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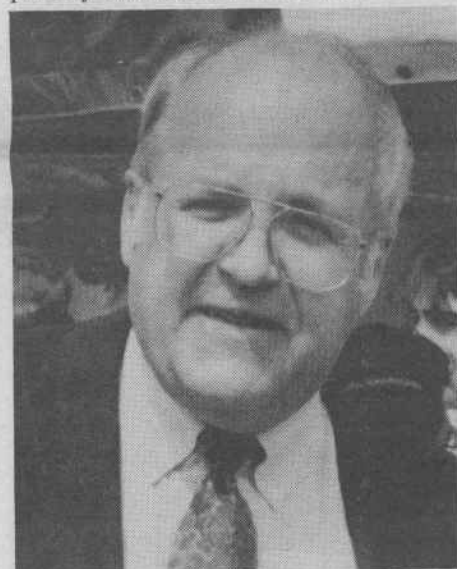
Major State Political Races Too Close To Call for September 8th Primary

Congressional Races Too Close to Call

[Milwaukee]- Sources close to various campaigns have told **Wisconsin Light** that Democratic Primary elections in the Fifth and Second Congressional Districts and for the U.S. Senate are too close to call.

In all three races Gays and Lesbians have a good chance to elect staunch advocates of Gay and Lesbian rights. "There's no question about it," said one political analyst. "On September 8th, Lesbians and Gays can be the deciding factor in at least two Congressional races and possibly even the U.S. Senate primary."

Voter turnout on September 8th is expected to be about 33% of all eligible voters. Lesbians and Gay voters account for about 10% of Wisconsin voters. If all of them voted they could provide up to 33% of all votes cast. That would be more than enough to swing the election to pro-Gay and Lesbian candidates.



FRED KESSLER

In the Fifth Congressional District, former Judge Fred Kessler is said to be in a dead heat for the lead in his race. Kessler is the only candidate to extensively campaign within the Gay and Lesbian community. He rented a booth at Pridefest 92, held a coffee for Lesbian and Gay activists and has even campaigned in Lesbian and Gay bars. He has issued a comprehensive Gay and Lesbian Issues paper calling for an end to all forms of discrimination against Lesbians and Gays.

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Boycott Against United Way Grows Over Boy Scout Funding

[Milwaukee]- In an update on a story in the August 20-September 2 issue of **Light**, Queer Nation (QN) Milwaukee has officially announced that it will form a Queer Scouts working group and join the growing national boycott of United Way, the largest funder of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). United Way contributed \$90 million last year to BSA or one third of BSA's annual budget. United Way Milwaukee allocated \$760,000 to the local Boy Scouts last year.

Candy Walton, Director of Marketing and Communications for United Way Milwaukee was asked to comment on QN Milwaukee's decision. She was reluctant to do so because, she said, to her knowledge, United Way Milwaukee had received nothing from QN Milwaukee on their position or decision.

QN has announced that there will be a meeting between QN members and "top

Moody and Feingold Seek Gay Support

By John Quinlan

[Madison]- Gay and Lesbian voters throughout Wisconsin will have the opportunity to choose among two out-spoken proponents of their rights in the Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate on September 8. Both Milwaukee Congressman Jim Moody and State Senator Russ Feingold (D- Middleton) have actively solicited support among Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian community and would work for federal Gay rights legislation if elected, they say.

Moody and Feingold are running in a hotly contested three-way race with Milwaukee businessman, Joe Checota, on the road to challenging conservative incumbent Senator Robert Kasten in November. Feingold, considered to be the underdog early on, has surprised pundits by pulling ahead of Checota to claim second place in recent polls.

Feingold: A Viable Alternative

These polls indicate that both Checota and Moody have been hurt by a series of attack ads that they had launched at each other. Feingold, with a fraction of his opponents' television ad budget, has positioned himself as a viable alternative in innovative ads such as a "David Lettermanesque" video in which he visits the homes of his opponents.

With his new position in the polls, Feingold seems to have overcome the perception that he is a "spoiler," preventing Moody from receiving the votes he needs to beat Checota. Through his hard work in building a grassroots organization, Feingold supporters say that their candidate has now positioned himself as a viable alternative to both of his opponents.

Feingold Endorsed By Lesbian/Gay Leaders

Moody has gained the respect of Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community through his outspoken support of civil rights initiatives. Two weeks ago, for example, he received the editorial endorsement of the **Wisconsin Light**.

Perhaps less known, however, is Feingold's exemplary record of support for Gay and Lesbian civil rights issues. Feingold's candidacy has received the endorsements of Dick Wagner, Tammy Baldwin, Marc Pocan, and John Neess — the state's current delegation of openly Lesbian and Gay officials. His supporters also include Milwaukee activist Tom Zander.

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Clarenbach In Tight Madison Primary Race

By John Quinlan

[Madison]- David Clarenbach is facing the political fight of his life in his race to become the Democratic nominee and run against incumbent Congressman Scott Klug (R-WI). Clarenbach is facing a strong challenge from Native American activist Ada Deer in a race that pollsters are calling too close to call.



REP. DAVID CLARENBACH

Clarenbach, who has long considered a run for the seat that had been held for thirty years by his political mentor, Robert Kastenmier, began the year with a large political war chest. However, in terms of fundraising in 1992, Deer has proved to be extremely competitive with Clarenbach.

Clarenbach

Clarenbach was the author and chief proponent of Wisconsin's landmark civil TURN TO CLARENBACH, PAGE 9

Early Intervention Program For People With HIV Begins

[Milwaukee]- The Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) in collaboration with STD Specialties Clinic, has implemented a new program for individuals who recently have tested positive for HIV. The program is called "Positive Approaches To Health" or PATH.

According to Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) PATH, two years in the planning, is aimed at the approximately 6,500 people infected with HIV in Milwaukee. Many of these people, he said, are not receiving information on how to live with the disease, or how to stop its spread.

Nelson said that early intervention is a strategy to encourage newly-infected people with HIV to take advantage of health and social service systems so that life-prolonging interventions can be quickly implemented.

"PATH fills the gap between initial HIV infection and the onset of symptoms," said Nelson. He noted that it is "a collaborative effort integrating MAP's health education, case management and risk-reduction expertise with the health assessment practices of the STD Specialties Clinic."

STD Specialties Clinic is an anonymous HIV counseling and testing site that provides medical and laboratory assessments, and diagnosis and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases.

PATH is available to persons throughout metropolitan Milwaukee and

ACT UP Surveys, Meets With Candidates

By Patrick Flaherty

[Milwaukee]- ACT UP Milwaukee, the local chapter of the AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power, on August 31, released the results of its survey of candidates for the 5th Congressional District and Bob Kasten's Senate seat. The AIDS activist group reported a successful return rate for its questionnaire, sent out in early August to determine politicians positions on AIDS issues.

Three of the five major senatorial candidates returned the survey, as did three of the four major Democratic Congressional candidates for the 5th District, vacated by Jim Moody for his Senate run.

ACT UP also organized follow-up interviews with campaigns wishing to meet with members of the AIDS community before the September 8 Primaries. The group hopes voters will use the information gathered to select sound candidates in the up-coming elections.

Surveyed Candidates

In all, nine candidates were surveyed by certified mail. These were: Senatorial candidates Kasten, Republican challenger Roger Faulkner and Democrats, Moody, Joe Chicota and Russ Feingold. The four Congressional candidates were: Tom Barrett, Fred Kessler, Marc Marotta and Terrence Pitts.

ACT UP noted that it lacked the resources to do an exhaustive, district-by-district evaluation. The 5th District was targeted because it has a high AIDS caseload as well as being the home district of the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP). The group only sent the survey to Democratic candidates in the 5th District because of the area's history of solid Democratic representation.

Faulkner, Feingold and Moody

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incorporates the following components: physical and mental health assessments, health status monitoring, health, educational and cooperative therapies.

Physical and Mental Health Assessments

The physical health assessment includes a complete head-to-toe physical exam, laboratory testing, and a health history review. Each is performed by a qualified nurse clinician under the supervision of a licensed physician.

Mental health assessments help determine how the PATH client is coping and what types of support might help. A complete mental health history is provided to all PATH clients.

Physical and mental health assessments and screenings are used to facilitate appropriate referrals to area treatment providers. Medical care and treatment for HIV disease are not provided by the PATH program.

Health, Education and Cooperative Therapies

The PATH program assists clients in assuming responsibility for their own health and well-being through health promotion therapies and educational activities directed at stimulating the body's own healing process.

Reiki, massage therapy, nutritional counseling and additional cooperative therapies are available and provided by trained professional practitioners.

For further information on how you can participate in PATH, call the PATH Coordinator at MAP, (414) 273-1991.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Suit Against Government to Proceed

[New York, NY]- A federal judge has dismissed an attempt by the Federal government to limit an American Civil Liberties Union lawsuit against three agents of the federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) accused of viciously beating two Gay men on November 16, 1988.

The suit charges that two Manhattan residents, Marc J. Anderson and Jeffrey E. Grubb, were brutally assaulted and called "faggots" by three DEA agents following a minor traffic incident. The case, which seeks \$1.5 million in damages, can now proceed.

In his recent decision, Judge Richard Owen of Federal District Court in Manhattan rejected the government's attempt to dismiss the part of the case which says that the two men were attacked by the DEA agents because of their sexual orientation. The agents had argued that their conduct could not be challenged because even if they did beat up the two men solely because they were Gay, it was doubtful that the Constitution prohibited such discrimination.

AIDS in the '90's: Picture Is Stark

[New York, NY]- In a newly published study funded by the Ford Foundation, the American Civil Liberties Union's AIDS Project drew a stark picture of HIV disease in the United States in the 1990's, warning of the growth of a two-tiered health care system and mounting pressure for punishing people with AIDS.

The book-length study, titled **AIDS Agenda: Emerging Issues Civil Rights**, anticipates increased pressure for coercive measures against people with HIV disease, such as mounting prosecutions of the HIV-infected for actions — like spitting and biting — which do not spread the virus.

William B. Rubenstein, one of the editors of the study said, "Although treatment options are growing, the realities of the health care system means that any concrete advances in the treatment of the disease will be merely hypothetical for many patients. Without intervention a brutally stark two-tiered system of care for people with HIV disease will develop."

D.C. Likened to Sodom & Gomorrah

[Washington, D.C.]- According to the **Washington Blade**, Senator Trent Lott (R-Miss) likened Washington to Sodom and Gomorrah in the debate over D.C.'s domestic partnership law. Lott spoke in support of his amendment seeking to repeal the law. By a margin of 41-51, the Senate refused to table Lott's amendment and, after a voice vote approval, it now lies in the Senate version of the D.C. appropriations bill.

However, the House version of the appropriations bill does not contain the Lott amendment. The two bills must go to a conference committee and then back to each house for approval. Supporters of the partnership law are optimistic over its eventual passage by the Congress.

In the vote on the Lott amendment, Sen. Herb Kohl (D-WI) voted against it. Sen. Robert Kasten (R-WI) voted to support the Lott amendment.

