion for the advocates of equal rights.

Robert Adams, legislative assistant to Rep. Gerry Studds (D-MA) who has been a leader in battling the Pentagon's policy, told the **Wisconsin Light**: "Such progress has been made that the question is no longer **whether** but **when** the regulation will be repealed. He suggested it could be as early as the end of this year.

Miriam Ben-Shalom, national chairperson of the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Veterans of America (GLBVA), was jubilant: "It's an exciting time for Gay liberation! It's just like 1969!"

The dizzying parade of events which has caused all this optimism includes: a major court victory for a Lesbian Army captain on August 19; the "outing" of Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams as a Gay man; Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's comments distancing himself from his department's policy; soon-to-be-released government reports on the fitness of Gays as soldiers and on the costs involved in discharging them; intensified media coverage of the issue; and the sustained activism of Gays and Lesbians, especially those who are veterans.

Victory for Pruitt

On August 19, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco reinstated Captain Dusty Pruitt's lawsuit over her discharge from the Army Reserve. The court ruled unanimously that societal prejudice against Gays and Lesbians was no justification for the Pentagon's prohibition on homosexuals.

The three member panel said that past decisions upholding the ban were based on prejudice. They cited a 1984 Supreme Court ruling, which found that social prejudice against an interracial marriage could not justify the denial of child custody to the plaintiffs. The Appeals Court ruled that this precedent undercut the biased rationale behind the Pentagon's discriminatory policy.

Pruitt's case will go back into federal court for reconsideration.

Captain Pruitt served for thirteen years in the Army and Army Reserve. She trained soldiers to defend against chemical warfare. She left full time service in 1975 to become a minister in the Metropolitan Community Church. She was discharged in 1986 after revealing her Lesbianism in a newspaper interview.

Ben-Shalom called the decision in Pruitt's case "absolutely marvelous, monumental." She told the **Light** that Pruitt's case was similar to her own. Neither soldier was charged with any form of misconduct. In fact, each of them had won numerous commendations. They were discharged for simply **saying** that they were Gay.

Ben-Shalom said the Pruitt decision would unquestionably add to the growing body of court decisions helping to set precedents on the military exclusion issue. She cited last year's Supreme Court ruling which ordered Perry Watkins' re-enlistment and her own victory in 1980 before Federal Judge Terence T. Evans.

(Evans ordered her reinstatement, but when her enlistment period ended, the Army refused to re-enlist her. Another federal judge ordered her reinstatement, but was overruled in federal appeals court. In February, 1990, the Supreme



Voguing is featured in the film "Paris Is Burning" which is now showing at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre. (See review on page 8).

ACT UP Schedules Protest Against Treatment Of Inmates With AIDS

[Madison]- The Madison and Milwaukee chapters of the AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power (ACT UP) have called a national demonstration to protest the abuse of incarcerated PWA's in Wisconsin and across the country. The demonstration will be held in Madison on Monday, Sept. 9, 1991, the first anniversary of the death of Donald Woods and will be the first of its kind on prison issues.

ACT UP/Milwaukee is providing bus transportation to Madison on the day of the demonstration.

Woods was an inmate at Waupun Correctional Institution in Wisconsin and was allegedly killed by guards because of his HIV status.

going to have to set some priorities for this Board of Regents," Dixon said. "Every voting body on this campus, from the students to the faculty to the Board of Regents itself, agrees that this kind of discrimination is evil. The time has come when we must stand up for our values and make some difficult choices. Either Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals are equal to other students and should be able to study in an atmosphere free of University-sponsored discrimination, or we should start telling the truth about our so-called 'non-discrimination policy,'" Dixon said.

Dixon called on UW Chancellor Donna Shalala to meet with students to discuss ways of ending discrimination on the Madison campus by enforcing existing policies.

"ROTC will be removed from campus; it will happen this semester and we will not allow business as usual to go on until this goal is accomplished," Dixon said in a letter from the Ten Percent Society to Shalala.

In the letter Dixon wrote, "I do not believe that the Regents are necessarily hateful, homophobic bigots, although there can be no question that their actions certainly reflect that sort of philosophy."

"Our disruption of this meeting [the Board of Regents]," Dixon told Shalala, "will be a continuing step in the escalation of our battle for equal rights and basic human dignity denied us by the military and by every administrator on this campus who works in collusion with the ROTC program by allowing them to remain."

The guards, who still work at the prison and have not been disciplined, entered Woods' cell and while transporting him to another cell, held a towel over his mouth. Woods died of asphyxiation. The guards, who were wearing full riot gear at the time, claim that they feared Woods could give them AIDS by spitting on them.

An investigation into Woods' death concluded that the guards were not at fault because their fear of HIV transmission was reasonable under the circumstances.

The Madison Public Defenders Office, the American Civil Liberties Union/Madison and ACT UP have all called for a new investigation of the case as new evidence, they say, has emerged and other flaws in the investigation have been uncovered.

The judge, Daniel Klossner, who has the power to reopen the investigation has not responded to letters from the Public Defender's Office.

In addition to calling for a reopening of the investigation, ACT UP is demanding a full enactment of the Wisconsin Governor's HIV/AIDS Technical Advisory Committee recommendations of May, 1990. Among them: distribution of condoms, dental dams and bleach to inmates; access to experimental treatments; support services for inmates living with HIV infection and educational programs for guards and prison staff.

While the Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) claims to have enacted some of the minor recommendations from the committee, according to ACT UP, the DOC has opposed those listed above.

ACT UP chapters from across the country have recognized the fight in Wisconsin for full enactment of the Advisory Committee's recommendations as an important prison issues test case for the nation. The three largest chapters of ACT UP in the country, New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, have joined those of Madison and Milwaukee in protest and are planning to attend the Sept. 9 demonstration.

ACT UP/L.A. has sent peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to Gov. Tommy Thompson to protest the treatment of inmate Roger Hillman. Fifty were sent out in one week.

ACT UP/New York this week, mailed over 200 letters, each containing a condom or dental dam to Wisconsin Secretary of Corrections Patrick Fiedler.

ACT UP/Chicago has mailed over 50 letters of protest to Judge Klossner.

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Navy: Accident, Not Sabotage?

[Washington, DC]- According to sources close to the investigation, the U.S. Navy is expected to announce that the explosion aboard the Battleship Iowa, which killed 47 sailors in 1989, was accidental not sabotage as earlier reported.

The Naval Investigative Service (NIS) initially concluded that the blast in turret number two was an act of sabotage by gunner's mate Clayton M. Hartwig, who was allegedly despondent over the break-up of his relationship with a fellow crew member. This homosexual-related motivation was widely reported throughout the media.

An investigation by the House Armed Services Committee attacked the Navy's findings, noting that significant physical evidence had been destroyed during the cleanup process on board the Iowa and that evidence of faulty gunpowder bags prone to accidental ignition had been ignored. Navy officials now concede that the case against Hartwig, who died in the explosion, was largely circumstantial.

Families of the dead seamen have criticized the Navy for its unwillingness to consider equipment failure as a possible reason for the blast. Hartwig's family has filed a \$40 million suit against the Navy for "intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress."

Arson Destroys Ohio AIDS Home

[Canton, OH]- A Canton home being renovated to shelter people with AIDS was torched by arsonists in the early morning hours of July 12. No one was injured in the blaze which was fought by six fire companies, but the structure was completely destroyed.

Captain Les Myers of the Canton Fire Department told *Gaybeat* that five separate fires had been set and that two cans containing gasoline were recovered from the premises. The home was scheduled for occupancy by AIDS patients in September.

Joe Grady, a North Canton councilman and director of the AIDS housing project, called the arson "a crime of hate." Said Grady: "We are not going to give in. We have got to educate the community and find the people responsible for this. We never thought anything like this could happen here. It will make our volunteers even more dedicated."

"Handcuff Man" Suspect Arrested

[Atlanta, GA]- Police in Atlanta and Tampa, Florida have arrested Robert Lee Bennett Jr., 44, for a series of vicious assaults and mutilations of Gay men. Bennett is believed to be the infamous "Handcuff Man" who has allegedly preyed on dozens of men in Georgia and Florida over the last twenty years.

Victims report that the assailant initially lured them into his car by offering them money for sex or to drink vodka with him. The drinks were apparently spiked, and the next thing victims recall is waking in an isolated area with their groins and genital areas severely burned.

On June 5, Tampa police charged Bennett with attempted murder and arson for allegedly burning a man so severely that his legs had to be amputated. Two weeks later, a grand jury in Atlanta charged Bennett with aggravated battery for two similar incidents of mutilation.

Atlanta Police Sgt. J.D. Kirkland, who moonlighted as a security guard in the city's Gay bars, identified Bennett as the prime suspect as early as 1983. Local Gay leaders have criticized the police for their failure to pursue the investigation more aggressively.

But Captain Ken Boles defended his department, saying that police were hampered by the reluctance of victims and witnesses to come forward with information.

Plans For 1993 March Proceed

[Chicago, IL]- One hundred Gay and Lesbian activists, representing all regions of the United States, have decided that Sunday, April 25, 1993 will be the date for the next March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. Organizers hope that one million people will attend.

Activists, meeting in Chicago in early August, adopted a plan for a 60 member steering committee which will consist of four representatives from each of fifteen geographical regions of the U.S. At least half of those members must be people of color and at least half must be women. Steering committee members will be chosen at regional conferences to be held this Fall.

A list of goals or demands for the march will be adopted once the steering committee is activated early next year. For further information on the national march, call the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force at (202) 332-6483.

Teen Sex Survey Halted

[Washington, DC]- Under pressure from conservative legislators like Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-CA), Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis Sullivan has canceled a five year survey about teenage sexuality which was to be conducted by the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Dannemeyer, the senior Republican member of a House committee with jurisdiction over the NIH, objected to the explicit questions about sexuality that teens would be asked to answer. About 24,000 teens in grades 7-11 were expected to respond to the survey. Parental consent was necessary for their participation.

Rep. Pat Schroeder (D-CO) said the survey's cancellation was "a triumph of ignorance over knowledge." Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA) criticized opponents of the survey: "To keep adolescents from getting AIDS, we have to know when and why they use drugs and when they have sex and how to influence their behavior. Some people are saying it's better for kids to die than for the NIH to ask about sex and drugs."

Ruling Favors Sperm Donor

[Woodland, CA]- Superior Court Judge James Stevens has ruled in favor of a man who donated his sperm to a Lesbian couple so they could have a child. The ruling July 23 does not grant Steve Wittmann custody or visitation rights to the one year old boy, but enables him to pursue further litigation to establish those parental rights.

In California, sperm donors who provide semen to licensed physicians for use in artificial insemination cannot claim paternity. In this case, however, Wittmann informally donated his sperm to Andra and Mary Northup, who performed the insemination themselves at their residence.

The Northups argued that they made it clear to Wittmann that he would have no role in the child's upbringing and that Wittmann agreed. But Judge Stevens ruled that since they never entered into a formal agreement surrendering the sperm donor's parental rights, he had the right to seek such rights.

In an earlier motion, the Northups had failed to obtain the dismissal of Judge Stevens on the grounds that "he is not disposed to think of family as being other than a father and a mother."

Houston Columnist Comes Out

[Houston, TX]- When editors of the *Houston Post* prevented popular columnist Juan R. Palomo from coming out in the pages of their newspaper, the determined Palomo came out to the *Houston Press*, an alternative weekly, instead.

In his July 9 column for the *Post*, "Paying the Cost for Keeping Silent," Palomo commented on the anti-Gay jokes he had heard since the fatal Gay bashing of Houston banker Paul Broussard. Palomo criticized those, including himself, who have remained silent about the homophobic backlash, and said that he felt a responsibility to speak out because 1) he has an audience, and 2) he is Gay.

Post City Editor Tim Graham, saying it is "not desirable" for writers to inject their personal lives into stories, edited out Palomo's assertion that he is Gay.

In a subsequent interview with the *Houston Press*, Palomo publicly came out and expressed disappointment with the *Post* for editing such a significant aspect of his story. He said the very purpose of a column was to provide personal commentary, that coming out made his statement stronger, and that he was prepared to deal with all the consequences of his being an openly Gay man.

News Briefs are compiled by Jamakaya from mainstream newspapers and wire services, organizational press releases and Gay and Lesbian papers from across the U.S.

A CHOICE Channels Funds To Progressive Community Groups

[Milwaukee]- Readers of *Wisconsin Light* may remember seeing reference to the organization "A CHOICE" several times in the past. This article reminds readers of the value A CHOICE has to the Lesbian and Gay community of southeastern Wisconsin.

"A CHOICE" is a group of organizations that have banded together to coordinate fund raising efforts. All of them are too small, or for other reasons did not wish, to join the United Way's combined campaign program. The group is a federation of 17 diverse causes, including: American Civil Liberties Union; Citizens for a Better Environment; League of Women Voters; Jobs with Peace; Milwaukee Indian Economic Development Agency; Wisconsin's Environmental Decade; and our own Cream City Foundation.

Using the motto "Funding For Change," and the 1991 campaign slogan "It's Working. Don't Stop Now," A CHOICE provides donors the opportunity to provide funding to alternative causes during workplace giving campaigns.

Large companies may invite A CHOICE to participate directly in their combined giving campaign. Employees whose employers participate in the United Way campaign may designate that their contributions go to A CHOICE; the United Way forwards the funds to A CHOICE. Some donors desire to designate their donations to A CHOICE because, to their employer, it would appear innocent and "straight" in its causes (unlike a donation to the Cream City Foundation (CCF) or the Milwaukee AIDS Project).

The Cream City Foundation derives many benefits from its association with A CHOICE. The CCF is a full member of A CHOICE, serving on its Board of Directors, and sharing experiences in how

to run organizations, events and programs. CCF also shares in the funds designated to A CHOICE in government and private combined campaigns.

Thus, of any money designated or donated to A CHOICE in any of its campaigns, a portion ends up in our own Gay and Lesbian community, in addition to benefiting causes of the environment, legal rights, employee health and safety, crime prevention, and education.

So next time you read about "A CHOICE," remember that, while not a Gay and Lesbian organization, it very definitely is an organization that works with, and benefits, the Lesbian and Gay community.

More information about A CHOICE, including a brochure listing all the member organizations, is available from the Cream City Foundation office, (414) 265-0880.

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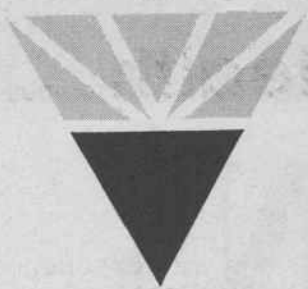
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EDITORIAL

Repeal of Pentagon's Regulation Is The Just and Moral Solution

Mounting criticism of the Pentagon's ban on Gay and Lesbian soldiers seems to be reaching a crescendo. The **Wisconsin Light** believes the Pentagon's blatantly discriminatory and immoral regulation should be relegated to the proverbial "ash heap of history."

The recent Appeals Court victory of a highly qualified Army Captain who was drummed out of the Reserves for simply admitting her Lesbianism is an additional "nail in the coffin" of an increasingly discredited policy.

The "outing" of Assistant Secretary of Defense Pete Williams has exposed the utter hypocrisy of the ban. While average grunts are being discharged at an alarming rate on the grounds that, as homosexuals, they constitute security risks, Williams — by all accounts a decent and highly professional man — is privy to the top-level discussions of national security officials.

Even Defense Secretary Cheney concedes that the security risk rationale is "a bit of an old chestnut."

The cruel homecoming that hundreds of Gay and Lesbian veterans of the Persian Gulf conflict received — hundreds of discharges — is an outrage to all freedom- and equality-loving people. It is a mockery of America's Constitution and principles of liberty.

All Miriam Ben-Shalom, Joe Steffan, Dusty Pruitt, Perry Watkins, and so many others wanted to do was serve and defend the country they love. Despite being highly qualified and motivated, they were unceremoniously discharged. The waste of such talented individuals is not just unfair and immoral, it is simply stupid. Whether you support the military or not, surely we must all recognize the right of all citizens, if they so choose, to contribute to the defense of our country.

The **Wisconsin Light** is pleased to see that the end may be in sight for the Pentagon's wrong-headed policy. We urge our readers to continue to plug away, putting pressure on the Pentagon in every way possible. Call your member of Congress, your senator. Write to President Bush and Secretary Cheney. Support Gay vets in any way you can. Talk it up. Let others know that you oppose the policy.

Victory is on the horizon. Damn the torpedoes and full speed ahead!

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

There's at least one parallel between what's going on now in the Soviet Union and in Milwaukee.

In the USSR Gorbachev and others like him came in, realized reforms had to be made and set about trying to achieve them. Facing them head-on were the conservatives, hard-liners, whose mentality had ruled the roost for over 70 years. A clash was almost inevitable. I suspect there's something of the same thing here.

Mayor Norquist came into office facing hold-overs from past years; those with the "good old days" mentality. The same thing, I would think, is true for Police Chief Arreola. In such a situation, change does not come easily.

No, I don't care for the way some of the things around the Dahmer case have been handled. I think Norquist could have done some things differently. I think he could have used the words "Gay" and "Lesbian." I think three cops dropped the ball with tragic results.

But I also think Norquist and Arreola are walking a fine political line between stand-patism and change, between the conservatives and liberals and the dozens of other factions in the city as well as in government. The "old thinking" has to be eased out. The new must take its place if Milwaukee is to be what it can be, but that's not done quickly nor without upset. I think that the best thing our community can do is to offer constructive criticism and support them. We should remember that Norquist has been fair on our issues and keep in mind that they've got a job to do and, quite frankly, I don't envy either of them in its doing.

As far as Mark Belling is concerned,

LETTERS

Stench

TO THE EDITOR:

Last night I went to the funeral of Konarak Sinthasomphone, the Laotian teen-ager who was laughingly returned to the tender mercies of Jeffrey Dahmer by Milwaukee's finest. The priest had known the boy rather well, but in his eulogy stuck to the standard grin-and-bear-it line of the Catholics. I'd like to see what a Pentecostal preacher would have done.

This town stinks to high heaven, literally. Indeed, the stench from tanneries and slaughterhouses near the neighborhood Dahmer stalked makes it easy to understand how his foul apartment escaped suspicion for so long. Easy, that is, except for the night we all were failed by our so-called public servants.

The callous indifference of three bigots in uniform cost eight Gay brothers their lives.

Our shame as a city and a nation is that the bigotry of those cops is far from exceptional, if not typical. Any Gay or non-white person who thinks otherwise is a fool. From Chicago's police riot against hippies in 1968 to Rodney King's beating this year in Los Angeles, to Dahmer's last eight victims, the pattern should be obvious.

If you shoplift a fifty cent candy bar, your I.D. is run through a computer. But if you're a white man chasing a naked, incoherent "gook faggot" through the streets, your story is believed with no I.D. check. As a parolee for a sex crime, Dahmer would have gone directly to jail if he'd been checked.

We live in the land of the greed and the home of the slaves.

Americans' mental slavery to the Almighty Dollar is so complete that most think we're free

my chief problem with him is simply that Milwaukee deserves better. The conservative view point is a valid one (there's a difference between truth and validity). It should be articulated and done well.

I've debated conservatives. The best are sharp and a true challenge. I enjoy listening to the "McLaughlin Group" on TV, Pat Buchanan and the others. I enjoy William F. Buckley Jr. too. I don't often agree with any of them, but they're entertaining and thought provoking, cultured and erudite. That's probably the reason they never mistake stridency for profundity, provocation for provocative-ness, as Belling seems so often to do and see no need to engage in name calling as he does. His attack on Arreola on Sunday night boggles my mind.

Buckley, Buchanan, Cal Thomas (who I did debate one time over dinner) and the rest, demonstrate intellectual depth and acuity in their arguments that I've yet to hear from Belling. Maybe that's why they and others like them, are invited to consult on matters of state while Belling is invited to ride in parades.

WISN radio should really be ashamed of itself, I think. It has a responsibility to the community and it's not meeting it. Milwaukee needs to hear the conservative position, but Belling is not good at what he does. We need to hear from someone who can state it effectively and rise above ad hominem arguments.

WISN needs to provide entertainment, information and a challenge to the community. In my opinion, with Belling, it is giving us none of these things.

Terry Boughner

just because the government does not directly control us as much as in other countries. We are free to buy, sell and swindle. We are free to own handguns, cars and barrels of acid. But we are slaves to materialism and loneliness.

Our wealth and mobility make us lonely and vulnerable to booze, drugs, casual sex and serial killers. No other nation has anything close to our rate of serial killers.

Some simple-minded psychologists have blamed violent films for creating the environment where these killers breed. One film so accused is **Terminator 2: Judgment Day**.

If such shallow thinkers could grasp the message of that film, they would have the correct diagnosis. The repeated use of the Los Angeles Police Department uniform as an all-purpose disguise by the evil terminator from the future ruled by machines is symbolically perfect and timely.

—Richard Walter Bradley
Milwaukee

Give It A Chance

TO THE EDITOR:

I don't exactly understand the alleged Gay & Lesbian community's "shock and skepticism" regarding the Mayor's Blue Ribbon panel appointments. Personally, I am angry with the process by which the Mayor appointed people to this panel, but the actual individuals and their affiliations weren't surprising at all.

In 1983, Wisconsin Governor Anthony Earl announced his appointments to his Governor's Council on Lesbian and Gay issues. His friends and supporters in Madison actually came up with the names of several Gay men and

Lesbians from around the state, most of whom were not politically active or well known in their respective communities. Initial reactions to the announcements of the appointment were also "shock and skepticism," back then, but I believe the Council fulfilled its charges eloquently and was vindicated by the community. As one of the members of the Council, I was impressed with everyone's enthusiasm, commitment and collective visions of a state with proud Gay and Lesbian communities free of homophobia.

I ask that we now give the same chance to the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel. We should continue to join with other groups in expressing our dissatisfaction and anger to the Mayor about his process of selecting panelists, but also be willing to give them a chance, just as we did with the Governor's Council on Lesbian and Gay Issues almost ten years ago.

I would also like to give my unequivocal support for the only openly Gay panelist, Gary Hollander. Gary has served as a quiet but effective activist for Women's and Gay/Lesbian issues for many years. He worked at Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, serving as a trainer and human sexuality educator, among other things. As a psychotherapist, he has been one of the few openly Gay health providers in Milwaukee to consistently speak at National Lesbian and Gay Health Conferences and AIDS forums on issues of vital concern to our community. He has served on the board of the Milwaukee AIDS Project. He has been featured several times on **The New TRI-CABLE Tonight**, a program for and about Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian communities. He, like many Gay men and Lesbians in our community, is quietly and efficiently improving life for all of us. Although many in our community could have faithfully served on the panel, Gary was the one chosen. I believe he will eloquently and justly represent all of our communities' interests, if we give him a chance.

We must be prepared to participate fully in the panel's process of collecting information and making recommendations. We must also take responsibility for our own internalized homophobia, our own racism, sexism and ageism and be committed to making fundamental personal changes to remedy these human deficiencies. Police are only reflections of ourselves. That is one of the fundamental truths that must serve as a foundation to the panel's report.

—Mark Behar, P.A.C.
Co-Executive Producer
Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Cable Network
Milwaukee

Commendable

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing to commend you on the August 1-7, 1991, special edition of **The Wisconsin Light**. Your coverage of the tragic events in Milwaukee which were only recently uncovered is outstanding. Your coverage is the best I have seen, being factual without sensationalism.

It is deplorable that the major media in this city and in this country have chosen to ignore or distort certain aspects of this situation. Homophobic coverage only compounds the misinformation about and hostility toward Gay and Lesbian people.

This horrible situation has shown us very clearly which media we can trust.

Keep up the good work!

—Dorothy K. Dean
Milwaukee County Supervisor-13th District

Flush It

TO THE EDITOR:

I just wanted to thank you for the excellent coverage of and commentary on the Dahmer massacre. Sitting here in Madison, I was mortified as the straight media sensationalized Dahmer's brutality and viciousness to increase their ratings and sales. I felt devastated by and incredibly angry at the racist, homophobic and genocidal attitudes and behavior on the part of the police and city officials in this case.

Racism and homophobia are not products of "homosexual overkill" (whatever that means!) as the right-wing claims, but instead are the products of a heterosexual and racist political system which deliberately pits oppressed peoples against each other and delights when we kill ourselves and/or each other, and stands gleefully while white racists and homophobes massacre us. The racism, sexism and heterosexism of the Milwaukee Police Department have been obvious to those of us who organized against them over the years. It seems like the time to flush the whole department (and city power structure) and start over.

The one ray of hope to come out of this horror is the increased activism and unity in the Milwaukee African-American and Gay communities.

I wish I could have attended the vigil and march, but we did have a memorial gathering here in Madison, organized by a concerned Lesbian-feminist. The gathering brought together members of the African-American community, the Laotian community and the Lesbian and Gay community.

Jeffrey Dahmer is The Boy Next Door. Wimin and children have experienced this kind of violence and terror for thousands of years. Jeffrey Dahmer is an all-amerikkkan. People of color in the U.S. and around the globe have been subjected to this kind of violence and terror for years. The Jeffrey Dahmer's of the world must be identified and stopped.