Vitriolic Speeches at G.O.P. Convention in Nazi Tradition

Commentary By Demian

The Nazi campaign to exterminate the Jews started with vitriolic speeches aimed at casting the Jewish people as responsible for the economic and spiritual ruin of a nation. In so many stereotypic ways, Jews were portrayed as being less than human.

The same spirit was evident at the Republican Convention in August when arch-conservative Pat Buchanan waged a fierce attack on Lesbians and Gay men, especially against those of us in relationships, those of us who have built families.

Buchanan complained that Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton and his backers stand for the "amoral idea that Gay and Lesbian couples should have the same standing in law as married men and women."

Both the Nazi and Buchanan campaigns capitalize on fear by exploiting the public's lack of information about a subculture. Both describe the subcultures as separate and not only different, but alien and immoral. Both wanted to exclude the subcultures from the mainstream, deny them equal treatment and "purify" the nation.

These hate campaigns do not focus on logic, surveys or scientific studies of any sort. They concentrate only on irrational loathing. However, loathing alone does not explain what motivates the Nazis or Buchanan.

In fact, the ultimate purpose of Buchanan's diatribe is to divert public attention from the nation's genuine

problems, such as the economy. The Republicans have lost the biggest rallying cry of all time. The "Evil Empire" has economically disintegrated. And, since they have eschewed other, more noble battles (such as a war on homelessness or AIDS), they have nothing left with which to rouse the voters.

Nation Pays For Politics of Hate

But the nation pays dearly for the politics of division. It is no accident that hate crimes statistics have risen so sharply. Men like this give ammunition and support to the "brown shirted" youth of America. We may never know the full extent of anti-homosexual violence spawned by these hate peddlers.

Buchanan's plan for America is frightening. It demands that Gay men and Lesbians be denied employment, children, housing, fair treatment in court and the right to marry.

That this scenario should be introduced under the banner of "family values" is perverse. America's central tenants of freedom and justice are rendered meaningless if only certain types of families need apply.

Buchanan's speech moved America one step closer to book-burnings, mass round-ups, identifying tattoos and purges. Endorsed as it was by the Republican Party, it was an ominous move toward a terrifying Buchanan-nacht.

Editor's Note: Demian, his legal name, has a Doctorate in Education and is co-publisher of **Partners Magazine for Gay & Lesbian Couples**.

Paul and Linda Molitor To Lead 4,000 in Sept. 20 AIDS Walk

[Milwaukee]- On Sunday, September 20, 1992, honorary Co-Chairs Paul and Linda Molitor, will lead an expected 4,000 walkers in the 3rd Annual Wisconsin AIDS Walk with a goal of raising more than \$300,000 to benefit vital AIDS care and education service agencies throughout the state. Registration brochures and pledge forms are now available for the benefit.

The brochures and forms are available at convenient locations throughout Wisconsin, including all Kohl's Food Stores and Bally's Vic Tanny. Walkers are asked to return the convenient, pre-addressed registration form attached to the Walk brochures, and then to solicit pledges from co-workers, family members, neighbors and friends.

Businesses, community groups, other organizations or groups of friends may also register as "Teams," challenging other groups in friendly competition to raise the most funds. Team and individual prizes, donated by numerous Wisconsin businesses and individuals will be awarded based on the amount of pledges raised and brought to the Walk.

Walk Prizes

The first 3,500 people who turn in their pledges on the day of the Walk will receive a commemorative hat as a token of appreciation. Those raising \$100 in pledges will receive a Wisconsin AIDS Walk T-shirt. A Walk sweatshirt will be presented to all participants raising \$250 or more.

American TV has generously donated quality gifts for Walk participants raising between \$500 and \$2,000. To each walker raising at least \$500, American will present a Vivitar 35 mm camera package, and a portable compact disc player to all persons raising \$1,000 in pledges. American has also donated 27" color stereo TV's for walkers raising a minimum of \$2,000.

Courtesy of Dan Radovich, a choice of gifts plus a walk sweatshirt have been donated to all participants raising \$750 in pledges. Radovich prizes include 23K gold pens, Schaefer fountain pen sets, Seiko olympic world clocks, Melitta coffee maker/bean grinders, leather back packs, Ray Ban sunglasses by Bausch & Lomb,

Hanover walking shoes, or 6-month memberships to Bally's Vic Tanny, courtesy of Vic Tanny.

To the people who, on the day of the Walk, turn in the highest amount of collected pledge money, a grand prize and first prize will be awarded.

The Grand Prize will be a seven-day Caribbean cruise for two aboard the **SS Norway**, courtesy of Norwegian Cruise Line. The trip includes round-trip airfare to Miami, courtesy of Omega World Travel.

First Prize will be two round-trip tickets on American Airlines to Hawai'i or anywhere in the continental U.S. that American flies, courtesy of American Airlines.

Although also eligible for individual gifts, walkers participating in organized teams of two to fifteen members will be eligible for exciting team awards.

The top team prize, in acknowledgment of the highest amount of collected pledge money turned in on the day of the Walk, will be Bradley Center skybox tickets to an Admirals game during the 1992-'93 season. The prize includes 6 parking passes and snacks and beverages courtesy of First Bank of Milwaukee.

Team prize to each member (2-15 walkers) with the highest per walker pledge average, will be a Wisconsin AIDS Walk fanny pack.

Walk organizers will need three hundred volunteers on the day of the Walk to perform a variety of tasks. For more information, to volunteer, or to obtain a Wisconsin AIDS Walk registration brochure and pledge sheet, call the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) at (414) 273-1991.



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Feitlinger Releases Gay/Lesbian Issues Paper in Madison Race

[Madison]- "Issues of importance to the Lesbian and Gay community are also issues of importance to all people," said Billy Feitlinger, candidate for the 78th Assembly seat being vacated by David Clarenbach. "Like everyone, Gays and Lesbians look for their government to guarantee them fair treatment in employment, housing, and services; access to health care; and, the right to make private choices."

Feitlinger is a community activist who, for 21 years, has been a resident of Madison's Near East Side. Feitlinger, 41, has been President and three-term member of the City of Madison Common Council. He has acted as staff assistant to State Senator Russ Feingold and Dane County Executive Rick Phelps.

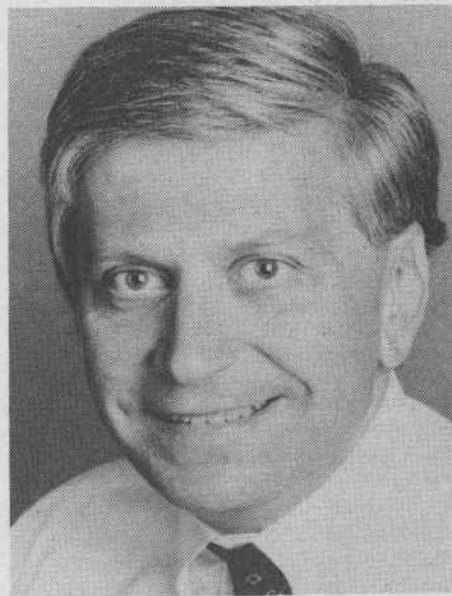
Feitlinger, also noted for his work at the state level assisting Sen. Feingold who, as part of a coalition of legislators, helped to defeat the "Rawhide Amendment." This amendment, which proposed to allow a church-based agency to hire only heterosexuals as counselors, would have undermined Wisconsin's 1982 Gay and Lesbian rights protections.

Community Building

Feitlinger identified his overall campaign program as a "community-building program." If elected, he will pursue legislation which will revitalize central-city neighborhoods, promote community-based economic development, improve schools, assure universal health care and assure a women's right of reproductive choice.

Lesbian/Gay Issues

With regard to issues of particular importance to Gay men and Lesbians,

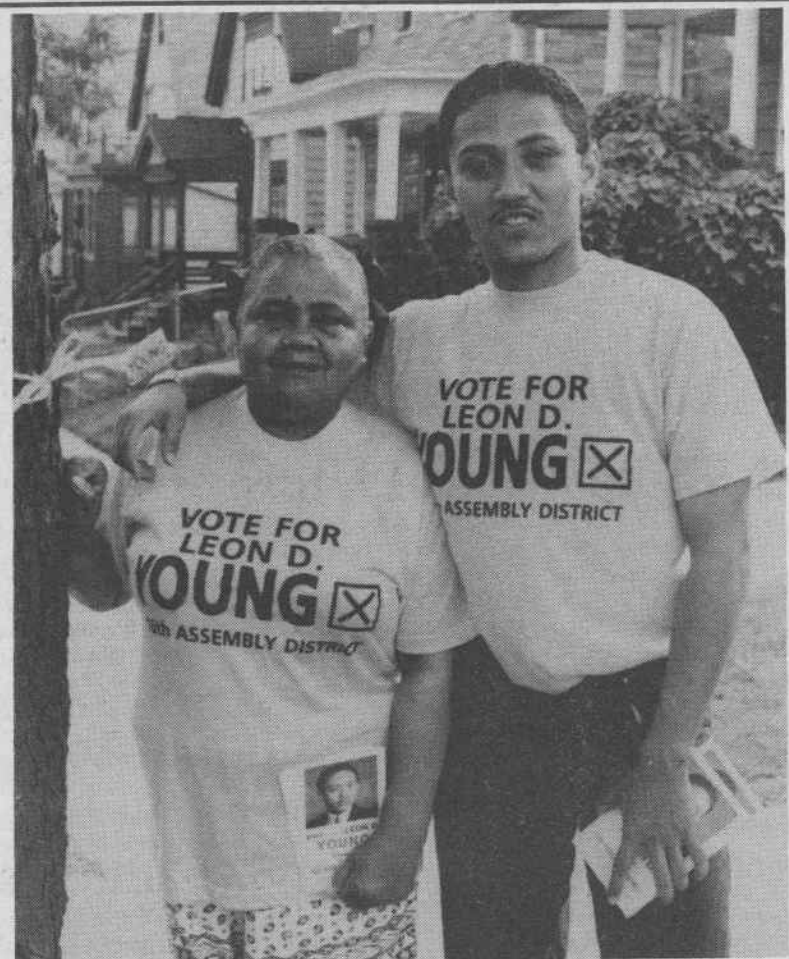


BILLY FEITLINGER

Feitlinger said he will support recognition of the rights of alternative families and improved enforcement of anti-discrimination measures and hate crime laws.

Feitlinger said that he will support expansion of AIDS education and prevention programs and improve delivery of support services to people with AIDS.

Feitlinger cited his record on Lesbian and Gay rights issues, noting his support for city laws supporting Gay rights; his support of funding for the United and his fight against threatened removal of "sexual preference" from Madison's list of protected classes.



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ACT UP to Protest President Bush's September 7 Waukesha Speech

[Milwaukee]- Following the recommendation of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force to mount demonstrations and peaceful protests against Republican candidates, members of Queer Nation (QN) Milwaukee and ACT UP Milwaukee will protest George Bush's campaign appearance at the Waukesha County Exposition Center this Labor Day.

The Expo center is located at N1 W24848 North View Rd in Waukesha. All those who wish to participate are urged to meet outside the Expo Center at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 7.

Queer Nationals and ACT UP members are disgusted with the results of Bush's first term and are angered that his promises of change are sign posts for a more reactionary future.