Jamakaya, your article in **Equal Time** was excellent.

—Lance
Madison

Dahmergate

TO THE EDITOR:

The August 1st **Shepherd Express** reported that Milwaukee County Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs-Jones found Wisconsin Attorney General James Doyle too "cozy" with Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist to be trusted

AIDS Resource Center Works To Facilitate Clinical Drug Trials

[Milwaukee]—The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) recently strengthened its relationship with the Wisconsin Community-Based Research Consortium (WCRC) in an effort to ensure WCRC's continued work in providing clinical drug trials for individuals with HIV disease throughout Wisconsin.

WCRC is in the process of negotiating with Doug Nelson, executive director of ARCW, to develop an expanded contract where ARCW would provide administrative support, development and communications services and financial management.

Paul Milakovich, deputy director of ARCW, has assumed administrative duties for WCRC since the departure of Clifford Steele, the agency's first administrator.

"ARCW is in an advantageous position to assist WCRC," said Milakovich. "The fact that WCRC is located in our facility, that we already provide a large degree of support and that Wisconsin desperately needs clinical drug trials for individuals with HIV disease, makes it imperative that we assist WCRC in its efforts."

ARCW has provided financial management, clerical and development support since WCRC's inception.

"We have a stake in this," said Nelson. "ARCW was very instrumental in the establishment of WCRC and lobbied hard to ensure that WCRC retain state funding in 1992."

As the state's largest advocate for individuals with HIV disease, ARCW must ensure the provision of clinical drug trials, an essential component to Wisconsin's ability to keep pace with the AIDS epidemic, Nelson added. Historically, Wisconsin citizens had to travel to Chicago or Minneapolis to participate in such programs.

With the addition of Lisa Al-Hashimi, senior project manager, and Susan LeClair and Marie Wardynski, project managers, WCRC is now equipped to begin drug trial programs. By year's end, the agency anticipates coordinating one to three trials.

Al-Hashimi and Milakovich have been investigating possible drug trial programs. Programs such as one held recently in Dallas, Texas that introduced a study on Interon A, assist WCRC in determining which trials are viable and feasible for Wisconsin residents. The agency is also in the process of developing an internal review board to evaluate future drug trial programs.

"One of our biggest priorities right now is to develop an operational data base," said Al-Hashimi. The data base currently includes more than 500 HIV positive patients state-wide. The coded listing, which does not include names, will be included in a nation-wide data bank. It will be utilized by drug companies, research organizations and drug trial programs like WCRC to track the progress of the disease and develop consistency in treatment. The data bank is also essential in determining which individuals meet the criteria for particular drug trial programs.

"WCRC is the only organization in the country that will provide a state-wide network for drug trials," said Milakovich. The agency's network includes physicians, hospitals and medical clinics from all corners of the state.

Since 65 percent of the state's HIV cases reside in southeastern Wisconsin, Milakovich anticipates wide utilization of this service by clients of the Milwaukee AIDS Project and Southeastern Wisconsin AIDS Project.

Home Care Nursing To Benefit From Wisconsin AIDS Walk

[Milwaukee]—For Mary Busalacchi, a registered nurse with the Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) of Milwaukee, providing AIDS care in a home health setting was not something she set out to do.

According to Busalacchi, "I kind of fell into AIDS care." Four years ago, her life was touched by an AIDS patient who taught her what living with HIV was all about. He told her, "You have to find a way to do this at home."

Because of her nursing background in intensive care, Busalacchi was used to trying new things and taking risks. With some additional training, Busalacchi and her colleagues learned to provide many types of care in the home.

"There's something very different about home care," she said. "Most AIDS patients have very normal lives. They go to work, have hobbies and participate in a variety of activities. When they are able to receive care in the home, a trusting relationship can develop in a familiar environment. You get to know everything from the name of their pets to their taste in decorating."

She added that home care also fits in better with patient schedules. Before home visits, many patients took full days off from work to go to a hospital to receive care.

Busalacchi recalls one of her patients who died recently and was treated at home all but four days of his illness. "He died at home which was the way he wanted it," she said.

Busalacchi is often asked about fear in working daily with patients who are HIV positive. "For me, the fear is not there," she said. "What I do and how I practice is very precise. If you use the right precautions and protect yourself, there's nothing to be afraid of."

Busalacchi's work and that of her colleagues with the VNA receive support from the Wisconsin AIDS Walk through the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP). Last year Milwaukee's VNA received \$4,000 from the Walk for home care visits. "Many of my patients require supportive services such as social work and chaplaincy services," Busalacchi said. "The funds allowed us to ensure that these patients receive the coordinated care they need."

In addition to being on the receiving end, Milwaukee's VNA last year, organized a team that helped raise funds for the Walk. In fact, Busalacchi's team raised more than \$4,100 — more than any other team in the Walk. Busalacchi also won first prize in the individual prize category, winning a trip to Orlando for bringing in more than \$1,400 in pledges.

This year, the team's goal is to beat last year's total. "There was such a good feeling at the Walk; it was rewarding to be doing something so positive with my patients and to know that the funds were being used for direct services," Busalacchi said.

The Wisconsin AIDS Walk will be held on Sunday, September 22 along Milwaukee's Lakefront. The 10K walk (6.2 miles) is produced by MAP. This year's goal is to raise more than \$285,000 in support of AIDS care and education throughout Wisconsin.

In addition to the VNA of Milwaukee, organizations that deliver AIDS services from throughout the state will receive a portion of the proceeds. MAP and its affiliate, the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project, will receive 75 percent of the net proceeds.

To Organize A Team

Teams consist of two to twenty members who register and walk together. Based upon the amount of collected pledge money turned in at the Walk, awards will be given for the team that turns in the highest per walker pledge average and the organization with one or more teams that collectively turns in the highest amount of collected pledge money.

For more information, registration materials or a team packet, call MAP at (414) 273-1991; the Southeast Wisconsin AIDS Project at (800) 924-6601 or the Madison AIDS Support Network (608) 238-6276. Registration information is also available at all Kohl's Food Stores.

Spike Lee Film, Discussion Set For September 8

[Milwaukee]—The next meeting of Women Against Racism, scheduled for Sunday, September 8, will feature a screening of Spike Lee's film *Do the Right Thing*, followed by a discussion.

The program is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Avenue. A \$2 donation is requested.

The Women Against Racism series is sponsored by the Women's Support Group Program of the Counseling Center. It is a discussion group of women of all racial and ethnic backgrounds who want to work together against racism and its effects.

For further information, call Cheryl Orgas at (414) 271-2565.



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OPINION: Without Your Help Pride Committee Could Fold

By Gary D. Wells
President, MLGPC

Now that the 1991 Gay/Lesbian Pride Celebration is over and we've had time to catch our breath, I would like to thank again those people who gave their time or their money to make sure that the Pride Celebration was a huge success. Everyone I talked to said that it was the best celebration ever.

Now for the bad news. The Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC) owes just over \$10,000 to various creditors. When we pay that we will just be caught up for this year, leaving nothing to get started with for next year. That requires several thousand more. Although the celebration was a great success, it was also a very costly venture. The 1991 actual expenses to date are \$40,656.00. By September 30, 1991, the end of our fiscal year, I expect the total to be over \$45,000.00.

The Parade and Rally combined cost over \$27,000.00. The Parade and Rally themselves are not profitable. The insurance policy alone to cover our liability for one day is \$1,500.00. Permits and licenses cost about another \$1,000. The Parks and Recreation Department takes 10 percent of gross sales over \$750. There goes \$2,000 more. Eighty percent of the food and beverage sales goes to the vendors, leaving us with only 10 percent of the gross sales.

Our fundraising, merchandising and Pride Guide ads are our primary sources of income. Based on community input, we chose not to include 900 phone sex ads even though they could more than double the income from the Pride Guide. If we are to keep to those "high ideals," then the money must come from somewhere and that somewhere is from you.

Milwaukee's Gays and Lesbians, like most of society, have lost touch with a sense of community. Most of us can see responsibility in terms of personal obligations such as earning enough money and paying the bills (more or less) on time. As a society and as a community, we have lost touch with our responsibility to each other and to our community.

R&B, Rock, Reggae and Drag Highlight MAPfest Entertainment

[Milwaukee]—The Sixth Annual Milwaukee AIDS Project's (MAP) fundraising festival, MAPfest, is fast approaching. The festival will be held on Sunday, September 1, 1991 at Schlitz Park (N. 3rd and Cherry Streets) from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Among the featured entertainers are "Friends of MAP," "Rufus and the Singing Machine," L.A. Explosion!" and "Impulse."

"Friends of MAP" will perform vocal selections from *The Little Shop of Horrors* with non-traditional casting. "Rufus and the Singing Machine," which was a tremendous hit at last year's MAPfest, will return with a blend of R&B, pop and gospel. "L.A. Explosion!" will bring back the 1960's with the energetic sounds of alternative pop and rock 'n' roll. "Impulse" will bring a reggae and calypso beat to the MAPfest crowd.

MAPfest also headlines "The Show Under the Big Top" where festival goers can enjoy the entertainment of "The Stars of Wisconsin," "Baby Jane and Friends," "Chastity and Company," Bruce Woodford's "Gay Follies" and "Milwaukee's Finest." DeeJays and sound technicians have been provided by Surround Sound Nite Club DJ Services.

"Some of the finest talent in Wisconsin will be starring in these productions," said Ronnie Marks, MAPfest chairperson. Featured will be big names such as Ginger Spice, Britanny Morgan, B.J. Daniels, Miss M, C.L. Edwards, Baby Jane Hudson, Chastity Belt, Mary Richards, Sage La Rue, Cassie Malone and many others. Marks himself will be appearing.

The closing ceremony, which begins at 10:00 p.m., is one of the highlights of

No one wants to talk about it, hear about it or even think about it. But we must. Specifically, I am talking about making a financial investment in your community.

There are probably a lot of you who feel you're not a part of the Gay/Lesbian community. I assert that you sit at home or on your barstool waiting for it to be served to you on a silver platter.

Rather, you could become part of the community by volunteering your time and money and making a difference in your own life and the lives of the people around you. You can't expect silver platter service from a community on a soup kitchen budget. You can't have it both ways.

I have been active in Milwaukee's Gay/Lesbian community for the last four years since I moved back to Wisconsin from New York. I have seen the same 50 people organizing events, volunteering at MAP, fighting to keep our Gay rights and educating the general population about who we are as a community.

Every community organization scrounges and scrimps to make ends meet. Those same 50 people give not only their time, but a huge amount of their hard-earned money. Where the hell are the rest of you?

The Pride Committee needs to raise that \$10,000-\$15,000 by the end of September. We need you to get out and attend fundraisers, buy merchandise, become a volunteer, or just make a donation.

Our next fundraiser is a concert by the fabulous Gay acappella group, the Flirtations, on September 19 (see ad in this issue). If that concert sells out, it will take care of over half of our debt. Our merchandise will be available at MAPfest.

I, as a member of that group of 50 am sick and tired of carrying the weight for the entire community, as are many of the people I have talked to in that group. Without a financial commitment from the rest of the community, it is possible and, in fact, quite probable, that another Pride Celebration will not happen.

MAPfest. The Cream City Chorus and the Fest City Singers, along with the MAP Fundraising Committee, will lead the ceremony by singing "That's What Friends Are For."

"The involvement of the Cream City Chorus and the Fest City Singers will also help to round out the festival. It will truly be a memorable conclusion to a very important day," said Louise Searing, special events manager at MAP.

All proceeds from MAPfest will benefit AIDS care and education in Milwaukee and throughout Southeast Wisconsin.

Tickets for MAPfest are \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 13. Patrons who bring three non-perishable food or personal care items will receive \$1 off the price of admission. For further information, call MAP at (414) 273-1991.

Stiltwalkers To Participate In AIDS Walk

[Milwaukee]—Performance artist Debbie Davis and percussionist Dena Aronson are gathering the adventurous to form a brigade of stiltwalkers and drummers to participate in the 1991 Wisconsin AIDS Walk.

A stiltwalking training will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and a stilt building workshop on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

It's easy, it's fun, it's prestigious. For more information and registration, call Debbie Davis, 372-5192, by Sept. 3. Anyone interested in percussion should call Dena Aronson at 276-7401.

Annual Meeting and Election For MASN On September 19

[Madison]—The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) will hold its Annual Meeting and Election of the Board of Directors on Tuesday, September 19, 1991.

The Annual Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the First Congregational Church next to the MASN office at 303 N. Lathrop Street. Events will include the election of officers, presentation of volunteer and staff awards and a slide show of agency events, staff and services. Membership in MASN is required in order to participate in the election of Board members.

The Board of Directors seeks to

represent the diversity of clients, staff, volunteers and supporters of the agency and will have (4) vacancies to be filled at the September meeting. Three terms of office are for three years and one is for a period of one year.

For further information or to receive an application packet, please contact the MASN office at (608) 238-MASN. If you wish to speak to a Board member, please leave a message for Pat Shannon, President.

Regular meetings of MASN are held the second Tuesday of each month in Madison at the agency office at 303 N. Lathrop Street.

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Suspect Pleads Innocent To Slaying Of Man In Superior

[Superior, WI]- In an update on stories carried in the June, 1991 issues of *Light*, Stuart W. Ellanson, 21, who police said told them he killed another man because he hated homosexuals, has pleaded innocent and innocent by reason of mental disease or defect in the stabbing death. This according to *The Evening Telegram* of Superior and the *Duluth News Tribune*.

Ellanson entered the plea Monday, August 5, in Douglas County Circuit Court to a charge of first-degree intentional homicide in the June 2 killing of Kevin Dutcher at Dutcher's Superior home.

Ellanson was also accused of violating Wisconsin's hate crime law which carries a five-year sentence and a \$5,000 fine in addition to the life term for the homicide charge if he is convicted.

PBS Censors Busy Once Again: Banning ACT UP Documentary

[Milwaukee]- The Public Broadcasting System (PBS) has decided to pull "Stop the Church," a 22 minute documentary about an ACT UP/New York protest at St. Patrick's Cathedral in December, 1989, from its August 29 programming schedule. ACT UP/Milwaukee opines that the reason behind the decision is that the Robert Hilferty film's portrayal of the Catholic Church is too controversial for the Network.

This decision comes just weeks after

Judge Joseph McDonald set a Dec. 3, 1991 trial date.

According to Court documents, Ellanson told police following his arrest, "I admitted I wanted to kill this fag. My whole life is devoted to killing faggots and child molesters."

Randall M. Holtz, Assistant State Public Defender and Ellanson's attorney, said that if Ellanson made those comments, he didn't mean them.

"They were the rantings of someone who was deeply influenced by alcohol at the time, so I really don't put much credence in those statements," Holtz said.

Holtz also indicated that further facts yet to be revealed "will probably shed this whole thing in a completely different light."

many PBS stations across the country, including channels 10 and 36 in Milwaukee, refused to air the internationally acclaimed Gay Black male film, "Tongues Untied."

Interested persons can call Bryce Combs of Channels 10/36 at 271-1036 and ask him to show the tape in Milwaukee. Tell him he can obtain a copy of "Stop the Church" at Frameline, a film distributor in San Francisco.

Concerned with images of Gays and Lesbians in the media, Davidson helped establish and served as the first Executive Director of GLAAD from 1987-90. During that time, GLAAD hired five staff members, raised a budget of almost half a million dollars and developed ten other chapters across the United States.

GLAAD/New York co-chairs Mary Nealon and Dennis Lonergan said: "Craig's work changed the way that the media thinks about the Gay and Lesbian community, and vice versa. Craig's vision, intelligence and organization-building skills laid the foundation on which GLAAD continues to build."

Davidson is survived by Michael Valentini, his partner of twelve years; his parents, Donald and Jean Davidson of Bellevue, Washington and a sister, Kathryn.

Contributions in Davidson's memory can be sent to: GLAAD/NY, 80 Varrick Street, Suite 3E, New York, NY 10013.

Allen Barnett

Allen Barnett, author, activist and AIDS educator, died in New York City on August 14 from complications due to AIDS. He was 36 years old.

Barnett's 1990 book, *The Body and Its Dangers*, a collection of stories about people with AIDS, won the PEN/Ernest Hemingway Citation and the Lambda Literary Award for Best Fiction.

Barnett worked for New York's Gay Men's Health Crisis and was a founder of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. He is survived by his mother, Margaret Barnett of Joliet, Illinois, as well as four sisters and two brothers.

Plymouth UCC Conference September 21-22

[Milwaukee]- "Re-Envisioning the Family of God — Gays, Lesbians and the Church" is the theme of a weekend conference sponsored by the United Church Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Concerns (UCCL/GC). The program will be held September 21-22 at Plymouth Church UCC in Milwaukee.

The featured speaker is Rev. Dr. James B. Nelson of United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, MN. Dr. Nelson has written and spoken extensively on Christian Ethics and supports the full participation of homosexuals in the life of the church. He will address homosexuality and the church and a new vision for the family of God.

Several workshops will be offered on subjects of interest to all who have an interest in issues about homosexuality. These workshops include the church response, how it can be an inclusive community, using the Bible as a positive resource, legal issues, holy unions, AIDS and parents and friends. There will be worship, open discussions and social time.

Registration is open to any interested person who wishes to attend. The fee is \$15-\$35 depending on partial or full attendance. Participants are expected to include clergy, lay people, Gay men, Lesbians, family members and friends whether active in any religious organizations or not. For more information and to register, contact UCCL/GC, P.O. Box 07168, Milwaukee, WI 53207 or call (414) 483-7900 or (608) 271-5599.

UCCL/GC is a recognized special interest group of the United Church of Christ. In Wisconsin the Coalition is actively working with all levels to expand the involvement of Lesbians and Gay men in the life of the church. The national denomination has a full "open and affirming" statement toward Lesbians, Gay men and bisexuals adopted in 1985. It ordained the first openly Gay man in 1972.

Rodney Scheel House Benefit September 7

[Madison]- The Rodney Scheel House for Persons With AIDS, Ltd., is pleased to announce the First Annual PWA Benefit Dinner. This gala evening, held in order to help raise funds to build this vital facility, will be held Saturday, Sept. 7, 1991, on the Patio at the Hotel Washington Complex in Madison. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 7:00 p.m.

The gourmet meal, prepared and provided by Queen Anne's Tearoom, will include a fresh fruit appetizer with Sabayon sauce, Sante Fe marinated salad, Orzo with roasted pepper and fresh garden vegetables, fresh grilled salmon with light lemon caper sauce and a seasonal fruit tart.

For more information or to make reservations, please call (608) 255-0609, Mon-Fri 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by Sept. 4, 1991. Donation, \$25. All proceeds go towards helping make the Rodney Scheel House come true.

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Terry Eisenbart

Terry Eisenbart was born February 8, 1959 and passed away July 18, 1991 of complications due to AIDS.

Terry was born and raised in Sturtevant, Wisconsin. He was a graduate of J.I. Case High School in 1977. He attended IBA Cosmetology School, UW-Parkside and the Joel Hall School of Dance in Chicago. His most recent job was in management at Sally's Beauty Supply.

He is survived by his mother, Mae, and his brothers Robert and Richard.

Many had the honor of knowing Terry, knew of his magic and his love. Terry maintained a vast array of friends and family. To Terry, his friends were his family and his family were his friends as well. The unconditional love and support that Mae, his mother, gave him throughout his entire life made him the wonderful man that he was.

A Memorial Mass for Terry will be held on Sunday, August 25 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Sabastian Church in Sturtevant. (Just south of Highway 11 on 95th Street.) Afterwards there will be an AIDS Benefit at Kilbourne Gardens (HWY 20 and I-94 from 2:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m.).

Craig Davidson

Craig Davidson, founder and former Executive Director of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD), died of AIDS complications on August 3 at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City. He was 37.

Born in Seattle, Washington, Davidson graduated from Harvard Law School in 1981 and, through the 1980s, worked for two law firms in Manhattan.

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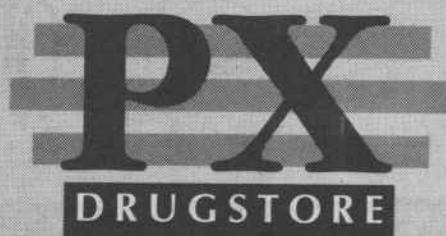
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Steve Steinhauer (back row center) the founder of the annual Lavender Hill Party, dressed in costume as did scores of others at the 8th annual event held August 18 at Milwaukee's Renaissance Place. The MAP fundraiser attracted several hundred people.

'Paris Is Burning': Drag Balls Focus Of Award-Winning Movie

Reviewed by Geno

"Paris is Burning" is the name of a voguing and drag ball held annually at the Elks Lodge in Harlem. Director and producer Jennie Livingston has produced a documentary film about this ball and other New York balls which take place every month or so in Harlem, Brooklyn, the Bronx and the Village. "Paris is Burning" has won numerous awards, among them the Los Angeles Film Critics Award and the 1991 Sundance Festival Grand Jury Prize.

The Gay Ball world is a fantasy world where a self-created society of Gay Black and Hispanic men fashion a dream identity for themselves. The balls allow them to be "the real thing," to become for the moment what they are not. The results are huge social gatherings based on gender and image bending that are full of life, vibrant with energy and humor.

The legendary Dorian Corey has performed in drag shows and many of the balls for over 30 years, and while being interviewed at various times during the film, he acts as guide, historian of the movement and worldly wise social arbiter. In the early days, he explains, "They all wanted to be Marlene Dietrich or Gloria Swanson." (Dorian, you're really dating yourself!). "but today they can be anything they want to be." The categories under which the contestants compete for prizes and trophies have been broadened so that an entrant can make a "walk" dressed as a Wall Street Yuppie in three-piece business suit, as a Marine in dress uniform, or as a Upcoming Pretty Girl.

"Voguing," named after the magazine, now plays a major role in the ball scene as the contestants combine the poses struck by fashion models with acrobatic spins and dips. Expensive designer clothes are featured, Doria-

regrets, instead of the feathers and glitz of the old days. But the real stars of the show remain the Femme Queens, the Legends, the "Mothers." The latter construct their own families acting as surrogate parents to their "Children" both in an out of competition. The families or Houses serve a real social purpose since many of the Gay men and boys have been ostracized by their birth families.

The families with names like the House of La Beija, the House of Saint Laurent and the House of Xtravaganza further provide their members with identities. Rivalry between the Houses foster a sense of pride and accomplishment in the winning of trophies and community recognition.

Jennie Livingston has produced a documentary that is exhilarating, poignant at times, hilarious at others. Admitting that she is no social anthropologist, she presents the ball as a response to homophobia and racism, showing the ball goes meeting it with optimism and spirit.

Very little is shown or said of the role that drugs play in this milieu or of its less wholesome aspects—there is a short sequence devoted to "mopping," the stealing of expensive designer gowns and other finery, and one of the young Femme Queens, we are told, was strangled while hustling in drag.

Livingston concentrates upon the wildly creative side of the ball subculture and sees the ball participants as individuals who "had more style, more fortitude, more wit and more true intelligence than most people with five times their opportunities."

Livingston gives the last words of the film to two thirteen year-olds, street smart, perfectly secure in their Gay identity and looking forward to joining a Family. They are a joy to behold.

GLAAD: 'Northern Exposure' A Must-See For Gay Viewers

[New York, NY]- The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) reports that CBS TV's *Northern Exposure* is turning into a real must-see. The show is full of comic and complicated plot twists involving eccentric but lovable folks in the small Alaskan town of Cicely.

Especially satisfying to Gay viewers was the revelation that the town's deceased "beloved founders" had been a Lesbian couple. At the Founders' Day celebration, a character commented that the two women "had a good thing and were lucky to have it."

In *Northern Exposure's* season finale, a Gay male couple bought a house and planned to renovate it as a bed and breakfast. The seller, a gruff militarist and former astronaut named Maurice, overcame his initial homophobia after

learning that historically Gays have been excellent soldiers!

The Gay couple was shown expressing their intimacy and affection with quiet comfort and pride. In the fade-out scene, they joined together in a slow dance with all the other couples.

This sort of simple inclusion could be standard on TV but is not.

GLAAD urges viewers to thank the producers for their wonderfully fair and humorous show. They could also be encouraged to bring back the Gay couple as ongoing characters in the new season.

Write to: Joshua Brand and John Falsey, Executive Producers, *Northern Exposure*, 3000 Olympic Boulevard, #2575, Lantana Center, Santa Monica, CA 90404.

"Sexual Orientation" Telefilm On Public TV September 6

[Milwaukee]- The Cream City Foundation (CCF) has announced that a television production receiving major funding from CCF, "Sexual Orientation: Reading Between the Labels," will be aired for the first time on Friday, September 6, 1991. The program airs at 3:00 pm throughout Wisconsin on Wisconsin Public Television stations (including Channel 36 in the Milwaukee area).

The program was produced by NEWIST (Northeastern Wisconsin In-School Telecommunications) and was made possible only by a large grant from the Cream City Foundation.

The program is a revolutionary production, made specifically for school age youth in Wisconsin. The film focuses on issues facing Gay and Lesbian youth and is designed to help build respect between individuals of divergent sexual orientations. The program provides a forum for Gay and non-Gay teens to speak of their concerns, combined with discussion by professionals.