Bush promises more hatred for Lesbians and Gays. Bush promises no new funding for AIDS. Bush promises further weakening of women's reproductive rights. By spouting quotes "traditional family values." Bush has declared himself the enemy of the Lesbian, Gay and AIDS communities.

Come share your anger, disgust and outrage. Bring your family and friends.

Let's show Bush that his hate is not welcome in Wisconsin.

Condoms From Heaven

In other news from ACT UP, on September 2, 1992, ACT UP Madison conducted a daring condom drop at Waupun Correctional Institution by plane. Monday, August 31, as part of a campaign to win HIV policy reform. The action was part of a campaign to get the Wisconsin Department of Corrections to follow Governor Thompson's AIDS Commission's two-and-a-half year old recommendations, which include the availability of condoms for prison inmates.

ACT UP Milwaukee and ACT UP Madison will be demonstrating in Madison for prison reform on Wednesday, September 9, at 11:30 a.m. The rally starts at the UW-Madison library mall at the end of State Street. A car pool will leave Milwaukee at 9:00 a.m. from outside the south side of the Italian Community Center, 631 E. Chicago St. Look for free parking in the Summerfest grounds. For more information, call ACT UP Milwaukee at (414) 769-8708

St. Paul to Host Regional March on Washington Meeting

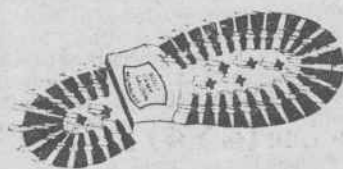
[St. Paul, MN]- Organization for the April 25, 1993, March on Washington has been underway for over a year. All of the country's 17 regions have already met and begun planning — except for Region 12. Region 12 consists of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

There will be a meeting for the March on Washington/Region 12 Delegation on Saturday, September 12, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. at Town House Country in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Town House Country is a bar located in the Midway area of St. Paul at 1415 University Ave. The phone number at the bar is (612) 646-7087.

According to Steven W. Anderson, Meeting Coordinator, the agenda will include: selection, at least temporarily, of four delegates to attend the next meeting of the National Committee to be held in Denver, Colorado, October 3-4, 1992; take initial steps to incorporate Region 12 as an entity and decide if (or where) to set up a regional office; organize committees such as: Outreach, Lobbying, Seating, Travel Arrangements/Accommodations, etc.

For more information call Steve Anderson, (612) 645-4028 (fax and answering machine) or write: Steven W. Anderson, Town House Country, 1415 University Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.

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EDITORIAL

Clarenbach For Congress, Moore Best Candidate for State Senate

Next Tuesday, Gays and Lesbians have a unique opportunity to elect four staunch advocates of Lesbian and Gay rights. In addition to Moody and Kessler recommended in the last issue, **Light** strongly recommends Gwendolynne Moore in her race in the new 4th State Senate District in Milwaukee. Moore who was once a welfare mother has been in the Assembly an ardent champion of the rights of all minorities. She has taken an active part in the fight against drugs and did much to help heal her district in the wake of the Dahmer killings. She is a fine person, a person of strength and integrity. Moore deserves our support.

In Madison, David Clarenbach is in a tight race in the Second Congressional District. We have applauded Clarenbach on these pages before. He is a legislator of experience, one who has spent nearly 20 years in the Assembly fighting for minority rights. It is our belief that we need someone of Clarenbach's track record and accomplishment in Washington. We need a change in Congress, thus we need Clarenbach.

All too often we hear your anger over the federal response to AIDS, Jesse Helms and continued discrimination against us. If you're tired of being treated poorly by the Federal Government, then **DO something about it. NOW is the time to do something.**

Voting only takes a few minutes. A few minutes now that can pay off big later on. Take those few minutes to help those trying to help us. **VOTE Tuesday September 8th.**

Electing Tammy Baldwin to Assembly Would Make State History

With your help, Tammy Baldwin has the opportunity to make history on September 8th on the road to becoming Wisconsin's first openly Lesbian or Gay state legislator. We strongly encourage residents of Madison's east and south sides to vote for Baldwin in the 78th District Assembly race. In what's sure to be a close race, we also encourage everyone to do everything in their power to get out the vote for Baldwin on that day.

Baldwin's candidacy represents an enormous opportunity to give people a voice who have too often gone unheard in state government. She makes an enormously powerful and courageous statement to the people of the State of Wisconsin in running as an openly Lesbian candidate at a crucial time in our history.

In a country where the Republican Party's platform is openly homophobic and where a conservative backlash threatens to turn back the clock on our rights in Oregon, Baldwin's election would send an important message nationwide.

Baldwin's record speaks for itself. A Madison native, Baldwin has been deeply committed to the goal of providing basic civil rights and a high quality of life for all of Dane County's citizens. Now in her fourth term as a County Supervisor, Baldwin has taken the lead in promoting programs that give all county residents the opportunities for decent jobs, housing, and services.

She has fought hard for people as Chair of the Human Services Board and founder and Chair of the county's task force on AIDS. As a legislator, she would work to make the state more responsive to the needs of local governments.

Wisconsin has led the way for Gay and Lesbian rights and it is time now for us to join the ranks of the more than half dozen states who have elected openly Lesbian or Gay legislators. It is with great pride that we urge you to do whatever you can to make history by electing a woman to state office who has the courage, intelligence and integrity to make a difference in our lives.

Vote for Tammy Baldwin for State Assembly on September 8.

LETTERS

Feingold Record

TO THE EDITOR:

I've been following your coverage of the political race for the US Senate seat and your editorials strongly supporting current Congressman Jim Moody. I also like Moody's past voting record on issues concerning Lesbians and Gays. However, I think we cannot do justice to our own people or the larger community of the United States by completely disregarding the candidacy of Russ Feingold simply because he is the avowed "underdog" in the race.

I don't know about anyone else, but I have had it up to here with the kind of ugly, nasty campaign being run by both the other candidates as evinced by their unpleasant TV ads attacking each other's characters.

Contrast those with the fresh, creative and — yes — humorous spots posted by Feingold. As a practicing professional in the communications field, I really appreciate the kind of original thinking it takes to come up with these kinds of ads. A listen to this morning's Tom Clark show on Wisconsin Public Radio allowed me to see that Feingold seems to apply this kind of fresh approach to his legislative duties as well.

Feingold Pro Gay Rights

He unabashedly fielded a question from a listener up here in northern Wisconsin concerning his stand on the Equal Rights bill for Gays and Lesbians now pending in Congress, asserting that he would "energetically and enthusiastically" support the bill; as well as the right for Lesbians and Gays to serve in all capacities in the military if they choose to do so. But aside from this, he supports many other pieces of legislation that we should, as part of a larger community, be concerned with.

Feingold's Program

Feingold authored nearly all legislation passed during his tenure in the state senate that supported the Healthy Start program for newborns, humane and ethical care for Alzheimer's patients and other prime health care issues. He was directly involved with getting many Wisconsin printers (a large industry here) to switch their operations from using toxic petroleum solvents and inks to organic, water-soluble ones, a big step both realistically and symbolically toward cleaning up the groundwater.

Feingold stands firmly against bringing military contracts to the state solely for the purpose of creating jobs if those projects are ones he feels are immoral (supportive of continued, unnecessary military build-up), and does not apologize for his stand.

He would like to develop contracts through the University of Wisconsin to produce research on biomedical technology instead, taking advantage of the vast laboratory and brain trust resources the University system offers here.

This latter interest of his is manifest in his fight against the use of BGH (Bovine Growth

Hormone), an under-tested drug currently used in dairy production that is suspected of causing a variety of ailments in human consumers.

No Single Issue Community

We need to guard against being a "single issue" electorate, concerned only with Gay rights issues. Yes, they are important, and excruciatingly so for those of us whose lives are directly affected by them. But let's take a look at the larger picture that includes so much more of a long view when deciding who to vote for.

Your editorial of August 20 asserted that Feingold was so far behind in the polls that he was virtually a non-contender. A look at the polls today shows that, due to voter disgust with the negative campaigns being conducted by the other Democratic runners, he is in a dead heat with them both. Our votes could now make the difference in that race.

Moody has said that if Feingold won the primary, he would support him, and the assertion was mutual by Feingold. Milwaukee, Madison, La Crosse (and the rest of the state) regardless of who you vote for, **DO GET THERE AND CAST A BALLOT.** And catch Feingold's "Elvis" spot on TV if you get a chance: it's a scream!

— Mary Shafer
Park Falls, WI

Feingold Support

TO THE EDITOR:

I was stunned to see the **Wisconsin Light** using Russ Feingold's standing in the polls as a reason not to endorse him in the race for U.S. Senate. That kind of specious reasoning has been used so often against us, as a justification for denying our civil rights, that it's startling to see "us" use it to dismiss the man who is clearly the best candidate for the job. And I believe that more and more people will start to see this in the campaign's last weeks. In this electronic age, public opinion can change in a matter of days, and the slime that Moody and Checota have been slinging the last week or so is enough to make many people look for a viable alternative.

Russ Feingold is a man of superlative integrity who can best represent progressive Wisconsin interests in Washington. And, fact it, after the low level of the campaign between Moody and Checota, with the obscene amounts of money being spent on television ads that started running before god was born, would you proudly claim either one of them as your senator?

Russ Feingold has been a strong and effective supporter of civil rights for Lesbians and Gay men and of other issues that are important to the progressives among us.

He has worked hard for the passage of Senate Bill 1, which would allow the victims of workplace harassment and discrimination to bring action in the state courts, not just before city or state equal employment opportunity commissions.

He has been an advocate for increased funding for AIDS education and research, as well as universal health care reform to ensure

Recommendations

STATEWIDE U.S. Senate —

Jim Moody

MADISON

2nd Congressional District —

David Clarenbach

78th District, State Assembly —

Tammy Baldwin

MILWAUKEE

5th Congressional District —

Fred Kessler

4th District, State Senate —

Gwendolynne Moore

that all affected families and those at risk get proper medical care. He has proposed state legislation which would have helped HIV-positive people get and keep health insurance coverage.

Russ Feingold cares about equality for Lesbians and Gay men, and he backs that caring up with direct action on our behalf. Russ has been endorsed by an impressive rainbow of civil rights leaders in our state, and he has earned that support through hard work and effective leadership.

Don't let the polls make your choice for you. Russ Feingold can win on September 8, but only if enough of us say No to rotten campaigning and Yes to the best in each one of us. Take a positive risk and show the independence of thought that made us what we are today...Vote for Russ Feingold on September 8!

— Dana Alder
Madison

Gay Republicans

TO THE EDITOR:

To Gay Republicans:

Don't lose faith... please!

I realize that the last couple of weeks have been particularly difficult ones for us. The Republican Party assembled in Houston, adopted a platform that continues to call for discrimination in the armed forces, suggests Gays and Lesbians have no right to adopt children and that we are not deserving of the civil rights afforded to other minorities and the majority. And if that weren't enough, we had to listen (if we could stomach it) to a Pat Buchanan whose speech was hateful and divisive.

Yes, indeed, I've often asked myself (and did so quite often over the past few weeks) the same questions many of my friends have asked: "How can you be Gay and Republican?"