According to a spokesman of CCF, "The production of this program presented the Cream City Foundation with both its first opportunity to make a real impact on all aspects of society throughout Wisconsin, but also with the challenge of its largest single grant to date (\$10,000). But we knew the program to be invaluable to youth attempting to deal with their sexual identity, and pulled out all the stops to ensure the program became reality."

According to the spokesman, the program has potential for national use and rebroadcast, providing CCF with even broader exposure.

Tapes of the program are available to schools, libraries, and individuals for either purchase or rental. The Cream City Foundation welcomes designated contributions to allow CCF to purchase copies of the tape for several local schools and libraries. Contributions may be mailed to Cream City Foundation, P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Call the CCF at (414) 265-0880 for more information.

AIDS Benefit Planned At Cafe Melange September 9

[Milwaukee]- "Let's Join Hands," an AIDS benefit concert, is being presented at Cafe Melange (in the lower level of the Wisconsin Hotel) on Sept. 9th at 7:00 p.m.

The concert features musicians Jordan Minstrel, Raimius, Davo, Draylove, Chade'z and others. Also featured will be the poetry of Sheila Spagra and the artwork of Loretta Jordan.

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The 6th Annual Production of *I Got This Way From Kissing Girls* is expanding its activities once again. This year KGP will be producing two nights with the stars — identical shows on Saturday, November 23 and Sunday, November 24. It is KGP's hope that this change will provide every Lesbian/woman with the opportunity to attend. Perhaps some die-hard fans will even choose to attend both shows.

The times for the shows are 7 p.m. on Saturday and 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The number of acts will be limited in order to support the goal of reducing the length of the show. To that end, a wonderfully diverse group of womyn will form a screening committee to choose this year's acts from the pool of applications.

Acts will be selected on the basis of: originality, diversity, timeliness of application, past performance, availability to perform at both shows, etc. All 1991 grant recipients will participate in this year's show.

Applications will be available in mid-August at KGP's ticket outlets: A Room of One's Own, Whole Earth, Magic Mill and Green Earth in Madison. They can also be requested by mail at: KGP,

Box 6091, Madison, WI 53716. All applications must be received by Sept. 30, 1991. Please enclose a SASE.

Applicants will be informed of the status of their application in a timely fashion, following the September 30th deadline.

Although KGP would love to include every applicant, past shows have proven to run somewhat long. So, the theme for this year is "smaller is better." That will likely mean that some acts will be omitted. For those who don't make the 1991 line-up, reapplication in future years is encouraged.

The actual variety show will be held at Madison's Barrymore Theatre, 2090 Atwood Avenue. This year the Art Show and Poetry reading will be held at Apple Island.

A reception will begin the festivities on Friday, November 22nd at 5:00 p.m. The Poetry Showcase will be held at Apple Island that night from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The Art Show will run from its opening on Friday through Sunday, November 24th.

There are a lot of exciting changes coming up. Braille programs will be made available and most acts will be accompanied by a sign language interpreter. KGP hopes to provide childcare for those who make requests in advance. (Please don't call now... registration information will be including in the advertising.)

Apple Island is wheelchair accessible and KGP hopes to iron out some of the accessibility problems at the Barrymore.

For more information on how you can help, please write to the application address listed above or call Teri at (608) 241-5685.

Six Week Playwriting Seminar Offered By Michael Neville

[Milwaukee]- Playwright Michael Neville will be conducting a six-week seminar in professional playwriting in Milwaukee beginning September 10, 1991. Participation will be limited to eight students.

In a recent letter, Neville wrote, "Although I am a stickler for form in my playwriting class — the demands of the theater being what they are — I encourage a wide variety of content. I would particularly like to encourage the creation of positive Gay, Lesbian and Bi characters for the stage. For this, it is helpful (though not always necessary) for the writer to be Gay, Lesbian or Bi herself or himself."

He added, "I have suffered through too many plays and movies where the non-het characters are not real, not interesting, not witty, not charming, not human, not any of the things I know the people of our community to be. I hope, in some small way, through my class and my theater, to remedy that."

Neville, a native Milwaukeean, wrote the text of the message from eight members of the Common Council read to those in attendance at the August 5 Vigil to Remember the Victims of Jeffrey Dahmer that was reprinted in the last issue of *Light*. He also wrote and directed

the now defunct "Spirit of Milwaukee" multimedia piece and is putting together his Playwright's Studio Theater. Its purpose is to nurture a renewed corps of writers by providing opportunities to at least match the ones offered by film and television.

Neville, one of the stars of the Leo Jones golden age at Marquette University's Teatro Maria, has most recently worked in New York City as well as regional theaters across the country. Original plays of Neville's have been produced off-Broadway at the Manhattan Theater Club, at ACT Seattle, the Actors Theater of Louisville, Boston's NightStage and numerous other places.

Neville is a recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts grant in Playwriting, a New York Fellowship in Playwriting, a Massachusetts Fellowship in Playwriting and a Sam S. Shubert Fellowship in Playwriting.

Neville's goal for the Playwright's Studio Theater is to produce one or two plays in the next year, moving up to four or five full-length shows a season by the end of five years. He will be actively soliciting scripts from local writers.

For further information on the Playwriting Seminar, call (414) 476-8984.

Concert By Bay City Chorus Scheduled For August 31

[Green Bay, WI]- The Bay City Chorus concert scheduled for Saturday, August 31 at 8:00 p.m. at the Union Congregational Church has been changed to a different time and place — 9:30 at ZA's, 718 Bodart St., Green Bay. This will be a shorter program than originally planned due to the difficulty in getting people together this summer. Tickets will not be sold, but donations will be accepted.

Rehearsals will resume September 15 at 7:00 p.m., Sunday nights and new members are encouraged to join. Fall and

'Nothing To Hide' September TV Schedule

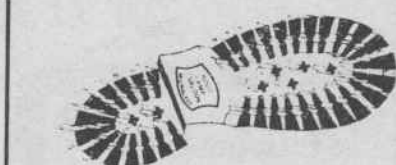
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Sept. 4 The Flirtations — singing group in the style of the Nylons, with one difference: The Flirtations are "out of the closet."

Sept. 11 Real Eyes Realize Real Lies with Jay Hatheway.

Sept. 18 A Conversation with Sam Day and his friends.

Sept. 25 Atomic Comic, Fran Peavey, at 4 Star Fiction and Video discusses her two books.



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Harvard Cancels AIDS Conference; Cites U.S. HIV Restrictions

By Jamakaya

[Cambridge, MA] -The Harvard AIDS Institute, sponsor of the 1992 International Conference on AIDS, has announced that due to U.S. immigration restrictions on people with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), the conference will not be held in Boston next May. A new site outside the U.S. will be chosen in the next few weeks.

The annual conference draws almost 12,000 scientists, doctors, activists and patients together to exchange the latest information about AIDS research and treatment techniques. It is the most important international conference of its kind.

In canceling the Boston conference, the Harvard AIDS Institute issued this statement: "It is not possible at this time to offer assurance that the U.S. immigration policy will allow individuals with HIV, health professionals and other essential participants to attend the 1992 conference."

Dr. Max Essex, chairman of the AIDS conference, told Associated Press: "This is a clear statement that we don't feel comfortable with the policy and can't go ahead with it in place."

The United States is the only industrialized nation to restrict temporary visitation as well as permanent immigration to people infected with HIV.

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released a statement saying that it regretted the decision to hold the conference outside the U.S.: "The Department believes that this action was not necessary."

Reached for a comment at his vacation retreat at Kennebunkport, Maine, President Bush said it was "too bad" that the Boston conference had been canceled. "They'll find other ways to get together," said Bush, "so it doesn't bother me."

The decision by the Harvard AIDS Institute was seen by many observers as an attempt to pressure the government into revising its HIV exclusion policy. The current restrictions were only adopted in 1987 when the Reagan administration added HIV infection to the list of contagious diseases like tuberculosis and leprosy that is used to bar entry to the country.

In subsequent years, organizers and scientists participating in AIDS conferences in the U.S. were angered to learn that some of their professional colleagues, whose expertise on AIDS was required, had been prevented from

entering the country.

In several cases, would-be participants were detained at airports and at border crossings and actually placed in holding cells until legal counsel or transportation back to their homelands could be arranged.

Many eminent scientists and research organizations boycotted last year's conference in San Francisco to protest the U.S. restrictions. They attacked the exclusionary policy as scientifically unfounded because HIV is not transmitted through casual contact.

The policy is also perceived as a social and diplomatic embarrassment because the U.S. itself has the highest number of AIDS cases in the world.

The Bush administration had an opportunity to reverse the immigration policy recently, but did not.

An immigration reform bill, passed by Congress in 1990, gave Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis Sullivan the authority to strike HIV infection from the list of immigration restrictions. Sullivan agreed to do so and the ban was to be lifted on June 1.

However, citing the receipt of thousands of letters in opposition to the policy change, the Bush administration reneged on its earlier commitment and decided to retain the ban.

Health officials within the Bush administration itself were reportedly angry with the reversal of policy. A source at HHS said that the department would "weigh in heavily against this. It sends the wrong message to people outside the country and to people inside the country."

The recent cancellation of the Boston conference is likely to renew and intensify the debate over America's HIV exclusion policy.

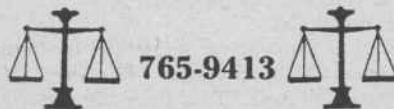
Annual Meeting Of Pride Committee Set September 11

[Milwaukee]- Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1991 is the Annual Meeting of the Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee. The meeting will be held in the banquet room above the M&M Club, 124 N. Water Street in Milwaukee, at 7:00 p.m. It is open to everyone.

The two main items on the agenda will be a discussion of the future of the

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There are seven open positions. All current open positions are designated for women as per our bylaws. If there are not seven applicants for those positions, then they will be held open until November 10 in order to give more time to recruit women to fill those posts.

Five of the positions are for 3-year terms and two are to fill the remaining year of existing terms vacated by current members.

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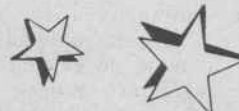
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PWA Inmate Threatened After Accusation Printed in Paper

By Roger Morris

[Madison]—In what has been described as "a disgusting new low from a department that many thought could sink no lower," the life of an inmate living with AIDS has been threatened after a column written by a Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) official appeared in Madison-area papers.

The August 2 **Wisconsin State Journal** and the August 6 **Capital Times** both ran a commentary by Steve Kronzer, Administrator of the Division Program Services for DOC. In the column, Kronzer wrongly accuses Roger Hillman, an inmate living with AIDS, of having been convicted of rape. Kronzer writes: "Three inmates with AIDS and prominent in [ACT UP's] recent concerns were all convicted and are serving long sentences for sexual assault including one of an eight year-old girl."

ACT UP has referred to only three inmates during its protests. Among these, Hillman, an outspoken critic of the DOC, is most prominent; however he was convicted of armed robbery, not rape.

Persons convicted of sexual assault are often assaulted and harassed by other inmates. Inmates with HIV/AIDS also are abused by their fellow inmates.

In an interview for this article, Hillman said "The message Kronzer sent to other inmates here at Waupun is that I am a child molesting rapist with AIDS who deserves to die." Since the column appeared, Hillman has been threatened by other inmates and, he says, "could find a knife between his ribs."

Brad Jackson, Hillman's attorney said, "If anything happens to Hillman, it would be Kronzer's responsibility."

Contacted for this article, Kronzer asserted that Hillman was not among the "three inmates" to which he was referring. Pressed to name these three inmates, Kronzer refused. When it was pointed out that ACT UP had only

demonstrated about three inmates by name and they could be the only persons "prominent" in ACT UP's concerns, Kronzer replied, "I stand by my statement."

"This isn't the first time Steve Kronzer has stood by a lie," said Dan Savage of ACT UP/Madison. "Roger is the most prominent inmate we have demonstrated for. He is the person we have been delivering peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to the governor about. We have only demonstrated about three inmates by name."

Doug Radtke of ACT UP/Milwaukee stated, "Kronzer's attitude is that, because these people are criminals, nobody should give a damn when the DOC murders them because of their HIV status. An attack on any person because of their HIV status, even a convicted criminal, is an attack on all PWAs and all people perceived of being at risk. Whatever crimes a prison living with AIDS may have committed, the simple fact is that they were not sentenced to death and the DOC cannot be allowed to murder them."

"The ACLU is very concerned about the mistreatment and abuse that Roger Hillman is suffering in prison. We think he is a candidate for compassionate early release," said Judy Greenspan, AIDS Information Coordinator for the ACLU National Prison Project.