Believe it or not, this is possible and, to be perfectly honest, I find it a little narrow-minded, as well as divisive, that the Gay community categorically concludes (in a somewhat Buchanan-esque fashion) that all Republicans are evil.

It is true that there are those in the GOP who perceive themselves to be the defenders of the traditional Cleaver family unit. (And we all know there were no Gay people in Wally and Beave's Mayfield, right?) As defenders of so-called family values, they see no use in endorsing our civil rights. They are, of course, wrong!

Don't Leave the Party

To leave the Party, however, simply because you disagree with it on this (and perhaps the abortion issue) is to admit defeat and will only insure the victory of the right wing in dragging the GOP so far to the right that Lincoln would never recognize it. You simply must stay involved and active if you believe in the fundamental principles of the Party.

Now remember, this letter is to Gay Republicans. I am not making a case to Democrats who have chosen to participate in that Party to make a switch to the Republican Party. Rather, I am pleading with Gay Republicans who, like me, often think of abandoning ship. Don't become a Democrat by default.

Oh yes, I've been tempted to throw away my beliefs that smaller government is better government; that local communities need to be empowered to solve their own problems; that parents (including Gay and Lesbian couples) should have the right to send their children to the school of their choice and that our current welfare system is patronizing, inherently racist and in need of severe overhaul.

Can't Throw Out Principles

But I can't just throw those beliefs that are some of the core principles of the Republican Party out the window simply because the Democratic Party is admittedly much more reasonable on the issues of Gay and Lesbian civil rights. Rather, if you believe, as I do, in the philosophy of the GOP, it is important to stay active and involved and to prevent the extremists from turning the Party of Lincoln into something resembling the party of Hitler.

Politics is a numbers game, pure and simple. It's obvious that there were not enough reasonable individuals on the GOP Platform Committee to prevent it from being injected with homophobia. There are, however, a great number of very reasonable, active Republicans.

So, I urge you to get involved if you like what the Republican Party has to say, with some obvious exceptions, and work to change the Party in those areas. And if you don't believe we can make a difference, check the Wisconsin GOP Platform for any negative references to Gays and Lesbians.

Someone once asked me, "How can you vote for some of those Republican candidates?" to which I responded, "How do you know I vote for them?" The point is you can stay active and involved and attempt to influence the Party and if, when all is said and done, you haven't been able to do so, you are perfectly free to vote for whoever you choose.

— Scott H. Evertz, Chair, Milwaukee East Side Unit, Republican Party of Wisconsin Milwaukee

Editor's Note: The writer is also a member of the Bush-Quayle '92 Committee.

Political Distrust, Heightened Interest Shown in Presidential Race

Commentary By Mike Somers

[Appleton, WI]- Searching for a typical Presidential election year is about as promising as snark hunting. There is no such animal to be found. Even using the best opinion surveys and sampling techniques, moreover, it's difficult to generalize in late Summer with much relevance for November. Since when did such difficulties get in the way of speculation, though?

With my sense of curiosity outstripping scientific precision, I've made some informal inquiries into the political climate currently prevailing in northeast Wisconsin's Lesbian and Gay community and have come up with a mixed bag of results.

It would hardly be "news" to report that there is, in general, a distrust of politicians. What did surprise me, however, was a heightened sense of urgency regarding the need to become informed about and participate in the political process.

Urgency Focused on Clinton and Bush

This urgency seems to most clearly focus when it comes to the Presidential race. As issues pertaining to civil rights for Gay men and Lesbians have emerged, we've got more people paying attention to what may be at stake for us.

H. Ross Perot's independent candidacy did have some appeal beyond focusing the potential protest vote. Because of his unique appeal, Perot's remarks about the suitability of Lesbians and Gay men for Presidential appointment and military service launched a few signal flares which may have set the stage for the Republican emphasis on "family values."

To be sure, Clinton isn't universally viewed as guaranteeing our community's political salvation, yet his public pledges to remove the ban on Gays and Lesbians in military service and to make the cabinet level and other federal appointments without regard to sexual orientation has won the ticket a significant measure of support.

Pro-Bush Sentiment

Among some of the people with whom I talked, there was genuine support for Bush and the Republican ticket, however. This pro-Bush sentiment was galvanized mostly by stock GOP issues such as excessive federal involvement in personal and business affairs, welfare expenditures and perceived need for continued growth in military strength for the foreseeable future.

Bush supporters were not unaware of the Democratic position on Lesbian and Gay rights, but they saw the Democratic ticket of Clinton-Gore as being limited in their ability to fulfill their promises and — at the same time — not addressing the Reagan-Bush "big government" issue

package.

The Congressional Level

While conservative-liberal identification has major impact on voter decisions at the Presidential level, leadership qualities (especially trustworthiness) and a perceived detachment from the Washington, D.C. establishment seem most significant at the Congressional level.

With Republican seats at stake in our area in the U.S. Senate (Kasten) and the House of Representatives (Roth-8th District), the Bush-Quayle anti-Congress campaign theme could well backfire on the GOP.

The President's visit to Appleton this Summer may be counteracted by Bush's media attempts to blame Congress in general for the nation's ills. It would be ironic indeed if Republican candidates attempting to ride the Presidential coattails were to run the risk of playing a high-stakes game of crack-the-whip.

Selling Of The President

Since 1968 (cf., *The Selling of the President 1968*), "feel good" has been growing in importance as an asset in American political life. A candidate's smile and delivery have become more important than the content of his or her platform, and image has taken precedence over almost anything else. This is a slippery factor to get a grip on.

In addition to the course of world events and how they're managed by the current administration, this factor presents us with a major unknown in this year's equation that could work to the advantage of the current White House occupant.

Time will tell — I guess.

GAMMA Hosts Sept. 12 Corn Roast

[Milwaukee]- The Sunday after Labor Day, September 13, 1992, the Milwaukee Gay and Lesbian community is invited to spend "Sunday in the Park with GAMMA." Picnic area #4, at the far east end of Newberry Boulevard in Lake Park will be the site.

The fun begins with volleyball, touch football, and other less vigorous sports about 1:00 p.m. The corn roast (including beer, brats, burgers, beans and soda) will begin about 3:30 p.m. For only \$5, you can have good food — and meet new friends.

GAMMA's September events include a biking tour on September 5, a booth at MAPfest on September 6, Game Night on September 11, Mountain biking on September 12 and dining out on September 18.

For more information about the corn roast, these events, or the GAMMA organization, call (414) 963-9833.

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Foundation, MAP or to the charity of their choice rather than United Way. The spokesperson added, "By donating directly to the charity of your choice, you will be by-passing the 10 percent administrative costs of United Way."

QN's Demands

QN Milwaukee is urging all Milwaukeeans to stop giving money to the local United Way until United Way 1) defund the Boy Scouts or force the Boy Scouts to sign a binding agreement not to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in membership, selection of volunteers and hiring and 2) institute an on-going policy of not funding organizations that discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

QN Milwaukee's action comes at a time when the boycott against United Way is getting increased support.

The United Way-Bay Area Chapter in San Francisco voted earlier this year to defund the Scouts. The Scouts lost \$800,000.

The boycott has received the endorsement of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the Human Rights Campaign Fund, and Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. In addition, QN will be asking other groups in Milwaukee to join the boycott.

In addition, Queer Scouts is urging all Milwaukeeans not to join, donate to, or "in any way" support BSA because of they have labeled "23 million Queer

Americans" as "immoral," "counter to traditional values," and "unfit role models."

QN, BSA and WI Public Radio

One August 28, 1992, Dan Fons was invited to appear on Wisconsin Public Radio to answer call-in questions about the boycott and BSA. The local chapter of BSA was invited but deferred to the national organization. The national organization agreed to appear, but not with Fons.

Fons said that the calls he received were "overwhelmingly" positive to QN's position. Many callers, he said, recounted their feelings of being alienated when they were Scouts.

On August 31, Blake Lewis, the national spokesperson for BSA went on the air. In conformity to a policy statement issued by BSA on June 6, 1991, Lewis said that the discrimination against Gays is Scout policy, but that the Scouts make no attempt in the screening process to find out if someone is Gay nor are there any "witch hunts." Only voluntary admission of being Gay is grounds for exclusion from the Scouts.

The local chapter of BSA stands behind this position, saying that membership in the Scouts is a "privilege," not a right.

QN Milwaukee urges people who want to serve or join a youth organization to support 4H, YMCA, YWCA, Girl Scouts of America, Boys and Girls Clubs, Big Brothers and/or Big Sisters, all organizations that have pledged not to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

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FILM

'Cabaret,' 'Longtime Companion' Benefit for MAP at Paradise Theatre

[Milwaukee]- Milwaukee's Paradise Theatre will sponsor a Special Event to Benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP), during the weekend of September 25, 26, 27.



DIVINE DECADENCE—Liza Minnelli portrays singer Sally Bowles in 'Cabaret.'

The Paradise will present a double feature of the films *Longtime Companion* and *Cabaret*. \$2 of each admission ticket at \$5 will go to MAP. Showtime will be 7:00 p.m. each night, with a 15-minute

intermission between films. Admission for those interested in seeing only the second film of the double feature is \$2.50; showtime is 9:15 p.m.

Longtime Companion was the 1990 Audience Award winner at the United States Film Festival. Bruce Davison received an Academy Award nomination for his performance in this story of a close-knit group of Gay men and the effects that AIDS has upon them.

Cabaret is Bob Fosse's hit musical from 1972, the winner of 8 Academy Awards, including best director (Fosse), best actress (Liza Minnelli) and best supporting actor (Joel Grey).

The Paradise Theatre is located at 62nd and Greenfield; phone (414) 259-5122 for further information.

Coming Attractions

The Paradise Theatre has also announced the following upcoming films:

September 8-10 at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.: *Pat and Mike* with Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn (1952);

September 15-17 at 7:00 and 9:30 p.m. *A Place in the Sun* with Elizabeth Taylor, Montgomery Clift and Shelley Winters (1951 b/w);

September 18 at 7:00 and 9:10 p.m. and **September 19-20** at 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. *The Maltese Falcon* with Humphrey Bogart, Mary Astor and Sydney Greenstreet.

Ticket prices for Matinees are \$1.50 and Evenings \$2.00.

New Lobby, Benefit Shows Precede Boulevard Theatre Season Opening Of Tennessee Williams' Play

[Milwaukee]- Milwaukee's Boulevard Ensemble is kicking off its 1992-'93 season with a Benefit on September 11, 12, 18 and 19, at the Boulevard Theatre, 2250 S. Kinnickinnic. Each night the Ensemble will feature selected scenes from its Summer Acting Workshop, including a broad range of selections from comedy to drama. The selections will change each of the two weekends.

The Ensemble will present scenes from such authors as Oscar Wilde, Anton Chekhov, David Mamet, and Richard Brinsley Sheridan. The Ensemble will also present monologues written by celebrated writer Eric Bogosian and ones written by Milwaukee writer Peter Ernst who is now working in New York City.

A small sampling of the directorial roster includes: Patricia Acerra, who has worked and directed for the Boulevard and Playwrights Studio Theatre;

Pamela Brown (making her directorial debut), an actress who has been featured with the Ensemble and has also recently appeared in Playwright's Studio Theatre's *Ten-Minute Play Festival*;

Yaakov Sullivan, a local actor who has appeared extensively on Milwaukee stages, and many other local directors.

For ticket information or to reserve seating, please call the Ensemble at (414) 672-6019. All proceeds from the Boulevard Benefit will go to support productions for the 1992-'93 season.

Changes at the Boulevard

One major change for the Ensemble is the expansion of its space at 2250 S. Kinnickinnic. Due to the efforts of the Ensemble's Special Projects Team (Pat Acerra, Susan Fete, Dawn Ross and Jim Ross, the Boulevard has added an adjacent space which has provided for the enlargement of its performing area and allowed additional rehearsal space, an office and a separate lobby.

Season Opener

A *Lovely Afternoon at Creve Coeur* by Gay playwright Tennessee Williams will

open the Boulevard's 1992-'93 season. The Milwaukee premiere of this rare Williams' comedy will be directed by Susan Fete who directed the Boulevard's extended December, 1991 production of *The Belle Of Amherst*. The play will run October 16 through November 8 (Thursdays through Sundays).

Wisconsin Talent Sought for OutTo Brunch Oct. Show

[Minneapolis, MN]- OutTo Brunch, a Twin Cities Lesbian social organization, would like to invite the women of Wisconsin to participate in Fifth Annual Community Talent Show by and for Lesbians which is scheduled to take place on October 17, 1992. The Talent Show will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Sabathani Community Center Auditorium, 310 E. 38th St., Minneapolis, MN.

Singers, dancers, musicians, comedienettes, talented others, whether serious or light-hearted, you are encouraged to perform.

All those wishing to participate should call Arlys Arnold at (612) 645-6867 for a Performer Registration form. You may also write her at 1831 Tatum St., Falcon Heights, MN 55113. All registrations must be received by September 15, 1992, in order to be included in the program. Performers have the option of free admission to watch the rest of the acts.

OutTo Brunch Talent Show tickets are available at a cost of \$4 or \$5 at the door. To order by mail, send a check payable to OutTo Brunch and an SASE to: B. Stevens, 1706 Birney St., Eau Claire, WI 54701. All mail orders should be received by October 9.

Fest City Singers Have Moved Their Art to High Level With 'Movin' On'

By Bill Meunier

[Milwaukee]- I could tell you that the Fest City Singer's "Movin' On" was outrageous, well choreographed, hysterical, polished and clever. It certainly was all of those and more. But those words just don't do justice to one of the finest and funniest shows I've seen in some time.

When I first sat down and looked over the list of songs to be performed, I thought "Oh no, another Fag Concert." I wasn't sure that I wanted to sit through yet another rendition of "New York, New York," or "San Francisco." By the end of the show, I wanted more.

The theme of the show was "Movin' On." Not just to different places, but to different phases and spaces in our lives.

This revue was not a travelogue of places, it was a description and satirization of the spaces we occupy at various times in our lives.

It wasn't just the singing (although some of it was quite, quite good), it wasn't the props (there were very few) nor was it just the music or the lyrics. It was the total package that made this show a success. Everything from the facial expressions of the singers, to the dance steps and the accompaniment fit together so well that the audience was totally engrossed.

There was "Getting to Know You" sung by the boys in the backroom of the bar (as female members of the chorus complete with red cross veils passed out condoms in the audience), a hysterical rendition of "YMCA" and much more.

Just as enjoyable were songs with lyrics that were altered to fit the theme. For example, "Brie and White Wine" was sung to the *Fiddler on the Roof* tune "Anatevka" and provided a riotous look at the cocktail circuit.

There were many other memorable moments in this show. Penny McCandles who sang of her love for "The Physician" as Tom Walenbach played "doctor" with two male nurses. "Something in Red," an outrageous look at the pitfalls of falling in love with a bisexual. "I've Been to a Marvelous Party" featuring Sandy Dennis, John Vande Walle, and Tim Kraetsch had the audience roaring with laughter. So did "Love for Sale" featuring Kevin Quader and Brian Dettmering, and "Piss Elegant" performed by the entire chorus.

I wish I had the space to go on and on about how much I enjoyed each and every one of the 21 numbers the Fest City Singers performed. There wasn't one that wasn't thoroughly entertaining. In every one of them the simple props, facial expressions, dancing and singing were expertly blended to a polished finish.

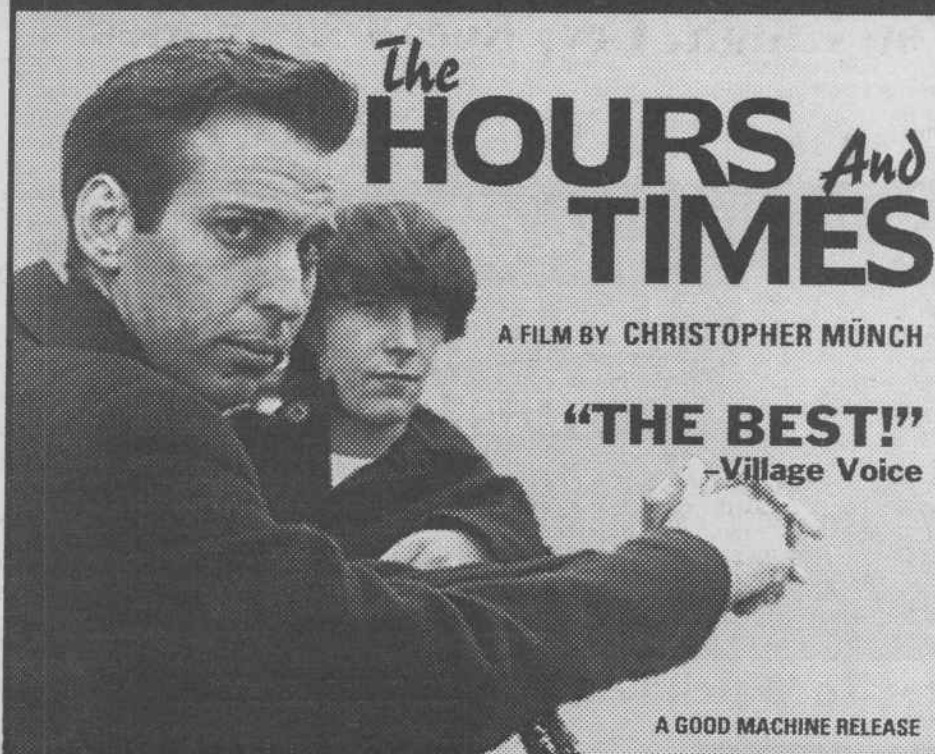
The only flaw I detected was that the entertainment had to end and the members of the audience had to move on to their own spaces. If this show is any indication, the Fest City Singers have moved on to a high level of professionalism that more than justifies the price of admission. Like everyone else who saw and heard this delightful treat, I am eagerly waiting to see where they move on to next.

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'Coming Out Conservative' Is Disturbing Liebman Autobiography

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By Terry Boughner

With *Coming Out Conservative: An Autobiography*, Marvin Liebman offers an election-year warning to American voters: Now is the time to stand up for who you are, what you are, and what you believe in. One of the founders of the modern conservative movement, Liebman followed his own advice when he announced to the world that he is Gay.

For 35 years, Liebman has been the conservatives brilliant, behind the scenes strategist. According to knowledgeable observers, he has been largely responsible for both the respectability of the Conservative Revival and for differentiating it from the lunatic fringe.

It's this "lunatic fringe" that has Liebman worried. Liebman calls them "bigots: anti-Semites, anti-Catholics,

the KKK, rednecks, Know Nothings, a sorry lot of public hucksters and religious medicine men." His concern about them has compelled him to tell his own story in *Coming Out Conservative*.

In his book, Liebman defines the modern American political conservative. He reveals how the movement took shape, gained momentum and won power.

He is a natural-born story teller, filling his book with personal anecdotes, some funny, others poignant. For example, there was the time when he, William F. Buckley and Ronald Reagan were in Buckley's kitchen having a drink. There Reagan broke the news that his son, Ron, wanted to be a dancer.

The incident is told with humor, but it was the turning point in Liebman's life. The book's worth reading to find out why.

Coming Out Conservative is due out September 28, 1992. It's a good one, worth reading — and disturbing as hell.



SOLO DEBUT—Ron Romanovsky performed songs from his new album in San Francisco at the May 1992 Gay and Lesbian Press Association's annual awards banquet.

Romanovsky Is Without Phillips In New Easy Listening Album

By Geno

It's Romanovsky without Phillips this time in a solo debut — and the difference shows. Subtitled as *Romanovsky Lite, Hopeless Romantic* is a pleasant collection of twelve original songs, music and lyrics by Ron Romanovsky. The lyrics rhyme neatly and cleverly and the musical accompaniment is, for the most part, easy listening, even bland in spite of a monotonous Latin American beat reminiscent of Karaoke that has been added to about half the songs to liven them up.

True To Myself

Welcome changes of pace are offered in *True To Myself* by a campy "I Love to Polka" and the thoughtful "A Measure of Sadness" with music by John Buccero. Witty concepts characterize "The Telephone Company Loves Me" about a long-distance love affair and "One for You, One for Me" as lovers breaking up divide their friends between them. *True To Myself* is an album to put in the tape deck (also available on CD) to enjoy as background music after it's been heard once, possibly twice.

Ironically, *True To Myself* by Joe Bracco who died of AIDS in 1991, has the life and passion missing from the

Romanovsky album. The pleasantly adenoidal quality of Bracco's voice contrasts with Romanovsky's light tenor; Bracco's lyrics and music have an audacity, a cheekiness that is compelling. He sings with abandon songs like "Kiss Me in Spanish," "Cruiser's Blues," and "Drag Doll" and his version of "Window Whacker" about an exhibitionistic neighbor has a likable impudence.

"Friend in My Pocket" has been used widely in condom-use campaigns and it has been featured in TV Cable programs and in a multi-media AIDS campaign.

"Golden Boy" and "I don't Like to Say Goodbye" have been recorded without instrumental accompaniment so that the singer's voice comes across pure, sweet and deeply personal. "I Don't Like to Say Goodbye" is about lovers parting and "Home-Free at Last" was written for Joe's sister before he came out as a Gay songwriter. Now, both take on added meaning as Joe Bracco's farewell to the world he loved.

Both *Hopeful Romantic* (produced by Teresa Trull) and *True To Myself* (produced by Paul Phillips), are on the Fresh Fruit label.

New Flirtations Album Will Make You Laugh, Cry, Recall Memories

By Terry Boughner

Imagine, if you will (if your memory goes back that far) your high school prom. And quartet up front is all Gay and every song is sung to your heart (the one pining for Bennett Chotner — at my case). If you can, then you have an idea of what *Out On The Road*, the Flirtations latest album is like.

And then imagine that it's now and those songs have been lightly spiced with Lesbian/Gay and political humor or blended with a pathos of love gained and sometimes lost. That's *Out On The Road*, too.