ACT UP has joined in the call for compassionate early release for Hillman. Compassionate early release was one of the recommendations of the Governor's HIV/AIDS Technical Advisory Committee report on prison issues of May, 1990. Hillman's physician, Dr. Frank Graziano, chair of the Advisory Committee, has also called for Hillman's release.

Letters of protest can be sent to: Steve Kronzer, DOC, 149 E. Wilson St., Madison, WI 53707.

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Court refused to hear her appeal.)

Ben-Shalom noted the ironies of her own and Pruitt's case. In her case, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago deferred entirely to the Pentagon's rationale, saying the Army needed to protect "morale, discipline and the effectiveness of our fighting forces." The court would not challenge the Army by making changes "with possible consequences we cannot fully evaluate."

Ben-Shalom speculated that the completely contradictory decisions by the Ninth and Seventh Circuits might mean that she could seek re-enlistment through the Ninth Circuit. If the Army appeals, further litigation, including a Supreme Court hearing, may be necessary to clarify these legal points.

Williams Outed

In early August, it became known that the **Advocate**, the national Gay and Lesbian newsweekly, would feature a cover story exposing the fact that Assistant Secretary of Defense Pete Williams, the Pentagon spokesman who became familiar to most Americans through his daily briefings on the Persian Gulf war, is allegedly a Gay man.

The **Advocate**, which has generally opposed "outing," explained: "We commit ourselves to this singular instance of outing in the name of the 12,966 soldiers who have been outed by the military since 1982."

"We do not want to ruin Pete Williams' life," wrote editor Richard Rouillard. The article commended Williams as an "excellent and effective spokesman," but emphasized that "The U.S. military is awash in lies and hypocrisy."

The **Advocate** noted that while a Gay man serves as the chief Pentagon spokesman, thousands of lower ranking Gay and Lesbian soldiers are being subjected to harassment, intimidation and discharge because they, too, are Gay.

Syndicated columnist Jack Anderson picked up on the story and Williams' name was flashed around the country. (Some papers carried the story but refused to publish Williams' name.)

On ABC's **This Week With David Brinkley**, Sam Donaldson asked Secretary of Defense Cheney whether, given the Pentagon's ban on Gays, the outed spokesman would be asked to resign.

"Absolutely not," Cheney replied. "I don't think it's fundamentally wrong for us to make a distinction between civilian and military service." (Williams is a civilian employee of the Pentagon.)

Citing such unique aspects of military service as lengthy deployments at sea,

Cheney said: "You cannot make the kind of separation in the military between private and professional life that you can with respect to civilians."

Days earlier, at a hearing before the House Budget Committee, Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA) asked Cheney about the Pentagon's ban and its stated belief that Gay people are a security risk. Cheney conceded that that theory was "a bit of an old chestnut" and seemed to distance himself from the policy by saying that he had "inherited" it.

Studds' assistant, Adams, told the **Light**: "he certainly did not give a strong, coherent defense of the policy."

Other observers agreed. Even **Inside the Pentagon**, an in-house publication aimed at Department of Defense employees, ran a lengthy story which termed Cheney's defense of the policy "lackluster."

Adams suggested that Cheney, in a subtle way, may be sending a message to other officials at the Pentagon that the days of the regulation — or strict enforcement of it — are numbered.

Reports Forthcoming

Two government reports, due to be issued soon, may add further fuel to the controversy.

An investigation of the Pentagon's ban by the Government Accounting Office (GAO), initiated by Rep. Studds, will be released in September. Adams, "anxious" to see the report, said: "We assume it will show that a substantial amount of money is being spent by the Department of Defense to both recruit and train and, then, subsequently to investigate and discharge Gay and Lesbian soldiers." The amount is at least in the tens of millions.

A second eagerly awaited report is a revised version of a Department of Defense study, **Nonconforming Sexual Orientations and Military Suitability**, which was leaked to the press more than a year ago. The original draft of the report infuriated Pentagon officials.

The report found no correlation between homosexuality and other indicators of unsuitability for the armed services. It found no evidence that Gays were any greater security risks than heterosexuals, and no more likely to be blackmailed. It described people of non-conforming sexual orientations as a legitimate minority group and strongly suggested that the Pentagon's anti-Gay regulation would be overturned by the courts or Congress.

The Pentagon squelched the report (now available from Alyson Publications as **Gays in Uniform** for \$6.95), saying it went beyond its mandate, and ordered a revision that focused solely on the

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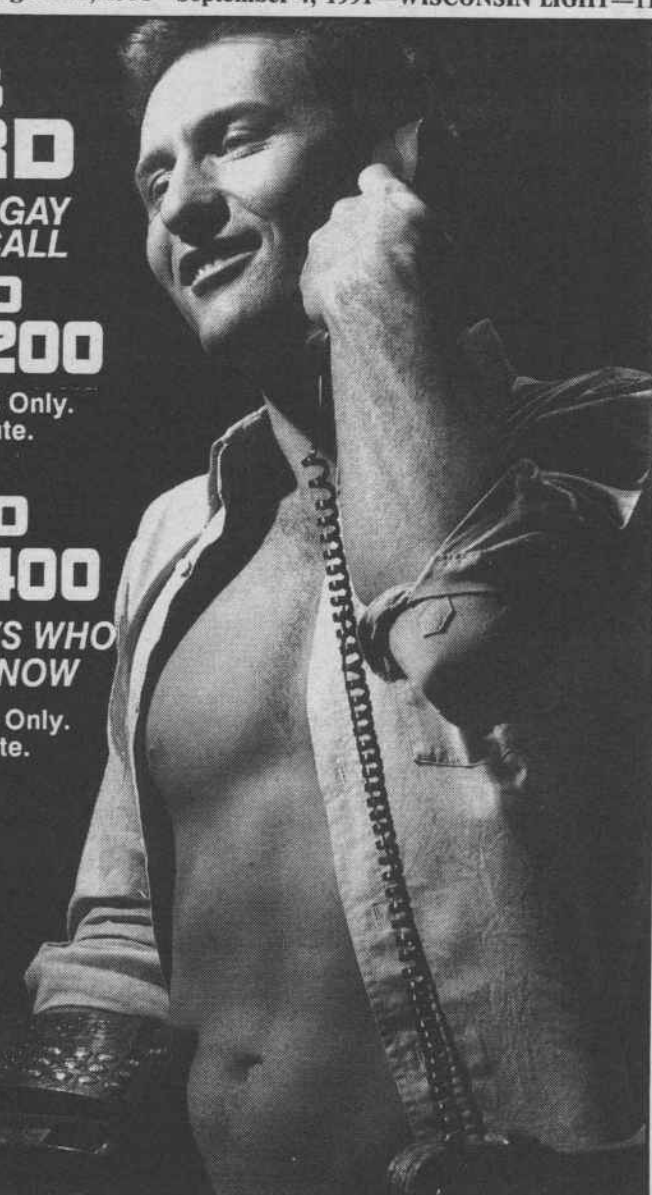
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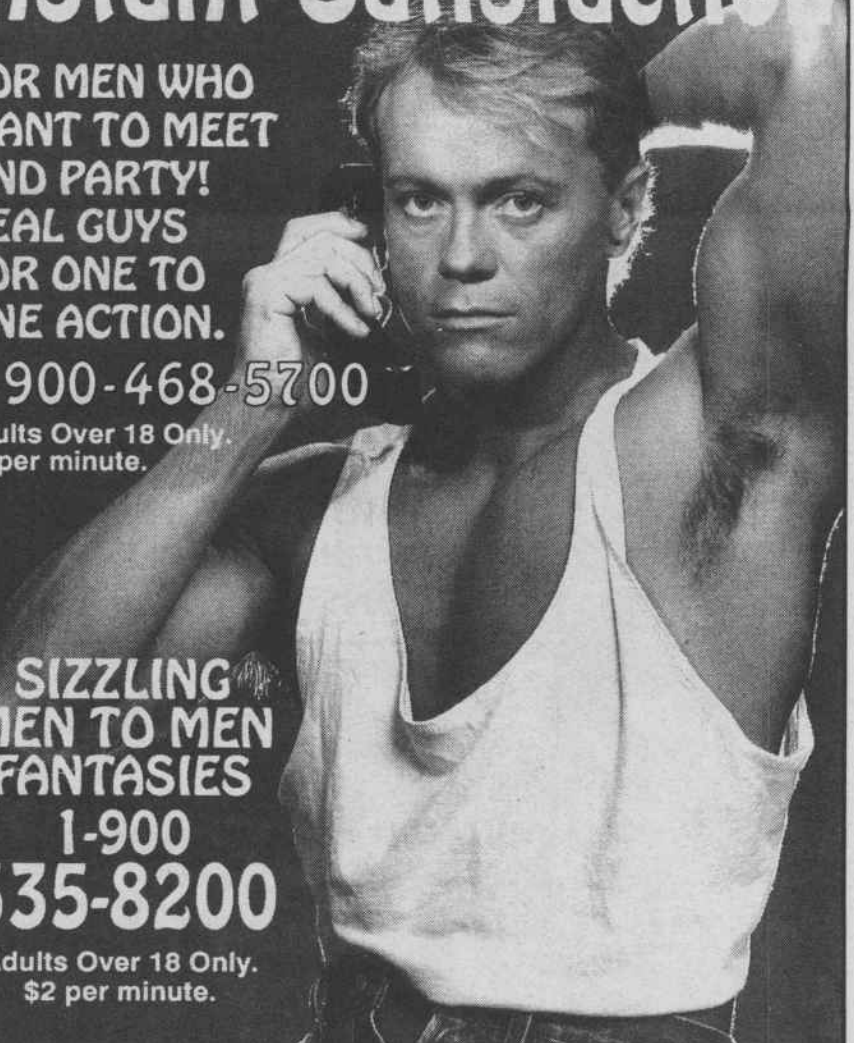
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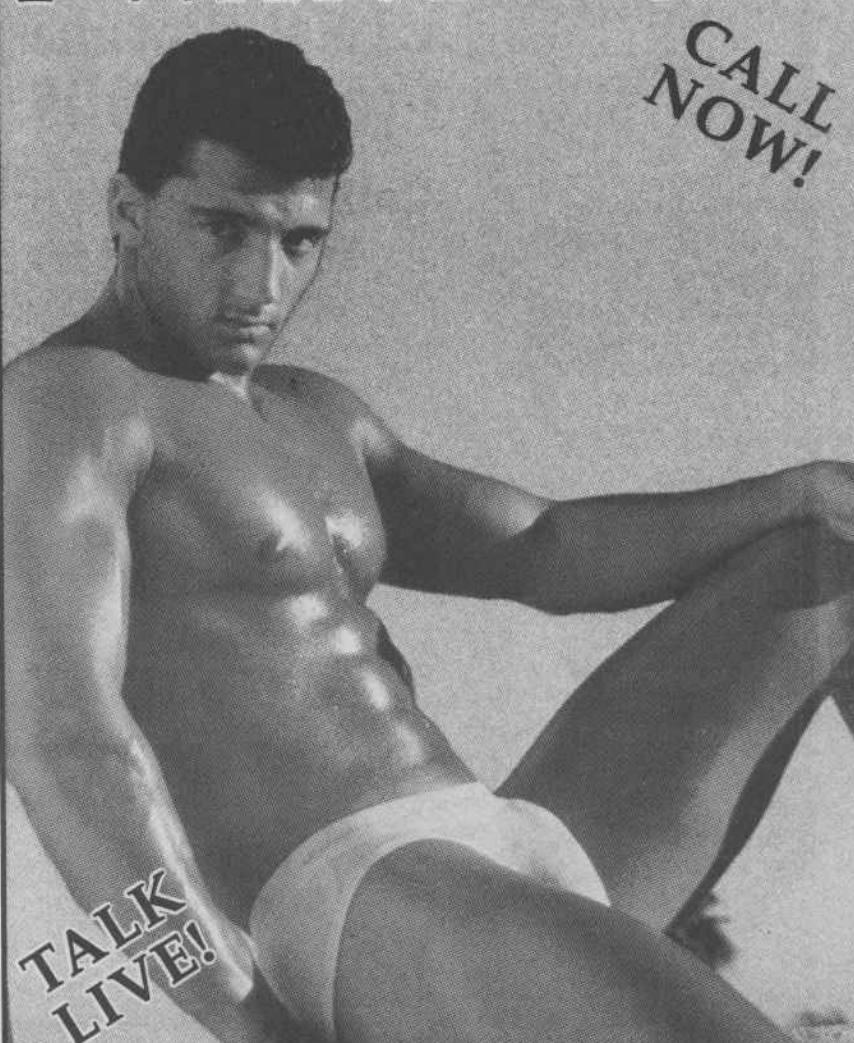
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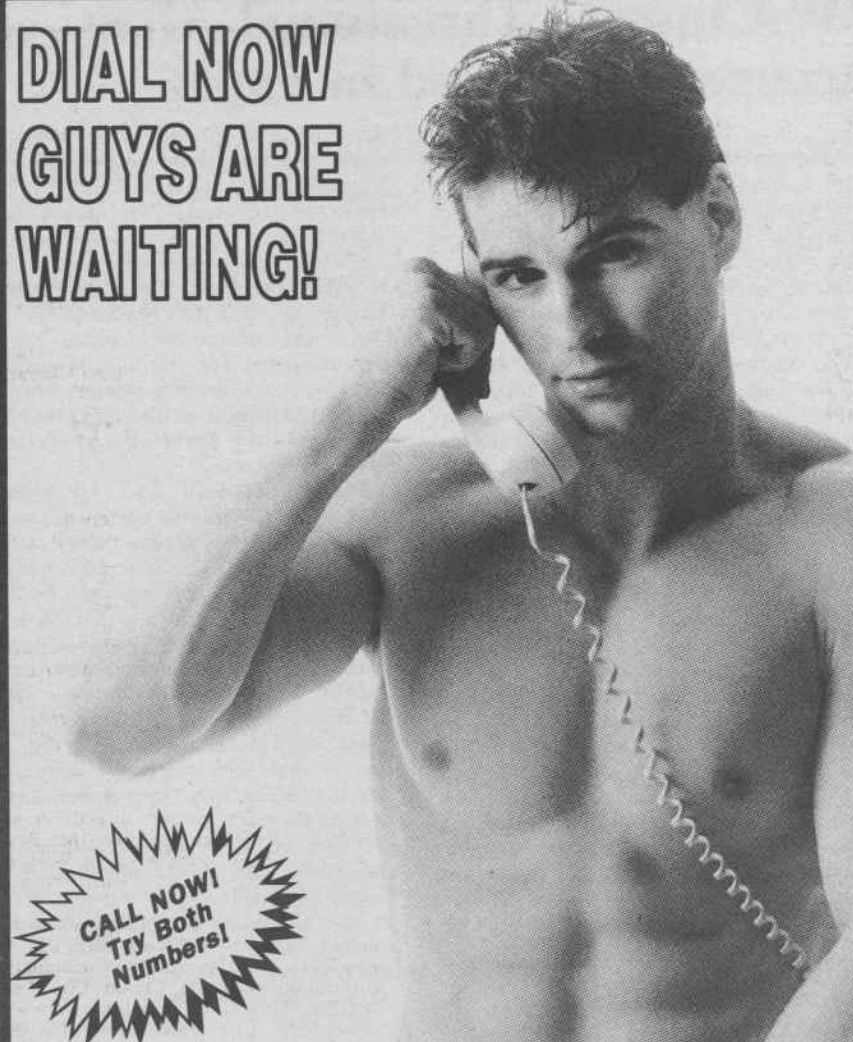