The Flirtations, who have gained nation-wide fame as the world's first and only politically active, multicultural, all-Gay a cappella vocal group, have produced in *Out On The Road*, a marvelously funny, wonderfully nostalgic, beautifully lonely album of songs as it is possible to imagine. The songs capture the Flirts' individual backgrounds ("Donde Esta Dolores" that Aurelio's mother would sing to him), as well as the raucous, often satirical, many times irreverent atmosphere of a Flirts' concert.

Right now, as I write, I'm sitting listening to "Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream." It's moving, very much so, tremendously powerful, and filled with the dearly held belief that peace will only come to earth when men begin to listen to and respect women.

Now, there's "Johnny Angel." I remember it. Do you? Not on a jukebox, but at a dance and I was gonzo over Stevie Nicks. The Flirts bring that terribly

bitter-sweet memory back. Or there's "So Much In Love," a song of Lesbian love written by Aurilio and dedicated to his Great Aunt, the first woman District Attorney of Puerto Rico, and her female lover. "See them holding hands together," he sings sweetly, "So much in love, That's Lesbian love." It's beautiful. That's all I can say.

Out On The Road is one of those rare albums that can make you laugh, cry and dip into your memories and your Lesbian or Gay male self. Seriously, it can make you feel like blue Christmas lights glowing softly on new-fallen snow.

Out On The Road was recorded live in Vancouver and is out on the Flirt Records label. The Flirts are currently on a 35-city tour across the U.S. Give *Out On The Road* a listen. You'll find out, I think, why they play everywhere to packed houses.

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Too Close to Call Races Bring Apprehension and Excitement

By Bill Meunier

With primary day drawing near, there is both apprehension and excitement. The excitement is caused by the opportunity to elect some staunch supporters of Gay and Lesbian rights, Kessler in the Fifth Congressional District, Clarenbach in the Second Congressional District and Moody in the US Senate Race. The apprehension is caused by the fact that all three are in very close races.

There is also a lot of excitement being generated by Tammy Baldwin's bid to become the first openly Lesbian or Gay member of the Wisconsin legislature. All reports out of Madison are that Baldwin will win, but this year anything can happen.

Here's how the races shape up:

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Former Judge Fred Kessler's hard hitting commercials have enabled him to come roaring from behind. This contest may well be the closest ever seen in Wisconsin.

Kessler's main opponents are State Senator Tom Barrett, and Milwaukee County Supervisor Terrance Pitts. Barrett is running on his record as a State Senator. Pitts, the only African American in the race is concentrating his campaign on Milwaukee's African American community. He is hoping that a strong voter turnout from Milwaukee's African Americans will translate into a Pitts victory.

Kessler is the only candidate with strong organized support in the Lesbian and Gay community. He also has received endorsements from former Mayor Frank P. Ziedler and former 5th District Congressman Henry Reuss.

Barrett is popular in the Northwestern section of the district, which he represents in the State Senate, but is not as well known elsewhere.

This one is probably too close to call. Whoever wins will not win by much.

SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

This was supposed to be an easy primary for David Clarenbach. The script showed him easily crushing Ada Deer on his way to the a November showdown with incumbent Republican Congressman Scott Klug. Someone forget to show that script to the scrappy Deer.

Somehow she has managed to stay on top of Clarenbach and he has the fight of his political life on his hands. Although he has and will continue to outspend Deer by an almost obscene margin, Clarenbach can't seem to build a solid lead. Some polls suggest that Deer is slightly ahead.

What went wrong? Well for one thing, many of Clarenbach's supporters may have been looking ahead to the November election. For another, questions raised about Clarenbach's acceptance of campaign contributions from corporate special interests have tarnished his progressive image.

Another factor is the fact that his opponent is an articulate minority woman. Despite Clarenbach's strong support for a feminist agenda, some feminists would prefer to help Deer become Wisconsin's first ever female Congressional Representative. Some progressives would also like to see her become Wisconsin's first Native American in Congress. Both women and Native Americans are under represented in the House.

Clarenbach also has to contend with Republican voters (who have no Congressional primary) causing mischief and crossing over to vote for Deer. It is widely assumed that Deer would be cannon fodder for Klug.

Clarenbach has solid support from the Lesbian and Gay community in Madison. He will need it. Recent polls should serve as a wake up call for his supporters. Whether it will be enough is still uncertain, but come election night, he should be able to finish on top.

U.S. SENATE

The attack ads campaigns launched by Congressman Jim Moody and Businessman Joe Checota have soured the voters on both. But don't get the idea that both have come away from their mudslinging battle on equal terms. They haven't. Voters are angry at both men, but for different reasons.

The anger at Moody, is not because of what he said about Checota, (its widely accepted as true) but because of the NUMBER of times his commercials ran. Moody's attacks were backed up by newspaper articles detailing Checota's business dealings.

Voters are angry with Checota on two counts. First they don't believe what he said about Moody and second they do believe what Moody said about him.

An independent observer told me that Checota has decided to cut his losses and has cancelled a big media buy. If that's true it would indicate that he's giving up.

State Senator Russ Feingold has tried to take advantage of voter anger by running ads that remind the voters of the mudslinging. Given his standing in the polls and limited funds, he probably has no choice. BUT he is risking the voters seeing him as a mudslinger if he overdoes it.

Feingold's problem is that the voters have begun paying attention way too late in the campaign for him to win. If the negative had continued for much longer, or if he had more money, things might be different.

As things are right now, it is likely that voter anger over the attack ads will have dissipated somewhat by election day. There is a huge undecided vote, but it will take more money than Feingold has to convince them to vote for him.

Anything can still happen, but on election night my guess is that the gold will be given to Moody and the silver will go to Checota.

Sept. 27 Is Safer Sex Awareness Day at UW-Madison

[Madison]- Safer Sex Awareness Day is Sunday, September 27, 1992 from noon to 4:00 p.m. on the University of Wisconsin-Madison Library Mall. The event is being organized by the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN). It is a non-sexual, non-threatening and fun way for students to learn about HIV, safer sex and related issues.

Milwaukee PFlag Celebrates Third Anniversary

[Milwaukee]- Now three years old, the Milwaukee Chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) meets on the third Sunday evening of each month at a church in Shorewood. The next meeting will be on Sunday, September 20, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Our purpose is to provide a safe and confidential place for parents and friends of Lesbian and Gay people to share their stories. We offer support, information and care. We have a lending library and also share many current news and information pieces with members and friends.

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The goal is to provide people with accurate risk reduction information and thereby encourage them to make safe sexual choices. The afternoon will include a D.J. Phil the Condom (he walks, talks, sings and dances!). There will be various condom activities, games, raffles and more.

In all, more than \$1,000 in prizes will be given away. MASN will also provide HIV/AIDS information, and free, anonymous and confidential, HIV antibody testing.

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[Milwaukee]- Milwaukee's Cream City Foundation (CCF) has announced the availability of applications for the third annual John M. Cowles Memorial Scholarships. Once again, two \$500 scholarships will be awarded for the upcoming (1992-1993) academic year, which may be used by the recipients for tuition and other academic expenses.

One previous recipient of the award, Jason Dienerberger, referred to CCF's scholarship program in this way: "(the) commitment of assisting the Gay youth of our community sends two messages. The first of which is a communication to our youth that established (Gay and Lesbian) persons are there to help them in times of need;" and second, that "without education, we have no defense against the oppression that we face as a disenfranchised group."

Musical Tribute To Honor Taco At Phaze II

[Madison]-After the death of Arthur "Taco" Cooper on May 7, 1992, a few of his close friends from Indianapolis felt that they wanted to do something in Taco's honor.

A Benefit in Memory of Taco will be held on Sunday, September 6, 1992 at 9:30 p.m. at Phaze II Shamrock, 117 W. Main Street in Madison. Admission will be \$3.

The organizers are calling it "A Night of Fantasy." The many songs presented by the different acts in the show will be a musical tribute to Taco from his friends in both Indianapolis and Madison.

Taco was well known in all walks of life and shared his life as a person living with AIDS to all who would listen. Taco enjoyed talking to young people because he felt that if he "could save just one young life, then his live would be worthwhile."

At the direction of Taco's mother, Mrs. L. Cooper, the proceeds from the benefit will go to The Cookie Jar to be used for clients of the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN).

The scholarships were initiated by CCF as a memorial to the late John M. Cowles, a community leader who died in January, 1990. John had been an active member of GAMMA (Milwaukee's Gay sports and volleyball league), as well as serving on the Foundation's Board of Directors.

CCF will award the scholarships in two \$250 awards for each of the two primary semesters of the academic year (Fall, 1992 and Spring, 1993). Applicants must be entering their Junior or Senior year at an accredited college or university in the Metro Milwaukee area. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA, have a demonstrated interest in the Gay/Lesbian community, and be a U.S. citizen and Wisconsin resident.

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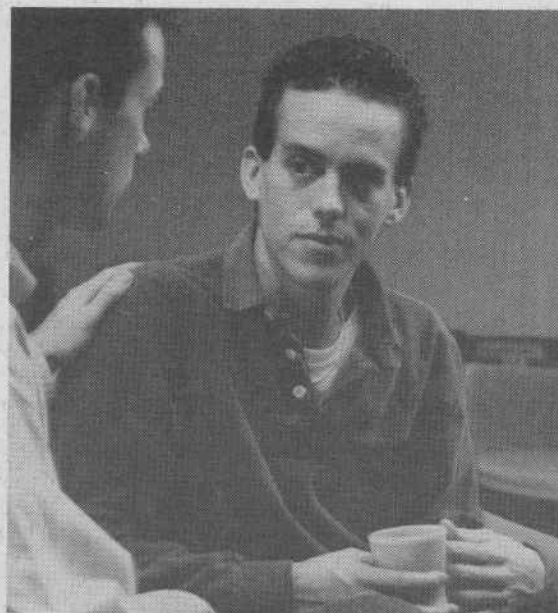
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[Madison]- The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual (LGB) Campus Center in Madison will be hosting its Grand Opening on Thursday, September 10, 1992. The Center, a student service organization, is the first Center for LGB in the University of Wisconsin System.

The Center will provide a variety of services, from support groups to programs. The Center invites you to visit its facilities. It is located at 336 W. Dayton in Madison.

LGB Fundraiser

The LGB Campus Center and the Gay and Lesbian Ethnic Minority Association will be hosting a fundraiser to start a Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual studies scholarship in the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The fundraiser will be held on Friday, September 18, 1992 on

campus at the Great Hall.

The scholarship is being developed to encourage research of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual lives as well as to encourage the founding of a Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Studies Program.

The fundraiser will be a combination dance and fashion show. The fashion show, a mockery of stereotypes about Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals, will begin at 9:30 p.m. The dance will go from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. There will be a cash bar.

Cost is a \$3 donation with tickets purchased before hand, or a \$5 donation at the door. Ticket sales locations to be announced. For more information, please contact Alnisa Allgood, (608) 262-1081 or (608) 263-3422 or Deborah Bey at (608) 271-8439 or (608) 262-1081.

WCF Celebrates 10 Years; Honors Activist Sunshine Jones

[Madison]- The Wisconsin Community Fund (WCF) will be celebrating its tenth anniversary with a dinner on Saturday, September 26th. WCF is a major funder of organizations working for civil rights, including Gay and Lesbian rights.

Featured entertainment at the dinner will be the nationally-renowned African American dance company, "Ko-Thi." Winona La Duke, a prominent Native American activist, will be the featured speaker. A buffet dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Union Ballroom at UW-Milwaukee. (Buses will leave Madison at 4:30 p.m.)

Among those receiving special recognition at the dinner will be Sunshine Jones, a co-founder of Madison's Lesbian Parents Network and a veteran of more than 20 years of working for social justice. Only three years after its founding, the

Network has grown to serve more than 200 families throughout Madison and the state and has been an important force in challenging institutions to become more responsive to the needs of families in all forms.

Jones will be one of three activists receiving a \$2,000 grant to be used in advancing their important work. In the past, WCF has provided funding for the United, GALVANize, and the Lesbian Parents Network. WCF recently funded a grant to Ashland, a Wisconsin Gay and Lesbian student organization.

WCF is interested in expanding its funding and fundraising base in the Gay and Lesbian community, particularly in Milwaukee. For information on how to apply for grants, or to find out more about the 10th anniversary dinner, call WCF at (608) 251-6834.

Milwaukee Pride Committee To Hold Elections Sept. 10

[Milwaukee]- The Milwaukee Lesbian Gay Pride Committee (MLGPC) as announced that their annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 1992. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room of the M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. All residents of the Milwaukee area are invited to attend.

Items on the agenda include the election of new officers, election of new committee members and the presentation of the annual financial report.

If you, your organization or any person you know is interested in joining the Pride Committee, MLGPC requests that an

application be submitted to the Pride Committee. The application should include a brief cover letter detailing your qualifications along with your reasons explaining why you wish to join the Pride Committee. A resume is also requested.

Applications should be submitted to: MLGPC, P.O. Box 93852, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Or you may present it in person on the night of the meeting.

MLGPC will also be holding a discussion session at the meeting where they will entertain questions, suggestions and comments on the 1992 Pride Fest and on plans for the 1993 Pride Fest.

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rights legislation establishing protections for Gays and Lesbians in the areas of employment, housing, and public accommodations. In nearly 20 years in the state legislature, he has also authored hate-crime legislation and been a proponent of funding for programs and protections for people with AIDS.

Deer

Deer has a long record of activism in working for women's rights, civil rights, and the rights of children. Currently on leave of absence from her position as a women's studies professor at the University of Wisconsin, Deer cites her background as a social worker and coalition builder, and her extensive experience as a civil rights lobbyist, as evidence that she would be an effective voice in Congress.

Progressives, Lesbians/Gays Torn

Many in Madison's progressive and Gay and Lesbian communities have felt torn by the choice between Clarenbach and Deer. Clarenbach's long-standing record of success in working for civil rights and being a progressive voice for the people of Wisconsin's most progressive legislative district, has earned him the loyalty of many. However, in a year when voters seem to be looking for a change in the face of their government, Deer's candidacy represents an exciting alternative.

In a year when women who are running for office are on the ascendancy, Clarenbach cites the depth of his support among individuals and organizations working for women's rights and reproductive freedom. He also cites the insights he gained in growing up in an egalitarian, feminist household. (Clarenbach's mother is National

Organization for Women co-founder Kathryn Clarenbach.)

"Women who are winning nationwide are winning because they are the most effective," Clarenbach said in a televised interview. "In this particular race, I believe that I am the most effective voice for change."

In a recent interview with the *Light*, Clarenbach described the long fight for Wisconsin's Lesbian and Gay rights bill. The support of mainstream institutions such as Wisconsin's church leadership was crucial to his success, he said.

"I have shown that I can effectively build a coalition around the idea that discrimination in any form is wrong," Clarenbach said. "I would use the same careful, well-considered strategy if elected to Congress in order to bring about national Gay and Lesbian rights legislation."

Clarenbach says that he differs from his opponent in that he has a track record of demonstrated effectiveness in fighting for the rights of Lesbians and Gays, and people with AIDS.

Deer Responds

Deer's position papers state that she is "committed to working toward the building of a country in which all people will be accepted as equals in regard to their sexual orientation."

"As a social worker," she says, "I know that there are more non-traditional families than traditional (ones)... I will support legislation and policy that will protect non-traditional families, and will end discrimination in all institutions." She also pledges her support in the fight for people with AIDS.

Deer has charged that Clarenbach is too enmeshed in the political establishment and the result has been legislation that has been watered down because of the influence of lobbyists. She cites what she says is Clarenbach's mixed record of

effectiveness in the area of health care as indicative of this, a charge that Clarenbach vehemently denies.

Clarenbach cites his record of legislative achievement, and implies that Deer's history of activism is no substitute for a record of effectiveness in government, especially in the U.S. Congress.

Deer, however, maintains that her record as an effective coalition builder shows that she would be an effective legislator. "I have had 30 years in the real world working with all groups of people in Madison, Deer stated in a recent interview in the *Capital Times*. "David Clarenbach has spent the last 20 years in Madison working in the legislature."

"For too long, we've had our friends speaking for us," Deer said, paraphrasing supporter Gloria Steinem. "Now we can speak for ourselves."

Too Close To Call

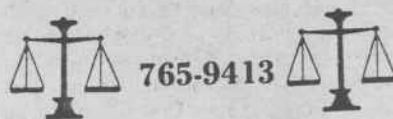
As of press time, it was apparent that Clarenbach's record has inspired the loyalty of many in the Lesbian and Gay community, based on an informal survey of yard signs in predominantly Lesbian and Gay areas of town.

However, others believe that Deer's candidacy offers an important opportunity because they feel she brings the perspective of someone who has been an outsider herself and who has committed herself to offering a voice and a perspective for those who have been disempowered.

Clarenbach and Deer do not differ

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significantly in terms of their stands on the issues. Ultimately, for many in the Gay and Lesbian community, the decision will largely be based on who they believe will be the most effective advocate for Lesbian and Gay rights, if elected to Congress. In a close election, every vote will count.

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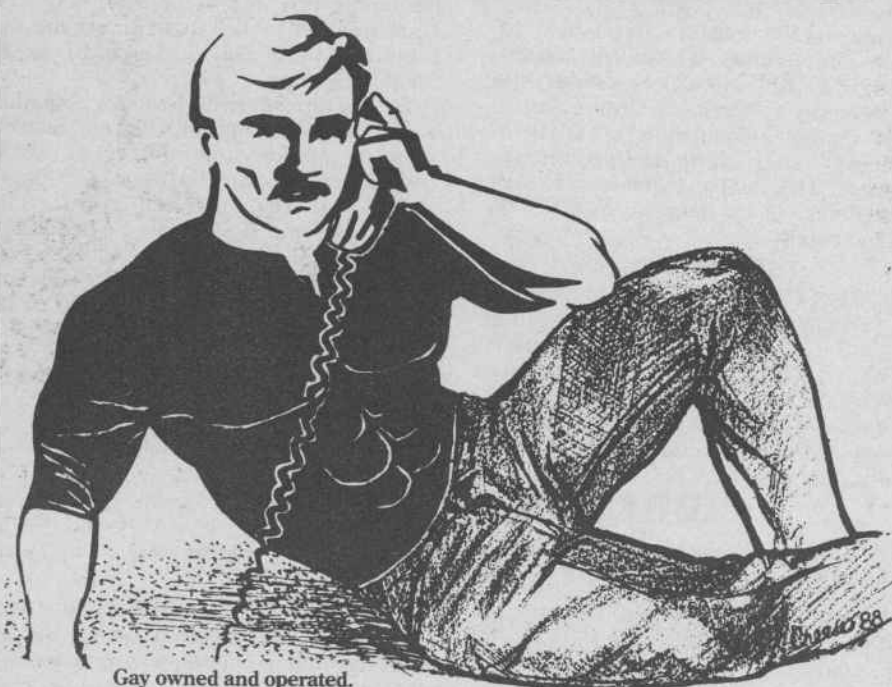


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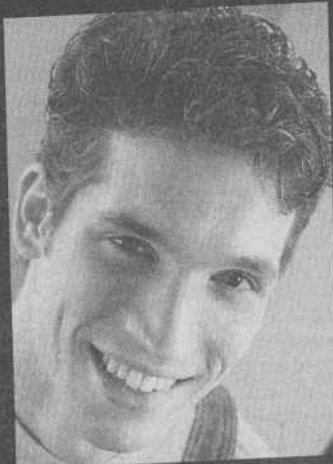
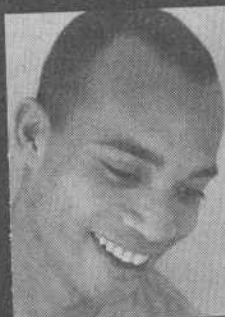
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returned their questionnaires. Feingold also enclosed a position paper on AIDS, the only senatorial candidate known to have one.

In the 5th District, Barrett, Kessler and Marotta responded.

A Wide Range of Questions

Candidates were questioned on a wide range of AIDS issues, from AIDS education for students to AIDS funding and clean needle exchanges.

Some of the more interesting findings: Feingold, Faulkner and Moody, the three responding senatorial candidates, supported condom availability programs as part of AIDS education in the schools as did Kessler and Marotta.

An identical pattern of support was found for clean needle exchange programs.

Barrett Fears Condoms Will Support Sex

Only Barrett hedged on support for condom availability. In a meeting with members of the AIDS community on August 31, 1992, Barrett told representatives that he preferred not to see condoms in a school setting for fear of seeming to promote sex.

Barrett, a self-proclaimed advocate of local control, did say that, despite his personal reservations, he "probably" would not support a federal bill that specifically banned condom availability in schools.

Needle Exchange Programs

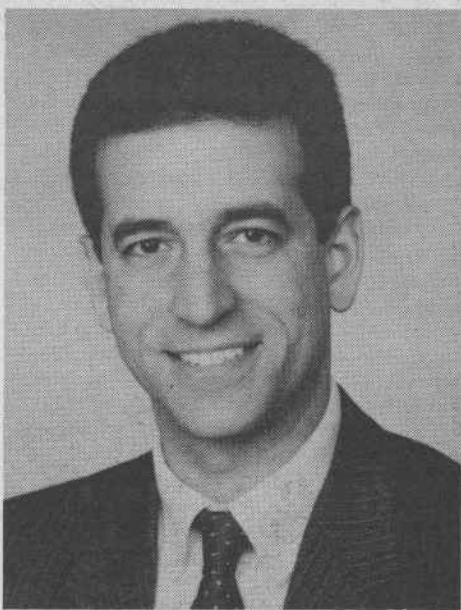
All candidates answering the survey, save Barrett, also supported clean needle exchanges.

Barrett's reservations were based on the same premise as his opposition to condom programs — that AIDS intervention would promote or appear to promote "improper activity," in this case, drug use.

However, Barrett did not rule out needle exchange programs. In his written response, he said that such programs should be funded with private rather than public money "whenever possible."