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to investigate the actions of the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) in the Jeffrey Dahmer multiple murder case. Coggs-Jones's distrust of Doyle and Norquist is fully vindicated by the announcement that only the actions of three officers who released a subsequently murdered 14-year-old boy into Dahmer's custody will be investigated and not the wider issue of the apparently rampant racism and homophobia within the MPD.

It is all too obvious that Wisconsin Democrats such as Attorney General Doyle, District Attorney E. Michael McCann and Mayor Norquist want to get this behind them before the next election. Never mind the evidence of racism and homophobia in the MPD. Never mind the report in the July 30th *New York Times* that police officers in a sensitivity training class heckled a Gay speaker and that someone within the police department likes to entertain fellow officers by drawing swastikas on the walls. Never mind the report in the August 2nd *Milwaukee Sentinel* that MPD Captain Darrel Rodgers had issued what will undoubtedly be interpreted by some as an official call for vigilante action and a violent pogrom against homosexuals. Never mind that in the future the local Gay community can expect that the MPD will take its revenge. Political buddies must stick together to defend themselves against the voters.

Is it mere coincidence that in my dictionary the entry immediately above "distrust" is "district attorney?" I'm afraid Dahmergate has begun.

—Al Geiersbach
Milwaukee

Editor's Note: We hope that the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel will address and make strong recommendations to eliminate, if found, racism and homophobia in the Police Department. We hope too, that the Panel's recommendations will be followed by higher authority.

New Hope

TO THE EDITOR:

In response to our community's continuing recovery from the shock of the Dahmer mass murders, New Hope Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) extends an open invitation to all to come and participate in this year's Fall Retreat and Spiritual Renewal. In the wake of increased homophobic oppression, we offer this special weekend as an opportunity for healing.

Come, seek and discover new and positive ways to affirm your life in Christ. Also, there will be a special remembrance liturgy on Saturday evening, Sept. 7, remembering the victims of this mass murder with a particular focus on remembering and affirming the "Homosexual Orientation" of many of our Gay brothers who were murdered.

This retreat is scheduled for the second weekend in September, 6-8. The "All Around" theme is "Coming To Christ Through Commitment." The retreat facilitator is the Rev. Ralph Conrad, Pastor of Good Shepherd MCC in Chicago. The weekend's activities include:

Sept. 6 7:30 p.m. worship and praise service; Focus: Commitment to Relatedness. Sermon Title: "What Is This Thing Called Love?"

Sept. 7 Workshop, 12:00-3:30 p.m./ Worship, 5:15 p.m./ Community potluck following worship. Focus: Commitment to Ministry; workshop—"What Are My Spiritual Gifts?" designed to help you identify your gifts for ministry; Sermon Title: "The Rock Wall" (There will be a special liturgy during this service remembering the victims of the recent mass murder).

Sept 8 6:30 p.m. worship and praise service. Focus: Commitment to the Gospel for all people. Sermon Title: "Standing at the Well."

On Sunday, Sept. 15, at our regular 6:30 worship service, the Rev. Grant Ford will be preaching. Rev. Ford is Pastor of the Church of the Holy Spirit MCC which primarily ministers to 500 homosexual Christians in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Rev. Ford is an expert on church growth and is a noted dynamic preacher in the Universal Fellowship of MCC.

All retreat activities are free and open to all. For more information call Susan at 442-7300.

—New Hope Metropolitan Community Church, Milwaukee

Outraged

TO THE EDITOR:

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to Milwaukee Police Chief Philip Arreola, *Wisconsin Light* and 11 other magazines and newspapers across Wisconsin. In addition to the signature included here, it was signed by 22 additional people.

We are outraged by the behavior of the police officers who responded to the emergency call placed by Nicole Childress on May 27, 1991, after she saw Jeffrey Dahmer chasing Konerak Sinthasomphone. Any of the facts — that the officers claim mistaking Mr. Sinthasomphone, a boy of 14, for a 19-year-old adult; that the stench Dahmer's neighbors had complained about for months didn't raise their suspicion; that they thought nothing of returning a bleeding boy who didn't seem to react to his environment to the custody of a stranger based on his word, is enough to raise serious questions about the competency of the Milwaukee police force. Your own words in the *Chicago Tribune*, August 2, 1991 edition state that officers "failed to conduct a basic, proper police investigation into the matter."

The deaths of five people could have been avoided if the officers would not have reacted out of their racism and homophobia. The Milwaukee police have a history of harassment of members of the Gay community. It is sad that the officers seem to be more interested in enforcing the regulations concerning the size of G-strings performers wear than preventing acts of violence, as evidenced by the arrests made in the recent ACT UP benefit [at The Triangle Bar in Milwaukee.]

The Milwaukee police have to earn the trust of the city's minority communities. It is not an easy task, but that is the only way of solving some of the problems which plague the city. The first step must be dealing with the insensitivity within the police force and increasing interaction between police force and community. We urge you to work with the Milwaukee Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay organizations, set-up a sensitivity training program on minority issues which include sexual minorities, and actively recruit officers from the minority communities. We also demand that you send a clear message to the officers that homophobia and racism will not be tolerated.

—Jari Junikka
Queer Liberation Front
Madison

Give To CCF

TO THE EDITOR:

The time is once again upon us when our employers (be they government or private) approach us and ask us to help them in their fundraising efforts for various causes. I encourage everybody to take a close look at what they're asking.

Whether your employer pushes United Way, or their own "combined" federal or state or private employer campaign, they all direct their money to "straight" causes; Boy and Girl Scouts, child support, etc. Some of the causes affect us of the Gay and Lesbian community as well, and are deserving of money. But NONE of these fundraising groups gives money to any Gay and Lesbian causes, directly or indirectly. (In fact, some groups like the Boy Scouts continue to get away, even in Wisconsin, the "Gay Rights State," with discriminating against Gays!)

We, as Gays and Lesbians, must direct our money where it will work FOR US. The best way to do this is by designating our contributions to the Cream City Foundation (CCF). This organization works for us year-round. It disburses funds to dozens of causes that we can't all be aware of or give to when they need it; CCF is there to help. Your employer MUST accept your designation to CCF; United Way and others know of the Foundation and cooperate with it. But, CCF doesn't have a name that is readily Gay-identified; your employer won't even know who you're giving to — but they will be glad you're giving; and so will you!

I hope *Wisconsin Light* will continue to keep the Milwaukee public informed about the excellent activities, organizations, bars and media in the Milwaukee area; we have much to be proud of.

—J. Collins
Milwaukee

Bravo, ACT UP

TO THE EDITOR:

Sisters and Brothers:

In the past, many of us have been quick to condemn a great deal of the activities that the members of ACT-UP engage in. I admit, I was one of those people. However, the organization needs to be commended for their recent involvement with a harassed youth.

On the evening of August 10, 1991, a desperate mother read in the local newspaper that the curriculum would be changed at her younger son's rural public school. Because of this and the sensitive nature of the new curriculum, the school would be holding an open forum to discuss the issues surrounding the new and controversial program. The new program dealt with self-esteem, human growth and sexuality issues. You see, the desperate mother was informed of her 15 year-old son's blessing of alternative sexuality about a year ago. Because of coming out, the youth was facing tremendous amounts of discrimination in this small town. The mother, tired from fighting the oppressive and heterosexist community around her, called her elder Gay son in Milwaukee to ask for help.

The elder son from Milwaukee called ACT UP to see if this organization could send a representative to the forum to help the family facilitate discussion regarding the issues of Lesbian and Gay Lifestyle. With such short notice, the elder son was greatly pessimistic that ACT UP would do anything. However, on the evening of August 11, 1991, a representative, Doug Radtke, telephoned the mother to let her know the Gay Community from Milwaukee was there for her and that they would help in any way possible.

This mother, this harassed youth and the eldest son are respectively, my mother, my brother and myself. The actions of ACT UP in this instance inspired me to the fact that there may just be "Community" among all of us. I have often felt an apathy in our co-culture that made me hesitant to use the word comm'unity."

I must close before this letter grows too lengthy. However, as a last note, I would like to reiterate — **THANK YOU ACT UP.** Your contribution that one evening may have only been one evening of debate for you, but the small town of Horicon will never be the same. My family will never be the same. The awareness brought about within Horicon that evening, will never let this little town revert to its previous state of naivete regarding these issues.

With Deep Admiration and Appreciation,

—Jason S. Dietsberger
Senior, Marquette University
Milwaukee

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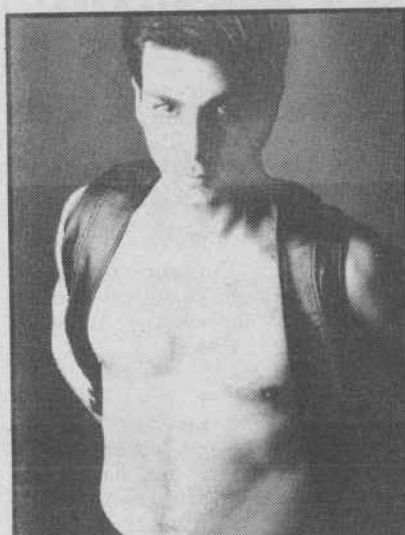
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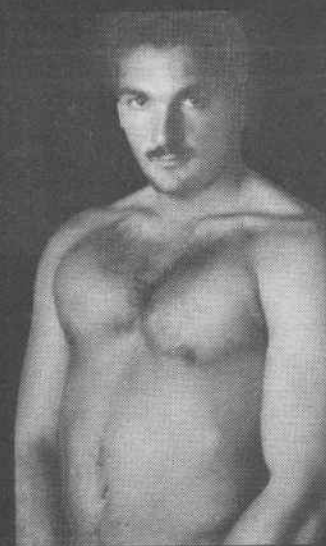
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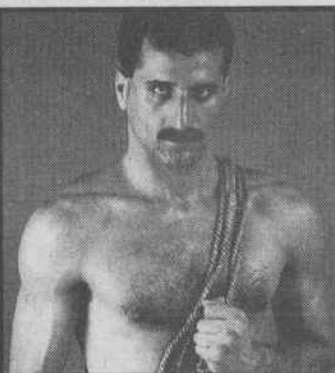
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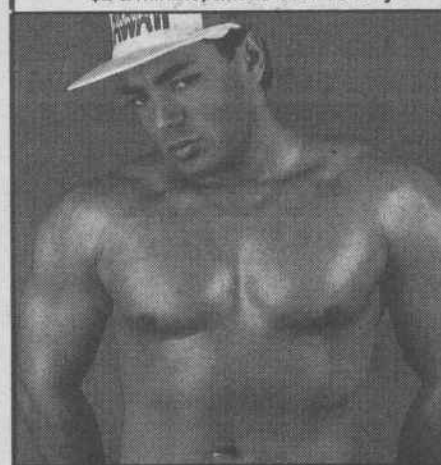
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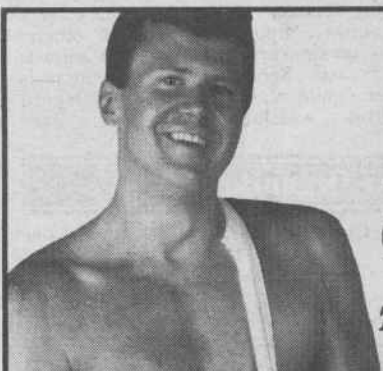
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PENTAGON

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security question.