5th District Candidate Fred Kessler told a group of AIDS activists and AIDS service providers in an ACT UP organized meeting that he "strongly supported" safe needle programs, including public funding. Kessler agreed with those at the meeting that private financing of needle exchanges would be next to impossible to get because of their lack of public relations appeal.

Senate candidate Moody pointed out in



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his response that he had voted in the House in May against arch-conservative Newt Gingrich's (R-GA) successful effort to ban states and cities from using Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration money to "implement safe needle programs."

Deal With Real World

Candidates supporting clean needle exchanges generally accepted Marotta's rationale. "The only way," Marotta said, "to prevent the spread of AIDS is to deal with the real world..."

All candidates responding, supported greater public funding for drug treatment programs as part of the fight against AIDS though Faulkner insisted that such programs be voluntary.

A person working at MAP related to Kessler how many MAP clients seek to quit IV drug use only to find that treatment programs have a six month wait. Kessler responded, saying that there had been too much emphasis on drug convictions and not enough on treatment.

Criminalizing HIV transmission

All candidates responding opposed the specific criminalization of HIV transmission (except possibly Faulkner, whose answer was unclear). All believed that current laws such as reckless endangerment, are adequate.

Anonymous HIV Tests

All candidates responding to the ACT UP survey were supportive of anonymous HIV antibody testing which is believed to be a shield against discrimination, making testing more available for those in

need.

While no written question addressed the issue of HIV-positive health care workers, House candidates Barrett and Kessler in separate meetings with ACT UP opposed mandatory testing of health workers and other Helms-like measures. Moody's aides said that their candidate agreed with that position.

AIDS Funding

All candidates promised to raise funding for the Ryan White CARE act, designed to send emergency relief to areas hit hard by AIDS. Since passed by Congress, the act has never been funded at more than a fraction of what it authorizes.

Health Care Reform

Candidates also advanced their ideas on health care system reform. Senate candidates Moody and Feingold, and House candidate Kessler, have the most comprehensive plans, supporting a single-payer national health insurance system, based broadly on the Canadian system.

House candidate Marotta supported his program of basic insurance for all without regard to pre-existing condition.

Barrett emphasized his pragmatism, stressing his incremental approach and his willingness to get behind any proposal short of a British-style National Health Service — but including single-payer legislation — that would pass. Barrett promised to work to end corporate exploitation of unregulated self-insurance programs.

Recently, employers have begun to switch from outside insurance companies to self-funded programs to get health coverage for their employees because self-insurance is considerably less regulated. These newly self-insured companies can then pick and choose which diseases they will cover, with AIDS as the first to be capped. Barrett wants to end this.

GET OUT AND VOTE!!

While committed to direct action to end the AIDS crisis, ACT UP organizers of the survey stressed the importance of simply voting in the September 8 Primary. Voting is easy in Wisconsin! Readers can call the Election Commission with questions at (414) 278-3491.

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"Russ has earned our support, most recently by going to bat for us for increased state funding for people with AIDS," openly Gay Dane County Supervisor Marc Pocan told the *Light*. "Russ is first and foremost an uncompromising leader in the area of civil rights. I believe that he is the candidate most likely to beat Bob Kasten in the Fall and that he will be an outspoken leader on Gay and Lesbian rights in the U.S. Senate."

Feingold Interview

In an interview with the *Light*, Feingold spoke eloquently of his empathy for the daily struggle facing Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals. He spoke of his experience growing up as a member of the small Jewish community in Janesville.

"Of the four candidates for the Senate, I have the strongest sense of what it is to be in the minority, not the same as the other kids in school," he said. "Every day, I was aware of what it was to be different from the majority. It's driven my passion for civil liberties, for giving people power who have long been denied a voice."

Feingold: Leadership In Individual Rights, His Highest Honor

Feingold spoke of this as an important time in our history, and contrasted Bill Clinton's message of inclusiveness with George Bush's thinly-veiled euphemism for homophobia: "family values."

"The Republicans' narrow definition of family doesn't reflect what a family is: people forming relationships and protecting and supporting one another," he said. "They have no sense of the varieties of family values that exist in this multi-cultural and multi-faceted nation."

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"People need to be brought together, not further divided. Being a leader in the area of individual rights is the highest honor," Feingold said. "I would be a leader in the area of increasing civil rights for Gays and Lesbians and all people who face intolerance."

In the state legislature, Feingold cites his record on legislation prohibiting discriminatory harassment on the job for Gays and Lesbians. He says he would be a leader in promoting similar federal legislation.

Feingold And AIDS Research

Feingold also says he feels "a moral obligation to fight for an infusion of federal dollars for AIDS research and services for people with AIDS." His strong record on civil rights is proof that he would fight for the right to confidentiality for people who have tested positive for HIV, and to fight discrimination wherever it occurs.

Feingold, in appealing to Gay and Lesbian voters, says he recognizes that, like all voters, they are concerned about multiple issues.

Among Feingold's priorities are reducing the federal deficit through further defense cuts and elimination of waste, the development of a national health care system, an increased federal emphasis on civil liberties, an end to the politicization of funding for the arts, and increased housing and economic opportunities.

Baby Jane Hudson Celebrates Her 29th Birthday!

[Milwaukee]- Baby Jane Hudson is doing it again!! The girl's celebrating her 6th Annual 29th birthday on Sunday, September 13, with a party at Wizards Pub, 4538 W. Lisbon Avenue. The "affair" begins at 3:00 p.m. and goes to 9:00 p.m.

Now, c'mon. The last time Baby Jane saw 29 was just after Bette Davis stopped eating salt. Still, there she'll be.

There'll be a buffet, cocktail specials and special entertainment. So get yourselves over there to Wizards and help the "old girl" put one more down the hatch — or is it up the shoot. Whatever.

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Organizations

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Let's Have 50 State Demonstrations Instead of One Washington March

Commentary By Michael Petrellis

Talk about effective, grassroots, national Queer organizing.

That's exactly what happened Wednesday, August 19, when hundreds of Queers applied for marriage certificates in town halls in 50 German cities.

The Associated Press's (AP) wire story, datelined Berlin, told of "more than 250 couples" taking part in the one-day action in cities like Hamburg, Hanover, Frankfurt and Leipzig. Government officials denied recognition of the same-sex unions, but the official rejection sets the stage for a legal challenge likely to reach the German supreme court.

In a sense, the German Queer community suffered a set-back by failing to get the right to marry. But, what the activists did achieve was nothing less than brilliant: a national action of substance, powerfully orchestrated, that garnered broad media coverage.

Why has the U.S. Queer movement failed to do the same thing, in 50 states, on the same day — a **business day** — with thousands of us simultaneously demanding the same right and the same visibility?

Imagine what would happen if some of our Gay and Lesbian groups were asked to organize a coincident demonstration in all 50 states.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) might say, "Don't do it," because we're not ready to deal with the backlash and too much visibility would hurt our friends in Congress and the Democratic Party. The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) would ask why the action isn't focused on a multitude of issues, including the environmental impact of the Mt. Pinatubo volcanic eruptions.

Queer Nation and ACT UP would endlessly debate the merits of the proposal, but at least they would discuss seriously doing it.

What I Would Do

If I held dictatorial sway over the Queer U.S. movement, I would simply order mainstream and activist constituencies to design and execute a national event, at the state level, comparable to what the Germans did.

I'd direct HRCF and NGLTF to use their substantial resources to collect and study all published materials from our German siblings. These documents would be translated and distributed far and wide in the U.S.

I'd command ACT UP and Queer Nation to bring over dozens of Queer activists from Germany who would be sent on speaking tours of both groups' chapters, whipping up enthusiasm for a day of state-based national mobilization.

Eventually, all constituencies would merge into one cohesive force working toward the same goal: turning Queers out on the same day to apply for something, **ANYTHING** from their state governments.

What Would Be Gained?

Political organizing would take place at the state level where the power accrued would remain, strengthening our position for future battles.

We could shift some of our focus from the federal bureaucracy to state legislatures where more victories lie. Support for Queer rights really only exists in the home district.

A nation-wide, grassroots network of activist Queers would be established, akin to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People or the National Organization for Women. These groups have chapters, albeit some with only a handful of members, at every state level. We need the same set-up.

The network would continue to function after completing the project. This network would take the best aspect of the activist groups — committed foot soldiers — and mix it with the best part of the mainstream groups — wealthy donors. Blend them together with a healthy dose of structure queens and you have an essential third force of Queer leadership to take us through the Gay 90's.

Cancel the March On Washington

If I had tyrannical powers, I would declare the April, 1993, March on Washington null and void. This march is nothing more than a party with an absurd list of demands. It will have little impact because these days, demonstrations in D.C., no matter how large, are a dime a dozen.

In place of yet another March on Washington, I would declare that a March

on the States take place. Millions of us turning out at state capitals, demanding justice where it counts most; in our own backyards.

The thing bothering me most about the latest March on Washington, is the strategy of putting all of our eggs in one basket; Washington. It wants one million Queers to come to one city for one day for 50 different causes, then go home. I want one million Queers to come to 50 home-state capitals for one day, for one cause — Queer Liberation.

We possess the tools necessary to undertake successfully a same day national action at the state level. It's about time we did. But I think such an action can only happen if several benevolent dictators step forward to organize it.

We've never tried 50 state marches. But the spectacular success of the 50-city German action argues in favor of us performing likewise.

Let's keep up with the Germans. They have much to teach us.

\$24,000 Received For MAP at August Events

[Milwaukee]- A wide series of fundraisers in August held for the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) raised in excess of \$12,000 for MAP and the Southeastern Wisconsin AIDS Project (SEWAP).

On August 9th, Milwaukee's La Cage hosted the Siro's "White Knight Out" Underwear Party which raised \$1,300 for MAP. Later in the month, La Cage also hosted a "Red, Hot and Dance" C.D. Release Party which raised \$500 for MAP and AMFar.

The 9th Annual Lavender Hill "Lavender Space Odyssey" held at the Renaissance Center on Sunday, August 16, was attended by approximately 400 people and raised over \$10,000 this year. Next year's Lavender Hill theme will be "Lavender Hollywood."

In the Helens outdoor benefit on August 15, "Helenfest '92," held in McHenry, Illinois, raised \$340 for SEWAP.

MAP and SEWAP wish to extend their thanks to all who helped to make these fundraisers a success.

KESSLER

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Nearly 100 Lesbian and Gay volunteers have joined the Kessler campaign. Last weekend as he campaigned in Gay and Lesbian bars Kessler received so many offers of help that his Lesbian and Gay escorts Miriam Ben Shalom and Bill Meunier ran out of volunteer cards. Those who want to help are being urged to contact the Kessler headquarters by calling 276-3900.

Meanwhile in Madison's 78th State Assembly District, openly Lesbian candidate Tammy Baldwin appears to be on her way to winning the Democratic primary. Baldwin still needs a heavy turnout of Gays and Lesbians to be assured of winning.

All of this means that in three key races, a strong Gay and Lesbian turnout can make the difference. As one activist put it, "There are reasons why people may not want to come out of the closet or demonstrate. There is no reason not to vote. It only takes a few minutes, you can even register at the polls. The voting booth is the best closet in the world. Come September 8th, it would nice if we all marched into that closet together."



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