Media Coverage

Intensified media coverage of the Pentagon's policy, especially since the Persian Gulf war and the outing of Williams, is awakening the American public to the inequitable regulation and putting added pressure on the Department of Defense.

Adams again spoke for Congressman Studds: "We really think the illumination of the issue by the news media has been a primary conduit for bringing the truth out and will be, in large measure, responsible for a more rational Pentagon policy."

A recent issue of *Time* contained an article called "Marching Out of the Closet," which revealed that more than 1,000 Gay and Lesbian soldiers have been investigated and discharged this year alone.

Ironically, when Desert Storm broke, the Pentagon suspended all such investigations because it needed maximum man- and womanpower on the front lines. Thousands of Gay and Lesbian soldiers served bravely in the Persian Gulf (they even had their own newsletter) only to find that once back in the U.S. they were again under suspicion.

Publicity about the discharges of honored cadets and soldiers like Joe Steffan, Dusty Pruitt, Perry Watkins, Leonard Matlovich, Ben-Shalom and many others is affecting the conscience of the nation.

Even a general has been affected.

When Mary Ann Humphrey, a Lesbian who was discharged, sent a copy of her book *My Country, My Right to Serve*, to Gen. Calvin Waller, he reportedly sent this reply: "It appears that society is about to accept that every person should have the freedoms and privileges that are granted under our great Constitution. Keep the faith!"

Public attitudes are clearly changing. In a nationwide poll conducted earlier this year by the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), 81% of the 800 respondents said the government should not discharge members of the armed forces simply because they are homosexual.

"Americans of every age, income, race, religion, sex, political party and ideology supported the right of Lesbians and Gays in the armed forces to remain in their jobs," said Gregory King of HRCF.

Pressure on All Sides

Pressure against the Pentagon is coming from all directions. Members of Congress last year criticized the Navy for its "mean-spiritedness" in demanding the repayment of ROTC and government grants from soldiers who had been discharged for their homosexuality. Dozens of colleges and universities have ordered ROTC programs to stop their discrimination against Gays and Lesbians or face ouster from campuses.

The American Psychological Association, meeting in San Francisco in August, demanded repeal of the

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Pentagon ban, saying it was "based exclusively on prejudice and not on fact." National Jewish groups and dozens of Christian demoninations have called for an end to the ban.

An ever increasing number of cases of discharged soldiers are being brought before the courts, the volume of which could overwhelm the Pentagon with costly and exhaustive litigation. When taxpayers learn how much this is taking out of their pockets, there is sure to be more protest.

Also playing a key role are the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Veterans of America. Established only fifteen months ago, GLBVA already has 19 chapters across the U.S., from Boston to San Diego, from Chapel Hill to Tacoma. The group has over 5,000 members.

Says Ben-Shalom: "I'm proud to speak on behalf of GLBVA to show how much work we have done and what an integral part of the pressure we are."

"We need to get activist now. We need to be appropriately uppity now, and we need to put pressure on now," says Ben-Shalom. "This is our government. This is our country. Why not have the right to work wherever we choose, including in the military service? We can stay in the dark of the closet or seize the moment and become an incandescent source of liberty and freedom. Now is not the time to engage in any form of silence."

ACT UP

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Other ACT UP chapters expected to attend the September demonstration are those from Kansas City and Minneapolis.

On Sunday, Sept. 8, ACT UP chapters will meet at 3:00 p.m. at UW-Madison for CD training, a teach-in and affinity group formation. This will be followed at 8:00 p.m. with a fundraiser and welcome party at the New Bar.

On Sunday, Sept. 9, at 11:00 a.m. there will be a rally and speakers at the Capitol, State Street Entrance steps.

At 11:30 a.m. there will be a Towel Zap at the Governor's office followed by the demonstration at the Department of Corrections.

If you would like to help plan the demonstration or would like to host an out-of-town ACT-UPer, please call (608) 257-6089 or (414) 769-8708.

You can also join in the protest by attending the rally and demonstration or mailing a peanut butter and jelly sandwich to Gov. Tommy Thompson at: Rm. 115 East, State Capitol, Madison, WI 53702.

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Rep. David Clarenbach (standing) spoke with MAP director, Doug Nelson and Rep. Tim Carpenter (seated back row) as **Light** columnist, Geno, (front right) looked on at a fundraiser held August 15 for Rep. Clarenbach's campaign fund. The Milwaukee event was held at the home of Jerry Johnson and Terry Boughner who co-hosted the event with **In Step** publisher, Ron Geiman. Fifty people attended the garden party, contributing over \$1,000 to the fund.

Queer Nation Plans Shopping Trip At Milwaukee Colder's Store

[Milwaukee]—Angered by what it views as Colder's Furniture's open support of homophobia in Milwaukee, the activist group Queer Nation (QN) Milwaukee is planning an afternoon of "queer shopping" at the large West Allis store for Saturday, August 31 at 1:00 p.m. West Allis is a suburb of Milwaukee.

Among the day's activities will be greeting Colder's customers, speaking with their staff and "trying out" display beds with a same-sex partner. All are invited to participate.

The reason for the visit, according to QN/Milwaukee spokespersons, is the store's continued sponsorship of the Mark Belling show on WISN Talk Radio. In recent weeks, Belling has characterized the multiple murders, allegedly committed by Jeffrey Dahmer, as the "logical extension" of the Gay lifestyle and has suggested that all Gay males be branded as health risks because of the relatively large number of HIV positive Gay men.

According to the **Milwaukee Sentinel**, Monday, August 19, 1991, Belling, appearing before a citizens meeting at Serb Hall on Sunday evening, suggested that Milwaukee Police Chief Philip Arreola was "feminine" and not tough enough to deal with the city's crime problems. According to the **Sentinel** report, Belling joked that Arreola's name rhymes with "cherry-cola," and his handwriting looks like a girl's.

In response to these and similar comments, Colder's largest sponsor, has, according to QN, received hundreds of phone calls and letters from concerned members asking the store to permanently remove its ads from Belling's show. At this point however, Colder's advertising manager, Bob Garbutt, has only asked WISN to, in his words "Temporarily move" its ads "until this cools off."

QN members, Tim Grair and Stan Straka, said this is not enough. "I

support Belling's right to free speech," said Grair, "however there is no constitutional guarantee to be paid for speech. Colder's is paying Mark Belling to spew uninformed, hateful comments across this city's airwaves, and I will not spend a dime at Colder's until they permanently stop sponsoring him."

Colder's position as reported in **Light** is, according to Garbutt, that it does not sponsor the Belling Show, but only buys block time on the station. The ads are placed at the station's discretion.

Straka stressed the need for Gays and Lesbians to consistently use their voices and pocketbooks to stamp out this type of "verbal Gay bashings" before it becomes discrimination and actual physical Gay bashing.

He explained, "Other minority groups have organizations to represent them against racist, sexist or anti-Semitic bigotry in the media, such as the NAACP, NOW and B'nai Brith. The time is long over due for Queers to organize, stand up for their rights and get in the face of their oppressors."

Dan Fons of ACT UP Milwaukee agreed with Straka and believes that the community's anger at Belling could not be better placed.

All this attention on Colder's appears to have subdued the normally outspoken Belling who, according to QN show monitors, has not discussed the Gay community since the campaign began. QN said that a request from Colder's that he not discuss this campaign on the air seems to have limited his options.

Persons interested in more information about QN's August 31 "queer shopping" spree at Colder's can call Tim at 384-3911 or Stan at 643-5833.

Colder's advertising manager, Bob Garbutt, can be contacted by calling 476-1574, by writing to: Colder's Furniture, 333 S. Hwy 100, West Allis, WI 53214, Attn. Bob Garbutt or by paying a personal visit to Colder's.

Boy Scouts Controversy Rages In San Francisco Bay Area

By Jamakaya

[San Francisco, CA]—Gay and Lesbian leaders in the San Francisco Bay area are expressing outrage at a plan by the Boy Scouts of America to establish a separate school-based youth program, "Learning for Life," that will include Gays, girls and atheists.

The Boy Scouts made the proposal in response to the cut-off of a \$9,000 grant by the Bay Area United Way, which cited the Boy Scouts' open practice of discrimination against the three groups as reason for the denial of funds.

United Way spokesman John Stafford had warned that unless the Boy Scouts of America changed its exclusionary policy, it stood to lose up to \$1.2 million in 1992 United Way funding in the five county Bay area.

San Francisco School Board member Tom Ammiano declared the new program "apartheid," and introduced a proposal to the Board which requires all groups participating in school programs to adhere to the school district's strict and comprehensive non-discriminatory policy.

Supervisor Roberta Achtenberg said: "The fact that they have created a second program that's school-based, that has the Scout emblems attached to it and is open to girls or agnostics or atheists is nothing. This is clearly a second class program. It doesn't capture the essence of scouting."

Others noted that the new program smacked of an outdated and immoral "separate but equal" mentality.

Apparently appeased by the Boy Scouts' proposal, the United Way has reneged on an earlier agreement made with Gay and feminist groups to form a task force that would conduct a six month study of the Boy Scouts' policy.

"I feel like we've been stabbed in the back," activist Rob Birle told the **San Francisco Sentinel**. "There have been no discussions with the Gay community about the 'Learning for Life' program."

The controversy has its roots in the May 21 decision by Superior Court Judge Sally Disco that the Boy Scouts have a First Amendment right to exclude Gays. The ruling ended the ten year struggle of former Eagle Scout Timothy Curran, a Gay man, to become a scoutmaster.

Judge Disco ruled that allowing Curran to become a scoutmaster would violate the constitutionally protected right of the Boy Scouts of America, a private organization, to tell its members that homosexuality is wrong.

"Their policy has no logic and it's totally unfair," said Birle.

Everyone involved expects the controversy to continue.

"This is going to be quite a circus," said Stafford, of the United Way. "I doubt it's going to go away soon."

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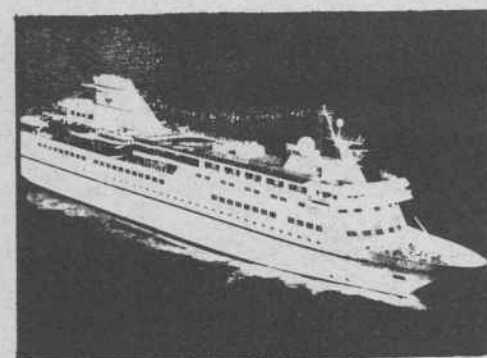
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CARIBE	Inside	1,050.	—	—
PALMBEACH	Outside	1,150.	—	—
MARINA	Outside	1,350.	1,350.	\$1,100.
PALMBEACH	Outside	1,450.	1,450.	1,150.
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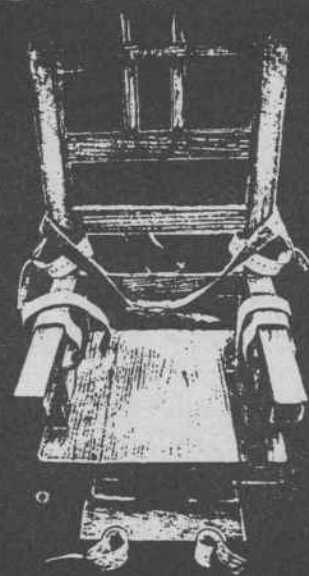
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